

## the third order

The Third Order Secular of St. Francis is one of the outstanding extra-curricular organizations of St. Francis College. Membership entails the maintenance of a simple daily rule; by this Christ-like rule the college man strives to bring himself closer to God in his daily life.

Meeting on the second Thursday of each month, the members gather in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels to receive instructions from Rev. Father Marcellus Manzo, O.F.M., Cap., the director. The third Order holds the Ceremony of Reception and the Ceremony of Profession, each twice a year.

St. Francis of Assisi originally established the

Third Order Secular so that the lay person might participate in the religious life without leaving the laity. Many of the Popes have been Tertiaries. The present Pontiff, Pius XII, is a member of the Third Order.

The Moderator of the fraternity in St. Francis College is Rev. Brother Simeon, O.S.F. The officers for this year are Martin Coan, Prefect; Raymand Craft, Vice-Prefect; William Powderly, Novice-Master; Francis Giordano, Secretary; and William Lanahan, Treasurer.

Every student in the college is always welcome to join the Third Order, to join in our prayers and work.

## catholic war veterans

The Franciscan Post No. 691, of the Catholic War Veterans, was organized in April of 1946 by a group of alumni together with a group from the undergraduate ranks of the College. It was the first such post activated in a metropolitan college, and second in the nation.

These men, realizing the great potentiality of the returning veterans, and anxious to add to the opportunities of college life contacted Kings County Headquarters of the C.W.V. They received recognition in June of that year.

It has become a tradition for the Franciscan Post to present two awards at the graduation exercises of St. Francis Prep, one to the outstanding students in Religion and the other to the outstanding student in History. These awards are in the form of medals bearing the C.W.V. insignia and are engraved with the details of the award. Also in the realm of tradition is the Annual Armistice Day Eve Dance held by the Post.

Another high light of the Post activity was the "Forum on Christian Marriage" a series of three lectures held a week apart. Father Raymond Neufeld and Dr. Leslie H. Tisdall, M.D., F.A.C.S. were the speakers. The Forum was very well received, and the Post has been urged to include such a series in its yearly program.

Membership in the post is not restricted to college men alone. Anyone who meets the requirements of the National Headquarters is welcome to apply to the Secretary of the Post.

