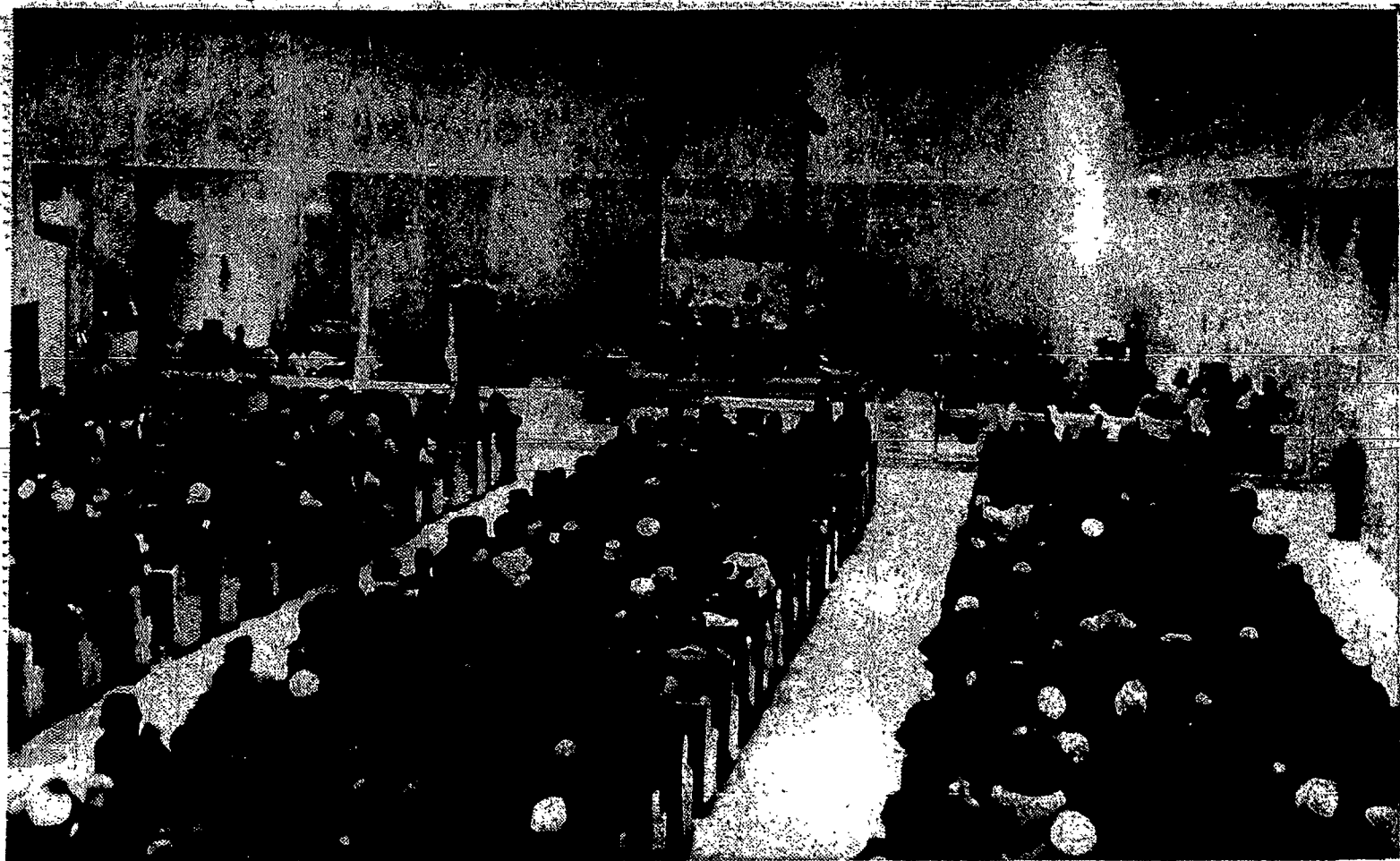




Help For World's Needy At NCCW Meet

The necessity of continued charity given with increased dignity to all the world's needy was the common point driven home to the area delegates to the biannual convention of the National Council of Catholic Women, held in Washington, D.C., Nov. 12-15. Lady Jackson, English, and one of the top world economists, stressed this need in her talk to the convention in one of its earliest sessions.

In reporting on her talk, Dr. Elinor Barnes, president of the area Council of Catholic Women, said that Lady Jackson "painted a vivid picture of the desperate need for greater commitment of individuals to the welfare of those about them." Dr. Barnes noted a lessening in the stress on personal spirituality. Several speakers urged "commitment and involvement in the era in which we live" as the primary means of personal sanctification.

LADY JACKSON told the Washington convention that "never in history has there been more opportunity to do in abundance for the underprivileged than in this technical age in which we live." She said, "We can and must wipe out the

scathing poverty of body and spirit . . . but to do so takes full commitment of self . . . We are our brother's keeper." She noted with vehemence that ALL people of ALL religions are called upon to do God's work on earth.

Dr. Barnes was impressed with the meeting of the Social Action Committee. Father Beroni, from Washington, pulled no punches in drawing an accurate picture of the ineffectiveness of poverty stricken areas. His greatest foe was "not the poverty of material gifts, but the frightening poverty of hopelessness." He charged that until we "the complacent and comfortable observers," become concerned enough to change the system, the matter can only become worse.

Father Beroni introduced Sister Mary Leo, of Washington, who detailed the work of area public and Catholic high school students in needy areas. Working with nuns and lay teachers they have set up a summer camp for some 300 children in sponsored trips, reading classes and centers for supervised study. She urged adoption of similar projects around the country.

The history of Government-Church relationship, especially in countries like Italy and Spain, was outlined by Dr. Nuesse. He interpreted the Ecumenical Council's stand and noted where we stand in that area in the present day.

The previous subjects were correlated, and delegates were told to "ask the right questions of yourselves," by Dr. Going. She also stated that "doing God's will should be an active matter — not passive . . . we all have a part to play in this drama of reform."

Mrs. Thomas (Margaret) McWhinney, assistant to the local chairman of the Committee on World Responsibility, attended the convention with her husband. She noted that this convention was a departure from others in format. The overall influence was inspirational rather than practical. She was interested in observing the extended effect of this change.

MRS. McWHINNEY was asked to speak at the session of the Committee on World Responsibility. She gave her views on our Southern neighbors cleaned from a trip last summer to Bogota, Columbia. She made

this trip at her own expense. A keen interest in International relations has developed through long association with exchange students. Her views on aid to South America are thought-provoking and deep seated.

Both Dr. Barnes and Mrs. McWhinney were inspired with the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception filled to capacity with women participating in the Mass in the Byzantine rite.

"A feeling of overwhelming gratitude for such an opportunity," was Dr. Barnes' impression. With Mrs. McWhinney, she noted the work of Catholic women as auditors at Vatican II, representatives on the President's board on the racial issue, and the fight against poverty and in mission fields abroad and at home. They felt the theme of this National convention, "Worship; Do God's Charity. Take God's order into the World," was realized in fact as well as in theory.

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester: Sunday, Dec. 6—Blessed Sacrament, Immaculate Conception, SS. Peter and Paul, Rochester.

"The people are generous by nature," she observed. "They gladly share the little or the abundance of their state." Mrs. McWhinney felt Lady Jackson's speech was an excellent expression of our economic obligations. We, as a wealthy country, are obliged to help those who need assistance. But



New Church For Auburn

ST. HYACINTH'S new church in Auburn was dedicated last Saturday, Nov. 28, by Bishop Kearney. The above view shows the Bishop celebrating Mass; the exterior view catches parishioners as they leave following the ceremony. The approximate cost of the church, according to Father James Cholewicki, O.F.M., Conv., pastor, was \$360,000.

Aquinas Speech Awards

Aquinas Institute will be host to the National Catholic Forensic League. In addition to speech at Aquinas and speakers from eighth grade throughout the area in the annual speech scholarship awards to be kept in his school. He will eliminate sharply among the high school. The six final grades who have ability to think logically and to apply what they have learned in an appropriate manner with a special aptitude in public speaking.

The purpose of the competition, says Aquinas principal, Rev. Leon G. Hart, C.S.B., is in keeping with our desire to further the cause of developing articulate Catholic leadership among our students. It is by the end of the current school year. The principles of the Rochester that our youth develop their talents and abilities submitted the names of boys to the fullest extent. The competition which will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Basilian Fathers' school, will involve an original, mature speech and an extemporaneous speech, each three minutes in length.

THREE BOYS will take their part in the Aquinas speech awards. The awards include one full year scholarship valued at \$1,200, two partial scholarships for four pure speech, each three minutes in length, valued at \$640 and men in length.

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BIENNIAL CONVENTION of the National Council of Catholic Women in Washington, D.C., brings together Mrs. Frank Lyke of Manchester, president of the Ontario-Seneca-Yates Deanery; Mrs. Joseph McCarthy, San Francisco, NCCW president; and Dr. Elinor Barnes of Corning, president, Rochester Council of Catholic Women.

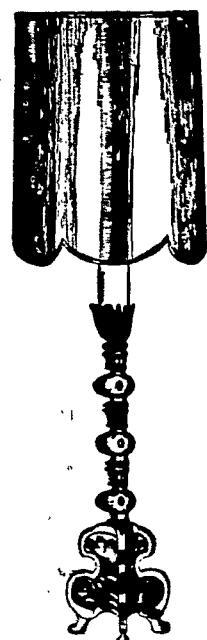
Retreat Men To Elect New Slate

The annual meeting of the officers and parish leaders of the Rochester Laymen's Retreat League will be held this Sunday, Dec. 6, in the Notre Dame Retreat House, 244 Alexander Street, Rochester.

"RETREAT LEADERS from 165 parishes in the diocese will meet with the officers at 2:30 p.m. to hold annual elections and to receive a report on the progress of their plans for a new retreat center to be erected next year on Canandaigua Lake," stated Thomas Hughes, Retreat League President.

It was further announced by the campaign general chairman, Frank E. Wolfe, that a recap of campaign progress to date will be made to the officers and leaders at the meeting Sunday afternoon. The solicitation results will not be final due to continued activity by the Physicians and Dentists Committee in securing pledges from their colleagues.

A buffet supper will follow the meeting.



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