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Pope Voices Concern For Red Poland

Vatican City — (RNS) — Concern over conditions in Communist Poland which led to the Poznan uprising was voiced by Pope Plus XII during a general audience at which about 50 Polish exiles living in Rome were present.

The Pope greeted the Polish group with special cordiality, saying: "We greet our very dear Poles resident in Rome. To our dear Lord we direct our fervent prayer, especially in these days of sorrow, sadness and oppression of their fatherland."

THE POLISH group was the first greeted by Pope Plus after he had imparted his apostolic greeting to the gathering made up of persons of many nationalities.

Among those in the group were Archbishop Josef F. Galina, spiritual head of all Catholic Poles in exile; Casimir Papee, Polish Ambassador to the Holy See; and Msgr. Valerian Meysztowicz, a member of the Polish embassy in Vatican City.

Also attending the audience were two other Polish prelates—Msgr. Boleslaw Filipiak, of the Sacred Roman Rota; and Msgr. Marian Strojny, of the Sacred Congregation for the Oriental Church.

Mr. Papee was appointed Polish ambassador prior to World War II and has continued to be accepted by the Vatican as such despite the fact that the Warsaw Communist government abrogated the Vatican-Poland concordat. He is officially regarded as ambassador of "the Polish nation" both by the Vatican and the Polish government-in-exile.

John W. Degus Named To Post

John W. Degus, trustee and past grand knight of Our Lady of the Cenacle Council 3892, Knights of Columbus in Greece was appointed vice chairman of the New York State Council Regent Committee. It was announced by State Deputy Francis D. J. Flanagan of Flushing, L.I.

He will promote lay retreats in this area under the chairmanship of Francis J. Kilkelly of Astoria, state chairman.

Fishing Contest Winners Announced

The results of the July segment of the Louis A. Wehle New York State Fishing Contest have been announced.

The best entry of the month was one by Ernest Metz, 46 Delancey Drive, Geneva, who took a 5 lb. 11 oz. pickerel from Seneca Lake. This fish weighed only one ounce less than last year's grand prize winner entered by Francis Decker of Johnson City.

Joe Kamadula, 333 Weaver St., Rochester, won first prize in the perch classification with a 2 lb. 8 1/2 oz. entry, taken in Seneca Lake.

The Wehle contest runs until Oct. 31, and any fisherman who does not have a copy of the 1956 Guide in his tackle box can get one for free by dropping a note to Wehle at 100 National St., Rochester 5, N.Y.

Catholic Schools Attract Buddhists

Columbus, Ohio — (NC) — Catholic parents can learn something from the Buddhist and Mohammedan parents of the East Asian countries who, in spite of their ancient prejudices, have chosen Catholic schools for their children, according to Father Patrick O'Connor, S.S.C., Far East correspondent for the N.C.W.C. News Service.

"Father O'Connor told 600 officers of the Ohio Knights of Columbus meeting here for their annual conference, that it is "remarkable" how many non-Christians prefer education under Catholic auspices for their children even when other schools are available.

"Even where Catholics are only a small minority," he said, "I can recall no Catholic school that was not besieged by more applicants than it could accept."



STAFF OF CAMP Stella Maris girls' encampment pose as the two week program begins. In photo are: First row; cook boys; (from left) Thomas Calbout; Jim Firestone; Gerald Sullivan; Gregory Hesel; Michael Abbey; Second row; Jean Wells, craft director; Barbara Harzmann, waterfront director; Jeanne Belgier, girl's director; Rev. Eugene H. McFarland, executive director; Mariene Belgier, assistant director; Kathleen O'Donnell,

127 Girls Enjoy Outdoors At Camp Stella Maris

Enjoying a two week encampment at Camp Stella Maris, the diocesan camp on Conesus Lake, are 127 girls of the Rochester and western New York areas. The girls' staff is again in charge of Joanne P. Biegler, director, assisted by Marlene A. Biegler.

Barbara Harzmann, C.Y.O. aquatic director is waterfront director assisted by Phyllis Dickinson, Janet Korn, Joanne Kuchman, Kathleen France, Kathleen Leahy, Marilyn McCarthy, Jane Kenrick and Carol Pike.

Ellen Regan of White Plains is athletic director assisted by Deanne Sarkis, Nancy Plunkett, Patricia Lincoln, Delores Spalone, Joan Marshall and Elaine Hendorf.

THE CRAFT LODGE is supervised by Joan Welte of Erie, Pa. as director, assisted by Mary Kay Schraeder, Charlene Tabone, Patricia Norton, Rosemary Weisen, and Mary Lou Trau.

Kitty O'Donnell of Sykesville, Md., is again campfire director with Mercedes Goodwill, Mary Kay Gaugle as her assistants.

Three Catholic colleges, Immaculate, Mercyhurst and Villa Maria and two State Teachers' Colleges, Brockport and Geneseo, are represented on the girls' staff. The junior counselors were selected from Nazareth Academy, St. Agnes, Mercy and John Marshall high schools of Rochester and Notre Dame High School of Elmira and Ithaca High School of Ithaca.

The Sisters of Mercy supervise the kitchen and Sister Mary Rose, R.N. is the camp nurse.

The Rev. Eugene H. McFarland, diocesan youth director, is executive director and resident chaplain.

Other well-known former college stars will dot the roster in Sunday's game. Among these are Charley Maloy, Art Novack, Don Bardell, Danny Coughlin and Jim Enright.

Carmel Third Order Slates Conventions

Detroit — (NC) — At the invitation of Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, the third annual congress of the Third Order Secular of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Teresa of Avila will be held here in Detroit from October 19 to 21, it has been announced.

The Third Order Secular, it was explained, "is an association of persons who, although living in the world, desire to aim at Christian perfection in the way most suitable to their state of life and under the direction of the Order of Discalced Carmelites."

Religious ceremonies of the congress will be held at St. Alojzsius church in downtown Detroit, close to the Tuller Hotel, congress headquarters.

Tito-Jailed Youth Ordained Priest

Trieste — (NC) — After long years of study and spiritual formation, Holy Orders is an achievement for any seminarian. But for 32-year-old Father Danillo Cimpric, who recently celebrated his first Solemn Mass at Monte Santo, Yugoslavia, it was a tremendous accomplishment.

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State Leaders Hear Units Of Legion Of Mary Report

Virginia Weber, Senatus Treasurer, and Christine Vitullo, Rochester correspondent, from the newly formed New York Senatus of the Legion of Mary, paid their first visit to the Rochester Curia at the July Meeting.

The next meeting of the Rochester Curia of the Legion of Mary will be held on Friday, August 17 in St. Anne's Hall at 8:00 p.m.

Prior to the formation of the New York Senatus, this spring, the Rochester Curia had been directly responsible to the Legion headquarters in Dublin.

In addition to these Senatus visitors, the following visitors and spiritual directors of Praesidia attended the July meeting: Rt. Rev. Msgr. John E. Maney, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard K. Burns, Rev. Andrew W. Tuschel, the Reverend Fathers Robert L. Kress, James A. Williams, William J. Brian, William Jamison, C.S.S.R., as well as Rev. John M. Merklinger, spiritual director of the Curia.

Comforter of the Afflicted and Our Lady of Good Counsel Praesidia presented their annual reports at this meeting.

Comforter of the Afflicted Praesidium is meeting for its 500th consecutive week. During the past year the 24 members have made more than 5000 calls on patients at the Monroe County Infirmary. The routine of their work consists of visiting the newly admitted patient, advising his pastor that he is in the hospital, informing the patient of the Catholic chaplain, supplying him with rosary, prayer book, scapular and Catholic literature, and following up with weekly visits to him.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Praesidium is a junior group, members of which are juniors and seniors in high school. Their works include supervision of the nursery during the nine and ten o'clock Masses every Sunday, visits to patients at the Monroe County Infirmary, and accompanying members of a senior praesidium in making parish calls.

Father Merklinger is spiritual director of both praesidia.

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Regatta Trophy

MAJOR PRIZE to be awarded at the Northern Lake George 25-mile stretch outdoor marathon on Saturday, Aug. 19, will be the Louis A. Wehle Trophy, according to Charles Fitzgerald, commodore of the Lake George Regatta Association of Hagar, Wehle, donor of the major trophy is a member of the association and chairman of the board of Genesee Brewing Co., Inc. of Rochester.

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