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"Christianus mihi nomen est Catholicus vero Cognomen."—(Christian is my Name, but Catholic my Surname)—St. Pacien, 4th Century

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## JESUIT STUDENTS

### FIGHT FIRE IN HISTORIC PRESBYTERIAN EDIFICE

Granite, Md., May 1.—That Maryland, made by Catholics the pioneer and palladium of religious tolerance in America, has not forgotten its traditions was attested heroically here Saturday.

Granite's Presbyterian Church, one of the oldest edifices in historic Baltimore County, was on fire. When its destruction, together with the entire village, was threatened, the first to come to the aid of the frantic town were students for the Catholic priesthood from the neighboring Jesuit College at Woodstock.

Virtually every seminarian at Woodstock, abandoning supper, responded to the call of distress. From 6:30 until 11 o'clock at night, led by their superior, they braved the flames, carrying water and chemicals into the burning building, swarming over the neighboring roofs to extinguish sparks, and removing household furnishings from danger.

### PASTOR'S APPRECIATION

The Rev. R. J. Johnston, pastor of the church, has sent Father P. A. Lutz, S. J., superior of Woodstock College, a letter in which he says: "I and the parish wish to express our heartfelt appreciation for the splendid and heroic efforts of your students."

Lightning struck the church Saturday evening, firing it in two places. The cupola bell was rung frantically, and the villagers gathered to the rescue, but a pump and family water buckets were their only weapons. They were unable to get the water to the flames.

An alarm sent to the county fire department at Pikeville evoked a response that that station had responded to a fire at Harrisonville. Catonsville was called, but its one company already was fighting two fires.

Shortly before 6:30, while the community was at supper, information of the fire reached Woodstock College, three miles away. Supper was abandoned and the superior immediately despatched six men with a small truck bearing four three-gallon extinguishers. Two minutes later a larger truck was speeding to the fire, manned by ten seminarians and bearing forty gallons of chemicals, hose, buckets and axes.

It seemed for a time that the students would be able to save the church, but when a villager, thinking to help, opened the windows, the draft made a blast furnace of it, and the labors of the seminarians on the roof were of no avail.

Granite is a closely-clustered little town, and there were dwelling fifty feet from the church on either side. The students turned their attention to these. Perched on the sloping roofs, they swept the hot sparks from the old shingles. Meantime, another call to the college brought reinforcements of fifty student priests. Later the entire student body came up, many running the entire distance, and did what they could to save the town. Several priests, members of the faculty, also joined in the work, and Father Lutz directed the fight.

A fire company finally arrived from Ellicott City and took over the protection of one of the nearby buildings while the students continued to guard the other roofs. When the cupola crashed in, the wooden walls were drenched with chemicals, to end the menace of flying sparks. In this work the students contributed another hundred gallons of chemicals. The Woodstock contingent did not leave the building until after 11 o'clock, lest there be a fresh outbreak.

## CLASS CHURCH FOR ENGLISH POOR

London, Eng.—"Class" churches are suggested by Father T. Sheridan, S. J., as a means of stopping the leakage from the Catholic ranks, his contention being that many people are deterred from going to Mass by human respect and their lack of Sunday clothes.

Though England is used to class distinctions, Father Sheridan's suggestion is sure to stir up discussion here, for no one in the past has ever had the temerity to suggest that differences of class should be recognized in the Church, which has always made a boast of being "the Church of the poor."

"It is all very well to tell people that clothes do not matter," Father Sheridan said to an interviewer this week. "It must be remembered that Sunday Mass—the late Mass—is in a certain respect a social function."

Father Sheridan works in the North. Up there, he says, everybody knows everybody else, and it is the inherent spirit of the people to hide anything which might suggest a poorer state than their neighbors. People have not "suitable" clothes to put on for Mass, and so the duty is neglected.

"There is poverty, real poverty, here," says the Jesuit. "I could

tell of cases where a shawl is used as a blanket all the week and on Sunday goes five times to church, each time on the shoulders of a different person."

This priest considers that the "human respect" factor is responsible for a difference of at least a million persons between the estimated number of "ought to be" Catholics and the number of practicing Catholics.

His plan to solve the problem is to erect a number of small churches in the cities, each serving a distinct "class" neighborhood, in place of the large churches which serve wide areas embracing all kinds of residential sections.

## CALGARY'S NEW BISHOP

### IMPRESSIVE CONSECRATION CEREMONY IN TORONTO

Toronto Mail and Empire, May 7

Right Rev. John T. Kidd, D. D., LL. D., president of St. Augustine's Seminary, was solemnly consecrated Bishop of Calgary in St. Michael's Cathedral yesterday morning by Mgr. Pietro Di Maria, Apostolic Delegate of His Holiness, the Pope, to Canada and Newfoundland.

At ten o'clock the main doors of the cathedral swung open and an imposing procession, headed by the Cross-bearer and acolytes wended its way through the sanctuary and around the church to the jubilant strains of "Ecce Sacerdos" rendered by the choir of St. Augustine's Seminary. The procession consisting of more than twenty Bishops and Archbishops and Monsignori in purple robes, the consecrating prelates and bishop-elect and a long line of clergy from all parts of Canada and United States, moved along aisles decked in bunting and flags of the Holy See and of Great Britain and Canada with long golden streamers suspended over the sanctuary. The clergy having taken their places, the Papal Delegate seated upon the faldstool was vested by the attendants, and the Papal Bull authorizing the consecration outside of Rome was read. Immediately after the reading, the consecration began, the bishop-elect arrayed in white silk cope sat at the foot of the altar and in clear tones answered the questions of the consecrator with the word, "Credo" (I believe).

The consecrating Prelate was His Excellency, The Most Rev. Pietro Di Maria, D. D., with whom were associated His Grace, Archbishop Neil McNeil of Toronto; His Grace, Archbishop Emard of Ottawa; and Right Rev. Mgr. Whelan, V. G., who acted as assistant priest. The Right Rev. Mgr. Morris, of St. Catharines; and Rev. P. J. Coyne, of Toronto; Rev. Father Castex of Midland and Rev. Father F. Carroll, who were deacons and sub-deacons, respectively. The assistants to the Bishop-elect were Rev. Dr. Morrissey and Rev. Dr. Arthur O'Leary, of Toronto, Very Rev. Father McCandlish, C. S. S. R., and Very Rev. N. Roche, C. S. B., assisted Archbishop Emard and Rev. Father H. Murray and Rev. Father McGrand, Toronto, assisted His Grace Archbishop Neil McNeil.

A most impressive sermon was preached by the Right Rev. J. T. McNally, D. D., Bishop of Hamilton, predecessor of the newly consecrated bishop in the See of Calgary. The speaker paid an eloquent tribute to the Very Rev. Dr. Kidd, and gave a comprehensive exposition of the dignities and duties of the episcopate.

After the Mass and consecration the clergy extended felicitations in an address read by Rev. Dr. Treacy and a purse of gold was presented by Right Rev. Mgr. Whelan, V. G. The newly-consecrated Bishop in a brief address thanked his many friends for their kindness. The proceedings terminated with a solemn Te Deum by the choir.

Among the large number that attended the sacred function were His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Premier of Ontario, Mayor T. Foster, Cabinet Ministers and Aldermen and members of the Board of Control; Supreme Court Judges and many men prominent in public life.

Among the Archbishops, Bishops and other eminent churchmen present were: Right Rev. Thos. O'Donnell, D. D., Victoria, B. C.; Most Rev. J. O. Emard, D. D., Ottawa; Most Rev. Arthur Beliveau, D. D., St. Boniface, Man.; Most Rev. M. J. Spratt, D. D., Kingston; Right Rev. P. T. Ryan, Pembroke; Right Rev. W. Forbes, Joliette, Que.; Very Rev. P. S. Garand, V. G., Adm., Ogdensburg; Right Rev. M. J. O'Brien, D. D., Peterboro, Ont.; Monsignor C. M. Gariepy, Quebec Seminary, Quebec City; Canon Laroche, St. Hyacinthe, Que.; Abbe Ivanhoe Caron, Quebec City; Mgr. Denis A. Hayes, Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit, Mich.; Mgr. J. T. O'Connell, Toledo, Ohio; Abbe Antonio Huot, Ph.D., S. T. D., Quebec City; Rev. G. J. McShane Montreal; Mgr. A. C. LaFlamme Quebec City; Rev. F. X. Marcotte O. M. I., Ottawa, Ont.; Right Rev.

Louis J. O'Leary, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Rev. Henri Jeanotte, P. S. S., Montreal; Bishop Deschamps, Montreal; Right Rev. J. S. H. Brunault, Nicolet, Que.; Bishop Halle, Hearst, Ont.; Bishop Langlois, Que.; Bishop Rouleau, Valleyfield; Bishop Couturier, Alexandria, Bishop McNally, Hamilton, and some two hundred and fifty priests from all parts of Canada and points in the United States. Following the ceremony those present were guests of Archbishop McNeil and the cathedral staff at a luncheon in the parish hall.

## CATHOLIC PUPILS RETAIN FAITH

### DR. COOPER EXPLAINS WHY EARLY LOYALTIES PERSIST

The religious convictions, guides, reinforcements and loyalties instilled in the Catholic child by Catholic schools last throughout life in at least 90% of the cases, perhaps more, the Rev. Dr. John M. Cooper, Associated Professor of Sociology at the Catholic University at Washington, declared in an address in Milwaukee before the Religious Education Association. Furthermore, he added, these convictions are not appreciably diminished in dynamic power throughout life.

The Religious Education Association, which is nation-wide, is a Protestant inter-denominational organization. At its four-day convention here leaders in the religious education field from all over the country spoke. Dr. Cooper's subject was "Catholic Religious Experience in Schools That Stress Churchmanship."

"Generally speaking," Dr. Cooper told the Association, "the children of Catholic schools take their religion quite as matter of course. It is intimately organized into the rest of life. They consider it quite as natural to pray for success in exams or in athletic contests as to pray for strength in temptation."

"The genesis and growth of faith is usually a simple gradual process begun at home and expanded and reinforced by school instruction. The tenure of faith and of the doctrines of faith is nearly always calm, convinced and untroubled. There is little or no evidence of restlessness, doubt, or confusion."

The traditional Catholic moral code is likewise accepted without question. So far as questioning regarding dogmatic doctrines is concerned, doctrines such as the divinity of Christ or the Virgin Birth for instance, there is rarely any doubt or rejection on the part even of college students. Such students may be divided and often are on questions, for instance, like that of the evolution of the human body, but interest is not nearly so keen as it is in practical life-problems and besides most students understand that this is not a 'matter of faith' and hence no serious problem affecting their convictions arises. The problem of evil in its various phases comes in for a good deal of speculative discussion and raises many unanswered questions in their minds but its consideration rarely leads to loss of their childhood faith. There is much more of restlessness and inquiet among Catholic students registered in non-Catholic colleges.

"In addition to the varied rational, emotional, and instinctive motivation for devotion and conduct that arises in part out of faith in fundamentals common to most Christian denominations, there are a good many dynamic forces playing upon conduct that are peculiar to the Catholic and which enter deeply into the religious motivation of the boy and girl. Perhaps the chief of these impelling forces are Confession and Communion moulding the whole field of action, \* \* \* and devotion to the Blessed Virgin moulding action particularly in the field of chastity and of the gentler virtues."

Of the influence of Confession, Dr. Cooper said: "Every boy and girl, from the primary grade on, understands quite clearly that a confession is of no value in God's sight for the forgiveness of sins and is on the contrary sacrilegious, unless his or her mind is at the time definitely made up not to commit again the sin or sins which are confessed, unless there is not only the desire and wish to do better but also the determination and resolution to do so."

"The practice of Confession on the part of the pupil thus gives rise to two recurrent types of religious experience that play a large part in his or her spiritual life. The first is an introspective activity to discover and express past failings. \* \* \* The second activity is a volitional one in which habitual vague good will is brought to a head, so to speak, and is turned into definite intention. \* \* \* Both activities normally call for considerable effort, approaching often a concentrated maximum effort in the case of the volitional activity."

|||Hitherto Catholic energies and resources in America have

been almost entirely absorbed in caring for the spiritual and social welfare of enormous immigrant groups, said Dr. Cooper, the Catholic social movement in this country is gaining momentum yearly and collective responsibility rather than individual responsibility is being more and more emphasized in American Catholic schools.

## "CITE DU SOUVENIR"

By M. Massiani (Paris Correspondent, N. C. W. C.)

Paris, April 17.—Cardinal Dubois last Sunday blessed the ground in the parish of Saint Dominic on which the "Cite du Souvenir" is to be built. This is a social work, the aspiration of which is particularly touching.

A young vicar of the parish, Abbe Keller, was the originator of the plan and it is his perseverance which has led it to the point of execution.

The "Cite du Souvenir" will be a group of houses for working men in a labor faubourg where many large families live. The group will contain 300 apartments, which will be offered at extremely low rentals to families with children. In the center of this great "city" will be a day nursery, dispensaries and cooperative stores. An oratory in which the Blessed Sacrament will be kept will also be a feature of the plan.

In opening his subscriptions, Abbe Keller appealed to families of wealth and to humble working men, asking them to be generous in memory of those members of their families who fell on the Field of Honor. Each one of the quarters will bear the name of a soldier of that section of Paris who fell on the field of battle, and his portrait will be placed on the wall of the main room. This is why the settlement will be known as the "Cite du Souvenir." It will be the most touching Ex Voto destined to perpetuate the memory of the War dead.

Abbe Keller, who is working to carry the plan to completion, and who has already been able to buy the ground necessary for the purpose, is the grandson of the great patriot Keller who, as a Deputy from Alsace in the Legislative body under the Second Empire, drew up the solemn declaration by which Alsace-Lorraine protested to the world against their annexation to Germany after the Treaty of Frankfurt in 1871.

## CATHOLIC SISTER ON STATE BOARD

Baltimore, Md., May 1.—Governor Ritchie, of Maryland, this week announced the appointment of Sister Mary Helen, of the Sisters of Mercy, of Baltimore, as a member of the Maryland State Board of Examiners for Nurses. She is the first religious ever to hold such a position in the State.

Consisting of five members, selected for their knowledge and experience in the nursing field, the Board is charged with maintaining the standards for trained nurses in the State, preparing the questions for examination of candidates, and supervising the examinations.

Sister Mary Helen is head of the Social Service Department of Mercy Hospital here, and also is in charge of the dispensary. She has had varied and thorough training and experience in her field. She was graduated from the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in 1915, after which for five years she was in charge of the maternity ward at the hospital.

In 1922 she was in charge of the dispensary when she was sent to the National Catholic Service School conducted at Washington under the auspices of the National Council of Catholic Women. There she took a two-year course, and when she was graduated in 1924, returned to Mercy Hospital to take charge of the Social Service Department.

This phase of hospital work, although taken up only a few years ago has assumed high importance. There are now four hundred Social Service departments in hospitals in the United States and Canada. Of those in Catholic institutions, that at Mercy Hospital is one of the largest. In the last year it handled one thousand cases. Sister Mary Helen is one of only two sisters in charge of this work in hospitals in the country.

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS FAVORED BY ALSACE

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Paris, France.—The great majority of the electors of Alsace have affirmed publicly, in documents which cannot be refuted, their attachment to denominational education. The figures set in to the Catholic Executive Committee leave no doubt on this subject.

These figures show a great increase over the number of votes cast in the last election for those candidates who included the maintenance of religious schools in their platforms. In the Department of Lower Rhine, the candidates of the National Bloc, that is to say of the party which had formally pledged respect for all the religious liberties of Alsace-Lorraine, obtained a total of 65,133 votes. The number of voters who recently signed a petition favorable to the maintenance of the religious schools was 81,913.

In the Department of Upper Rhine, where the candidates of the National Bloc won 58,960 votes, the number of signatures of those in favor of the religious schools was 83,602. These figures represent much more than an absolute majority of the men of that province.

It must be added that while these petitions were presented to the Alsations for their signatures, they were presented exclusively to the Catholics. Nevertheless, several Protestants, voluntarily appended their names to the document. The total would have been greater still had an appeal been made to the non-Catholics and Jews.

A petition circulated by the women obtained results more re-

markable still. In the Lower Rhine 99,998 women over twenty-one years of age signed and in the Upper Rhine 108,200 women joined the 88,500 men.

## POPE'S KINDNESS TO LONE PILGRIMS

By Mrs. Enrico Puoci (Rome Correspondent, N. C. W. C.)

A few days ago, often overlooked, that thousands of Holy Year pilgrims to Rome do not come with the great organized delegations led by prominent churchmen from their native lands and with all arrangements made to facilitate and make pleasant their journey and stay in the Eternal City. Many make the journey alone and rely on their good fortune or ingenuity to guide them through the confusing round of duties and to take them safely home again. When these individual pilgrims are of the poorer classes or are lacking in education or experience in traveling they frequently get into difficulties and many pitiful experiences result.

A few days ago, for instance, a priest passing under the colonnade of St. Peter's noticed an old woman, poorly dressed, who was trying to make herself understood by the passers-by. The priest approached her and discovered that she spoke German only. It developed that she had come to Rome on foot all the way from Bavaria in order to gain the Jubilee Indulgences and to see the Pope. She had been eight weeks on the road. She carried a letter of introduction to a Cardinal and her other possessions consisted of a very few liras—what was left of the small sum with which she had started from home—and a set of picture postcards of the Oberammergau Passion Play. It was her intention to give the postcards to the Pope so that he might see what her native country is like. The woman was taken to a hospice and cared for and the next day the Pope received her and gave her enough money to enable her to return home in comfort.

Another old lady arrived a few days ago from the highlands of Scotland, traveling entirely alone. Her appearance was that of the traditional village school mistress. She had been saving her money for twenty-five years for this Holy Year pilgrimage in order to fulfill an early promise. She did not know that she was entitled to a reduction in railroad fare and in consequence had paid the full rate. When she heard, by chance, that pilgrims are given a card and a medal she was greatly pleased. When she was enabled to see the Pope and receive his blessing her joy was beyond measure.

Pilgrims of all nationalities are developing a spirit of brotherhood that is noticeable even between former national enemies. This was illustrated recently when an Austrian pilgrim headed by Cardinal Piffli, Archbishop of Vienna, reached a small country station near Rome and halted while the Cardinal celebrated Mass in his railway car. There is no resident parish priest at the village and a number of the villagers came to the Cardinal's car to hear Mass. Italians and Austrians—bitter enemies only a few short years ago—attended the same sacrifice bound by their common Faith.

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This represents practically the entire population of Alsace, and there can be, therefore, no doubt as to the feeling of the people of the province toward a school system which provides Catholic schools for the Catholics, Protestant schools for the Protestants and Jewish schools for the Jews, all supported equally by the State.

## PRIEST GIVES ABSOLUTION TO SINKING CREW

New York, April 24.—Father James J. Talbot, S. T. L., rector of old St. Patrick's church on Mulberry street here, stood on the stern of the liner Homeric in a heavy storm Tuesday and gave general absolution to the crew of the Japanese freighter Raifuku Maru as it sank with all hands, it became known here when the Homeric made port Wednesday night.

Father Talbot gave the absolution with the thought that possibly there were Catholics among the crew of the doomed vessel.

The Raifuku sank without a man being saved, while the Homeric's passengers looked on. Father Talbot, who has seen many men die, said, "I have never seen anything so tragic as this."

The captain of the Homeric claimed that effective aid to the crew of the sinking freighter was impossible owing to the high seas. Many of the passengers gave it as their opinion that the best traditions of the sea were not upheld.

## SERVICE CALL

From the vast expanses of our great prairies—from the secret recesses of the Rockies, from the foreign districts of our industrial centers, from the landing stages of our docks at the sea-ports—hundreds and hundreds of Missionary Sisters are needed by the Church in this hour of need. A handful of Sisters of Service are trying to hold the line here and there throughout our immense Dominion. But their number must grow rapidly if they are to save to God and to the Church the thousands and thousands of souls of these New Canadians who have made our Country the land of their choice and their adoption.

Could there be a more noble work, a greater field of action for our devoted Catholic women? The joys of the apostolate even in this life are greater than all the world can offer them. Young women, this is your opportunity!

Ask for information from SISTERS OF SERVICE, 2 Wellesley Place, Toronto.

## CATHOLIC BOY HERO

Philadelphia, Pa., May 7.—A Catholic lad of sixteen who is the uncomplicated support of a family of eight has been added to Philadelphia's official roll of boy heroes. Friday night he was awarded a medal and before an audience of thousands was pronounced by Mayor Kendrick "Philadelphia's most distinguished boy citizen."

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## CATHOLIC NOTES

Paris, France.—Cardinal Dubois has granted an audience to the Foreign Catholic students now studying in the capital. More than twenty nations were represented, including several Americans.

Washington, May 30.—Chaplain William R. Arnold, senior Catholic Chaplain of the United States Army, has been appointed Director of the Army Chaplains' School at Fort Leavenworth and will take up his duties there not later than June 30.

Sister Mary Paul Johnson of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustin, a nurse in Charity Hospital, Cleveland, received the highest mark in the examinations conducted by the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy for registration as a pharmacist. She received a grade of 91.6%.

Baltimore.—Mother General of the Oblate Sisters of Providence, who died here recently, was the daughter of a Protestant minister who encouraged her to follow the dictates of her conscience. She joined the Oblate Sisters of Providence here when she was nineteen years old.

The second California pilgrimage to Rome for the observance of the Holy Year of Jubilee will sail on the S. S. "Cleveland," from New York, May 28, according to an announcement made here by Daniel E. Doran, secretary of the delegation, and will be in Rome for the beatification of Bernadette Soubirous on June 14th.

Quantico, Va., April 30.—The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered here Monday to a class of fifty persons, most of them members of the United States Marine Corps stationed at Marine headquarters, by the Most Rev. Pietro Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate to the United States.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 24.—The Rev. Edmund Campbell, C. P., a prominent member of the Passionist Order, is dead at Hankow, China, according to word received here. Father Campbell received his early education here. Three months ago Father Campbell was captured by Chinese bandits and held for ransom. He was later released.

Tulsa, Okla.—Tulsa has doubled its number of Catholic churches in less than six months. In addition, in that period work has been resumed on St. John's Hospital, sites have been bought for two Catholic High schools, and plans have been completed for another new church, school and rectory. All these evidences of progress have taken place since the installation of the Right Rev. Francis C. Kelley as Bishop of Oklahoma in October of last year.

Washington.—While riding in Rock Creek Park here Prof. Timothy A. Smiddy, Minister of the Irish Free State, was thrown from his horse and seriously injured in a collision with an automobile operated by Mme. A. Loudon, wife of the Secretary of the Netherlands Legation. The Irish envoy suffered a broken left leg, cuts about the face and head, and possible internal injuries.

The artist Silvestri, after five months of patient labor, has completed his restoration of the famous painting of "The Last Supper" by Leonardo Da Vinci on the wall of the Sacristy of St. Ambrose's church, Milan. This is the second restoration that has been made necessary in fifteen years because of the tendency of the paint to peel from the wall. Silvestri used a new process, at the time which, it is hoped, will make this restoration last longer than the former one.

Harrisburg, Pa.—The Harer religious education bill, passed recently by the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, has been killed by the Senate Committee on Education which voted 9-7 against reporting the bill to the Senate. The bill would have given school directors authority to dismiss pupils in their districts for one hour a week to permit the children to attend classes in religious instruction.

Chicago, April 24.—The decoration by Cardinal Mundelein of Dennis Kelly, President of the Catholic Charities with the insignia of Knight Commander of St. Gregory; the presentation by Francis J. Lewis of \$100,000 to the Cardinal's special charity fund and announcement that the General Charities Fund for the past year had been subscribed up to \$775,778, and had been administered at a total overhead cost of 74 cents on the dollar, marked the annual meeting of the Catholic Charities on Monday evening.

New York.—James Doonan, Jr., aged thirteen, an honor student in Cathedral college Preparatory School, of this city, preparing to enter Dunwoody Seminary to study for the priesthood, and a graduate of St. James' Parochial school, the school in which Governor Alfred E. Smith received most of his education, was elected to the Governorship of New York by ballots cast by the Board of Education, the Boys' Clubs of New York, the public and parochial schools of this city, on the Boys' Week ticket.