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BISHOP LAUNCHES BAD MOVIES CAMPAIGN AT ELMIRA RALLY

THREE FAITHS MAP CAMPAIGN AGAINST BAD MOVIES HERE

INTER-FAITH COMMITTEE TO URGE ACTION

Asks Jews, Protestants,
Catholics to Cooperate
For Better Films

Plans for effective and lasting opposition to vile and indecent movies with the purpose of securing united action against the serious menace of improper films were made at a meeting Tuesday of the Rochester Inter-Faith Good Will Committee. Report of the meeting signed by Chairman Jacob H. Hollander was released Wednesday.

To Be Diocesan-Wide
After the meeting of the Committee of Nine, the Rev. F. William Stauder of the Committee presented Archbishop Mooney with the Resolution. Through the Office of the Bishop, 404 Plymouth Avenue North, it was announced Thursday that this campaign will be diocesan-wide in the Catholic diocese.

Archbishop Mooney has been assured by the four Deans of Elmira, Auburn, Corning and Geneva that an appeal will be made to get every Catholic individual in their deaneries back of this movement. It is announced that 175,000 Pledges of the Legion of Decency have been given out through the Catholic schools and will be given out through the Churches of the diocese. By this method it is felt that every individual Catholic in Rochester diocese will be reached and will respond to the Bishop's appeal to get back of the movement.

The Resolution follows:
Chairman Reports
"A Meeting of the Committee on Wholesome Movies recently brought into being through a resolution of the Inter-Faith Good Will Committee, was held Tuesday night, June 19, at the office of the Federation of Churches. The committee consists of nine members, three from the Jewish group, three from the Protestant group, and three from the Catholic group. Organization was effected at Tuesday night's meeting, and plans were made for effective and lasting opposition to vile and indecent movies. The following were appointed as members of this Committee of Nine on Wholesome Movies: Jacob Hollander, chairman; Dr. Walter A. Callahan, W. E. Hawley, Mrs. Richard Fitzharris, Mrs. H. Heilbronner, Mrs. W. W. Walker, Rabbi Jeremiah

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Phony Photograph Racket Is Stopped By Elmira Officials

As a result of quick action on the part of Oscar Monard, secretary of Elmira Association of Commerce and the Elmira police, a photographer claiming to represent the Catholic Courier who took pictures of several prominent Catholics in Elmira over the past weekend, which he implied were for a special edition of the Catholic Courier, was brought before the Elmira police and promised to leave the city.

Informing that the man was operating in Elmira, the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, managing editor of the Catholic Courier issued a warning to the Catholic clergy and laity in Elmira against the photographer who according to reports, represented a New York company.

Through the Elmira Star-Gazette, Father Mooney announced Saturday that no authorization had been given by the Catholic Courier to any photographers to represent themselves as agents of the newspaper. Should any such photographers approach Catholics in the diocese, they should be made to present credentials or the Catholic Courier office should be called for verification.

Auburn Church Marks Centennial With High Mass

Archbishop Mooney Will
Attend Mass and Holy
Family High Graduation

By PAUL W. FINCKNEY
Auburn—Most Rev. Archbishop Edward Mooney, Bishop of Rochester Diocese, will pay his second pontifical visit to Auburn Monday, June 25, to attend the centennial Mass, marking the 100th anniversary of the founding of Holy Family Church, and the first graduation exercises of Holy Family Parochial High School.

A solemn high Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 o'clock Monday morning at Holy Family Church in the presence of Archbishop Mooney. Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway, V.F., pastor, will be the celebrant and former boys of the parish, who have been ordained to the priesthood, will be the other officiators of the Mass.

Most Rev. Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey of Rochester will deliver the sermon. The Ordinary of the Mass will be sung by a student choir from Holy Family School while the Proper of the Mass will be sung by students of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester. Some 200 visiting priests are expected to attend these special services.

Twenty-six members of the class of 1934, the first graduating class of Holy Family Parochial High School, of which Rev. William E. Davis is principal, will receive their diplomas from Archbishop Mooney at the commencement exercises to be held Monday night in Holy Family Auditorium, North Street. The program will begin at 8 o'clock.

A banquet in honor of Archbishop Mooney and other visiting clergy will be held Monday evening in the Pompeian Room of Hotel Osborne.

50,000 TAKE DECENCY PLEDGE AT HUGE RALLY

Cleveland, (NCWC).—Fifty thousand Catholics of Northern Ohio who thronged the Cleveland Stadium here Sunday afternoon for the Cleveland diocesan reception to His Excellency, the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, unanimously took the pledge of the Legion of Decency, the members of which promise to remain away from evil motion pictures.

The Most Rev. Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland, administered the pledge of the Legion of Decency. Asking the vast assembly if it resented the answer of the motion picture producers that they are giving the people what they want in pictures, and if those assembled in the Stadium subscribed to the promises of the Legion of Decency, Bishop Schrembs received the answer "I do," which, issuing simultaneously from 50,000 throats, swept across the amphitheater with a mighty roar.

Paris (N. C. W. C.)—A particularly striking ceremony was the assembling of 11,000 children in the Cathedral of Notre Dame at Paris to recite the Rosary for the intentions of France, the Sovereign Pontiff, the Archbishop of Paris and all the children of the world.

HOUSES OF FRIENDSHIP PLAN TO COMBAT CANADA ATHEIST HALLS

Toronto, (NCWC).—A movement equipped to supply refreshment for the visitors, Baroness de Hueck said, and the upstairs rooms will be arranged to fit the needs of the neighborhood. Each will have a sewing room, with machines for the use of the poor.

"In Toronto," the Baroness said, "there are 40 newspapers catering to the workingman and propounding atheistical and communistic teachings. They are printed in 18 languages. There are 15 halls actively engaged in this same work of undermining Faith."

ANSWER MADE TO DEFENSE OF CALLES

Priest Refutes Mexican
Governor's Statement On
Clergy Expulsion

Phoenix, Ariz. (NCWC).—The defense offered by Governor Rodolfo Elias Calles, of the State of Sonora, Mexico, for his expulsion of the clergy and certain members of the laity, is refuted here in an article in the Phoenix Gazette by the Rev. Andrew Bucher, pastor of St. Mary's Church, this city.

The Governor, in a statement, declared, among other things, that it was because the clergy, in opposing the introduction of sexual education in the schools of Sonora, "had reached the point of publishing absurd and criminal statements," that he gave the expulsion order. He said that "clerical elements directed by priests, have been developing an irrational and tenacious campaign against all official schools because they were not in accord with the instructional methods followed" in them. He further stated that "these elements" were "attributing to the Government a proposal to establish the sexual education in the schools in a disgraceful and reproachable manner."

Father Bucher, in his article, points out that "Senor Calles goes a step further," when he declares that "my government gave wide notice that it did not intend to implant sexual education in the state and much less in the insolent manner asserted by clerical elements."

Contradicted by Mayor
"Yet," Father Bucher writes, "the mayor of Nogales three days before stated that free sexual education to both sexes recently had been a required subject in Sonora schools."

"In another communication," Father Bucher continues, "this time from Prof. Fernando F. Dvorak, director general of education in Sonora, we read: 'The Catholic Church in Mexico has, unfortunately, inculcated a philosophy of mediocrity superstitious in the people by telling them that God rules their actions.' Here we have another confirmation of the aim of the Mexican Government to kill the idea of God in the minds of the people. Typically Russian."

"The whole tenor of the communication referred to above conveys the idea that Mexican Catholics were taught to rely upon prayers to elevate their position in life. Now it is decidedly not the teaching of the Catholic Church, either in Mexico or anywhere else, to lie inert and expect help from above by prayer. Quite the contrary . . .

"The fact of the Mexican situation is that the people have been plundered and oppressed so much by politicians for a century and more and have in addition been kept in ignorance."

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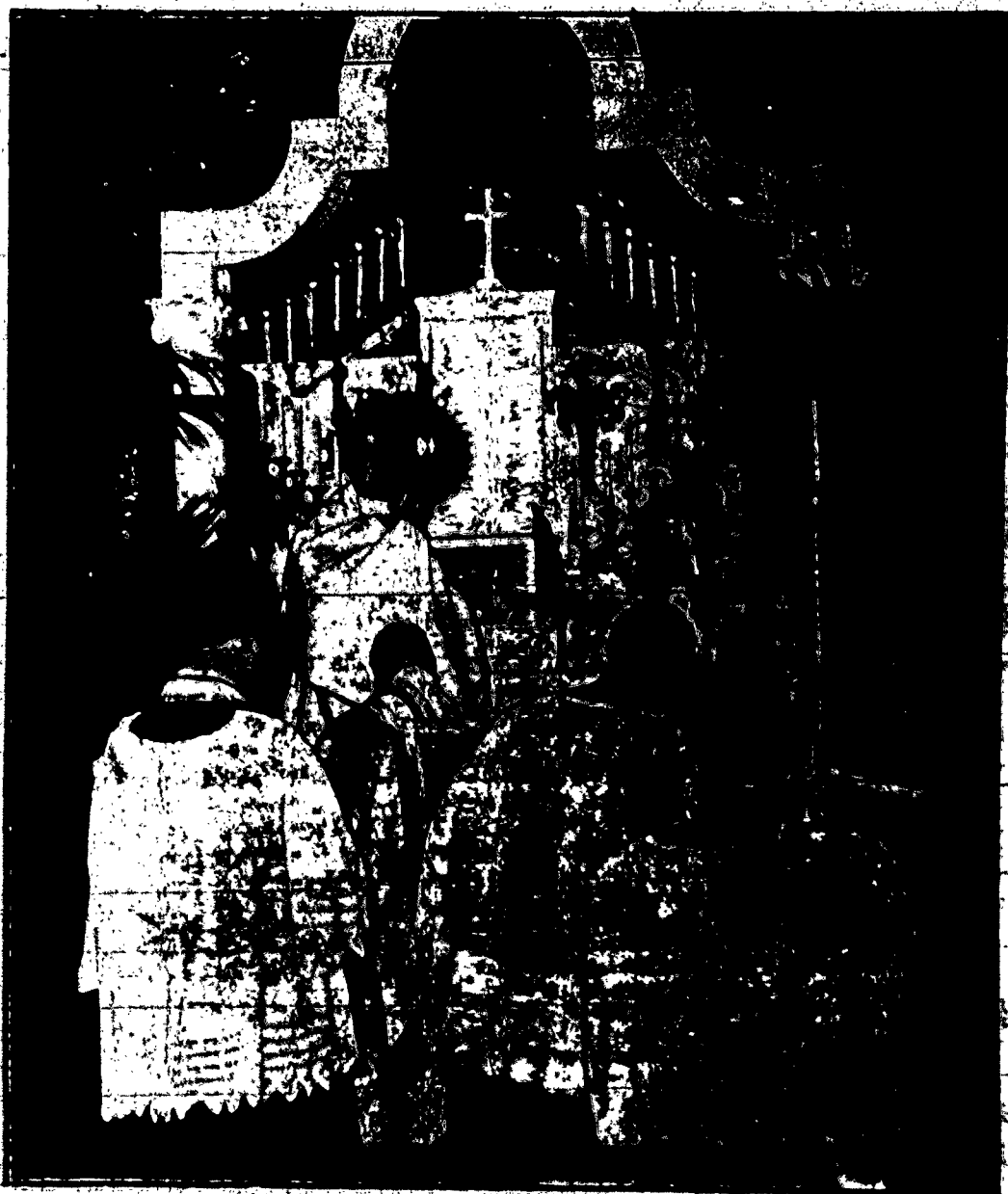
Full Time On Air Given To Catholic Station

New Orleans, (NCWC).—Radio station WWL, of Loyola University here, is to have full broadcasting time as a result of an agreement reached between its management and that of the International Broadcasting Corporation at Shreveport, La., and approved by the Federal Radio Commission.

M. A. Scanlan, Father of 3 Priests, Dies At Age 81

Brooklyn, N. Y. (NCWC).—Michael A. Scanlan, father of Patrick A. Scanlan, managing editor of The Brooklyn Tablet, and of three priests, and brother of five nuns, died here last Friday at the age of 81.

Solemn Benediction at Close of Holy Name Rally



While 8,000 of the faithful stood with lighted candles in their right hands, Most Rev. Archbishop Edward Mooney, Bishop of Rochester, imparted Solemn Benediction at the Most Blessed Sacrament at the final act in the ceremonial of the Diocesan Holy Name Rally at Dean Field, Rochester, Sunday.

JUDGE COHALAN URGES GREATER LAY ACTIVITY

In a survey of conditions that have come about in this country because of the World War and since, former Supreme Court Justice Daniel F. Cohalan in his address at the Holy Name rally, Sunday in Elmira stressed the responsibility resting upon Catholics to take their rightful places in sharing burdens in the present national crisis.

"For, in the cataclysm which has overtaken the world, the one force that has continued to stand every-where for the rights of the masses, under whatever form of government they may happen to live, has been the Catholic Church."

"The one voice that has been heard above the storm, counselling moderation and urging justice, has been the voice of the Church. We who represent it here in America, so far as the laity is concerned, and the laity, after all, is the portion of the Church with which the great mass of our fellow citizens are drawn in contact, have contributed little to the solution of the problems which are pressing upon the attention of America."

"Although, more and more, here in our own country, as in all other lands, we feel the necessity for the applications of the great principles so fearfully and admirably enunciated by Leo XIII, in his Encyclical on 'Rerum Novarum,' and of Pius XI in his equally great message of 'Quadragesimo Anno,' we of the laity, largely, have left it to the spokesmen of other churches and the followers of other leaders to make the application of the great truths so enunciated, and to endeavor to work out from their application a satisfactory adjustment of the existing economic system, so that the masses of the people may be assured of that fairness in the future which they have not enjoyed in the past; and that all, whether rich or poor, may be assured of a fair chance."

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Fr. Purcell Scores Movies For Pagan Influence Over Children

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Legion of Decency Pledge

(Sign and Give to Your Pastor)

I wish to join the Legion of Decency, which condemns vile and unwholesome moving pictures. I unite with all who protest against them as a grave menace to youth, to home life, to decency and to religion.

I condemn absolutely those squalid, low motion pictures which, with their degrading agencies, are corrupting public morals and promoting a sex mania in our land.

I shall do all that I can to arouse public opinion against the portrayal of vice as a normal condition of affairs, and against depicting criminals of any class as heroes and heroines, presenting their filthy philosophy of life as something acceptable to decent men and women.

I unite with all who condemn the display of aggressive advertisements on billboards, at theater entrances and the favorable notices given to immoral pictures.

Considering these evils, I hereby promise to refrain away from all motion pictures except those which do not offend decency and Christian morality. I promise further to secure as many members as possible for the Legion of Decency.

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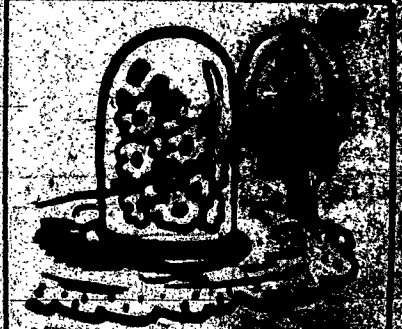
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