

Teachers' Conference

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he stated, "to develop Christ-like personalities."

The speaker offered four suggestions to help the teacher in this development:

First, to love the child and love him in the right way. Secondly, free them. Let them grow up, make mistakes, and learn from them. Thirdly, discipline should be for the good of the child, and not to make things easier for the teacher. Lastly, children may or may not learn what we tell them; but they will learn what we are, what we show them in our own lives.

IN HER TWO talks during the conference, Miss Helen Kennedy, Reading Consultant for Ginn and Co., Publishers, spoke on "Fundamentals of Reading Instruction," and "Comprehension and Study Skills."

"Attitude, appreciation, purposes, and habits of conduct can be effected through what a child reads," Miss Kennedy stated.

The task of teaching reading, she said, does not consist in getting through books, but of developing, maintaining, and applying the basic skills which enable children to read.

Addressing the assembly on Tuesday, the Rev. Cornelius J. Carr, S.J., principal of St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, N.J., asked the teachers, "Is perhaps our greatest professional fault is not that we Catholic educators tend overly much to require uniformity rather than, within bounds, to encourage uniqueness and difference?"

IT TAKES COURAGE, Father Carr said, to stand up against some of the student values of today's teenage world. Among these values, academic achievement does not rank very high.



TEACHERS CONFERENCE sponsor, Bishop Kearney is shown with the Rev. William M. Roche, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, left, and, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles C. Boyle, former superintendent, now pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Rochester.

On Tuesday afternoon, the responsibility to give leadership to the community, involving many elements of society, was placed on the shoulders of the teachers. Bishop Kearney, in his address, suggested that "the teacher has limitations of the school, and to overcome these limitations, he must see education as an enterprise involving many elements of society."

Final session, before Bishop Kearney's concluding talk was given by the Rev. Thomas Diehl, S.J., National Director of the Eucharistic Crusade.



So much to see -- so much to think about.



IMPROMPTU MEETING of three veteran Aquinas teachers was held during the two-day teachers conference. From left are Sister M. Raphael, principal of Notre Dame High School, Elmira; Sister M. Alberta, vice principal of Notre Dame; and the Rev. Raymond L. Prince, C.S.B., of the Aquinas faculty. Both sisters taught at the Rochester boys' school for many years.

Given by the Rev. Thomas Diehl, S.J., National Director of the Eucharistic Crusade.

The Eucharistic Crusade, Father Diehl stated, is the Apostleship of Prayer in a form especially appealing to children.

Its purpose, he said, is "to teach children of grammar school age to live the Morning Offering in union with the Mass. Its spiritual program is grouped around four watchwords: 'Pray, Receive Communion, Sacrifice, Save Soul.'"

OTHER SPEAKERS during the two-day conference included the Rev. Gerard Sloyan, Ph.D., head of the religious department at Catholic University, Washington, and Sister M. Beatrice, SSND, supervisor for the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

In concluding the conference, Bishop Kearney paid special tribute to the Rt. Rev. Msgr.

Germans Give To Aid Programs

Aachen — (NC) — A sum of \$956,800 for assistance programs in foreign countries has been allocated from funds collected during the Lenten Aid Campaign in Germany diocese.

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