

Original Christmas Pageant To Be Staged At Mercy High

"The Twain Shall Meet" is the theme of Our Lady of Mercy High School's annual Christmas entertainment to be presented Thursday, Dec. 20, in the afternoon and evening in the school auditorium.

Play is under the direction of Sister Mary Peter. The program will take the form of a Christmas pageant, depicting scenes in Hungary, Egypt, Austria and France, centers of world conflict today.

INTRODUCED BY a chorus, speech choir, scenes will be narrated by senior Peggy King in the role of a foreign correspondent.

She will show a typical Hungarian family, preparing for Christmas and doing a Hungarian dance. The mother will be portrayed by Martha Kramarczuk, and her six daughters will be enacted by Judy Kirschoff, Rosemary Klosowski, Dorothy Kudlak, Arlene Luepke, Marcia Schantz, Kathleen Wagner.

Dancing "reel" ensembles, the French classes will typify a choir of altar boys singing carols in a French cathedral.

THE GLEE CLUB will enact Tyrolean singers on the Austrian Alps on their way to Mid-night Mass.

Christmas Concert Features Aquinas Glee Club, Band

Annual Christmas Concert will be given today, Friday, by the Aquinas Senior Glee Club and Concert Band in the high school auditorium.

Program is under the direction of the Rev. Cyril R. Udall, C.S.B., director of music.

THE CHRISTMAS story according to the Gospel of St. Luke will be narrated to the accompaniment of the band.

Louis Bacchetta, saxophone player, and drummers Charles Masse, James Collins and Frank Galusha will be soloists.

Also on the program will be the old Welsh Hymn, "Hold Lord of All," the third movement of the symphony "Spiritual" by Dora Gillis and the popular "I Believe."

John Fisher Singers Plan Concert Tour

St. John Fisher College Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. Homer Burbank will hold its annual Christmas concert and tour on Friday, Dec. 14.

DANIEL FAHY, president of the Club, announced plans for the day's events. Concerts will be held at Nazareth Academy at 10 a.m., St. Agnes High School at 12:30 p.m., McQuaid High School at 1:15 p.m. and at Mercy High School at 2:15 p.m.

The Club will also perform at St. John Fisher College for the students of St. John Fisher and Nazareth Colleges at 11 a.m.

The program will consist of popular Christmas carols as well as some original songs including a Ukrainian Christmas carol.

Paul Welsh, a tenor, will sing a solo part in "O Holy Night."

Theatre Guide

Downtown Rochester

- PALACE**
Death of a Scoundrel A-2 (Morally Unobjectionable for Adults)
Strange Intruder (Not listed)
- LOEWS**
Man From Del Rio A-2
- PARAMOUNT**
Runaway Daughters (Not listed)
Shake, Rattle and Rock (Not listed)
- REGENT**
Giant A-1 (Morally unobjectionable for general patronage)
- LITTLE**
The Solid Gold Cadillac A-3
- SCHINE THEATRES**
Toward the Unknown A-1

Australia Catholics See TV Film-Series

Sydney, Australia (NC) — "We Believe," a film series produced by the National Council of Catholic Men in the U.S., is the first Catholic series to be telecast in Australia.

Legion of Decency Listings

CLASS A-1 - Unobjectionable for General Patronage

At and The World in 80 Days
Above Us The Waves
Avalanche
Barefoot Battalion
Battle of Britain
Best of Hollywood
Bluebird
Circus
Circus of the Sky
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RECORD FANS of the nation's teenage group buy two hundred million popular recordings a year. Typical is St. Andrew's parish group above making their choices for a young people's dance.

Dirty Discs Record Music Needs Check, Too Many Hits 'Off Beat'

"Parents who would not allow their teen-age daughters to date a fellow who would make indecent suggestions, unwittingly permit their children to buy a record and bring it into their homes with the very same suggestions put to music," according to the Rev. Gabriel W. Hafford, columnist in the Milwaukee Catholic paper.

Father Hafford, who has much youth work, stated that unless a person gives serious thought to current popular records, he is letting himself in for more than he bargained for.

Since 1949 Father Hafford has screened the weekly output of popular recorded music in order to give moral guidance to young people who are avid record fans.

RECENT REPORTS indicate that recorded music will hit an all-time high this year of over two hundred million dollars. Most of the business will be in popular music. The latest available figures show that teenagers buy two hundred million popular records a year.

Father Hafford says his criterion of judgment is the Ten Commandments. Improper references to sex, murder, drunkenness or any concept that lessens the dignity of God or the Church Christ established.

In general a decent young person would not find a record acceptable if its lyric teaches a philosophy of life that the boy or girl would not dare to live by, Father Hafford says.

"The old saw about the words not meaning anything just does not stand up under fire. If words don't mean anything, then we have lost touch with reality and have sunk to brute animal level."

PARENTS SHOULD consider whether or not a particular record is beyond the youngster's normal life experience. An example would be a theme of love and marriage when a boy is having his hands full with his second merit badge test.

We shall always have popular music with us on earth and a good motto might be: "Songs that angels should not hear ought not be written."

Following is a list of records compiled by Father Hafford which are presently popular and are at least not harmful:

"FRIENDLY PERSUASION." Four Aces (Decca); George Cates (Coral); David Rose (MGM); Anthony Perkins (Epic); and Lou Busch (Capitol).

"CANADIAN SUNSET." Andy Williams (Cadence); and Manny Lopez (Victor).

"MAMA FROM THE TRAIN." Patti Page (Mercury).

"WHATEVER WILL BE WILL BE." Doris Day (Columbia).

"SINGING THE BLUES." Guy Mitchell (Columbia).

"MOONLIGHT LOVE." Perry Como (Victor).

"HAPPINESS STREET." Georgia Gibbs (Mercury); and Tony Bennett (Columbia).

"WALKING IN THE RAIN." Jerry Wallace (Mercury).

"NIGHT LIGHTS." and **"TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH."** Nat "King" Cole (Capitol).

"GINDY, OH GINDY." Eddie Fisher (Victor).

"JULIE." Doris Day (Columbia).

"JAMAICA FAREWELL." Harry Belafonte (Victor).

"TODAY YOU BELONG TO ME." The Lennon Sisters (Coral).

"MY PRAYER." The Platters (Mercury).

"ALLEGHENY MOON." Patti Page (Mercury).

"BLOW THE SMOKE AWAY." Les Paul-Mary Ford (Capitol).

"WHEN THE LILACS BLOOM AGAIN." Florian Zlabach (Mercury); Billy Vaughn (Dot); and L. Weik (Coral).

"IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HOUSE." Vaughn Monroe (Victor); Rusty Draper (Mercury); and Milton Berle (Coral).

"WRITTEN ON THE WIND." The Four Aces (Decca).

"TRUE LOVE." Margaret White (Capitol).

"NAMELY YOU." Doi Cherry (Columbia).

"THE STAR YOU WISHED UPON LAST NIGHT." Jeannie Carson (Decca).

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CYO Plans Play Contest

C.Y.O. and Knights of Columbus One Act Play contest deadline is Friday, Dec. 21. Interested persons should contact Jack Burnett, Baker 5-7400, ext. 11.

This second annual contest will be open to parish youth groups and is limited to young people of high school age. Trophies will be awarded to winning parishes and to individuals for best performances.

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