Judge Medina Receives Forum Award On Feb. 25

Judge Harold R. Medina will receive the Christian Culture award from the Thomas More Lecture Forum Thursday evening, February 25 at the Chamber of Commerce.

The award, given in recognition of outstanding service in support of Christian culture and thought, will be presented by Federal Judge Harold P. Burke of the Western New York District, according to the Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall, forum director.

JUDGE MEDINA, who presided over the famed trial of 11 top Communists in New York in 1949 and has since been elevated to the Circuit Court of Appeals, will deliver an address following acceptance of the award.

Assistant District Attorney John J. Conway, Jr., president of the Lecture Forum, will introduce Judge Burke. Judges from the various courts in the area are expected to appear on the platform with Judge Medina.

Msgr. Randall announced this week that all members of the Thomas More Lecture Forum are invited to attend the ceremonies and hear Judge Medina's address. A limited number of tickets will be made available to others wishing to attend. These tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis and may be obtained at the Forum headquarters in the Columbus Civic Center.

Polish Priest Disappears After Anti-Red Sermon

Berlin — (NC) — The Warsaw pulpit from which His Eminence Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski preached the evening before his arrest is quickly acquiring the reputation of a stepping stone to martyrdom.

The Cardinal's fate of disappearing in the clutches of the Red police has befallen another cleric who spoke from the same pulpit in the university church of St. Ann in Warsaw. The new victim is Father Zeja, according to information reaching here.

In a sermon in St. Ann's the priest sharply criticized the regime-sponsored organization of "patriotic priests." Afterwards, the priest was called to the Warsaw government office of religious affairs "for a new assignment." He disappeared and has not been seen since.

Famed Yankee Pitcher Greeted

SPORTS NIGHT conducted by Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus brought Vic Raschi, famed New York Yankee pitcher, as guest speaker. In photo are: Leo Fitzkacy, co-chairman; his son, Peter, 9; Joseph J. Rooney, Grandknight and Joseph Curtin, sports night chairman. Raschi is autographing baseball for the boy.

Scout Sunday Set For Owego Troop

CDA Sale Listed

By HELEN A. BROSNAN

Owego — Members of the recently formed Troop 57, Boy Scouts of America, will attend the 8:30 Mass in a group. The scouts, with Joseph Loftus, scoutmaster and Robert Reynolds, assistant, will meet in front of the church at 8:20 and will occupy seats in the church reserved for them. Boys of the parishes, who are members of the various other Boy Scout Troops in the village, are invited to attend the Mass with St. Patrick's Troop.

Owego—Members of Court St. Rose of Lima, Catholic Daughters of America, will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, Feb. 13. The proceeds of the sale will be used for the Seminary Fund Drive, sponsored by New York State Court.

Miss Helen Haag is general chairman. Miss Haag, who is historian of the Court, will be assisted by other officers.

Owego—Funeral services for Dominic Simielo, 46, were held in St. Patrick's Church, Saturday, Jan. 30. Mr. Simielo, died unexpectedly at the Wilson Memorial Hospital, Johnson City, Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1954. The Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor, offered the Requiem Mass. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

Mr. Simielo is survived by his wife, Dolores Martino Simielo, formerly of Watkins Glen; one daughter, Miss Geraldine Simielo at home; one sister, Mrs. Edward Devine, Owego, and four brothers, James, Charles, John and Michael Simielo, all of Owego.

Owego — Miss Isabel Mary Gunset, 24 Armstrong Place, became the bride of Robert H. Ford, in a double ring ceremony, performed at noon, in St. Patrick's Church, Saturday Jan. 23. The exchange of wedding vows was witnessed by the Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor. Mrs. Joseph Butler, of Somerville, Mass., sister of the bride was matron of honor and Joseph Loftus, Owego was best man.

The bride is the daughter of William F. Gunset, Endicott, and Mrs. Henry Gregory, Somerville, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. James R. Ford, Front St. are the parents of the bridegroom. The bride is a graduate of the Owego Free Academy and has been employed as a secretary in the offices of Stakmore Corp. Mr. Ford also graduated from the Owego Free Academy, attended St. Bonaventure University and is, now, in his senior year at the Columbia University of the School of Optometry.

Convert Class

Covington —(NC)— Confirmation was conferred on the largest convert class in the history of the Covington diocese by Bishop William T. Mulloy, at Mother of God Church, here. The class was composed of 63 members.

St. Patrick Sodality To Hear Fr. Hohman At Dinner

Our Lady's Sodality of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira will hold the annual banquet on Monday, Feb. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Mark Twain Hotel.

The Rev. Louis J. Hohman Spiritual director of St. Andrew's Seminary and moderator of the Rochester Diocesan Council, National Council of Catholic Women will be guest speaker.

MRS. CHARLES O'HARA is general chairman and will be assisted by Mrs. Frank Hanoven and Mrs. Justin McCarthy with tickets; Miss Rose Kingston, decorations; Mrs. Frances Lynch, program; Mrs. Harold Lownsbury, publicity.

Father Hohman will be introduced by the Rev. Frederick W. Bush, sodality moderator. Other guests will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V.F.; Rev. Robert J. Donovan and Rev. James Martin.

REV. LOUIS J. HOHMAN

'Country Priest' Tells Life Of Blessed Pope Pius X

Milwaukee — Following the news that Blessed Pius X will be canonized May 29, the Bruce Publishing Company has announced the publication of a new book on his life.

Called **Pius X: A Country Priest**, it is the story of the consuming faith and love for God and people that brought the peasant boy, Giuseppe Sarto, from his humble birthplace in Riese to the Chair of St. Peter in Rome. The author of Igino Giordani of the Vatican Library, who writes from personal experience, and with a keen knowledge of Italian history and political affairs. The translation was made by Msgr. Thomas J. Tobin of Portland, Oregon.

PIS X IS notable for his efforts for more frequent Communion and for earlier Communion for children; his encyclicals on the dogma of the Immaculate Conception; establishment of a commission to codify canon law; his powerful efforts to establish Catholic action; his efforts on behalf of sacred music and fine arts; and his successful struggle against the fallacy of Modernism.

Born Giuseppe Sarto, son of a peasant farmer and laborer, the simple pious life of his childhood prepared him for his eventual role as a man of the people, a country priest who never lost the common touch. As a boy he walked 12 miles to the junior seminary. His intelligence and singleness of purpose put him at the head of his class and he received a scholarship to the major seminary at Padua.

His motto throughout his priestly life—To restore all things to Christ—was adopted officially when he was elected Pope in 1903. He died August 19, 1914, grieving over the World War which he had been helpless to prevent. In 1951 he was declared Blessed and he will be canonized May 29.

$35,000,000 In Camps

The 820 Boy Scout Council camps have a value of $35,000,000.

Newman Clubs Plan Summer Schools

Baton Rouge, La. — (NC) — Plans for two-week-long summer seminars to train for Catholic leadership among secular college students were announced at a National Newman Club Federation meeting here. The schools — to be held next summer in New York and New England — will be in addition to the Newman School of Catholic Thought, which is to be held for the third straight year at the University of Notre Dame.

The decision to set up the new seminars was made during the quarterly meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Newman Club Federation — the national body representing clubs for Catholic students on some 500 non-Catholic college and university campuses. No dates have been set for the new schools.

Book Outlines Convert Clubs

Lexington, Ky. — (NC) — A revised edition of a book that describes organization of Catholic convert clubs has been published by the Guild of St. Paul here. The 40-page booklet outlines step-by-step procedure in setting up clubs for converts after baptism, according to methods used on a nationwide scale by the Guild of St. Paul.

Formerly entitled "A Club for Converts," the booklet is now called "The Guild of St. Paul." The first publication was issued in 1948 at the suggestion of Bishop William M. Mulloy of Covington. Father Leonard B. Nienaber is spiritual director of the Guild.

Catholic Book List

Glen Ellyn, Ill. — (NC) — A list of 60 books emphasizing "Christian Reading For A United World" — Catholic Book Week slogan for 1954 — has been issued by the Catholic Library Association, sponsor of Catholic Book Week.

The list, entitled "The Best In Catholic Reading, 1954," includes 30 titles for adults and 30 titles for children and young people.

Catholic Book Week will be observed from the 21st to the 27th of February, the month set aside as Catholic Press Month.

BOOKS FOR ADULTS

All God's Children—James Keller. Hanover House, $2.00.

Be Not Solicitous — Maisie Ward. Sheed, $3.00.

Bread In The Wilderness — Thomas Merton. New Directions, $5.00.

Case of Cardinal Aloysius Stepinac — Richard Pattee. Bruce, $5.50.

The Catholic Church and the American Idea — Theodore Maynard. Appleton, $3.50.

Catholic Commentary on Holy Scripture — Don Bernard Orchard. Nelson, $15.00.

A Century of Conflict: Communist Techniques on World Revolution — Stefan T. Possony. Regnery, $7.50.

China In The 16th Century, the Journals of Matthew Ricci — Translated by Louis Gallagher, S.J. Random, $7.50.

Choir of Muses — Etienne Gilson. Sheed, $3.50.

The Church in the Christian Roman Empire — J. R. Palanque, G. Brady, and P. de Labriolle. Translated by Ernest C. Messenger. Macmillan, $9.00.

Creative Intuition in Art and Poetry — Jacques Maritain. Pantheon, $6.50.

Flower of May—Kate O'Brien. Harper, $3.75.

Fundamental Psychiatry—John R. Cavanagh and James B. McGoldrick. Bruce, $5.50.

Greatest Faith Ever Known — Fulton Oursler and April Oursler Armstrong. Doubleday, $3.95.

A Handful of Authors — Gilbert K. Chesterton. Sheed, $3.00.

Hilaire Belloc: No Alienated Man — Frederick Wilhelmson. Sheed, $2.75.

Life Is Worth Living — Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. McGraw, $3.75.

The Manner is Ordinary — John LaFarge, S. J., Harcourt, $5.00.

Mary Tudor—H. F. M. Prescott. Macmillan, $5.00.

Mental Health in a Mad World — James A. Magner. Bruce, $3.75.

Of Sacraments And Sacrifice—Clifford Howell, S.J. Liturgical Press, $2.50.

Philosophy of Jacques Maritain—Charles A. Fecher. Newman, $5.00.

Promises To Keep: A Family Close-up — William E. Walsh. Kenedy, $3.00.

Saints Westward — Donald Attwater. Kenedy, $2.50.

Set All Afire—Louis de Wohl. Lippincott, $3.00.

Sign of Jonas — Thomas Merton. Harcourt, $3.50.

So Near Is God — James M. Gillis, C.S.P. Scribner, $3.00.

Social and Sanity — Frank J. Sheed. Sheed, $3.00.

A Stage of Fools—Charles A. Brady. Dutton, $3.95.

What America Means To Me and Other Poems and Prayers—Francis Cardinal Spellman. Scribner, $2.50.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN

Adventures of Pancho of Peru —Albert J. Nevins. Dodd, $2.75 (Ages 12-16).

All Alone—Clair H. Bishop. Viking, $2.50 (Ages 7-12).

And Now Miguel — Joseph Krumgold. Crowell, $2.75 (Ages 10-12).

Arabian Cow Horse — John R. Young. Wilcox, $2.50 (Ages 12-16)

Book Of Hugh Flower—Lorna Beers. Harper, $2.50 (Ages 12-16)

The Borrowers — Mary Norton. Harcourt, $2.50 (Ages 10-16)

The Dragon and the Book — Christine Price. Longmans, $2.75 (Ages 10-14)

God And The General's Daughter — Anne Heagney. Bruce, $3.00 (Ages 12-16)

First Catholics — Marigold Hunt. Sheed, $2.75 (Ages 9-12)

Halfway To Heaven; the Story of the St. Bernard — Ruth A. Knight. McGraw, $2.75 (Ages 13-16).

Hero By Mistake — Anita Brenner. Scott, $2.00 (Ages 7-12)

In Clean Hay — Eric P. Kelly. MacMillan, $1.25 (Ages 6-9)

Jean Baptiste Pointe De Sable; Founder of Chicago — Shirley Graham. Messner, $2.75 (Ages 13-16)

The Juggler Of Our Lady; A Medieval Legend — R. O. Blechman. Holt, $2.50 (Ages 7-12)

Magic Maize — Mary Buff. Houghton, $3.00 (Ages 7-10)

The Mission Bell—Leo Politi. Scribner, $2.25 (Ages 6-10)

Nicholas And The Wool-Pack; An Adventure Story From The Middle Ages — Cynthia Harnett. Putnam, $2.50 (Ages 14-17)

Noel For Jeanne Marie—Francoise. Scribner, $2.25 (Ages 4-6)

Ready Or Not—Mary Stolz. Harper, $2.50 (Ages 14-17)

Reason For Ann And Other Stories — Myles Connolly, McMullen, $3.00 (Ages 14-17)

Rich Inheritance; A Story of Catholic Elizabethan England — Winefride Nolan. St. Martin's, $2.50 (Ages 12-16)

The Silver Chair—C. S. Lewis. Macmillan, $2.75 (Ages 9-12)

Song Of A Thrush—Katherine W. Eyre. Oxford, $3.00 (Ages 13-16)

St. Francis And The Wolf — Herry Beatty. Houghton, $2.50 (Ages 8-10)

Shadrach — Meindert DeJong. Harper, $2.50 (Ages 10-16)

The Springs Of Silence—Madeline De Frees (Sister Mary Gilbert). Prentice, $2.95 (Ages 13-17)

The Story Of The "Romance" — William E. Rively. Rinehart, $3.50 (Ages 12-17)

This Is The Seminary — Rawley Myers. Bruce, $2.00 (Ages 13-17)

While Angels Watch — Gerard S. Scriven. Catechetical Guild, $3.00 (Ages 7-10)

With The Bible Through The Church Year — Richard Beron, O. S. B. Pantheon, $4.95 (Ages 6-12)

"Crusade For Souls"

Wheeling, W. Va. — (NC) — A "Crusade for Souls," especially converts, will be conducted by the clergy and laity of Wheeling as a present for Wheeling's Bishop John J. Swint, who will observe his golden jubilee in the priesthood during the week of May 9.

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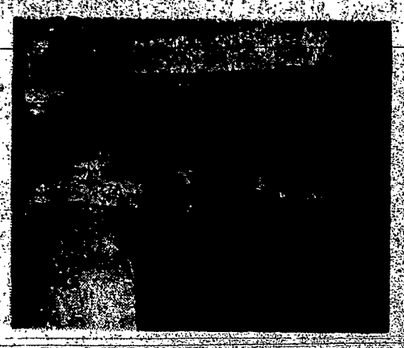
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