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Leaders to Open Fund Drive



NICHOLAS J. MARTIN, leader in Catholic and civic circles, has been appointed chairman for San Diego county. Photographs of other county chairmen were unavailable at press time.



WILLIAM P. MAHEDY, San Diego attorney, will serve as chairman of the "A" committee, a group of volunteer workers who will solicit large gifts from individuals and business firms.



Catholic leaders who will take active parts in the University Foundation Fund campaign discussed plans at a luncheon meeting of the Father Serra club Wednesday, November 12. The group included (left to right): Morris (Mike) Shea; Ray L. Haden; William P. Mahedy, chairman of the "A" committee; Nicholas J. Martin, chairman of San Diego county; Alfred F. Henderson, campaign director; Leo J. Durkin, Donald H. Wilson, James O. Blethan; Roy G. Fitzgerald, chairman of the speakers' bureau; and Raymond J. McMahon.

TUES.
Nov. 25th



ROY G. FITZGERALD, chairman of the speakers' bureau, will arrange appearances of speakers who will discuss the University Foundation Fund at meetings of local civic clubs.

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MRS. FRED GLOOR heads the Women's Committee for San Diego County, which will solicit gifts from women leaders and women's organizations in the county.

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Detailed Campaign Plans Announced by Ordinary

**Building Program Includes Projects to
Benefit All Four Counties of S. D. Diocese**

Construction of San Diego University will commence early in the spring, the Most Reverend Charles F. Buddy, Bishop of San Diego, revealed this week as he announced organization plans for the University Foundation Fund-Raising Campaign.

**NON-CATHOLICS, FIRMS
INVITED TO SHARE IN
FOUNDATION PROGRAM**

The University project is part of an enterprising building program of educational and charitable institutions to be carried out within the Diocese of San Diego which includes the four counties of Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego.

Leaders Named

The drive for funds, which will begin officially Nov. 25, will be directed by Alfred F. Henderson, former Red Cross campaign director, according to the Bishop. His Excellency also announced appointment of four business and civic leaders to serve as county chairmen and to lead a volunteer organization of 6,000 men and women in raising the urgently needed funds.

Nicholas P. Martin, noted Catholic leader and Knight of St. Gregory, will head the drive in San Diego county; Tony J. de Vita will serve as chairman in Imperial county; Alphonse E. Ganahal in Riverside; and Emmett J. Culligan in San Bernardino.

Many Buildings

The new University will be built on 140 acres of land, now owned by the Church, in Alcala Park in the western section of Mission

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College for Men

San Diego University will provide a college with liberal arts courses for men, and pre-medical and pre-legal courses are under consideration. The San Diego diocese at the present has no facilities to provide for the higher education of young men inasmuch as there is here no institution empowered to grant men degrees in higher courses of learning.

Military High School

The outlined plans also envision a military high school for boys who have completed the eighth grade. In this connection, a resident school for boys and a military grade school are also under consideration.

Major Junior Seminaries

To complete the educational picture, the San Diego diocesan major seminary, the official name of which will be announced later, and the St. Francis minor semi-

nary will be erected on these grounds.

For several years architects have studied this project, and plaque models now give a bird's-eye view of the position of the proposed buildings together with the adjacent playgrounds. Part of the property will form an ideal athletic bowl.

Although it may take several years to perfect the university, it is hoped that courses of lectures may be started by September, 1948.

The campaign for funds will start with a prayer campaign, according to His Excellency, who announces that it will begin after completion of the Scripps Memorial campaign.

EDITORIALS

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University Foundation

The four-county University Foundation drive has passed from the planning to the action stage this week. The entire month of November has been devoted to a prayer campaign to assure the success of the San Diego diocese's \$2,500,000 educational program.

A university will be built for men and women, seminaries, hospitals, clinics, high schools, an academy and technical arts school—all parts of a long-planned outline to provide educational facilities for the people of the four southern counties of California—California, a state rich in the heritage of Catholicity, reduced to a state reminiscent of pre-Christian times because of the neglect of religious-mindedness on the part of its citizens.

Cities, streets, mountains, named after saints and angels, shelter educational institutions which not only refuse to teach a truthful idea of a supreme Godhead but even ridicule His name. More shame to us modern idealists who have not picked up the scepter handed to us by our predecessors in education, religion and social life.

It is because of this, and because of the mandates of the Church in her code of Canon Law, that the enterprising Shepherd of the San Diego diocese, relying on the complete faith, confidence and cooperation of the thousands of residents in these four counties, has undertaken the stupendous task of at last providing the facilities for the Christian education of our youth.

It is an ambitious program. It is not, however, an impossible one. Already, one man, realizing the true worth of such an undertaking, has given the sum of \$50,000 to the fund. This is a beginning. Every family must follow the lead to the best of its ability.

We cannot neglect our young people. The laudable ambition to better their scholastic standing and develop their talents should be encouraged. Many of our gifted youth are deprived of the opportunity to qualify for a profession because we have no college courses to offer them. We cannot, in conscience, permit our young people to attend godless colleges

or universities where both their faith and their morals are jeopardized. The tragic record shows that students returning from such schools often refuse to go to Mass and the Sacraments because their faith has been lectured out of them by atheistic teaching and they have neither logic nor philosophy at their command to defend their belief.

The institutions in the University Foundation program are the answer. Our youth will be prepared from infancy on to better themselves in the positive doctrines of truth which will serve as a bulwark against the inroads of secularism, materialism and naturalism. The present program envisions every phase of Catholic education.

This undertaking is also the fulfilment of Canon 1379 of the Code of Canon Law which states, "If there are no Catholic elementary or secondary schools . . . it is the duty especially of the local Ordinaries to see that they shall be established. Likewise, if the public universities are not imbued with Christian Doctrine, it is to be desired that a Catholic University be erected. . . Catholics should not refuse to aid according to their means in the building and maintenance of Catholic schools."

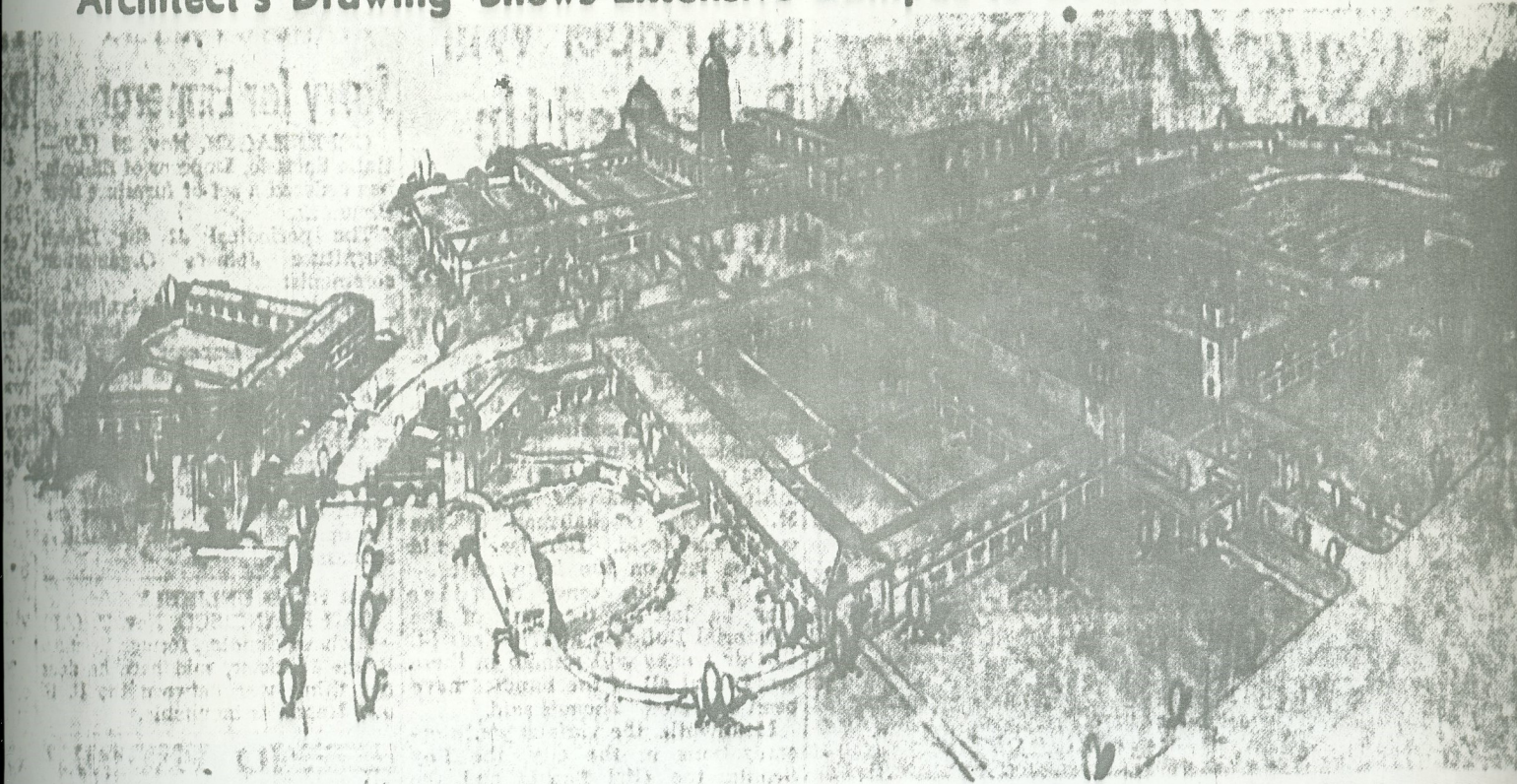
Not three percent of our Catholics can afford to send their sons and daughters away to College. There are not enough priests to care for the spiritual needs of the diocese. There are not enough beds in Catholic hospitals to care for the sick. The University Foundation answers all the needs both spiritual and material.

We cannot sit idly by and do nothing. We must educate ourselves to support our home institutions from which we expect ready service. We will never be able to form Catholic traditions unless we form them through higher education.

Fight bigotry and prejudice—pernicious fruits of ignorance—through enlightenment. Be a doer of the Word—train leadership for tomorrow.

God is not outdone in generosity. Those who give generously are blessed a hundred-fold, even in this life.

Architect's Drawing Shows Extensive Campus to Be in Mission Valley



An architect's drawing shows the extensive campus of the six-million-dollar San Diego University, which will be founded in Mission Valley next year. The principal buildings will be grouped in quadrangles. Graceful arcades will connect the buildings.

NEW CATHOLIC BUILDINGS TO BE OF SPANISH STYLE

The six-million-dollar San Diego University, to be founded in the Spring of 1948, will be built in the style of the Spanish renaissance period. Land already purchased by the San Diego Catholic Diocese in the western section of Mission Valley will form the campus of the university.

The vision of the Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy, Bishop of the San Diego Catholic Diocese, the University will offer college courses in the humanities, fine arts, science, commerce, speech, prelaw, pre-medicine, languages, journalism, scholastic philosophy and theology.

Included in the University will be the Seminary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the St. Francis Junior Seminary. Both Seminaries will prepare priests for the San Diego Diocese.

Other educational facilities on the campus will be the Convent of the Sacred Heart, an Academy for girls; and a military high school for boys. The surrounding area will be known as Alcala Park, in honor of St. James of Alcala, Spain, for which San Diego (Span-

ish) will be open to members of all religious faiths.

Catholic Church officials in San Bernardino announced yesterday that construction of a home for underprivileged boys would begin there early next year.

The Associated Press reported that the new development would be named Rockneville, after Knute Rockne, late Notre Dame University football coach. The home will be modeled after that in Boys Town, Neb. Co-sponsors of the project are Bishop Buddy and Emmett J. Culligan, of San Bernardino.