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Mother: Well, Tommy, what have you been doing all afternoon?  
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## NON-CATHOLIC GROUPS JOIN DENUNCIATION

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of the same mystical body, the Church, our hearts must bleed to see our brothers across the border the innocent victims of a diabolical hatred of religion that aims at nothing less than the wresting out of the souls of the Mexican people all belief in God.

A novena of prayers on behalf of the persecuted Church in Mexico was ordered by the Most Rev. Urban J. Vehr, Bishop of Denver, who said in his letter to the clergy:

A rabid, anti-religious minority, in governmental control, is taking from our Catholic neighbors every constitutional right which we, as American citizens hold sacred. Churches and schools have been closed and confiscated, priests and sisters hunted and exiled, and the Catholic people subjected to every type of despotic injustice.

Rigid censorship allows only those reports to reach us which are favorable to the existing Government.

Students of the University of Notre Dame Wednesday began a novena of prayer as their part of the national crusade seeking to bring about an alleviation of the religious persecution in Mexico.

The novena began on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and a Mass was offered in the Sorin Hall Chapel at the request of Latin-American students of the university.

The Spokesman, Jewish weekly of Louisville, compared the persecution of the Church in Mexico with the anti-Semitic program of the Nazis, declaring: "When the Catholic in Mexico protest against the Government outrages, instead of giving an intelligent ear to their objections the Government cries out that the Catholic are unpatriotic and then proceeds, just as Hitler is doing, to pass new and more severe laws against the Church. The Spokesman, with other Anglo-Jewish papers, has waited too long to protest the persecution of the Catholic Church when, as Jewish publications acquainted with and accustomed to programs and subtleties of demagogues, they should have been the first to object. The position of the Catholic Churchman is as barren of a real solution as that of the Jew in Germany, at least for the present while the Revolutionary Party has the deluded people in its control."

"Hitlerism in Mexico"  
The Jewish Review and Observer, in an editorial entitled "Hitlerism in Mexico," declares that "if Nazi ideals are to dominate the rules of Mexico retrogression and not progression will mark its future career. Religious and racial prejudice are ruinous to any country in which they exist, and it is usually the Jews and the Catholics who are the victims of these malicious attacks."

The Brooklyn Jewish Examiner, likewise compares the anti-religious program of the Mexican Government to the Nazi oppressions in Germany and declares: "What we are witnessing is the Hitlerization of Mexico."  
In crushing church schools, the Calles program of secularization strikes a fatal blow at the freedom of religious conscience itself. Catholic priests are not only within their rights as human beings, but they must, if they are true to their religious convictions, resist the compulsory teaching of socialism or any other doctrines which they regard as improper, in the church schools."

**"The Mighty Barnum" To Be Screened At Loew's Starting Monday Dec. 24**  
With Wallace Beery in the title role, "The Mighty Barnum," 20th Century Pictures' dramatization of the life of the colorful showman will open on the screen at Loew's Rochester Theater on Monday, Dec. 24.  
Gene Fowler and Bees Meredith, scenarists have taken the biography of P. T. Barnum and told it vividly, beginning with the time he was a grocery buying freak neurotic to satisfy his passions for such things. His rise and falls, his colorful adventures with General Tom Thumb; Joice Heath (George Washington's "original nurse") the bearded lady, and finally his love for Jenny Lind, are said to make exciting and often absorbing screen fare.  
Wallace Beery is Barnum, at times a stupid, blundering dolt — at others, flashing actual genius. His later partner, Bailey Walsh is played by Adolphe Menjou. Virginia Bruce is cast in the Jenny Lind role.  
Beery, whose characterizations have made him an outstanding star in the talkies once held a job with the Ringling Brothers circus as an elephant man. Later he went on the stage and made his debut in pictures with the Essanay studios in Chicago.  
He who is left to himself has many difficulties to struggle with; but he who is saved every struggle is in a still more unfortunate position.

## A Moral Estimate 'Of Motion Pictures Recently Released

(Queen's Work—Sodality Service)

Chicago Council, Legion of Decency issues the following list of motion pictures, classified according to their moral fitness in a release dated December 21:

**Class A. Pictures in this group are considered unobjectionable and suitable for public entertainment:**

- The Age of Innocence; Babes in Toyland; The Barretts of Wimpole Street; Big Hearted Herbert; Bulldog Drummond Strikes Back; Born to Be a King; Cavalcade; The Catpaw; Charlie Chan in London; Chu Chin Chow; The Count of Monte Cristo; Demon for Trouble; Dream of My People (My People's Dream); Duke Ranger; Filtration Walk; Girl O' My Dreams; Great Expectations; Grid-iron Flash; Happy Landings; Hell on Earth; House of Danger; Housewife; The Human Side; Incarnation of Life; Judge Priest; King Kelly of the U. S. A.; Lady for a Day; The Last Gentleman; Love Time; Manhattan Love Song; Menace; Now and Forever; Rocky Rhodes; Servants' Entrance; Student Tour; She was a Lady; 6 Day Bike Rider; The Star Packer; Successful Failure; That's Gratitude; 305 Nights in Hollywood; Tombstone Terror; The Trail Beyond; Treasure Island; We're Rich Again; What Every Woman Knows; When Lightning Strikes; The White Parade; You Belong to Me; Young and Beautiful.

Pictures in this group are considered more or less objectionable in spots because of their possible aggressiveness or vulgarity or sophistication or lack of morality. Neither approved nor forbidden, but for adults only:

- As the Earth Turns; Bachelor Bait; Behold My Wife; Belle of the Nineties; Beyond the Law; Broadway Bill; The Case of the Howling Dog; The Cime of Helen Stanley; Cleopatra; Crime Without Passion; Dames; Death on the Diamond; Desirable; Enter Madame; Evelyn Prentiss; Footlight Parade; The Fountain; Friends of Mr. Sweney; The Gay Divorcee; Green Eyes; Hide Out; House on 56th Street; Kansas City Princess; The Key; Ladies Should Listen; Lady by Choice; Million Dollar Ransom; Name the Woman; One Hour Late; Personality Kid; Pursued; Ready for Love; Red Head; The Richest Girl in the World; The Romance of Ida; Straight is the Way; Secret of the Chateau; There's Always Tomorrow; 20,000 Years in Sing Sing; We Live Again; Wednesday's Child; Where Sinners Meet.

Pictures in this group are considered indecent and immoral and unfit for public entertainment:

- All of Me (Revisited); Affairs of a Gentleman; Affairs of Cellini; Ariane (or Loves of Ariane); Born to be Bad; Catherine the Great; Dr. Monica; Enlighten Thy Daughter; The Fighting Lady; The Firebird; Fog Over Frisco; The Gay Bride; The Girl From Missouri; Hat, Coat and Glove; He Was Her Man; I Have Lived; Kiss and Make-Up; The Life of Vergie Winters; Limehouse Blues; Little Man What Now?; Madam Du Barry; Manhattan Melodrama; Men Nans; A Modern Hero; One More River; Of Human Bondage; Registered Nurse; The Road to Ruin; Sa, die McKee; Scarlet Empress; Side Street; Springtime for Henry; Wild Gold; Women in His Life; The Youth of Russia.

## "The Little Minister" Scheduled For Palace Beginning Next Friday

Katherine Hepburn will be starred in the most colorful production of her remarkable career, "The Little Minister," opening at the RKO Palace Theater on Friday of next week. "The Little Minister" is RKO Radio's pictureization of Sir James Barrie's immortal story.  
Miss Hepburn and John Deau play the immortal romance, first performed in the theater by Maude Adams and the late Robert Edson, against the background of the tiny Scotch village of Thums, and the hamlet's loves and hates, joys and sorrows and laughter are said to form a colorful and thrilling plot for the story.

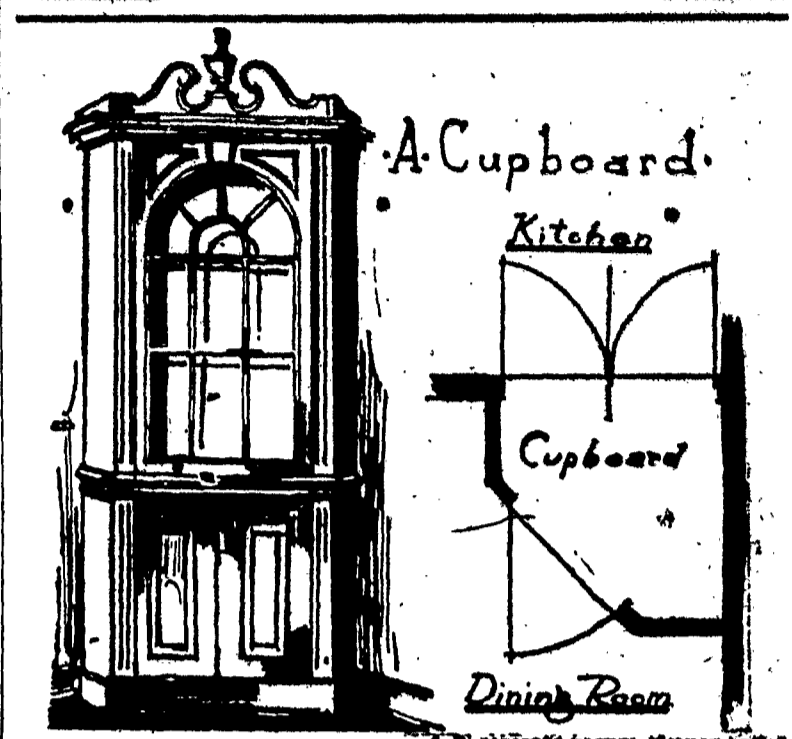
Assisting in the cast will be seen: Alan Hale, Frank Conroy, Reginald Denny, Beryl Mercer; Andy Clyde, Lumsden Hare and Donald Crisp.  
The stage bill to be shown at the same time at the RKO Palace includes: Jeanie Lang with The Three Rascals; Jack Pepper, late star of the Ziegfeld Follies and his company in "The Spice of Life"; Steve Evans in "Hollywood Snapshots"; The Four Ortons—"Following the Straight and Narrow Path"; and Madies and Ray "Two Wild, Woolly Westerners."

A lady brought her little boy to school on the opening day and said to the teacher:  
"Little Bernie is so delicate. If he is bad—and sometimes he is—just whip the boy next to him; that will frighten him and make him behave."

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## HOME IMPROVEMENTS by Paul T. Haagen, A.I.A.

MODERNIZE NOW!



### HANDY KITCHEN-DINING ROOM CUPBOARD

WHERE most of the house work develops upon one person, it is desirable to save as many steps as possible between kitchen and dining room. Where three meals a day have to be served, this matter becomes very important.

Here is a handy cupboard that may be built in a corner of the dining room. At the back there are doors opening into the kitchen. Dishes may be passed through this opening from the kitchen and removed to the dining table.

After the meal, the clean china and glasses are placed in the cupboard from the kitchen side and when the table is to be set for the next meal they may be removed from the dining room side.

In the lower section there is shelf space in which linen may be stored, and if desired a silver drawer may be built into the top section. Cupboard doors enclose the shelf space.

This cupboard could be made in pine or any wood to match the woodwork of the dining room but would probably look best constructed with simple Colonial moldings painted to match the woodwork of the room.

If you prefer you could buy stock counter cabinets similar to the one shown, from almost any lumber yard, and install in the dining room, leaving the opening into the kitchen for its convenience.

**Electric Convenience**  
The electric wiring of your modernized home is most important to you. Consult your local electric light company and a good electrical contractor, and get your outlets arranged for convenience and comfort.

Conditions have changed greatly in the past ten years and more electrical appliances are being used each year. You not only need electricity for general illumination, but you need plenty of outlets.

I am suggesting a checking list below for the outlets that you may need in your living room:

- 1. Ceiling outlet with switch.
- 2. Wall bracket with switch (optional).
- 3. Convenience outlets (or base plugs). Allow plenty of these—one for every fifty square feet of floor space is a good rule. Thus you eliminate use of long cords.

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Each child will receive Christmas goodies, a toy, and a gift of a religious character, all contained in a red tartan stocking. The work of preparing and filling the stockings is in the hands of a committee composed of Mrs. Edward J. Rooney, chairman; Mrs. Joseph E. Marcell, Mrs. Marie A. Wilson, Mrs. John J. O'Connell, Mrs. Charles Mondo, Mrs. Charles Perry, Mrs. Joseph A. Coppinger, Mrs. Arthur Mortimer and the Misses Kay Mortimer, Marie Louise Harris, Alice Harris, Marie McMaster, Mildred M. Master.

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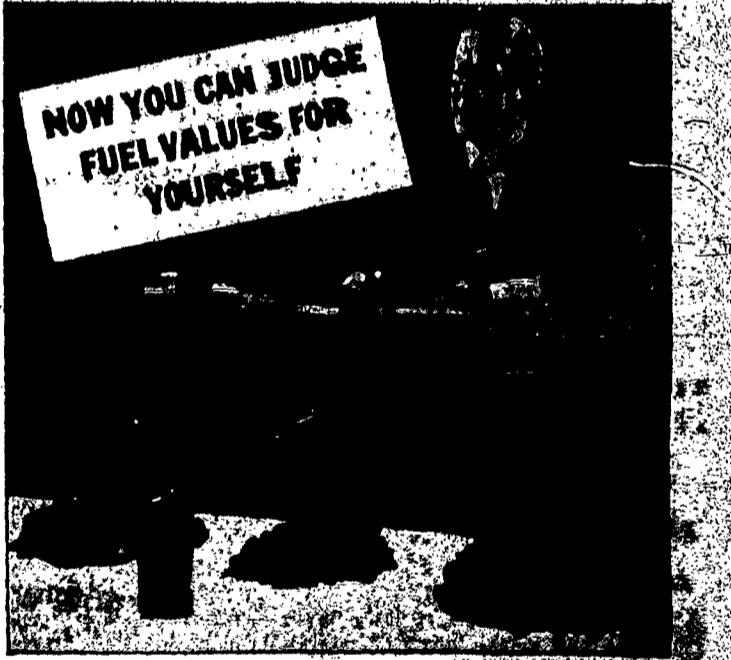
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