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## Catholic Attitude Towards Public Schools Stated

Address of Director Monahan, N. C. W. C. Educational Bureau

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)  
Winona, Minn., June 8.—A. C. Monahan director of the Bureau of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Council, in the course of an address to the students of the College of St. Teresa in this city, last Tuesday, described the attitude of Catholics in general toward the public schools and spoke of their interest in promoting education for all classes.

In outlining the activities of the Welfare Council's Bureau of Education, Mr. Monahan stated that its principal influence would be through its service as a clearing house of information, and its encouragement to local efforts through such information and advice. The Bureau could in no way exercise any control over the schools, Mr. Monahan said.

Points on Which Catholics Agree

Urging the necessity of a statement of the Church's position respecting public, private and parochial education, Mr. Monahan said:

"It is true, of course, that it might be difficult to secure a platform acceptable to all Church officials, as at the present time there are many conflicting opinions on education among them. However, there are certain points on which an agreement is quite general, and these happen to be the points relative to which the greater number of questions regarding the attitude of the Church is now raised.

"A few of the points on which the great majority of Catholics agree may be stated:

"They believe that general education for all youths in the United States is necessary for the well-being of the State, and the prosperity, health, and safety of its individuals. They agree that it is the right and the duty of the State to require that all children shall receive a certain amount of education, the minimum being fixed by State legislative enactment. They believe that the State should maintain free public schools so that this minimum education essential to its well-being will be available to every child whose education is not provided otherwise, and that these schools should be supported from public money raised by taxation or otherwise from all citizens regardless of whether or not they have children attending the public schools. They believe that every American citizen should have the right to send his child to any type of school he may wish provided that the school is meeting at least the minimum requirements set by the State and that it is truly American in its teachings.

"They believe that a school to be American must be conducted in the English language. Americans must talk the English language, read and write the English language. The great majority of Catholics are agreed that Catholic parochial schools, Lutheran parochial schools, and other schools conducted in German, French, Polish, Swedish, Spanish, and other languages must be made to adopt English."

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## Two Big Foundations Assist Notre Dame

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Notre Dame, Ind., June 11.—With a gift of \$75,000 from the Carnegie Foundation, a grant of \$250,000 by the Rockefeller Foundation and a pledge of \$500,000 by the residents of South Bend, (Ind.), Notre Dame University begins its campaign for an endowment fund of \$2,000,000 with practical assurance of raising the entire amount.

The announcement that the University had received a gift from the Carnegie Foundation was made by the Rev. Dr. James A. Burns, C. S. C., at a mass meeting of the students. The two contributions from the great educational foundations, Dr. Burns said, gave proof of their conviction that Notre Dame University is working in the general interests of the country.

## K. Of C. Relief For Pueblo Sufferers

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
New York, June 10.—In addition to a gift of \$5,000, the Knights of Columbus have arranged to send a large quantity of supplies and several units to distribute relief and render other assistance in Pueblo and other adjacent cities which were overwhelmed by floods in the first week of June.

If conditions are not materially improved by the measures being taken by the Knights and other organizations and the State and Federal governments, Supreme Secretary, William G. McGinley announced, his Order will gather a large fund from its councils throughout the country for the benefit of the sufferers.

## Catholic Educators To Hold Convention

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Washington, June 13.—The arrangements for the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Catholic Educational Association have been completed and it is expected that much important work will be accomplished by the conference. The meeting will be held in Cincinnati on June 27, 28, 29 and 30. The invitation to hold the meeting is extended by His Grace, Most Reverend Archbishop Henry Moeller. The services will open with Pontifical Mass in St. Peter's Cathedral on Tuesday, June 28, and on this occasion His Grace the Archbishop will deliver an address on Catholic Education.

## MSGR. BATTANDIER DEAD

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Paris, June 1.—The death is announced in Rome of Mgr. Battandier, at the age of 71 years. After having served for a long time as Vicar-General for Cardinal Pitra and as Rome correspondent of the French paper "Le Croix", Mgr. Battandier had devoted his whole time, since 1902, to editorial work for the Pontifical Year Book, which he kept up to date. This publication has a wide circulation in France and elsewhere and has rendered important service to the Catholic world.

Washington, June 9.—Eighty-one candidates received degrees at the annual Commencement exercises of Trinity College here today. The Most Rev. John Bonzano, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, conferred the degrees.

## Watson's Slanders Of Georgia Arouse Laymen To Action

Senator's Defamation of Clergy and Nuns Called to Attention of Authorities

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Washington, D. C., June 13.—The Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia has requested and received the cooperation of the National Council of Catholic Men in a movement initiated by the Catholic Laymen's Association to bring to the attention of the United States Senate, the authorities and the people of the State of Georgia, and the American public generally, accusations made by Senator Thomas E. Watson of Georgia that the authorities of the State of Georgia are permitting and conniving at very serious infractions of the law by not taking steps against Rt. Rev. Benjamin J. Keiley, D. D., Bishop of Savannah, who is declared by Senator Watson to be conducting a white slave den in Savannah for immoral purposes.

Marked copies of the Columbia Sentinel, of which Senator Watson is editor, for the issue of May 16th, which contains the charges, are to be sent by the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia to President Harding and the members of the Senate, with a letter calling their attention to passages in which are made the accusations that the great majority of sixty-five thousand girls who disappeared from their homes last year "were captured by Catholic priests and sentenced to slavery in the Houses of the Good Shepherd, etc.," and that "in Keiley's establishment, at Savannah, Georgia, there may probably be a score or more of those 'missing girls,'" and similar statements; another one being that "the Roman Catholic Church dictates to President Harding, just as it dictated to Wilson."

Advertisements are to be inserted in the Georgia newspapers by the Catholic Laymen's Association calling the attention of the authorities and people of the State of Georgia to Senator Watson's further statements that "the laws of Georgia require that Bishop Keiley's slave pen shall be inspected by officers of the courts of Chatham county, but the Bishop of Savannah informs us that he gets his law from Rome, and therefore, he cannot recognize laws made in this country. The question is: Shall Bishop Keiley be permitted to continue to laugh at our laws?"

The action to be taken by the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia was discussed at a meeting held in Savannah Sunday, June 5. This meeting was attended by the Executive Committee of the Association, a committee of the Knights of Columbus, and a representative of the National Catholic Welfare Council, of which the National Council of Catholic Men is a branch.

## Catholic Women's Council Progress

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Washington, June 13.—Eighty local organizations throughout the United States affiliated with the National Council of Catholic Women during the month of May; according to a report made public from national headquarters here.

## Pope Obtains Second American Altar Lamp

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Rome, June 8.—The Holy Father was so pleased with the sanctuary lamp recently presented to him by Edward Joseph Knapp, president of the E. J. Knapp Candle and Wax Co., of Syracuse, N. Y. that he expressed a wish that he might have another similar lamp so that one could be placed on each side of the altar in his private chapel. Mr. Knapp immediately gratified this wish of the Holy Father and at the same time, through Monsignor Straniero, dean of the chapter of St. John Lateran, he made a gift of another lamp to the Bapistry, of the Basilica.

Owing to a special composition of wax and oil, the lamp devised by Mr. Knapp burns continuously for eight days without requiring any special care and without danger of extinction.

## Archbishop Hayes Buys Swann Estate

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)  
New York, June 2.—"Monticello" the estate formerly owned by Edward Swann, District Attorney of New York near Suffern in Rockland County has been purchased by Archbishop Hayes. The Archbishop plans to turn over the estate to one of the charitable or educational institutions of the archdiocese.

The purchase was made in the name of George P. Gillespie, acting as attorney. It is said that the purchase price was approximately \$85,000. The Archbishop probably will take possession of the estate about July 1.

## N. C. W. C. Immigration Service Ready For Influx From Europe

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)  
New York, June 13.—Work being done at Ellis Island by the Bureau of Immigration of the National Catholic Welfare Council is conducted along humanitarian lines, both moral and material assistance being provided wherever they are needed. The field of activity is chiefly among Catholic immigrants, many of whom hereafter will have knowledge in advance of their departure from their native lands of the facilities which the National Catholic Welfare Council has for helping them.

## FORDHAM WILL USE NEW WING FOR LIBRARY

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
New York, June 13.—A wing of the Faculty Building at Fordham University is being remodeled for use as a University Library which will be equipped with all modern library appliances. It had been hoped that a new Library Building could be erected in the near future, but, according to a recent announcement, this plan has been given up.

## Radicals Fighting Church in Chile

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Santiago, Chile, June 1.—The fight to separate Church and State in Chile, which is led by President Alessandri, has renewed the old dispute centering around the question of jurisdiction over the marriage ceremony. The radicals are preparing to push legislation declaring religious marriages illegal unless they are followed by a civil ceremony.

## German Aid Plan Of Msgr. Rempels Approved By Pope

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Rome, May 30.—Monsignor Francis A. Rempel, Vicar General of the Chicago archdiocese, is returning to the United States with assurance of the Holy Father's approval of his plan for an annual collection in that country as a permanent fund for the relief of Catholics in the former Central Empires. This plan Monsignor Rempel will submit also to the American Hierarchy for their approbation.

While in Rome after having visited Austria and Germany, where he distributed about \$800,000 given by Americans for the succor of the stricken peoples of those countries, Monsignor Rempel was received by His Holiness. Among the tributes which were paid to American generosity by religious leaders of Austria and Germany Monsignor Rempel treasures one from Bishop Keppler of Rottenburg. Bishop Keppler described these gifts from America as "a Gulf Stream of pure Christian love, of cordial and active help."

## Women Warned Of Danger In Present Fashions

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Washington, D. C., June 10.—In urging women of St. Vincent's parish to join the National Council of Catholic Women and help the Church to combat evils which menace the home and society Rev. Father Dennis C. Keenan, speaking from the altar, last Sunday, declared that "a family consisting of husband and wife, a poodle dog and a canary bird" was the only ideal of many married people today.

Father Keenan also condemned fashions in women's dress as "brazen transgressions against decency", and contended that young women who accustomed themselves to wearing short skirts and daring décollete waists would lose their modesty.

Attempts on the part of women to heighten their beauty by resort to cosmetics were likewise criticized by Father Keenan.

"Be careful that in painting your faces you don't stain your souls", Father Keenan warned.

## Foch Congratulates Cardinal Bourne

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Paris, June 2.—Before leaving London where he had been present at the Allied Conference, Marshal Foch made a point of writing a letter of congratulation to Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, on the occasion of his episcopal jubilee.

The French Government sent the Cardinal a message of congratulation through Count de Saint-Aulaire, French Ambassador at London.

## Secondary Education In Ireland Starts

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Dublin, May 31.—In Ireland the Government has started secondary education. The great majority of the secondary schools are in the hands of Catholics. Foremost amongst these are the schools run by religious orders, the Christian Brothers and the Diocesan Seminaries managed by the Bishops and the secular clergy. Grants for education have been enormously increased in Britain, but no equivalent increases have been given to the Irish schools.

In equity there are 3,000,000 dollars due to Ireland. The Chief Secretary refuses to pay this.

The result is that the secondary system of education has been completely disorganized and brought to the brink of ruin. Men and women make impossible teachers. In the past many of them have found employment in Great Britain. Now, it appears, a boycott has been organized against them in that country. An Irish secondary teacher who applied for an appointment on the staff of an English school received a reply stating:

"The headmaster begs to inform you that no candidate from Ireland is eligible to hold a post in above school."

The secondary teachers denied a living salary at home. They are debarred from employment in Britain.

## Catholic Vote Shows Gain In European Elections

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Paris, June 4.—A general report on the votes obtained by the various political parties during the recent municipal elections has just been published. It shows very clearly the progress made by the Catholics in the big cities.

In Brussels the Catholics gained 21.61 per cent of the number of votes in the election of 1917. This year they obtained 28.60 per cent, a gain of 6.99 per cent. The Socialist loss was 6.99 per cent.

At Ghent the Socialist percentage in 1919 was 43.5. This year it is 35.9. The Catholics, who in 1919 had 28.4 per cent, this year have 37.7. This is a loss of 9.3 per cent for the Socialists and a gain of 9.3 per cent for the Catholics.

At Liege, in 1919, the percentage of Socialist votes was 38.7. In 1921 it is 33.7 per cent, a loss of 5.0 per cent, while Catholic votes have risen from 24.3 per cent in 1919 to 29.7 per cent, a gain of 5.4 per cent.

At Antwerp the Catholics gained a gain of 10 per cent, while Socialists lost 7 per cent.

This year for the first time women appeared at the polls. Queen Elizabeth appeared and the polls like an ordinary woman and took her place in the line of other women. When organized and urged to vote of them, she replied: "I shall wait for my husband."

The King did not vote to show that he is not a political partisan.

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Paris, June 4.—Monsignor Power, P. P., V. G., Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, refused to pay a fine imposed on him by the military. Payment has been enforced by distress. A suite of valuable drawing-room furniture and other property were seized.