



ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL—Now a modern 350-bed institution at Bull's Head in Rochester, St. Mary's Hospital was founded in 1857 when three Sisters of Charity from Emmitsburg, Maryland opened the city's first hospital in two stone stables located on the same site as the present building.

People... Bishop To Open St. Mary's Jubilee, First City Hospital

Pope Receives Loretta Young

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Pius XII received American screen and television actress Loretta Young in a private audience.

Visibly moved, Miss Young who starred as a nun in 20th Century Fox's film "Come to the Stable," said that the Papal audience has been one of the most "marvelous" events of her life.

"After seeing him," she said, "I understand the reason why the Sovereign Pontiff has such a great influence throughout the world, and the fascination which his great personality exercises on all who have the good fortune to come near him."

Miss Young said that it was the first time she had been received by the Pope.

St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, will launch into its second century of service to the sick this Sunday when His Excellency Bishop Kearney celebrates the hospital's 100th anniversary Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

The 4 p.m. solemn pontifical ceremony will be the first in a series of centennial events marking the jubilee of Rochester's oldest hospital.

At this Sunday's jubilee Mass, Bishop Kearney will also give the sermon.

Sister Martina, hospital administrator, stated that September 8th is the actual anniversary date of the hospital's foundation. A city-wide observance of the anniversary is planned for that date later this year, she said.

TODAY'S SIX-STORY ultra-modern structure stands on the same site as the first St. Mary's which began its century of charity cradled in primitive quarters. Housed in two stone stables, St. Mary's was first opened on Sept. 8, 1857, three years before the outbreak of the Civil War.

There in such intolerable conditions, that almost legendary figure of early Catholic Rochester, the incredible Mother Hieronymo, founded the first permanent hospital.

WHEN THE CIVIL War broke out between the states, Sister Hieronymo faced the task of nursing thousands of wounded and sick Union soldiers.

She launched a building program to meet the growing demands of her just established

hospital constructing the four-story main unit in 1863.

Flames swept the hospital at midnight on Feb. 15, 1891, wiping out the progress of thirty years. The gutted structure was repaired within six months and in 1898 a ten room surgery "pavilion" was added.

A SEPARATE maternity wing was erected in 1903, a chapel in 1906, and the nurses home in 1923. The grey stone buildings were one of Rochester's familiar, west side landmarks for nearly a century.

They gave way to the present 335-bed hospital built in 1943.

A highly successful fund campaign brought contributions from Rochesterians of every rank and creed to finance the hospital's construction program.

SISTER MARTINA stated that the hospital enters its second century with hopes of expanding its services through a proposed six-story addition to the present hospital and to expand its outpatient clinics and laboratory research facilities.

"In running a hospital, you can't be content with what has been done," said Sister Martina. "You have to keep on making progress all the time."

Assisting Bishop Kearney in this Sunday's anniversary Mass will be Rt. Rev. Msgr. James C. McAniff, P.A., V.G., archpriest; Rt. Rev. Msgr. John E. Maney, chancellor; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Arthur E. Ratigan, deacon of honor; a Vincentian Father from Emmitsburg, headquarters of the Sisters of Charity, deacon of the Mass; Rev. Paul G. Wohlrab, subdeacon; and Rev. Edward J. McAniff, master of ceremonies.

St. Bernard's Seminary Choir, directed by Rev. Charles G. McCarthy, will chant the Mass.

Birth Control Bill Rejected

Hartford, Conn. — (RNS) — A bill to legalize birth control in Connecticut was rejected by the Senate here.

The measure had previously been passed by the House. Its passage in the Senate was doubtful, however, as such measures in past years have been approved by the House, only to be defeated in the Senate.

The bill would have authorized physicians and hospitals to prescribe birth control devices for married women whose health was endangered by pregnancy.

Chief opponents of attempts to legalize birth control were Catholics.

A 75-year-old Connecticut law forbids the dissemination of information on birth control and the use of contraceptives.

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Private School Tax Exemption Status Faces New Fight

Sacramento, Calif. — (NC) — The tax-exempt status of Catholic elementary and high schools in California appeared in jeopardy again as a request was filed with the State Attorney General here that would lead to a new vote on the law which won U. S. Supreme Court approval last December.

CALIFORNIANS FOR Public Schools, a new organization, filed a copy of a proposed constitutional amendment which would restore property taxes on non-public schools, except those "used, held, and owned exclusively for the blind, mentally retarded, and physically handicapped."

Attorney General Edmund G. Brown is required to give the organization a title for a petition within 10 days. They will then have 110 days to gather signatures to qualify the initiative for the ballot in the next general election, November, 1958.

To qualify, the petition must be signed validly by eight per cent of the voters in the 1954 gubernatorial election. That would mean 322,500 signatures.

CALIFORNIA BECAME the last state in the union to grant tax-exemption to private, non-profit schools of less than collegiate grade in 1951. Affected at that time were about 550 Catholic schools and 330 Protestant schools.

Opponents forced a referendum on the issue in 1952. After a bitter campaign, the tax-exemption was approved by 75,000 votes out of 480,000. The recent action of the U. S. Supreme Court, refusing to review the law, ended three years of legal attempts to have it declared unconstitutional.

Californians for Public Schools listed headquarters in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Signatories were John A. Owen, of Hawthorne, Calif., chairman, and Dorothy H. Rogers, of San Francisco.

Jesuit College Plans Courses On TV

Detroit — (NC) — The Jesuit University of Detroit's unique program of beaming freshman college courses on television next fall will be aided by a \$28,000 grant from the Ford Foundation, university authorities announced.

Pope's Portrait Highlights Protestant Art Show

New York — (RNS) — A portrait of Pope Pius XII is the centerpiece of a religious art show in a Protestant Episcopal church here.

Displayed in the parish house of St. John's in the Village, the portrait by artist Lilyn Ford shows the Pontiff with his hands clasped in prayer.

It is one of a number of sculptures and paintings by artists of various denominations included in the exhibit.

FBI Chief Scores Coddling Youth, Reds

Boston — (NC) — The nation's top-law enforcement officer warned that "an attitude of complacency toward communism or juvenile delinquency is 'an invitation to national disaster.'"

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in an interview here said both the communist and the teen-age criminal have been taking advantage of the American tendency toward leniency.

"The term 'juvenile delinquent' is not always accurate when applied to young criminals," Mr. Hoover said. "Many of them are no more than vicious thugs and they are waiting to take advantage of the 'tender years' to avoid punishment. Leniency has its proper place in the administration of justice, but age alone cannot be the criterion."

During 1956 major crimes in the United States increased 13.3 per cent over 1955 and 46 per cent of arrests for such crimes in urban areas were of juveniles under 18. Mr. Hoover pointed out that during 1956 the population in the 10 to 17 age group increased only 2.6 per cent, but during the same period juvenile arrests increased 13 per cent.

"CERTAINLY ONE reason for this increase is unrealistic coddling of juveniles," Mr. Hoover stated. "The 'tender majority' of our nation's youth can be taught to obey the law, but their reputation for lawlessness is a threat to the majority of law-abiding citizens."

"The future of the nation depends on the quality of the youth which is being raised. It is the responsibility of the nation to see that the youth of today are being raised to be the citizens of tomorrow."

"At their recent convention," Mr. Hoover said, "the Communist Party of the United States of America, through its youth wing, the Young Communist League, is planning to hold a national youth conference in New York City."

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Radio Group Holds Concert For Pope

The scene in the Benediction Hall of the Vatican Palace, Vatican City, during a concert held in honor of the Italian Broadcasting and Television Company, directed by Maestro Franco Caracciolo. The intent Pontiff sits on a throne at right.

Screen Star Spends Holy Week In Abbey

Portland, Ore. — (RNS) — Ramon Navarro, romantic screen star of 25 years ago, spent Holy Week at Mount Angel Benedictine Abbey here, authorities disclosed. He is believed to be the first movie star ever to join in the monastic life of the abbey.

Before returning to his ranch near San Diego, Calif., he also spent a day at the Trappist Abbey in Sheridan, Ore.

The 58-year-old bachelor, who retains the good looks of his starring days, said he always visits a religious house when he feels "the need of peace, solitude and contemplation."

Catholic Colleges Expansion Cost \$227 Million

By JOHN J. DALY, JR.
(Staff Writer, N.C.W.C. News Service)

Milwaukee — (NC) — One hundred and forty-five Catholic colleges and universities which have development programs now underway will spend an estimated \$227,500,000 by 1960 readying themselves for future enrollment booms.

This was disclosed in an interview by Father Edward J. Kammer, C.M., who conducted a survey under the auspices of the college and university department of the National Catholic Educational Association, which held its 45th annual convention here.

The Vincentian priest, executive vice president of the De Paul University, Chicago, said his study covered 235 institutions. Of these, 145 reported definite development programs.

The 145 schools expect to enroll an additional 85,000 full-time undergraduate students by 1960 — if they can get an additional 2,738 faculty members, he said.

The funds expended in Catholic college development programs will continue to increase, he stated, reaching a total of about \$400,000,000 by 1965 and about \$464,000,000 by 1970.

With expanded facilities, the 145 Catholic institutions estimate they will be able to enroll an additional 111,440 undergraduate students by 1965, assuming an increase of 4,100 teachers, and an additional 140,130 students by 1970 — if they can get about 5,500 more faculty members.

At present, said Father Kammer, the 145 institutions enroll about 115,000 students, meaning that by 1965 they will be less than doubling total enrollment and by 1970 will have more than doubled it.

He said that 134 of the colleges and universities reported that they could take an additional 51,583 students right now, but to do this they would need 1,524 faculty members and "can't get these needed teachers."

"Our opponents say that we are too intolerant in our unwillingness to make exceptions. We believe that once we make exceptions we break down the basic principles for which we have worked through the years."

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Babies Blessed—Almost 1,000 children came to Sacred Heart Cathedral Sunday for the annual blessing given by Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey. Among the youngest to receive the Bishop's personal blessing was little Anne Elizabeth, 3-week old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Huether of Selye Terrace. (Courier-Journal Photo).



MONSIGNOR O'GRADY
Conference of Catholic Charities

Chinese Diplomat Baptized in Ecuador

Quito, Ecuador — (NC) — Dr. Jose Maria, a Chinese diplomat, was baptized in the Catholic faith here.