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MEXICO PROBE GAINS FAVOR WITH HOUSE

Rep. Higgins Says Majority in Congress Want Facts on Persecution

Washington (NCWC)—An enthusiastic response "from the majority of the members of the Congress of every creed and denomination" has greeted the statement which is being circulated among members of the House of Representatives to urge that some "simple and constructive measure" be adopted to ascertain the facts about religious persecution in Mexico. Representative John P. Higgins of Massachusetts announces in a statement just made public here.

Representative Higgins, who has been likely to charge of the circulation of the petition, is chairman of a sub-committee appointed some weeks ago, when a number of members of Congress met "to consider the most effective means to vindicate the traditional American principles of civil and religious liberty."

Representative Clare Gerald Fenerty of Pennsylvania, co-chairman of this sub committee, has also issued a statement in which he declares that "the enthusiasm of the members of Congress has been most encouraging." "Apparently," he says, "they realize that the time has come to give the American people full information concerning the true situation as it exists in Mexico."

Would Evidence Interest

Representative Higgins' statement points out that the sub-committee decided to suggest that there be made through the American Embassay and consular offices in Mexico an inquiry into the religious situation in Mexico, similar to the study promised by the British Secretary for Foreign Affairs. "It was the view of the committee," he says, "that this simple, constructive measure aimed to ascertain the facts of the situation would evidence an affirmative interest in the religious rights of American citizens of all faiths and creeds."

"Numerous members of Congress," Representative Higgins continues, "were not only willing to sign this petition but also eagerly welcomed the opportunity to express their approval of the century-old policy of the Government of the United in protecting the religious rights of its own nationals irrespective of religion in different parts of the world.

"I wish as chairman of this committee, to express my extreme gratitude for the enthusiastic response that has come from the majority of the members of the Congress of every creed and denomination. Naturally this group is strongly opposed to intervention in any shape or form but it does believe that the information to be revealed by this inquiry will be a proper vindication of the American principles of religious liberty, wherever as-

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Catholic Women Move To Protest Federation 'Birth Control Action

Detroit (NCWC)—The League of Catholic Women here is protesting to federal legislators against the action of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in endorsing legislation which would permit the distribution of birth control information through the mails, according to Mrs. William F. Connolly president of the League.

"The League," Mrs. Connolly said, "has already taken action against the principles of their resolution by sending telegrams, collectively and individually, to Senators and Congressmen in Washington protesting against their support of the measure."

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EVERY ISSUE of your diocesan newspaper contains features covering a wide range of subjects.

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Jesuit's First Mass

The Rev. Leo William Welch, S. J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick F. Welch of Webster, who will celebrate his first Solemn High Mass in Holy Trinity Church, Sunday, June 30 at 9 a. m. Father Welch was ordained last Sunday by Archbishop Curley of Baltimore at Woodstock, Md. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1924. A reception will be held in Father Welch's honor at the Welch residence, Fairport Road, Webster.

PERSECUTION FACTS CITED BY CARDINAL

New York—Calling for prayers for the termination of the persecution of religion in Mexico, His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes in a pastoral letter read in all churches of the archdiocese Sunday pointed out the following salient facts on the persecution:

"1 The Federal Constitution in Mexico gives the Government absolute power to infringe upon the domain of the Church and to usurp the functions of its government.

"2 Thousands of churches have been closed.

"3 In fourteen out of thirty-two States in Mexico no minister of religion is permitted to function.

"4 No religious organization is permitted to own any building—church, parsonage, club or school either in its own name or in that of any holding individual.

"5 All religious universities and colleges, and all endowments for religious education are confiscated.

"6 No minister of religion is allowed to teach any branch in any school.

"7 No minister of religion, no religious journal or magazine is allowed to comment on any of the political affairs of the nation.

"8 There can be no seminary or religious theological school to train candidates for the ministry.

"9 The children are debauched by a compulsory sex education.

"10 The Bible is excluded from the mails.

"11 The law has even undertaken to prescribe the number of clergymen who shall be permitted to officiate. One State decrees that there shall be only one priest to every one hundred thousand of the population. The largest number allowed anywhere is one to every four thousand. In the United States we have a priest for every eight hundred of the Catholic population. This is above the number necessary for proper spiritual care of the people.

"12 The Government of Mexico conscious of its own tyranny and injustice, proclaims it is not persecuting the Church. It has spread propagandists throughout our own country who have the effrontery to maintain this contention."

Peking Mayor Issues Ban on Co-Education

Peking (NCWC-Fides)—A decree issued by the mayor of Peking prohibits co-education in primary and secondary schools of his jurisdiction. This rule, which has been advocated for a long time by many residents of Peking, was finally secured after a young lady student in a public school shot one of her rivals. It is to be noted that the Catholic schools of Peking have never permitted co-education.

Church Outlook In China Good Says Bishop Galvin, Here

With 25,000 pagans asking to be prepared for Baptism in his vicariate in China, prospects for evangelization are bright, the Most Rev. Edward J. Galvin, D.D., Bishop of Myrina and Vicar Apostolic of Hanyang, declared on a visit to Rochester Tuesday.

Bishop Galvin, who came to visit Archbishop Mooney is founder of the St. Columban Missionary Society with headquarters in St. Columbans, Nebraska and one of its seminaries is located a Silver Creek, N. Y.

The five years of terror from 1926 to 1931 almost shattered the dreams and hopes of missionaries in China, the Bishop recalled, but those five years are now forgotten and the missionaries despite the lack of means and more missionaries are working zealously to bring to as many as possible of the five millions souls in their district the consolation of the church.

Bishop Galvin enroute to Rome for his ad limina visit called at the seminary in Silver Creek before continuing his journey to Italy. He is visiting directors of the Propagation of the Faith Society in the United States and conferred here with the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, director. The Bishop was accompanied by the Rev. John O'Brien of his society.

A native of Ireland and ordained there, Bishop Galvin labored for a time in the Brooklyn, N. Y. diocese. In 1912 he went to China as a missionary. There he conceived the idea for the St. Columban Society.

Set backs have been many but with the zeal of the true missionary, Bishop Galvin has continued until today there are some forty priests of the Society of St. Columban four native priests, fifteen Sisters of St. Columban, seven Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross and twenty three Chinese Sisters whose community is in process of formation, all in the vicariate of Hanyang. They minister to 34,000 Catholics in the district.

With a territory of seven thousand square miles inconvenient transportation suffering caused by floods and the rigors of the climate, the St. Columban Society is

Most. Rev. Edward J. Galvin

carrying on. The greatest need, Bishop Galvin said is for catechumens to assist in instructing converts.

Bishop Galvin while here paid tribute to the work of Otto Scheuerman, former Rochesterian and, a lay work in the Hanyang vicariate for the past 14 years. Mr. Schouerman is a tireless worker for the church and is greatly loved by the people he serves. Bishop Galvin said.

While here Bishop Galvin called on Mrs. Catherine Scheuerman, mother of Otto who lives at 49 Rauber Street. The rest of Mr. Scheuerman's family consist of three sisters, Florence and Catherine who live with the mother, and Mrs. E. J. Koester, 196 Grand Avenue and three brothers, Charles C. 38 Teralta Street, Joseph E., 191 Seneca Parkway, and William J., Rutherford, N. J.

Pupils of Catholic School Winner in National Contest

Washington (NCWC)—One of the two first prizes in the National Educational Better Housing Contest, sponsored by the Federal Housing Administration, was awarded on Saturday night in the finals of the competition to Miss Marion Higgins, student of St. Rose High School, Chelsea, Mass. for her essay written on the subject, "The Modern Home."

Robert B. Schaefer of Couer d'Alene High School, Couer d'Alene Ida. was the other first prize winner. Both winners received $1,000 and the promise of positions in the Federal Housing Administration for their achievement.

Miss Higgins, whose school is conducted by the Sisters of Providence of St. Mary-of-the-Woods, was one of four students of Catholic institutions selected to compete in the finals after they had been victorious in school district, county and state contests. Two of these Catholic school students were awarded second prizes of $500 while the fourth representative of a Catholic school in the finals shared third prize. Second place honors were won by Robert J. McBride of St. Patrick's High School, Elizabeth, N. J. conducted by the Sisters of Charity of Convent Station, N. J. and Miss Margaret Dillon, of Cathedral High School, Omaha, Nebr. conducted by the Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa.

Miss Rita McGuane, of Mercy High School, Chicago conducted by the Sisters of Mercy, was ranked in third place with the only Capital City finalist and received $250.

Four Holy Year Markers In Basilica of Vatican

Vatican City (NCWC)—To record the extraordinary Holy Year of the Jubilee of the Redemption four markers of Grecian marble have been placed in the vestibule of the Vatican Basilica.

On these the Plenary Indulgence Toties-Quoties granted by His Holiness for the Jubilee has been carved in Latin, French, Spanish, German and English.

CHINA GOVERNOR URGES OFFICIALS TO IMITATE CATHOLIC MISSIONERS

Yuanfu, China—(NCWS-Fides)—The Governor of Suiyuan, Mongolia, has advised the subprefects of his jurisdiction to imitate the spirit of the Catholic missionaries in promoting the welfare of the people. He has also told them that they must guard all Catholic missions against outlawry.

Dismissing the officials after a recent conference, he said.

"When you return to your posts, remember that you must protect the Catholic churches; you will find them everywhere. Follow the example of the Catholic priests. Work with the same spirit that animates them. They dedicate themselves most disinterestedly to the welfare of our people, imitate them."

The Belgian Fathers of Scheut staff the missions of Suiyuan. Their leader is the veteran missionary, the Most Rev. Louis Van Dyck, who despite his 73 years is still actively engaged in looking after his flock of 33,000 Christians and 10,000 catechumens.

The Bishop has been in Mongolia 49 years.

Auburn Squires Are Second in National 'Best Circle' Contest

New Haven, Conn. (NCWC)—Circle No. 124 Columbian Squires, of Waterbury, Conn., is announced here as the winner of the fourth annual Best Circle Contest conducted by the Boy Life Bureau of the Knights of Columbus. Auburn N. Y. Circle No. 112 won second place while divisional awards were made to the Holyoke, Mass., and Vallejo, Calif., Circles.

The contest was based on attendance at monthly Communion and at meetings of the Circles, program of activities, number of new members initiated, and similar standards. It covered the period from October 1, 1924 to May 31, 1935. Forty-five units received Certificates of Merit for the Honor Roll.

The Columbian Squires' program is a leisure time project for Catholic youth between the ages of 14 and 18. The organization will celebrate its tenth anniversary in August.

First Mass of Priest Brings About Reunion Of Mother and Uncle

Linton, Ind.—(NCWC)—Announcement of the first Mass of the Rev. Thomas Scecina, of this city, published in Jednota, Slovak Catholic weekly, brought about the reunion of Mrs. Thomas Scecina, of this city, the young priest's mother, and her brother, Mathias Nehila, of Brownfield, Pa., who became separated when Mr. Nehila came to the United States from Czechoslovakia in 1887.

Mrs. Scecina came to the United States in 1907, 20 years after her brother had arrived here, and was never able to get in touch with him. Recently, however, Mr. Nehila read in Jednota of the young priest's first Mass, and, remembering that his sister's name became Scecina in marriage, communicated with her.

As soon as it was established that Mr. Nehila and Mrs. Scecina were really brother and sister, Mr. Nehila came to Linton and he and Mrs. Scecina attended Father Scecina's Mass in St. Peter's Church here.

Maryknoll Missionary Is Saved from China Bandits

Washington (NCWC)—The Rev. Harry M. Bush, American Maryknoll missionary, who disappeared some weeks ago while traveling out of Kaying in Kwangtung Province, China, was rescued from bandits by the military authorities Saturday night, and yesterday was being escorted to Shicheng, according to word received here.

ANSWER MADE TO CRITIC OF FR. COUGHLIN

Diocesan Paper in Editorial Defends Course As Within Canon Law

Detroit (NCWC)—Answering an article in the American Ecclesiastical Review by the Rev. Dr. Edward V. Dargin of Croton Falls, N. Y. who expressed the judgment that the activities of the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, pastor of the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, Mich., "constitute direct violations of existing Canon Law," a front-page editorial in the current issue of "The Michigan Catholic" official newspaper of the Diocese of Detroit, challenges this conclusion and adds that 'all fair-minded citizens with a sense of social justice agree that Father Coughlin has done more than any other individual to popularize the social teachings of the Church."

Recalling that Father Dargin's article quoted legislation of the III Plenary Council of Baltimore commanding priests to abstain from the public discussion of political or secular matters, The Michigan Catholic editorial declares that "the activities of Father Coughlin do not come under the admonition referred to by the critic because they are not 'purely secular'."

Canon Law Provisions

"It is true, as the critic says," the editorial continues, "that the new code of Canon Law forbids a priest to practice medicine or enter business. But the code carefully avoids incorporating the decree of the Council of Baltimore concerning 'purely secular' affairs. When the best interests of Austria demanded his service, the late Msgr. Seipel with the knowledge of the Vatican acted as Chancellor for years, and the Holy See did not object.

"The Detroit Fathers critic tries to head off an objection. He contends that the legislation of the Council of Baltimore retains its force by virtue of the new Canon Law. As a matter of fact, the code merely states that the laws of provincial councils opposed to the new code are abolished. The critic evidently is of the common opinion that the Council of Baltimore has become obsolete. For the last 25 years priests have been unable to secure a copy of its decrees because they are out of print. For this reason the Bishops are petitioning the Holy See for a new plenary council as they consider the provisions of the old one inoperative."

"James Cardinal Gibbons," the editorial says at the beginning, "once said that some men seek to achieve greatness by continually snapping at the heels of great men. Attacking the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin has become a favorite method of attaining prominence by some who have an itch for publicity. Little literary gliders are try-

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International Group Of Catholic Press Launched in Paris

By M. MASSIANI

(Paris Correspondent, NCWC News Service)

Paris—An important international meeting of Catholic journalists has just taken place at Marseille. It was attended by representatives from 15 nations.

Marseille was selected for this meeting for two reasons: one, there is an exceptionally Catholic exposition in progress there, and two, the annual congress of French Catholic journalists was in session. Both French and foreign writers had opportunities of meeting together, especially at a magnificent Provencal festival where 5,000 actors evoked the history of Catholic Marseille across the ages.

The foreign meeting actually followed the adjournment of the French congress.

The founding of an International Union of the Catholic Press was agreed upon and Count Dalla Torre, director of L'Osservatore Romano, was chosen as president. Joseph Demarteau, director of the Gazette de Liege, was elected vice-president.

Denies Catholic Marriage Performed in Airplane

Paris (NCWC)—A story carried in a number of papers telling of a Catholic marriage ceremony performed in an airplane above an airport near Paris is untrue.

A benediction was given, not in the plane, but at the airport, and Abbe Forciolo, who officiated, is a priest who has been suspended.

Reported Russians Plan To Restore Cathedral

Paris—According to a report that has reached here, the Cathedral of St. Sophia at Kiev is to be restored instead of demolished by the Soviet government of the Ukraine as the result of unanimous protests by the press of all countries. The cathedral dates from the eleventh century.

To Visit Here

Rt. Rev. Msgr. W. J. Flynn

MSGR. FLYNN TO SING MASS HERE SUNDAY

Permitted to celebrate pontifical Mass because of his recently acquired rank as Prothonotary Apostolic, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Flynn, director general, Marquette League for Indian Missions, New York, will officiate at 11 o'clock, Sunday, June 30 in Sacred Heart Church, Flower City Park, parish church of the Monsignor's family.

Assisting Monsigno Flynn who will wear the mitre, pectoral cross and ring symbolical of his office, will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns, pastor of Sacred Heart Church as archpriest; the Rev. Frank W. Mason, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, as deacon; and the Rev. Manuel Davis, who recently received minor orders, as subdeacon. A large number of priests will attend.

Monsignor Burns will preach the sermon. The Mass will be that of the Sacred Heart, titular feast of the Church to be celebrated on Sunday for the people of the parish.

Born in Rochester in May 1890, the son of James P. and Annie M. Flynn, Monsignor Flynn acquired his early education in Holy Apostles, Holy Rosary schools and in St. Andrew's Seminary. He was ordained in June 1915 in Baltimore and is this year observing the twentieth anniversary of his ordination. He was made a Domestic Prelate with the title of Monsignor by the Holy Father in 1931.

Monsignor Flynn received the honor of Prothonotary Apostolic in April from His Holiness Pope Pius XI with the approval of His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York and the Most Rev. Rudolph A. Gerken, Archbishop of Santa Fe in recognition of his work for the Indian Missions of this country and Alaska.

Under Monsignor Flynn's direction, the Marquette League has sent direct to the Indian Missions an amount more than double that distributed by the League in the 21 previous years of its existence. He has been director of the League for from Sacred Heart parish, this city 10 years.

He was the first priest ordained in which parish his family lived from the time of the parish's organization. His brothers, Dr. James Murray Flynn and Thomas Flynn live in Rochester.

The event of his celebrating pontifical Mass is of especial interest not only because Sacred Heart Church is the parish church of his people but the beautiful St. Joseph's altar in that church was erected to the memory of Monsignor Flynn's father and mother.

Courier Goes To Press Next Week on Wednesday. News Deadline Tuesday Noon, July 2nd.

ARCHBISHOP MOONEY APPOINTS 4 PASTORS, ASSIGNS ORDINATI

Spiritual Director and Librarian Appointed at St. Bernard's Seminary; Two Named to Aquinas; Fifteen Assistant Pastors Transferred

Archbishop Mooney today announced the following assignments in which six new pastors are appointed, fifteen assistant pastors are transferred and thirteen new priests were given assignments. The list of appointments follows:

The Rev. Leo V. Smith, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Dansville, was appointed spiritual director of St. Bernard's Seminary.

The Rev. George Kalb, pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, King Ferry, and All Saints' Church, Ludlowville, was appointed Librarian and Registrar of St. Bernard's Seminary.

The Rev. John A. Smith, Pastor of St. Michael's Church, Livonia Center, and St. Mary's Church, Honeoye Flats, as pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Dansville.

The Rev. Emmett F. Magee, assistant pastor, Corpus Christi Church, Rochester, as pastor of St. Michael's Church, Livonia Center, and St. Mary's Church, Honeoye Flats.

The Rev. Theodore Wintergerth, assistant pastor, St. Michael's Church, Rochester, as pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Church, King Ferry, and All Saints' Church, Ludlowville.

The Rev. Charles Axtl, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Rochester, as pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Elmira.

Following assistant pastors were transferred:

The Rev. Francis Harding, assistant at St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua, to Aquinas Institute, Rochester.

The Rev. William Burns, assistant at St. Monica's Church, Rochester, to Aquinas Institute.

The Rev. John J. Bohmwaldt, assistant at St. Alphonsus' Church, Auburn, as assistant pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Rochester.

The Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, assistant at St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Corning, as assistant pastor, Holy Cross Church, Owid, and Sacred Heart Church, Romulus.

The Rev. Herbert Sturmer, assistant at St. Francis Xavier Church, and St. Philip Neri Church, Rochester, as assistant pastor at St. Michael's Church, Rochester.

The Rev. Earl Ritz, assistant at St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira, as assistant pastor, St. Margaret Mary's Church, Rochester.

The Rev. Charles I. Sullivan, assistant at St. Mary's Church, Elmira, as assistant pastor, St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Corning.

The Rev. William Ayers, assistant at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rochester, as assistant pastor, Holy Apostles' Church, Rochester.

The Rev. James E. McKay, assistant at Holy Apostles' Church, Rochester, as assistant pastor, St. Charles Borromeo Church, Rochester.

The Rev. J. Beecher Sullivan, assistant at St. Bridget's Church, Rochester, as assistant pastor, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rochester.

The Rev. Ralph Naegle, assistant at SS. Peter and Paul's Church;

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Two Distinguished Carmelite Fathers From Rome, Here

On a tour of Carmelite Monasteries throughout the United States, the Very Rev. Father William of St. Albert, O. D. C., Superior-General of all Discalced Carmelites, and the Very Rev. Father Clemens Maria, O. D. C., Definitor General of the Carmelite Order, visited the local Carmelite Monastery on East Avenue Wednesday.

The distinguished Discalced Carmelite Fathers conferred with Rev. Mother Beatrice, O. D. C., and members of the community, here. During their stay they called on Archbishop Mooney.

Headquarters of the Carmelite Order is in Rome, from which point Father William of St. Albert and Father Clemens Maria have come on their visit of Carmelite Monasteries. Buffalo was the last place visited before coming to Rochester.

FR. ENGLERTH FUNERAL SET FOR SATURDAY

Faithful and zealous pastor, service of the Rev. Sebastian G. Englerth, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece, who ended Wednesday when the death occurred at St. Mary's Hospital, following a stroke. Archbishop Mooney will celebrate the Funeral Mass, Saturday at 10 o'clock.

Father Englerth was 48 years old, served as pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Greece for 13 years. Born in Saratoga, Sept. 1, 1886, he was educated at St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, and was ordained in 1912 by the late Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid. Prior to his appointment to the Greece parish he served in Holy Family Church, Rochester, and at churches in Cohocton and Portageville.

Surviving are two brothers, Joseph B., of Rochester, and Lewis Englerth of Cohocton, and one sister, Mrs. Judson Farrell of Lima, and several nieces and nephews.

Remains will be taken to the parish church at 1 p. m. Friday where the body will lie in state. Office of the dead will be chanted by priests of the diocese Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Assisting Archbishop Mooney at the funeral Mass Saturday will be Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hickey, V. F., pastor of St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Murphy, pastor of St. Brophy, and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Doppel, chancellor. Deacon, the Rev. Michael J. Ryan; Subdeacon, the Rev. John J. Sheil; Master of Ceremonies, the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey; Second Master, the Rev. Edward M. Lynch; Deacons of the Mass, the Rev. Charles A. Ahern, the Rev. Theodore Wintergerth, Bookbearer, the Rev. Joseph Kolb; Candlebearer, the Rev. William Lammers; Thurifer, the Rev. Albert A. Bleiz; Miterbearer, the Rev. Roy Murphy.

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Ban on Film Abusing Confession Asked by Puerto Rico Bishops

By J. M. TORO-NAZARIO

(Puerto Rico Correspondent, NCWC News Service)

San Juan, P. R.—The Most Rev. Aloysius J. Willinger, C. M. P., Bishop of Ponce, and the Most Rev. Edwin V. Byrne, Bishop of San Juan, have joined in request that the Spanish film, "Corazon Sacerdotal," also entitled, "Secreto de Confesion," be not shown in Puerto Rican theaters because it portrays a priest violating the secrecy of the confessional.

The film has been repeatedly advertised in local newspapers, with emphasis precisely on the violation of confidence.

Among the first to protest against the acceptance and publication of such motion picture propaganda and advertising was the Puerto Rico Catholic weekly here.

MILLION FEWER PUPILS IN SCHOOLS OF AMERICA IN 5 YEARS FORECAST

Montreal—(NCWC)—By 1940 there will be a million fewer children in the public schools of the United States, owing to the declining birth rate, Dr. Ellen Potter, medical director of the Department of Institutions and Agencies, Trenton, N. J., told the meeting of the Child Welfare League of America here.

Saying that there is also a rapid increase in the population of those over 65 years of age, an increase of nearly 100 per cent between 1850 and 1930, Dr. Potter added that "we shall find a heavy back-breaking load on the backs of young families for the support of the aged if our social security program does not become a reality." This, she said, will place child welfare in jeopardy.

Also pointing to the decline in the birth rate J. Prentice Murphy, executive secretary of the Children's Bureau, Philadelphia, suggested that within 20 years it might be necessary for the United States to reverse its present policy and open the country to immigration. In that event, he added, he did not know where the immigrants would come from, as Europe also is suffering a decline.

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