

## 'Father Brown' Film Wins Praise In London Premiere

London, England — (NC) — Catholic and secular newspaper critics gave uniformly high praise to the world's first film of "Father Brown," G. K. Chesterton's beloved priest-detective. The film had its premiere in one of the biggest theaters in London's West End.

Producer of the film was an American, Paul Finer Moss, who came over from Hollywood for the purpose and has since bought the film and TV rights

of all the Father Brown stories. Another American, Miss Thelma Schree, cooperated in adapting the film from Chesterton's story called "The Blue Cross." The film was made by Facet Productions in collaboration with Columbia Pictures.

THE MOVIE tells the story of Father Brown's involved and amusing pursuit across Europe of a notorious French thief, Flambeau, who has stolen a relic from his church. A complication is the priest's wish to keep the police off the track and he has not only recovered the relic but converted the thief.

Even Chesterton enthusiasts who raised eyebrows when the film was suggested agreed that the movie was as faithful a portrayal as possible on the screen of the wise, endearing and meek little priest-detective. Alex Guinness, who plays Father Brown, won all-around praise for his performance.

The world premiere was a charity performance in aid of the Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth, operated without state aid here by the Sisters of Mercy.

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## Sister Magdalena Receives Candy For Korean Youths



A SHIPMENT of candy for Korean children was presented to Maryknoll Sisters by Barton's, Bonbonkers, candy manufacturer and retail chain, for distribution to children treated in the Maryknoll Sisters Medical Clinic in Fusan, Korea. Presentation was made in Brooklyn, N. Y., to Sister Magdalena, R.N., and to South Korean Vice Consul S. J. Chyun, by Stephen Klein, president of Barton's.

Sister Magdalena is the former Catherine Urlicser, of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Roseton. A graduate of Holy Family Academy, she received her nursing training at Providence Hospital in Seattle, Wash.

Sister Magdalena was in Rochester recently visiting her brothers, John and George Urlicser, both of Chalmers Road. She has been a volunteer in China and other parts of the Orient for 18 years.

Photo shown from left: Grace Yoon, 12-year-old Korean child, Vice Consul Chyun, Sister Magdalena, with Mr. Klein on the right.

## Parental Blessing (cont.)

Continuing the quotations from the book on parental blessing from which I quoted last week we read:

"Nowadays a person so rarely sees parents bless their children, that he is inclined to think the privilege no longer exists. Has the parental blessing lost its efficacy in the New Testament? Has Christ's coming changed the essential relations between parent and child? Has matrimony, elevated by the Savior to the dignity of Sacrament, been lowered in spiritual values? Most certainly not! Jesus, in the New Testament has increased the number and capacity of the channels of grace, of which the parental blessing is one.

"Parental blessing is parental blessing still. The scattered family and the empty hearth are but the concomitant of parental blessing neglected. If this Sacrament of the Domestic Hearth were more frequently administered, there would be more happy and contented families. The two indispensable factors of happiness in a home are amiable authority on the part of parents, and loving obedience on the part of children.

"PARENTS WHO bless are more keenly conscious of their responsible dignity. In their power to bless they recognize the channel of grace that they do not want to obstruct by disedifying example.

"It is easy for a child to see God's representative in a parent before whom it frequently kneels for blessing. With this recognition come the love, reverence and obedience children owe to their parents.

"If your home is not all that you would like it to be, try adding the following ingredients: edification, love, reverence, and obedience. You get them all, and much more, out of the parental blessing. These are the things that make the home out of which saints come forth.

"IN THE LIVES of the saints and the saints, we find many beautiful examples that help to spur us on in fostering this worthy custom. The last words of the mother of St. Gregory of Nyssa, were her words of benediction pronounced over her ten children, some of them absent some present. The dying mother of St. Edmund called her boy from Paris to England to bestow on him her blessing. The Blessed Thomas More, even when a married man, advanced in years and official dignity - he was Lord Chancellor of England - never left his father's house without that aged parent's blessing.

"THE LITTLE FLOWER of Jesus, whose charming child-like sanctity has made her so popular, undoubtedly owes some of her exalted holiness to her parents' blessing. The custom of blessing the children prevailed in the home of the Little Flower. In her autobiography she expressly mentions the blessing received from her father on one momentous occasion. It was the day she entered the convent. Hear her speak for herself: 'The next morning, after a last look at the happy home of my childhood, I set out for Carmel, where we all heard Mass (April 9, 1888). I embraced all my dear ones, and knelt for my father's blessing. He, too, knelt down and blessed me through his tears.'

## Catholic Broadcasters Meet, Study Radio-TV Apostolate

Charlotte, N. C. — (NC) — How to use Catholic broadcasts across to non-Catholics will be studied at a three-day convention of the Catholic Broadcasters' Association here.

The convention, which will be held at the Ritz-Carlton hotel here through 27 for discussions, that will center on the theme "The Radio-TV Apostolate to Non-Catholics."

The seventh annual convention will include demonstrations of religious radio and TV programs that have been successful in the past, plus exhibits of the broadcasting and telecasting tools.

At a convention Mass, Bishop Vincent S. Waters of Raleigh will deliver a sermon on the importance of the radio-television apostolate.

Radio and TV experts will be featured speakers. Father John Bradley, biblical editor, will talk on apologetic methods. Vice President Kenneth Fredwell of radio station WBT will outline broadcast-station relationships. Radio performers Lewis Martin and Fletcher Austin will discuss broadcasting techniques.

OTHER SPEAKERS will include Father Peter Conroy, president of the Catholic Broadcasters

## Geneva Weddings

McCann - Roeder  
 Miss Mary Ann Roeder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Roeder, 316 Hamilton St., and Lt. Robert B. McCann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. McCann, 508 Washington St., were married Saturday, June 5 in St. Stephen's Church.

The Rev. Raymond P. Nolan, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony and celebrated the nuptial Mass at 11 a.m. Louis and Robert Guard, friends of the bride, served during the Mass. James Lynch was organist, Joseph Warren, soloist, sang "Psalms Angelicus" and "Ave Maria."

Present in the sanctuary were the Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, and the Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, S.T.D. Miss Carolyn E. Roeder, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Richard Morgan, of Utica, cousin of the bride; and the Misses Catherine McCann and Margaret McCann, sisters of the bridegroom. Richard McCann, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Floyd H. Fuss, uncle of the bride, was head usher. Other ushers were Herbert Crowley, Jr., and James A. McCann.

Kane - Fisher  
 Miss Phyllis Mildred Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth F. Fisher Sr., 11 Ave. A., and James A. Kane, son of Mrs. Albert J. Kane, 151 N. Brook St., and the late Dr. Kane, were married Saturday, June 5 in St. Francis de Sales Church.

The ceremony was performed at 11 a.m. by the Rev. Walter Carron, cousin of the bride. Father Carron also celebrated the Nuptial Mass.

Miss Anita Gullo, of Nazareth College, Rochester, was soloist. She sang Schubert's "Ave Maria," "Psalms Angelicus" and "Lord, I Am Not Worthy."

Miss Alice Marie Toney was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were the Misses Anne Sweeney, Janet Denmore, Mary Lou Kane, cousin of the bridegroom, and Maureen Keenan of Rochester.

Miss Dorothy Fisher, sister of the bride, was junior bridesmaid.

Joseph H. Freisem was best man. Ushers were Robert R. O'Malley, John R. Buckley, Richard W. O'Malley and Humphrey C. Donahue.

## St. Charles Winners



CURVED B A Awards were received by seven girls from St. Charles School. They are from top, left to right: Patricia Donahue, Gail Tavaas, Diane Tillman, Judith Bellor, Ruth Neary, Donna Moore and Mary Kay Ryan.

## Rosary Leaders Set On Auburn WMBO

Saturday, June 26 - James Kennedy, St. Aloysius.  
 Sunday, June 27 - Joseph P. Cuddy, Knights of Columbus.  
 Monday, June 28 - Lay representative, St. Raphael.  
 Tuesday, June 29 - Peter Wallace, St. Peter and Paul.  
 Wednesday, June 30 - Francis Phillips, St. Mary.  
 Thursday, July 1 - Joseph Carmello, St. Francis.  
 Friday, July 2 - Lay representative, Holy Family.

## SPIRITUAL EXERCISES AT THE CENACLE

July schedule of spiritual exercises for women at the Cenacle Convent, 693 East Ave., Rochester, follows:

RETREATS  
 July 34 - Retreat for the Blind, opens 2:30 p.m., Saturday, July 3, Rev. William Jenks, C.S.S.R., retreat master.  
 July 9-11 - St. Jerome's Sodality and General, Rev. Leo J. Munnely, C.S.B.  
 July 14-15 - Children's Retreat, ten and 11 years old, opens 8 a.m. Wednesday, July 14 and closes, Thursday, July 15 at 4 p.m. Rev. James Redmond, S.J.  
 July 23-25 - Married Women's Retreat, Rev. Edwin Huang, S. J.  
 DAY OF RECOLLECTION  
 SATURDAY, JULY 17 - St. Patrick's Parish, Mt. Morris, Rev. Joseph Aghaz, C.S.B.

## In CinemaScope Spectacle



William Marshall, left, is Glycon and Victor Mature, Demetrius, two of the powerful gladiators who figure in the spectacular CinemaScope drama, "Demetrius and the Gladiators," set for June 28th opening at Rochester's RKO Palace. The sequel to "The Big Boy" film in color by Technicolor by Twentieth Century-Fox, also stars Susan Hayward, Michael Rennie, Debra Paget, Anne Bancroft, Jay Robinson and Barry Jones.

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## Catholic Actors Elect Officers

New York — (NC) — Gene Buck and Pat O'Brien were re-elected as president and vice-president of the Catholic Actors Guild of America at an annual meeting here.

Elected to other positions were: Jay Jostyn, second vice-president; Ed Begley, recording secretary; Jane Taylor, historian; Frank McNellis, chairman of the executive board; Ann Sullivan, social secretary (theatrical), and Madeleine Larkin, social secretary (non-theatrical).

Members chosen for the executive board were: Matt Briggs, Audrey Egan, Lillian Fallon, Mrs. J. P. Gallagher, Jason Johnson, Fred Kelly, Paul Lilly, Robert Dale Martin, J. Joseph McDermond, Harry Oldridge, Pat O'Shea and James Sauter.

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