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Once more we stand on the threshold of a new year, and with it we begin the eleventh year of the LINACRE QUARTERLY. After having successfully weathered the lean days of the depression, we feel certain that LINACRE will come through the stormy days of a war-torn world with banners flying. May our Lady, whose colors our cover so lovingly displays, protect us.

From Argentina, we have received the program of the Second Seminar of the Catholic Physicians’ Guilds—October 12 through October 18. The general topic was “The Adolescent and Medicine.” The Seminar began with a Mass said by the Chaplain of the Guild and ended on the 18th with a Mass at which the Apostolic Nuncio officiated. There were many talks and discussions as to the best methods by which to help adolescent boys and girls to develop into good Catholic men and women.

We quote the following from the Belleville Bulletin, as we think many of the Guilds might like to introduce this feature at future meetings. Monsignor Gruenewald writes: “A new feature of our next Guild meeting will be a period devoted to the answering of questions on medical and moral problems. If you have any difficulties or doubts about any case which comes up in your practice, be kind enough to send to Msgr. Gruenewald the questions over your signature. No names will be divulged in answering these questions, but at times it is highly important that the one who is answering such questions knows to whom to refer in case the question requires a personal answer or is not sufficiently clear. Detroit is using this question and answer period to great advantage and the Executive Committee thought we should try it out here.”

Once more, we wish to remind Catholic officers who pass through
New York or who are there on leave, that the Catholic Club which is located in the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria will be happy to welcome them and to extend every courtesy in their power.

We are sorry to note that both Dr. John P. Crotty of the Belle-ville Guild and Dr. George P. O’Malley of the Cleveland Guild passed to their eternal rest. R. I. P.

We are glad to print a paper on “Christ in the Post-War World” written by a son of Dr. Thiberge, an officer of the New Orleans Guild.

CHRIST IN THE POST-WAR WORLD

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In a world torn by strife and by fear created by dictators and tyrants mad with greed and with the lust for power, it has become the conviction of all logical men that the only true method of arriving at a just and lasting peace is to return to the principles of Christianity, and to further this effort, it is the duty of Catholics everywhere to assist to the full extent of their abilities.

We all agree that the dictators must be crushed, and with them must go every one of their doctrines which tend to enslave man to a pagan cause, or which would eliminate God from their hearts and minds. Here, therefore, is the duty of all Christian men set plainly before them; namely, to see that Christ and His principles are well remembered during the period of reconstruction and after, and that the peace is made in all justice and charity.

In order that Christ may not again be forgotten, it is the duty of all of our Catholic colleges and universities to educate the men and women there, not only in those subjects which are the prerequisites for a diploma or the requirements of a wartime economy, but also to instill in them “a formal discipline in all branches of a Christian philosophy illumined by religion.” 1 They must be educated to think and to act upon the principles set forth by Christ, and they must be taught that no effort is too great, no sacrifice too much to offer, in order that these principles, once established, may be maintained, for it is only by a universal return to Christ that we can have lasting peace.

Many argue that difference of nationality, and of creed and custom, are insurmountable obstacles in the path of universal and last-