Another War?

At Fatima Our Blessed Mother said that she would save many souls from hell, if devotion to her Immaculate Heart were established in the world. She then foretold another war:

"If they (sinners) do not stop offending God, another and worse war will break out under the next pontificate (Pius XI), and a still more terrible one will begin. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that it is the great sign that God gives you, that He is going to punish the world for its crimes by means of war, hunger, persecution of the Church and of the Holy Father."

Then the Lady made a promise.

"To forestall this (war) I shall come to ask the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. If they heed my request, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace. If not, she shall spread her errors throughout the world, promoting wars and persecutions of the Church; the good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, various nations will be annihilated; in the end, my Immaculate Heart shall triumph, the Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, which will be converted, and some time of peace will be given to the world."

Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart October 51, 1942.

Before leaving the children, the Lady made this request, "When you recite the Rosary, after each decade say, 'O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, bring all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of Thy mercy.'"

Then the Lady disappeared and the crowd surrounded the children and began asking them many questions.

Odds and Ends

Plans for the Senior Retreat are almost completed. Three days will be given to spiritual conferences, beginning Friday evening, May 21. Seniors who make the retreat will be excused from their Saturday morning classes. This advanced notice is a reminder for graduating seniors to keep the May 21 weekend open for this retreat.

Last week an SOS was sent out in the Religious Bulletin in behalf of two seminarists in Italy who needed medicines badly. The student response was most gratifying. Sufficient money was received to purchase insulin -- enough to carry along the diabetic seminarist for a number of months. The Prefect of Religion takes this occasion to acknowledge and thank all the anonymous benefactors for the offerings sent to his office.

Take a look at your wardrobe tonight and set aside any old clothes you won't need. There will be a campuswide Clothes Drive next week under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus. Leave your castaways with the workers who will stop at your room about next Wednesday. If they miss you, leave your offerings in the Pamphlet Room in Dillon Hall.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Margaret Sullivan, aunt of John B. Sullivan (Sor); Mrs. Bushian, relative of Wade Kanney (Morr); George Morin. Seven Special Intentions.