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AUGUST, 1955 — PHILADELPHIA, PA.

THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION will hold its annual meeting in Philadelphia from August 20 to August 25. As in the past, the Catholic lawyers guild of the host city has arranged a program for the Catholic members of the American Bar Association attending the meeting.

The St. Thomas More Society of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will sponsor a Red Mass at 11 a.m., on Sunday, August 21, 1955. Hon. Thomas J. Clary, Judge of the U. S. District Court and president of the Society, has announced that the Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, 18th and Race Streets, Philadelphia. His Excellency, the Most Reverend J. Carrol McCormick, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, will be the celebrant, and His Excellency, the Most Reverend John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., Archbishop of Philadelphia, will preside and preach the sermon.

The traditional Red Mass observance will be followed by a brunch at 1:00 P.M. at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Broad and Walnut Streets, about five blocks from the Cathedral.

Hon. Thomas J. Clary will serve as master of ceremonies at the brunch. Tickets are priced at \$4.00 per person. All requests for reservations should be addressed to Herman J. Obert, Esq., Secretary, St. Thomas More Society of Philadelphia, 1242 Fidelity — Philadelphia Trust Bldg., Philadelphia 9, Pa., and checks made payable to the order of the St. Thomas More Society of Philadelphia.

In order to afford the members of the Board of Advisors an opportunity to meet each other and to discuss matters of interest to THE CATHOLIC LAWYER, THE CATHOLIC LAWYER will tender a reception for them and their wives or other guests at 4:00 P.M. at the Drake Hotel, 1512 Spruce Street.

Philadelphia, the site of this year's American Bar Association meeting, in addition to being rich in American historical tradition, abounds in

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places of particular interest to Catholic visitors. It boasts of one of the oldest American churches extant, St. Joseph's Church of Willings Alley, which had its beginning in 1732 and served as the cradle of Catholicity in Philadelphia. This historic church stands in the very shadow of Independence Hall.

The spacious diocesan seminary of St. Charles Borromeo is located in Overbrook, superbly set in one of the most beautifully landscaped areas of the City. Farther west, along the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, are found Rosemont College of Holy Child Jesus conducted by the sisters of The Holy Child Jesus, and Villanova University at Villanova, where the construction of a new \$1,000,000 Law School building will be begun in the Fall. St. Joseph's in the Hills, at Malvern, the home of the largest laymen's weekend retreat league in the world, and Immaculata College for Women, conducted by the Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, are located a few miles outside of Villanova.

Among the other noteworthy Catholic educational institutions located in or around Philadelphia are: St. Joseph's College, chartered in 1851 and conducted by priests of the Society of Jesus, on City Line Avenue; La Salle College, incorporated in 1863, under the Brothers of the Christian Schools, on 20th Street and Olney Avenue; Chestnut Hill College, founded by the Sis-

ters of St. Joseph; the Vincentian Seminary in Germantown, Philadelphia, and the Holy Ghost Missionary College at Cornwells Heights.

Perhaps the most frequented place of interest in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is the National Shrine of the Central Association of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal located on Cheltenham Avenue, between Magnolia and Musgrave Streets, in historic Germantown. The Shrine, conducted by the Vincentian Fathers, is visited annually by thousands of pilgrims anxious to view the celebrated statue of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, by the famous sculptor, DiGiovanni, and the Association's unusual religious museum.

The museum contains an exhibit of a unique collection of Papal objects including coins and medallions covering the reign of five Holy Fathers, and burial garments of various Popes. A life-sized effigy of Pope Pius XII is on display in a section of the centre devoted to the Miraculous Medal Art Museum. Here are displayed over 200 paintings, some originals and many fine copies of famous originals, honoring the Madonna.

Miraculous Medal Perpetual Novena services are conducted every Monday at the Shrine at 7:00 and 9:00 A.M., and in the afternoon and evening at 2:00, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:15, and 9:00 P.M.

