

~~1932~~ LDCCW ORGANIZED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF **MOST. REV. LOUIS B. KUCERA**, BISHOP OF LINCOLN WITH A MISSION TO PERFORM THE CORPORAL AND SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY. FIRST PRESIDENT APPOINTED MRS. W.E. STRAUB OF LINCOLN, AND **RT. REVEREND MONSIGNOR PETER O'LAUGHLIN** APPOINTED FIRST MODERATOR

THERE WERE 9 DEANERIES. **COMMITTEES WERE: STUDY CLUBS, LEGISLATION, PUBLICITY, HOSPITALITY, PTA, ORGANIZATION , EXECUTIVE**

EARLY 1930'S DEPRESSION CAUSED HARDSHIP-MONEY PROBLEMS-DUES OF \$12.50 TO NATIONAL AND \$2.50 TO THE LINCOLN COUNCIL WERE HARD TO COLLECT SOME YEARS, AFFILIATION WOULD BE 100% AND THE NEXT YEAR WOULD BE A DROP. BISHOP KUCERA OFFERED TO PAY HALF THE DUES IF THE ORGANIZATION WOULD JOIN, BUT EVEN WITH THAT INDUCEMENT GETTING AFFILIATES WAS STILL THE HARDEST JOB OF THE COUNCIL.

1934 DIOCESAN PRESIDENT WROTE TO NATIONAL, "WE HAVE MADE A VALIANT EFFORT THIS FALL, BUT THINGS ARE SO GLOOMY HERE FINANCIALLY THAT IT HAS BEEN VERY DIFFICULT TO DO WHAT WE SHOULD LIKE TO DO, AND WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO DO, IF WE HAD THE MONEY."

SOME EXPENSES OF THE 1934 CONVENTION

ROUND TRIP BUS FARE FROM BEATRICE FOR SPEAKER	\$1.60	
TABLE DECORATIONS		2.85
HOTEL TIPS FOR WAITERS	3.00	
PRINTING CONVENTION PROGRAMS & CREDENTIAL CARDS	7.00	
CANDLES FOR LUNCHEON TABLES	3.80	

1935 OLD RECORDS SHOW THAT 44 GROUPS OUT OF THE 10 DEANERIES PAID DUES WHICH AMOUNTED TO \$110 TOTAL

1937 **MONSIGNOR C J RIORDAN** WAS APPOINTED THE SECOND MODERATOR PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN EARLY YEARS, YOUTH WORK, SHRINES IN THE HOMES, FARM EXTENSION WORK, IMMIGRATION FOLLOW-UP, ESSAY AND ORATORICAL CONTEST

1938 PROMOTION OF THE CRUSADE AGAINST INDECENT LITERATURE AND PTA CONTEST

WAR YEARS ASSISTED IN MANY PHASES OF WAR EFFORT: RED CROSS, USO WORK, RECRUITING NURSES AND NURSE AIDES, RATION BOARDS, BOND DRIVES. PROVIDING COMPLETE "MASS KITS" FOR CHAPLAINS

1946 INDIANOLA DEANERY COUNCIL MADE THE LARGEST CONTRIBUTION OF ANY CATHOLIC GROUP IN THE NATION TOWARD WAR EFFORT AND WERE GIVEN RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY

1948 COUNCIL 103 VOLUNTEERS FROM LINCOLN AREA GAVE 4210 HOURS OF SERVICE FOR ST. THOMAS ORPHANAGE **RETREATS AND DAYS OF RECOLLECTION** WERE SPONSORED IN EVERY DEANERY. DONATIONS TO HOLY FATHER'S STOREROOM AND STATE REFORMATORY

1952 MRS. E J BRADY OF MCCOOK PROPOSED AND PUT INTO OPERATION "**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL BURSE**"- 1 CENT PER WEEK GIVEN BY EACH WOMAN OF THE COUNCIL TO FUND THIS BURSE. INTEREST FROM INVESTMENT USED TO HELP IN THE EDUCATION OF OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS

1953 SET OF PRINCIPLES "**CHRISTIAN CONDUCT CRUSADE**" WITH IMPRIMATUR OF BISHOP KUCERA, WITH 5000 PRINTED AND ORDERS WERE FILLED FROM ALL OVER THE US.

1954 AFFILIATIONS REACHED ITS HIGHEST MEMBERSHIP EVER IN THE COUNCIL SINCE ITS BEGINNING

1956 CELEBRATION OF SILVER ANNIVERSARY AT THE CONVENTION. CAKE FORMED IN LAYERS TO REPRESENT THE LEVELS OF THE COUNCIL, REPLICA WS DISPLAYED AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

1957 DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION SADDENED BY THE DEATH OF BISHOP KUCERA

1958 HIS EXCELLENCY JAMES V CASEY OUTLINED **NEW GOALS FOR THE COUNCIL**: TO DEVELOP LEADERS, TO ASSESS EACH WOMAN IN THE DIOCESE \$1.00/YR FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE COUNCIL, TO SUPPORT THE NEWMAN CENTER AND ST. THOMAS ORPHANAGE AND TO HAVE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER IN EACH PARISH