

### Business Women's Group To Collect Gifts For Sisters

Annual Christmas Tea of the Business Women's Group of the Catholic Women's Club will be held Sunday, Dec. 21 from 4 until 6 p.m.

Members of other groups of the club will join in placing gifts of food beneath the Christmas tree in the clubhouse on Alex-

ander St. Later these gifts will be delivered to the Carmelite Monastery to stock their shelves. PRESIDING AT the tea table will be Mrs. William J. Hickey and the Misses Geraldine Moylan, L. Allen, Lucille C. Burckhardt, Mary L. Dunbar and Alice F. Kirk.

The program arranged by Miss Mary E. Wintish will include singing of carols by a group of student nurses from St. Mary's Hospital. Miss Agnes M. LaValle is in charge of decorating the clubhouse in keeping with the season.

With Miss Mary L. Clarke as chairman other arrangements have been made. She is being assisted by the Misses Katherine E. Allen, Alie F. Calkin, Margaret J. O'Connor, M. Emily Dugan, Esther L. Furlong, Mildred F. Magin, Ada A. Meng, H. Loretta Murray, Hilda J. Schiltz and Rose M. Tschelder.

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### 165 Clothing Boxes Sent From Geneva After Drive

Geneva—Final results of the Thanksgiving Week clothing drive conducted by St. Francis de Sales and St. Stephen's churches, were released this week.

The local collection was part of a nationwide drive in Catholic parishes. Bishops of the United States set aside Thanksgiving Week for the collecting of warm clothing for the 10 million refugees in dire need as winter approaches.

Mrs. S. E. McMillen, chairman of the drive at St. Francis de Sales, said the volunteers had packed 87 large boxes weighing over three tons.

She added that the total collected represented over 6,000 articles of clothing. Included were 1,450 of women's clothing; 1,450 of men and boys' wear; 1,200 pieces of children's clothing; and about 800 articles of infant's wear.

THE REV. ROBERT H. FENNESSY, head of the drive for St. Stephen's parish, reports 78 cartons containing over 4,000 articles of clothing were packed by the volunteers there.

He said the 78 cartons are in addition to the 38 brought in by the Geneva Volunteer Air Reserve Squadron.

In addition to many miscellaneous articles, the drive at St. Stephen's collected about 800 pieces of women's clothing, 400 pairs of shoes, 276 articles of men's clothing, 430 boys' coats and suits, 395 girls' coats and dresses.

### Notre Dame Given Work By Mestrovic

Notre Dame, Ind. (NC)—An impressive sculpture of the crucified Christ by the world-renowned sculptor, Ivan Mestrovic, has been presented to the University of Notre Dame's Wightman Art Gallery by a former student who prefers to remain anonymous.

In announcing the gift, the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., President of Notre Dame, expressed appreciation to the donor "for enriching the University's art collection with its first major work of sculpture.

The mahogany crucifix stands six feet tall. The corpus of Our Lord is cast in gift bronze. A plaster version of the crucifix was shown in the recent Liturgical Arts Exhibition in New York City. Mestrovic is artist-in-residence at Syracuse University.

### Priest, Indian 'Get In Act'

New Orleans (NC)—With an "in-again, out-again" priest and Indian once more included in the plans, a bronze statuery group honoring the founder of New Orleans will be erected here on Union Station Circle when the new railroad depot is completed.

Original plans called for figures of a priest and an Indian, beside Jean Baptiste Le Moyne, Sieur de Bienville, the city's founder. When lack of money for the project became evident, it was decided to drop the priest and Indian from the group, but now they are back in the plans.

### 7-Part Program Features Geneva CDA Yuletide Fete

Geneva—Some jig-time—whistling solos—a minstrel show and readings, featured the annual Christmas party of Court Geneva, Catholic Daughters of America, in Woman's Building.

The seven-part program was given in Lewis Hall. A business meeting followed.

The program opened with a reading by Mrs. Arthur T. McAvoy, after which several Irish reels were entertained with a "Little Irish Dance". Colleen were Virginia Lindsay, Monica Brady, Marie Kelly, Phyllis Fisher, Anna Marie Hastings, Mary Meinzer, and Eleanor McGuigan. Josephine Lazio, well-known for her talent as a whistler, gave a holiday number, "White Christmas".

CHRISTMAS SONGS and community singing was led by Mrs. Mary Sothers. Selections included Silent Night, Jingle Bells, Let It Snow, and Winter Wonderland.

Some fine minstrel talent was revealed in the act by "Our Black Face Friends", opening with Alexander's Ragtime Band, and including such popular numbers as "That Old Gang of Mine, Dark Town, Strutters Ball, Snow Ball, Doodle Dee Doo, Mammy, and All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth, and closing chorus Santa Claus Is Coming To Town.

Entertainers in the final act were Josephine Lazio, Elizabeth

### CHRISTMAS NOVENA IS MEXICAN CUSTOM

Las Posadas—the inns—is a Christmas novena eminently Mexican in origin. It is strictly religious and should not be confused with Los Pastores—the shepherds—which is a semi-pagan custom growing out of the fact that the early missionaries had to find a way of combining Indian rites with Christian doctrine. The latter includes much singing and dancing, and the songs tell the story of the birth of Christ.

The Christmas novena begins on December 16, and nine homes are selected in advance as the inns. One home is visited each evening by a procession in which lighted candles are carried and hymns are sung, telling the story of Mary and Joseph looking for a lodging. On eight nights Mary and Joseph are turned away, but on the ninth a crib and manger await them.

Confirms 4,000 Mindanao, Philippine Islands (NC)—Mgr. Patrick Cronin confirmed 4,000 Filipinos, all in a period of six days. He is the recently-appointed Apostolic Administrator of Ozamis.

### British Bishop Plans Korea Trip

London (NC)—The British Bishop of Exeter has given permission to visit the Korean war zone.

It was announced here that the Bishop of Exeter, who is on his way to the National Eucharistic Congress in Sydney, Australia, next April, may also visit New Zealand.

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