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The Federation officers, as well as the staff of the LINACRE QUARTERLY, take this opportunity of extending to all Guild members, sincere wishes for a most happy New Year. May those who have joined the armed forces be brought safely home again, and may we all soon share in that promised peace "to men of good will."

In this issue we are reprinting two articles with permission of the *Ecclesiastical Review* and the *Institutum Divi Thomae*. We present both the medical and moral aspects of ectopic gestation, as we have received various questions regarding this subject. We hope,

at a later date, to print an article by another moralist, on this same subject, and would caution our medical readers not to draw rash conclusions until all articles have been read and digested.

The Church's opposition to sterilization is well known. Hence the question has arisen whether it is permissible to make use of X-ray or radium treatment to cure uterine bleeding, when such treatment involves danger of sterilization. Or is it permissible even to destroy the ovaries on purpose to cure this or other disease?

A moralist has answered the question in the following manner: