



After school fun and games at Settlement Houses

Settlement Houses Provide Recreation, Education Programs

Two settlement houses in the Rochester Diocese are operated by Catholic Charities, offering varied programs to children as well as adults. The Charles Settlement House, located at 445 Jay St., serves an area roughly outlined by Main St. W., Mt. Read Blvd., Lyell Ave. and State St. The Genesee Settlement House at 10 Dake St. serves the public market area.

During the past year Charles House had 801 members working actively within its program. Of these 288 were boys, 344 girls from five to 18 years of age and 159 were adults. Total attendance for the year was 25,545. In addition 623 families in the area received service from the agency.

THE GENESSEE Settlement House offered group work, recreational and educational programs to a membership of 692 people during the past year. Included in its program was the inauguration of an experimental day camp program for retarded children last summer.

CHARLES HOUSE'S contributions to the fulfillment of neighborhood needs can be

seen in a review of its varied uses in the past.

The settlement served as a chapel prior to the building of St. Francis Assisi Church as a classroom for religious instructions until 1938, and as a canteen until these facilities were offered by St. Mary and General hospitals.

The program today at the Charles House is varied. Immigrants still come there for English and citizenship classes conducted by the Board of Education but the program is directed primarily toward working with children and youth.

Each afternoon children arrive from nearby schools for games, sports, instructions in woodworking, pottery and other club and informal activities.

In the evening older children and teens fill the house to participate in basketball and scouting programs offered.

Adults are by no means overlooked in the programming. The Home Bureau meets weekly, two Italian social clubs and the Cub scout program for boys and parents meet monthly.

Special events such as family picnics, Communion break

parties and banquets are held throughout the year.

In addition sewing classes are held twice weekly for women with teachers supplied by the Board of Education.

The Genesee Settlement House program is similar in structure to that of the Charles House, serving both children and adults in the surrounding area. In addition a unique program was inaugurated for retarded children with the aid of the Sunshine League.

Day Camps Highlight Vacation

This year approximately one thousand children from six to 12 years of age, will enjoy a season of organized fun and activity at five C.Y.O. sponsored day camps.

Swimming, hiking, nature studies and handicrafts are only a few of the projects scheduled on the well-touted programs at Holy Redeemer, St. Andrew, St. Michael, and Holy Apostles parishes and at the Columbus Civic Centre.

Counselors are selected for their ability and personality. Many members of the staff are specialists in some field such as swimming, dancing or handicraft and are able to pass their talents on to the children.

For the senior camper ages ten through 12, the annual "overnight" represents the highlight of the entire season. Here resident camping is experienced as youngsters pack duffel bags and leave for a week of camping at Powder Mill Park.

Day camp programs include many events in which parents and family groups are invited to participate. Family swim sessions in the C.Y.O. pool are proving more popular each season.

CHARLES SETTLEMENT HOUSE

445 Jay Street

Enables children, youth and adults of the neighborhood to participate in recreational, educational and social activities.

STAFF

Ruth Ehmanna, Director, Eileen McCarthy, John LeRoux, Albert Walker, LeRoy D'Orsaneo, Michael Syplan, Robert Keck, William Williams, Michellina Angello, Florence McDowell, Mrs. F. E. Strickland.



Father McFarland
C.Y.O. Director



Swing Your Partner

GENESSEE SETTLEMENT HOUSE

10 Dake Street

Provides educational and recreational services on a family basis for boys, girls and adults living in a crowded area.

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Games, Gym, Dances, Swim Draw Thousands To C.Y.O.

Catholic Youth Organization offers varied activities and facilities seven days a week, serving both boys and girls, men and women, as well as special groups.

Various clubs, classes and teams comprise the main program at the C.Y.O. Classes in swimming are offered to beginners as well as advanced life saving classes.

Basketball, ping pong, boxing, badminton and volleyball attract a wide interest from varied age groups. In addition, there are courses in dramatics, gymnastics, dancing, etc.

Two new parish centers were added to the expanding C.Y.O. program during the past year. Immaculate Conception and Holy Redeemer have served neighborhood children in varied programs of sports and hobbies thus relieving the burden at the main office. Special programs designed for the beginner are taught by a C.Y.O. instructor in charge of each center.

The C.Y.O. has been working closely with the newly established Knights of Columbus, Council 178 Youth Committee in handling a program of jointly sponsored activities. Bowling leagues, basketball leagues and one act play competition have been inaugurated in response to an expanded youth program.

Four new programs have been inaugurated in conjunction with four Catholic schools in Rochester. The School of the Holy Childhood was the first to make use of the facilities and instructors with a physical education program of gym activities and a swimming program for teaching the youngsters water safety and swimming.

Nazareth Hall Cadet School has been active in the physical education program including the forthcoming Gymnastics to be presented May 7 and 8 at the C.Y.O. McQuaid Jesuit High School and Aquinas Institute swimming groups and swimming teams have been un-



Last minutes of C.Y.O. basketball game

der the direction of C.Y.O. instructors at the C.Y.O. pool.

C.Y.O. T-dances have grown in popularity during the past two years to the point where 8,730 youngsters participated in 18 weekly sessions on Sunday afternoons.

A sport-a-month plan was introduced at the C.Y.O. in an effort to reach more youngsters in all parishes in the Rochester community. In its first endeavor the program department planned seven differ-

ent sports events including table tennis, basketball, swimming, softball and bowling.

These events are intended to increase participation in all the parishes with their best contestants eventually participating in tournament competition at the C.Y.O.

Splash parties are another new innovation which has met with great enthusiasm by parish Sodallites, scout groups and school groups.

Catholic Youth Organization

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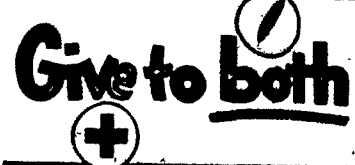
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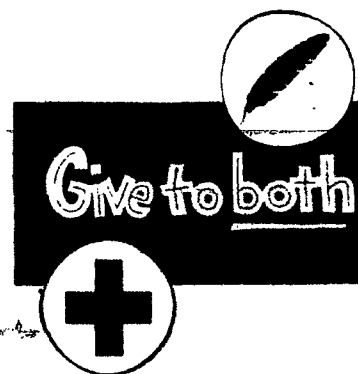
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