

Need of Priests In Czechoslovakia Endangers Church

Expatriation of Convents by Government Militating Against Vocations

By Dr. Frederick Funder (Vienna Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Vienna, Nov. 17.—Reports from Czechoslovakia indicate that the Church in that country is face to face with a serious danger because of the decreasing number of candidates for the priesthood. Already the number of priests there is less than are actually needed and the losses through death, old age, disease and other causes each year far exceed the number of seminarians ordained.

To illustrate the seriousness of the situation there are only 236 students of theology in all the seminaries in Czechoslovakia. At least four times that number will be needed to meet the demands of the next few years. In former times there were more seminarians in the seminaries of Prague and Koniggratz alone than there are today in the entire country. A sinister aspect of the situation, it is revealed in extreme paucity of vocations among the Czech people themselves. This is due, no doubt, to the chauvinistic opposition to the Church during the past few years which makes the rising generations hesitate about embracing a profession which is constantly held up to ridicule and defamation.

Slavs Not Sufficiently Represented

Out of the 236 students mentioned before, only 118 are of Slav nationality. Of the remainder, the vast majority are Germans. On the basis of comparative populations the number of Slav and Czech students should be twice as large as the German representation.

One fact which militates against a large number of vocations in the Czechoslovakia is the so-called reversion of landownership under the rule of which the resources of many of the great Bohemian convents are appropriated. In former times the income from these properties provided for the upkeep of many religious houses throughout the nation.

A notable example of this policy of expropriation is given by the action of the Prague Government in taking over the properties of the great Premonstratensian Convent of Tepl represented as follows: Gene Buck, at Marlenbad. This convent was established in 1193 by Krotinada, a Bohemian nobleman now beatified. The convent's possessions included the famous and James Cassidy, representing the rule of the Abbot Jasper Charles James O'Neill, Harry J. Lane and Reitenberger, Marlenbad was de-William Glancy, representing Equity, cleared a public watering place and Daniel Frohman, Robert T. Haines, soon a small struggling village de-Robert Campbell and William A. developed into the prosperous and beautiful town so well known to Kaufman, Robert Richard Rainer, thousands of visitors in modern Cornellius Keefe and Louis Rein, times. Title to the property remained with the Premonstratensians, Club, and Henry Chesterfield, J. Irv, however, and from the income de-ting Southard, Tony Williams, Joe rived from Marlenbad the community Daniels and John Liddy, represent- paid enormous sums: in taxes to the government every year. The income was also used for the maintenance of several charitable institutions and many Catholic organizations throughout the country received generous contributions from the convent.

Further Confiscations Threatened

Now, however, the government has confiscated the grounds including the famous springs and all of the buildings in Marlenbad belonging to the convent. In addition, proceeds from the sale of the property are now under way to confiscate another estate of the convent at Krkanitz, the income from which in the past has supported eight parish rectories. Thus the impoverishment of the convent of Tepl is a serious injury to the whole Catholic life of Bohemia.

Another instance of this policy of expropriation is the confiscation of half of the landed property of the Cistercian Order at Osseg. A later example is the order directing the Salesian Community at Gohleschau to vacate their convent with its flourishing boarding school for girls before February 1, 1925.

Glasgow Catholic Teachers Must Train In Catholic Schools

London, Nov. 22.—Unless they are trained in Catholic schools, teachers will not be recognized by the Catholic authorities of the Glasgow archdiocese.

Bishop Graham has issued a stern circular letter on the matter, and says that the abuse, which has gone on in the past, "cannot be tolerated."

"Let it be distinctly understood," says Bishop Graham, "that the law is that intending teachers, whether male or female, must attend Catholic schools, or leaving the primary school, that they will not receive a certificate as Catholic teachers if they do not observe the law, and that the law can be enforced from the day of their entry into the profession."

Religious Features In French Capital

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

Paris, Nov. 21.—The will of the radical cabinet to return to the narrowest possible conception of official secularism gave special significance to a few incidents which occurred during the celebration of Armistice Day.

When the Catholic athletic societies, coming shortly after the members of the government, marched in procession to the Arc de Triomphe to lay a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and sing a reverent "De Profundis," the crowd surrounding the great place paused with uncovered heads, and then greeted the Catholic cortege with a burst of applause.

At Versailles, on the same day, the municipal government had invited General Gouraud to unveil a monument to the memory of the two thousand inhabitants of the town who fell in the Great War. The Bishop of the diocese was also invited to give his solemn blessing to the monument. Mgr. Gibier, Bishop of Versailles, was present with the Chapter and the clergy of all the Versailles parishes. Marshal Foch also went to the Cathedral of Notre Dame to lay a wreath before the monument of the British war dead. He was received by Cardinal Dubois and the auxiliary Bishop Chaptal, with whom he recited the "De Profundis."

Actors Attended Mass For Former Members Of Catholic Guild

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

New York, Nov. 24.—The eleventh annual solemn Mass of Requiem for the deceased members of the Catholic Actors Guild was celebrated this morning in St. Malachy's Church by the Guild chaplain, the Rev. William J. Donohue. The Rev. Martin E. Faby, and the Rev. Joseph Madden of the great Bohemian convents assisted Father Donohue, and Father Faby preached the sermon.

Pedro de Cordoba, president of the Guild; Gene Buck, Frank McGlynn, Tom Strasser, William Courtleigh, Joseph Sweeney, Jim Harkins, Walter Ford, Harry Allen and Andrew Mack acted as ushers.

The theatrical organizations were represented as follows: Gene Buck, at Marlenbad. This convent was established in 1193 by Krotinada, a Bohemian nobleman now beatified. The convent's possessions included the famous and James Cassidy, representing the rule of the Abbot Jasper Charles James O'Neill, Harry J. Lane and Reitenberger, Marlenbad was de-William Glancy, representing Equity, cleared a public watering place and Daniel Frohman, Robert T. Haines, soon a small struggling village de-Robert Campbell and William A. developed into the prosperous and beautiful town so well known to Kaufman, Robert Richard Rainer, thousands of visitors in modern Cornellius Keefe and Louis Rein, times. Title to the property remained with the Premonstratensians, Club, and Henry Chesterfield, J. Irv, however, and from the income de-ting Southard, Tony Williams, Joe rived from Marlenbad the community Daniels and John Liddy, represent- paid enormous sums: in taxes to the government every year. The income was also used for the maintenance of several charitable institutions and many Catholic organizations throughout the country received generous contributions from the convent.

Prince Lowenstein Defends Centrists

By Rev. Dr. Wilhelm Baron von Capitaine.

Cologne, Nov. 15.—Prince Lowenstein has replied to the charge made in a German Nationalist paper, that the recent Catholic Congress in Hanover was only a veiled Center party meeting and that Catholics who are not Centrists were discriminated against.

Prominent Catholic German National Deputies and then the President, who is a Socialist, were present at the gathering, says Prince Lowenstein. It is not surprising, he adds, that the list of the Central Committee did not contain the names of German National Catholics, since that list proverbially contains the same names year after year, and hence no more changes were made this year than in previous years.

It is true, he says, that the names of officers of Catholic organizations appeared, but there are no such men who are also German Nationalists. It is pointed out, also, that a German Nationalist was invited to address the congress.

Prince Lowenstein indignantly denies the imputation that "all non-revolutionary democratic Catholics were excluded. Of the 30,000 who attended, he declared, not one had anything to do with revolution.

In conclusion, the Prince says that no sincere Catholic ever will be barred from the German Catholic congress, and that their political beliefs make no difference. The Center, however, has confessed and defended the Catholic religion for more than seventy years, he adds, and since the same cannot be said of the German Nationalists, it is not surprising that the Catholics of the country do not give to them the same confidence they give to the Center.

Memorial Chapel To Irish Soldiers Dedicated In London

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

London, Nov. 22.—The names of all the men who fell in the Great War whilst serving with Irish regiments are inscribed in fifteen volumes preserved in St. Patrick's chapel at Westminster Cathedral. Irishmen who fell serving with other units have their names in an additional volume.

St. Patrick's chapel was solemnly dedicated this week as a memorial to all those men. Bishop Keating, the Principal Catholic Chaplain to the Forces, presided at Mass, which was celebrated by Father E. McGuinness, M. C., the Irish Guards Chaplain. The deacon and subdeacon were both chaplains in the war.

During Mass a party of Irish Guardsmen, and another party of the London Irish Rifles, stood at attention; and after Mass the buglers sounded the "Last Post" and the reveille. The Irish Battle Hymn, a mingling of martial airs and lamentations was played on the organ.

Distinguished Irish soldiers and public men attended the dedication ceremony.

On the walls of St. Patrick's chapel, which has been beautifully finished in marble and mosaic, are marble panels commemorating each of the Irish regiments. Most of the regiments were disbanded when the Irish Free State was established.

Oldest Irish Bishop Completes 80th Year Is Praised by Pope

Dublin, Nov. 22.—Bishop Brown of Cloyne becomes, by the death of Cardinal Logue, the oldest member of the Irish hierarchy. He has just completed his eightieth year.

He has been Bishop of the diocese of Cloyne in Cork County for thirty years. Prior to his appointment as Bishop he had been President of Maynooth College.

On the completion of his eightieth year Dr. Brown received an autograph letter from Pope Pius XI, congratulating him and bestowing on him the Apostolic Benediction. His Holiness says:

"We are well aware of how faithfully when a priest you devoted yourself to the education of clerical students in the College of Maynooth, and that during the thirty years of your administration in the diocese of Cloyne your zeal as a bishop has always made your ministry a most fruitful one."

Dr. Brown as well as being a brilliant churchman is an able administrator of public affairs. He is a member of several local Government boards and Committees in Cork County. Partly through his influence Cobb has again been made a port of call for American liners. He has also striven hard to keep Haulbowline going as a shipyard or as a site for some manufacturing enterprise.

The veteran prelate accompanied Cardinal Logue when the latter visited the United States several years ago.

Wallet Lost in Italy Restored to Owner By Holy Name Bureau

New York, Nov. 25.—Through the Travel Bureau of the Holy Name Society, a wallet lost by Patrick J. Printy of Dubuque while making a trip to Europe last August as a member of a Travel Bureau party, has been restored to the owner.

The wallet, containing a number of valuable personal papers was picked up in Venice, Italy, by a real-estate agent in that city. Among others was an identification card of the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers, of which Mr. Printy is a retired member after forty-five years of service, and a card identifying him as a member of one of the tours conducted by the Holy Name Travel Bureau.

The Consul communicated with Frank A. Couche, director of the Travel Bureau, to whom the wallet was forwarded.

French Court Fines Bishop for Walking In Religious Parade

Paris, November 26.—Because they had taken part in a religious procession through the streets, the Bishop of Montauban and the curate of the Cathedral there were convicted in a Justice of the Peace Court of "disrespectful and disorderly conduct." Neither the Bishop nor the curate complied with the summons to appear in court to answer the charges. The Bishop was fined eleven francs by default and the curate five francs.

Members of the congregation who also participated in the procession are to be tried in the local police court.

Green Bay Diocesan Council of Women Formally Launched

Green Bay, Wis., Nov. 25.—The federal education bill was attacked as a breeder of criminals, in a sermon here at the Pontifical Mass which opened the convention of the Catholic women of Green Bay. The convention resulted in the formal organization of the Green Bay Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

"This is nothing more than a bill to substitute the school for the church, to educate the mind and not the heart or will," the Rev. J. T. O'Leary, who preached the sermon, declared. "And that school which educated the mind and not the heart, and will produce the most skillful, intellectual and cunning criminals of the day. Think this over, and you will see the truth."

"The bills calls for one hundred million dollars to institute this federal education, and it will call for other hundreds of millions to come out of the taxpayers' pockets. It will centralize the power of education in one person and will deprive the parent of educating his child as he wills."

The Rt. Rev. Paul P. Ritvo, Bishop of Green Bay, who has been the chief encouragement and guide in the forming of the new unit of the National Council of Catholic Women, celebrated the Mass.

Mrs. John F. Martin was chosen president of the new Council. Other officers elected are: First vice-president, Mrs. Zeta Mottell of Oskosh; second vice-president, Mrs. James M. Doyle of Florence; third vice-president, Mrs. Henry F. Sutton of Green Bay; and treasurer, Mrs. M. Mariette of De Pere. The president appointed Mrs. Frank J. VanLaanen of Green Bay secretary.

Two hundred and fifty women attended the convention, which was addressed by Miss Agnes Regan, executive secretary of the N.C.C.W. The 1925 convention will be held in Green Bay.

Pastor of New York For 47 Years Dies From Heart Disease

New York, Nov. 26.—The Right Rev. Monsignor John McQuirk, D.D., LL. D., pastor of St. Paul's Church, in 117th street, this city, died Friday evening, after two weeks illness. His death was caused by heart disease.

Mgr. McQuirk had been pastor of St. Paul's Church for the past forty-seven years, and was probably one of the most widely known priests in this diocese. In May, 1921, he celebrated his golden jubilee of his ordination.

He was born in Dalkey, County Dublin, Ireland, and came to this country when a boy. He received his education in the public schools of this city, and in the College of Mount St. Mary's, College, in Baltimore, and spent five years at the American College in Rome. He was ordained by Bishop McNerny of Albany, after completing his seminary course at St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, N. Y.

A solemn requiem Mass was celebrated on Monday, presided over by Cardinal Hayes in St. Paul's Church, and several hundred parishioners participated in the funeral services for the late pastor. Monsignor Michael J. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's Cathedral preached the sermon.

Irreligion Fostered By Many Magazines Says Baptist Pastor

New York, Nov. 26.—The Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of this city declared in his Sunday sermon that the immorality and viciousness of youth were due to the modern methods of teaching science and philosophy, and to the system followed by certain magazines, which made them promoters of irreligion.

"The American magazines," said Dr. Straton, "edited for the most part by men who have been trained in our modern universities, are drifting over more rapidly into modernism. A magazine is said, for example, as The Atlantic Monthly, in its August issue, has enough poison to destroy the American people, if the teachings therein given were really accepted, and followed. There is an article on 'Divorce' which completely wipes out the sanctity and the binding force of the marriage vow."

"The most alarming aspect of the general situation is that some of the magazines are carrying this philosophy of change and this abandonment of the binding force of the Ten Commandments and Christian ideals of life into the field of sex relations, and are putting therefore into the literary and intellectual pot a powerful poison from their wild words utterly to destroy the people."

School Act Hostile To Catholics Is Centrists' Fear

Forces in Germany Opposed to Church Being Aided by Catholic Division—Elections Imminent

By Rev. Dr. Wilhelm Baron von Capitaine (Cologne Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Cologne, Nov. 20.—With the German elections imminent and the danger increasing that the anti-Catholic element will elect a new Reichstag which will put through a school act hostile to Catholics, Chancellor Marx again made an effort to compose the differences between the two Catholic parts of the country, the Center and the Bavarian People's party. He was unsuccessful, however, in healing the breach, and has been able only to say that he will continue his efforts to reach an agreement.

The nationalism of the Bavarians and their resentment at the working agreement the Center formed with the Socialists destroyed the union of the two Catholic parties, and all efforts since to reunite them have been unavailing. The rash actions of the Socialist Minister, Eisler, in Bavaria, served only to keep the quarrel bitter.

Thus far, the Center has been able to fend off disaster. Now, however, the situation is particularly serious. Not only is there constant clamor of the anti-Catholics for a school act which the Catholics cannot tolerate, but the so-called Dawes plan hangs in the balance. The Center party has consistently held that Germany's only salvation is to accept the plan and dispose of the reparations question, while the Nationalists and Deutscher Volkische party have bitterly opposed such action. While the plan was passed in the last Reichstag, the Government had too small a majority to protect it, and it is a strong majority that it now seeks.

In the May elections, differences in the Palatinate prevented a reunion of the Center and Bavarian People's party. A conference at Bamberg following the elections was futile. Chancellor Marx has now conferred with Canon Leicht, the Bavarian People's party leader, without success in Bavaria there were few differences, but again the Palatinate was obstinate.

The Chancellor made great concessions. He agreed that the Center should place no candidates in all Bavaria on the right of the Rhine, provided the Bavarian People's party withdraw from other parts of Germany in the Palatinate, he proposed that there should be a common list of candidates, with the Bavarian candidate at the head and the Center candidates second. The reply of the Bavarians was that the Center must get together with the Palatinate. To this, of course, the Chancellor could not agree, and the impasse has remained unbroken.

Discovery of Ancient Gospel Ms. Of Little Value, Savants Think

Washington, November 29.—The reported discovery in London of a papyrus written about 300 A. D., containing parts of the 26th Chapter of the Gospel of St. Matthew, should prove true is interesting but not of great value, according to the experts on early manuscripts at the Catholic University here. Manuscripts covering the same field which the new one purports to cover already are in the possession of scholars, say these experts.

Newspaper accounts say the ancient leaf of papyrus was discovered in London in a collection destined for the University of Michigan, and that it contains, among other things, an account of the Last Supper and the betrayal. The words "For this is my blood of the new testament" appear, say the accounts. This is the Catholic version of this fundamental passage establishing the character of the Blessed Eucharist. The King James version differs basically, and it is largely on this differing translation that many Protestant beliefs are founded.

Documentary evidence sustaining the Catholic version of the passage, and dating back as far as the period claimed for the newly-discovered papyrus, already is at hand, and has been for years, said the Rev. Dr. Heinrich Schumacher, S. T. D., Professor of New Testament Scripture at the University. He added, however, that there would be a certain value to another manuscript covering the same passage, as a check on those already in the hands of scholars.

Bishop To Address Order of B'nai B'rith

Cleveland, Nov. 28.—Bishop Joseph Schrembs will speak before the Cleveland lodge of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith in the new temple on the night of December 11. The bishop's theme will be "Citizenship Its Right and Duties."

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