



## *The Holy Name Congress*



HIS year the Holy Name Societies throughout the world are celebrating the six hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of that great organization.

This month at Washington thousands of members, representatives and delegates from the six thousand branches and almost two million members in this country will gather to profess solemnly their Faith in Christ's divinity; to honor openly His Holy Name; and to declare publicly their patriotism to their country.

Many thousands of bishops, priests, spiritual directors, Holy Name men, Holy Name Juniors, friends, relatives, wives and daughters will journey to Washington from all parts of the country, by their presence and their voice to join the accredited delegates in their public demonstration of Faith in God and loyalty to country.

The official program of the convention, which will be in session from September 18th to 21st, is an inspiring one of Faith and patriotism. The opening act of the convention each day will be a Solemn Pontifical High Mass at the Catholic University. The closing ceremony of each day will consist in varied demonstrations of devotion to our country. Among the public acts will be the Roll Call of the Catholic Service Men, living and dead, at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the patriotic pilgrimage to the tomb of George Washington, at Mount Vernon.

The great day of the convention will be Sunday, the 21st, National Rally Day, when it is expected 100,000 Holy Name men and visitors will be gathered in Washington. This day will be opened by a Pontifical High Mass of Thanksgiving at the Stadium, Catholic University. In the afternoon there will be a monster grand rally parade through the principal streets of the city, terminating at the foot of the Washington Monument, where the final act of patriotism and religion will take place. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be given and the convention program will close with a solemn ensemble declaration of the Holy Name pledge.