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Right And Left Assail German Center Policy

By Rev. Dr. Wilhelm Baron von Capitaine

(Cologne Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Cologne, June 9.—The first sessions of the Reichstag have shown that the Center party, although retaining its old support and number of seats, faces a critical test in that body. The powerful Right and Left blocs have demonstrated their inclination to destroy that policy of the Center which it has held necessary for the salvation of Germany. The behavior of the Communists in the Reichstag and in the town councils has been very disheartening.

The chief clash in policies comes over the attitude toward the Allies. The Center has held consistently that, regardless of the justice or injuries of the Versailles Treaty, the nation must do its best to fulfill its obligations, even though bitter burdens be assumed in the process. Reparations must be paid, the party contends, or the Rhineland and the Ruhr will never be freed. Reconciliation and peace with Germany's former enemies must be sought, despite their demands, and the country must look to the conscience of the world and hope that right and justice will prevail when hatreds and national arrogance have failed.

Communists Are Irreconcilable

The Nationalists and Communists, however, declare the solution is open opposition to the occupying forces—the French, the Belgians and the British—and demand that reparation pledges be repudiated.

The councils and mayors of towns are indignant at the conduct of the Communist members of the councils, who have insulted the ancient custom of new members shaking hands with the mayor signifying they will cooperate for the good of the town. The Communist members covered their hands with red gloves and presented their fists.

A typical instance of this kind is related in the Aix-la-Chapelle Gazette, which says:

"At the first session with the new members, the Communist member Reinidt declared, after swearing in the group, that swearing is a farce after the fashion of the capitalist class. We shall keep our obligations to the same fashion as the wirepullers in the present state have kept theirs. We Communists do not enter [illegible] with you in conformity [illegible] procedure, be[illegible]"

[illegible] mass of the proletariat it will wage deadly combat against the capitalist society. The Communist party feels obligated to nothing through the shaking of hands, nor do we feel obligated to keep the secrets of the commissions. We declare war against the present social order to the knife."

Catholic Reichstag President

It is interesting to note that the German Nationalists have captured the presidency of the Reichstag with a Catholic in the person of Max Wallraf. Herr Wallraf was born in Cologne in 1859, of one of the oldest and best Rhenish families, traditionally Catholic. A representative of his family was once a priest at the Cologne Cathedral. Wallraf has held important posts, among them being president of police at Aix-la-Chapelle and mayor of Cologne. The Nationalists procured his election to the Landtag in 1921 and to the Reichstag in 1924.

The second vice-president of the Reichstag, Dr. Johannes Bell, of Essen, also is a Catholic, and one of the most prominent Center leaders. He has been a member of the Landtag and Reichstag since 1908, and was a delegate at Versailles.

Duty of Catholics Elected to Office

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

London, June 16.—When Catholics are elected to public office they should not have one particular ax to grind, declared Sir Charles Russell in handing a presentation check for $14,000 to Bishop Brown, the new auxiliary to the Bishop of Southwark. Sir Charles said that when Bishop Brown was elected to the old school board he did not merely grind the Catholic ax. He was elected as a citizen of London, and he did his best for every creed and every rank of life. That was the policy that every Catholic in public life should pursue.

FRENCH GIRL MADE A DOCTOR OF LAWS ENTERS NOVITIATE

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

Paris, June 13.—Mademoiselle Dorge, a native of Raismes (Nord) came to Paris last week to be examined by a jury of the Faculty of Law of Paris for the degree of doctor of laws—an extremely rare occurrence, since the degree of licenciate is all that is required to practice law. It is therefore all the more remarkable to find the candidate for such a degree a young girl.

Mademoiselle Dorge supported her thesis in the most brilliant manner and was awarded the degree of doctor of laws with the felictations of the jury.

Mademoiselle Dorge will not practice law, however, for on the very day she won her law degree she entered a novitiate to prepare for religious life.

NEW NATIONAL BANK OF ROCHESTER

Rochester has witnessed, within the past few weeks, the most important local financial development of recent years in the formation of the new National Bank of Rochester.

National Banks, because of the laws under which they are organized, are able to render certain individual services to a community which cannot readily be given by any other form of organization, thus making it highly desirable to have in this city a large and strong National Bank. Notable among the services mentioned above is the power of such banks, under Federal supervision, to issue currency.

So strongly was it felt that a new and stronger National Bank than any the city had had was not only needed but deserved by our business interests, that every other bank in Rochester, though nominally a competitor of such a new bank, joined in offering financial and moral support to the new organization.

On May 17, 1924, a charter was issed to the National Bank of Rochester. A capital of $1,200,000.00 and a surplus fund of $300,000.00 had been pledged and paid in cash. A Board of Directors, chosen from among the most successful business and professional men of the city, was elected. The new bank at once guaranteed every dollar of the deposits of the two then existing National Banks and purchased from them such of their assets as were considered unquestionably good.

It should be clearly understood that in the case of assets undesirable to the new bank it acts merely as agent in realizing on the same for the old banks.

The National Bank of Rochester is, of course, a member of the Federal Reserve System, which membership makes it an integral part of the greatest banking system in the world.

The new Bank deserves Rochester's support. It was created to fill a definite community need and it's value to the growth and prosperity of the city cannot be overestimated. The Rochester Clearing House Association in a recent public announcement says: "The local Clearing House Association believes that this new institution will fill a high and worthy place in the financial circles of the community, building an institution with which its clients will take justifiable pride in association. Its service to the community will grow with the increased use of its facilities."

Heads Catholic Hospital Body

Chicago, Ill., June 20.—Sister Helen Jarrell, of St. Bernard's hospital, Chicago, was reelected president of the Illinois Conference, Catholic Hospital Association, at the conference held at Champaign.

Snyder—Bachman.

Miss Hildegarde A. Bachman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Bachman was married to Mr. Raymond J. Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Snyder, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, on Tuesday, June 17.

The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. John P. Schellhorn, the double ring service being used. Gounods' "Ave Maria" was sung by Miss Gladys Ensmen.

Miss Celeste Bachman, sister of the bride, acted as maid of honor, and Miss Marion Bachman, also a sister, was bridesmaid. Doris Snyder, niece of the bridegroom, was the flower girl. The groom was attended by his cousin, Mr. Edward Yost, and Mr. Raymond Close, cousin of the bride. Mr. William Snyder and Mr. James P. Bowles acted as ushers.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, for 75 guests under a marquee on the lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder left for an extended trip to Washington, Philadelphia and Atlantic City. After September 1st, they will be at their new home on Adrian road.

Limpert—Sshaefer.

The marriage of Miss Estelle C. Schaefer, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Schaefer of 168 Weddaleway, to Mr. Anthony Limpert of this city, took place Tuesday morning, June 10, at 9 o'clock in St. Andrew's Church, the Rev. George Eckel officiating.

The bride was attended by Miss Mary Hack. Miss Verna Weitz, niece of the groom, was flower girl. Mr. Edward Haefner acted as best man.

After a short Western trip, Mr. and Mrs. Limpert will be at home at 87 Oneida street.

Dougherty—Hagarty.

Miss Anna Marie Hagarty was married to Mr. William M. Dougherty on Wednesday morning, June 18, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. The Rev. Joseph S. Cameron performed the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. Ralph J. Meyers, who celebrated a nuptial mass following the marriage.

Miss Mary A. Hagarty attended her sister and the bridegroom was attended by his brother, Harold Dougherty. The ushers were Mr. William Green and Mr. Oscar Rosenbauer.

After an extended wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty will reside in Avon, N.Y.

School Observes 50th Anniversary

Fort Totten, N. D., June 20.—The fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the Indian Industrial School in charge of the Gray Nuns here, was celebrated during the week.

Wednesday was given over to graduation exercises for the Indian children of the school and solemn religious services were held on Thursday. The Rev. Ambrose Mattingly, O. S. B., is the missionary in charge at the school.

DEATHS OF THE WEEK

Maloney—Timothy Maloney died at the family home, Rush, N.Y. June 26th, aged 73 years. St. Joseph's church, June 28. Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Spieker—Mrs. Julia Toal Spieker died at her residence, No. 58 Lark street, June 25. Funeral from Holy Rosary church June 28th.

Rev. John A. Lyons Says His First Mass

Dansville, N. Y.—Rev. John A. Lyon's first high mass at St. Mary's Church Sunday morning was an important ocasion for parishioners of that church, and St. Patrick's. The church was filled with friends and relatives from Buffalo, Rochester, Corning, Wayland, Hornell and Dansville. The local council, Knights of Columbus, and the members of St. Boniface Society, escorted Father Lyons and the other officers of the mass from the parochial residence to the church.

Carey's Mass was sung by the large choir under direction of Joseph H. Hofschneider, of Rochester, a brother of Rev. Leo Hofschnieder, of St. Mary's with Sister M. Regis at the organ. The full choir was augmented by the voices of Mrs. Catherine Hofschnieder and Mrs. Thomas R. Cafferey, of Rochester, nieces of the pastor.

In solemn high mass, Father Lyons was celebrant, Rev. Leo Hofschneider, arch-priest, Father Kelliher, deacon, Rev. Leo Mooney, subdeacon, Rev. Adelbert Schneider, first master of ceremonies, Rev. Charles Azzi, second master of ceremonies, Rev. Herbert Sturmer, Rev. Jacob Rauber, acolytes, Rev. Raymond Cunnigham, cross bearer and thurifer. Til were classmates of Father Lyons, except the pastor. In the sanctuary were Rev. John E. Masseth, of St. Patrick's, Dansville, Mr. McKay and Mr. Ayers. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Albert Geiger, of Rochester, a former member of St. Mary's Church.

After the services, relatives and friends attended a banquet in the Knights of Columbus rooms, served by girls of the graduating class of St. Mary's school. A purse of $500 was given Father Lyons as a testimonial from his friends in St. Mary's and St. Patrick's parishes, promoted by the local council of Knights of Columbus.

Kelly—Cullen.

Miss Carol Mary Cullen, daughter of Mrs. John J. Cullen of Woodward street was married to William Thomas Kelly on Wednesday morning, June 18th, at Corpus Christi Church. Rev. Francis J. O'Hern performed the ceremony. They were attended by Miss Catherine Cullen, sister of the bride, and Charles Heindel.

The bride wore a gown of cream-colored Silenet over pink, with hat to match and carried a bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid was gowned in salmon-pink georgette, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of garden flowers.

After the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride to the immediate family and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly left for a trip to the Thousand Islands and will be at home after July 1st at No. 129 Woodward street.

Prenuptial events included variety showers given by Mrs. Frank Kelly and Miss Eunice Stupp.

Fink—Doran

The marriage of Irene McMahon Doran to Mr. Frank J. Fink took place Thursday morning in the Church of the Sacred Heart. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George V. Buras. After July 1st, Mr. and Mrs. Fink will be at home at 442 Electric avenue.

Reus—Breemus.

Miss Alida K. Breemus of Fairport became the bride of Mr. Francis J. Reus of this city on Saturday morning, June 21 at Our Lady of Victory Church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. A. Notebaert.

The bride was attended by Miss Ethel Niemyer of Rochester and the best man was Mr. Victor Lootens of Palmyra.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's mother in Fairport. Mr. and Mrs. Reus will be at home after July 1st, at 44 Hulbert avenue, Fairport.

Deaths of the Week

Funeral services were held from the respective churches on dates given. May their souls rest in peace.

Culhane—Agnes C. Culhane, died at her home, June 22, at her home. Funeral June 24 at St. Catharine's Church, at Mendon. Interment at Victor, N. Y.

Duffy—Miss Liza Duffy died June 21, at her home, 354 Champlain street, Immaculate Conception Church June 24. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Champagne—Charles J. Champagne died June 22, at his home, 31 Texas street. Holy Apostles' Church, June 24. Interment at Hamilton, Ont. Canada.

Wolf—Harry S. Wolf, aged 42 years, died at St. Mary's Hospital, June 22. Holy Apostles Church, June 25.

McKinney—Robert G. McKinney, infant son of George F. and Nellie Dewitt McKinney, aged 1 year and 4 months, died June 22, at the family residence, No. 2 Malvern street. Funeral June 24. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemeery.

Donke—Mrs. Martha Semple Donke, died suddenly, June 20, at the family home, No. 932 Avenue D., aged 46 years. Holy Redeemer Church, June 23rd.

Ebberle—Miss Helen Ebberle died June 22, at her residence, No. 16 Orchard street. SS. Peter and Paul's Church, June 25.

Greene—Susan Sharkey Greene, died June 24, at her residence in Avon, N. Y. Funeral June 27, from St. Agnes' Church, Avon, N. Y.

Roesser—Joseph M. Roesser, aged 69 years. Funeral June 25th, from St. Michael's Church.

Bellew—John Bellew died June 24, at the family home, No. 469 Lyell avenue. Holy Apostles' Church June 26.

Dunkhorst — Minnie Dunkhorst died at her home, No. 472 Colvin street, June 24. Funeral from the Holy Family Church, June 27. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Barager—Rufus E. Barager died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William J. Bode, Washington road, Pittsford, N. Y., June 26th. Funeral June 28th. Interment in St. Mary's cemetery, Fairport.

Ely—Miss MaryR. Ely died at the family reandence, No. 223 Bronson avenue, June 26. St. Monica's church June 28.

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