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ESTIMATED 2,609,000 TO ATTEND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN 1935-36

Figure Includes 150,000 Children Entering Grade Schools First Time; 86,000 Instructors Will Be Employed in 10,500 Institutions

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A total of 2,609,000 students will begin the 1935-36 scholastic year in 10,500 Catholic schools. This total includes 150,000 children who will be enrolled for the first time in the entering grade of the elementary schools.

Following are estimates of the attendance at Catholic educational institutions:

TYPE	1935-1936 SCHOOL TERM	NO. SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	STUDENTS
Elementary Schools	7,850	50,000	1,100,000	
High Schools	2,165	15,000	250,000	
Normal Schools	40	900	3,000	
Universities and Colleges	115	2,200	115,000	
Preparatory Seminaries	31	1,100	11,000	
Major Seminaries	30	900	1,800	
Total	10,200	56,000	1,500,000	

MASONS URGE GOVERNMENT HOLD CONVENT

By CHARLES BETHCO

Mexico City Correspondent

N. Y. C. NEWS SERVICE

Mexico City, Sept. 22.—The Supreme Masonic Lodge Number 14 has addressed the various Masonic Lodges asking that they unite in urging the Permanent Commission of the Congress, the Chamber of Deputies, the Governor of the State of Mexico to refuse the restoration of the Convent of Tepotzotlan to the Catholic hierarchy as a means to prevent the use of this architectural jewel for dogmatic propaganda.

The Permanent Commission of the Congress has received a memorial which reads: "Our attention has been called to the fact in the Miraflores District of Cuernavaca, State of Mexico there will be opened to the Catholic cult the artistic monument commonly known by the name of 'Convent of Tepotzotlan'. It is suggested that opposition to the restoration of the Convent of Tepotzotlan to the Catholic hierarchy as a means to prevent the use of this architectural jewel for dogmatic propaganda be made known to the members of the restoration of the Convent of Tepotzotlan to the Catholic hierarchy as a means to prevent the use of this architectural jewel for dogmatic propaganda."

The memorial disregards the fact that whether or no the Convent is restored to the Catholics, tourists may admire its artistic beauty. It suggests the thought that opponents of the Church in Mexico fear that through the elemental association of ideas, tourists will comprehend the great benefits that Mexico has derived from the Catholic Church.

An unsigned contribution which appeared in the August 9 issue of El Nacional, official organ of the National Revolutionary Party, on this subject reads: "The Convent of Tepotzotlan will not serve for the praise of God, the devil or the Great Architect of the Universe and will be only a monument or relic of national art, nothing more. The article further states that religious worship has had to disappear because it was an anachronism and that all entire cults are going to disappear, including Masonic rites."

Diocesan Women Flay Birth Control Stand Taken by Federation

Toledo, O. (NCWC)—The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women at a special meeting took action protesting the stand of the Federation of Women's Clubs on birth control and requested all Catholic organizations to withdraw their membership unless the action is rescinded. Individual members in the Federation will also resign at once and Catholic women who hold individual memberships in non-sectarian clubs affiliated with the Federation of Women's Clubs are urged to protest the action in their group and, if the group fails to withdraw from the Federation, to resign.

The estimate for the coming school year is based on the enrollments reported in the 1934 biennial survey of Catholic colleges and schools and a study of the general school situation throughout the United States.

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The outlook for the coming school term, nevertheless, is encouraging because there are signs of renewed activity in school building operations in various parts of the country. The schools which were handicapped during the past few years by lack of adequate accommodations and equipment are seeking ways and means to provide for needed expansion of school facilities.

It is confidently predicted, therefore, that the new school year will show the following approximate enrollments in each division of the Catholic educational system: 2,190,000 pupils in 7,850 Catholic elementary schools, 250,000 students in 2,165 Catholic high schools and academies, 9,000 students in 40 normal schools, 115,000 students in 115 universities and colleges, 11,000 students in 31 preparatory seminaries, and 1,800 students in 30 major seminaries. It is further estimated that these institutions will be staffed with 50,000 instructors.

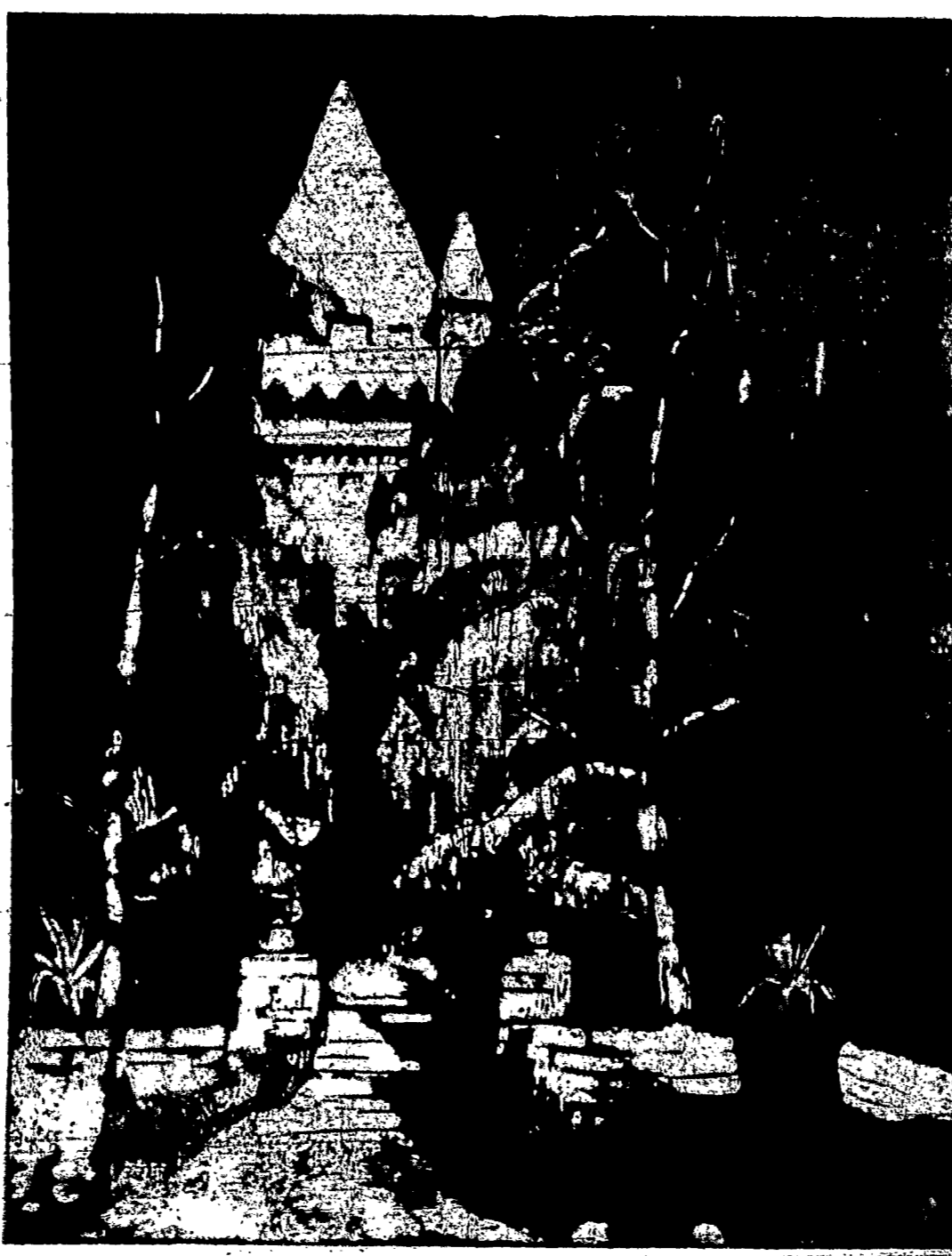
The strength of Catholic education as shown by these large enrollments is a tribute to the members of the hierarchy diocesan officials, pastors and the heads of Catholic educational institutions who have so widely guided Catholic school affairs during the trying years of the depression.

The Catholic body moreover is deserving of praise for the able support it has given to the educational program of the Church. It is universally recognized, however, that the efficiency of Catholic schools could not have been maintained during recent years without the sacrifices of the religious teachers who are devoting their lives to the cause of Catholic education.

Tax Bill's Effect On Gifts in Wills Stirs Speculation

Washington (NCWC)—Just what effect the tax provisions of new revenue legislation will have on gifts and bequests to religious, educational and charitable institutions is a matter of keen speculation. And, while debate on the relative merits of tax provisions favored by the Senate and House, respectively, will have been ended by final passage of the revenue bill, there is just as much speculation as to what provisions which actually become law will be known only through experience. Just now, when Congress is driving toward possible adjournment this week and the Senate and House are looking forward to composition of their divergent tax views in conference, the situation is provocative of much discussion. There are those who contend that the House tax provisions are more favorable from the point of view of religious, educational and charitable institutions. Others contend that the Senate provisions will be just as protective of gifts and bequests to such institutions. A brief analysis of the two positions made by one expert points to this paramount difference between the two provisions from which to choose.

ST. BERNARD'S SEMINARY



by Harold S. Bishop

Main entrance of St. Bernard's Seminary conducted by the Diocese of Rochester to prepare young men for the Holy Priesthood. Philosophical and Theological courses are made here. The Seminary founded by Bishop McQuaid, first Bishop of Rochester is in its 43rd year and graduates have gone forth into dioceses and mission fields throughout the world. Distinguished alumni of the Rochester's major seminary testify to the excellent preparation accorded students of St. Bernard's.

The above copper-plate etching of the approach to St. Bernard's Seminary was made by Harold S. Bishop, Rochester artist. Mr. Bishop made the preliminary drawings during a partial eclipse of the sun, April 28, 1930. He is a painter, etcher, lithographer and teacher. "Who's Who in Art in America," states that he is a pupil of the Cincinnati Academy under Frank Duveneck and that he has received several awards for his meritorious work. He has done murals in several schools and theaters in America and one in London, England.

MAJOR SEMINARY WILL OPEN FOR FALL TERM ON MONDAY, SEPT. 9

Faculty Changes To Bring 4 New Professors To St. Bernard's; Needed Improvements Announced By Magr. Goggin; Complete Faculty Listed

St. Bernard's Seminary, major seminary for young men preparing for the Holy Priesthood, will begin its new scholastic year on September 9 with four new faces among the members of the Seminary faculty. The Seminary, presided by the Diocese of Rochester, is in charge of the Rev. Magr. John F. Goggin, rector.

The Rev. Harry Duon, Ph.D., S.T.D., S.S.I., comes from St. Michael's College, The University of Toronto, Canada, to St. Bernard's Seminary to teach scripture subjects.

The Rev. Joseph C. Fillion, S.T.D., who will take up duties in Seminary this fall, has been during the past year a member of the faculty of St. Ann's College, Clark, Pa., Pa.

As previously announced in the CATHOLIC COURIER the Rev. Leo V. Smith and the Rev. George Mc. Kelly, both of the Rochester diocese, will occupy the positions of Episcopal Director and Librarian, respectively.

Immense benefit should be derived during the coming year by both students and faculty through improvements which are now in progress at the Seminary. A new central heating system is being installed and the Seminary library is in process of reorganization.

According to the Seminary Rector, the Monsignor Goggin, a new heating system was absolutely necessary and the central heating system will be more efficient and economical than the old system heating the different buildings individually.

Cataloging of the library books into four classes, 1800 metal bookshelves and the providing of a reading room adjacent to the library will afford the seminarians all the advantages necessary for theologic study.

Further, the new library will undertake the cataloging of the library which possesses about 60,000 volumes, including many valuable works and source collections.

The new library shelves are being installed by Edward and Company of Jersey City, New Jersey. The company also supplied the equipment for the new library.

St. Bernard's Seminary is approaching the half-century mark of its existence. Bishop McQuaid who founded the seminary, solemnly (Continued on Page 3)

Assistant Prof. Professors of Latin Retreat August

Annual retreat of the Assistant Professors of Latin and Professors of the Seminary will be held at the Holy Spirit Retreat House, St. Bernard's Seminary, from August 22 to August 28. The retreat will be presided over by Monsignor Goggin, Rector of the Seminary. The retreat is a time for spiritual refreshment and preparation for the coming school year.

ST. ANDREW'S STARTS 6TH YEAR, SEPT. 9

In the past year St. Andrew's Seminary has been in the midst of a reorganization. The Seminary will begin its sixth year on September 9. The Seminary is presided over by the Rev. Magr. John F. Goggin, Rector. The Seminary is a place of learning and spiritual growth for young men preparing for the Holy Priesthood.

American Catholic Editors Lay Plans For Vatican Exhibit

New York (NCWC)—Foundations were laid at a conference here last week for a representative group of the Catholic Press of the United States, at the great World Catholic Press Exhibition to be held at Vatican City April 1 to October 31, 1936.

Conceived as an act of homage by the Catholic Press of the world to His Holiness Pope Pius XI, the Exhibition is being organized by a Central Committee headed by Count Giuseppe della Torre, Editor of Osservatore Romano, Vatican City daily. It is to constitute a world-wide review of Catholic life as expressed and represented by the Catholic Press. Already the Holy Father, who is deeply interested, has set aside a prominent site in Vatican City, and National Committees for the Exhibition, came to New York from Orléans, France, where he is Editor of the French west Courier, to preside at the sessions here. Charles H. Ritter, of the Catholic News, New York, Richard Bell, Editor of the Bulletin, Augusta, Ga., and Frank A. Hill, Director of the NCWC News Service, all members of the National Committee, attended. The Most Rev. Hugh G. Boyce, Bishop of Pittsburgh, National Chairman (Continued on Page 3)

Social Service School Scholarship Awarded

New Haven (NCWC)—The Daughters of Isabella Scholarship for 1935-36 in the National Catholic School of Social Service in Washington, D. C., has been awarded to Miss Emily R. Scamman of Portland, Me. It has just been announced. Miss Scamman is a member of the Daughters of Isabella.

1935—OFFICIAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR — DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER—1936

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1935	1936
Aug. 13-30	Summer School of Music
Sept. 3—Tuesday	Opening of First Semester
Oct. 30—Wednesday	Confaternity of Christian Doctrine Convention
Oct. 31—Thursday	Teachers Institute
Nov. 1—Friday	All Saints Day—Holiday
Nov. 11—Monday	Armistice Day—Holiday
Nov. 28—Thursday	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec. 2—Monday	Classes Resume
Dec. 20—Friday	Christmas Vacation begins at 3:00 P. M.
Jan. 6—Monday	Classes resume
Jan. 13—Monday	Diocesan Examination Week
Jan. 20—Monday	Regents Examination Week
Jan. 27—Monday	Opening of Second Semester
Feb. 21—Friday	Washington's Birthday (celebrated)
Mar. 19—Thursday	St. Joseph's Day—Holiday
April 8—Wednesday	Easter Vacations begins at 12 M.
April 20—Monday	Classes Resume
May 21—Thursday	Ascension Day—Holiday
June 8—Monday	Diocesan Examination Week
June 15—Monday	Regents Examination Week

Any special holiday or half-holiday declared for the public schools of any locality shall be observed by the Catholic schools of that locality. The Pastor's Day and the Community Day are approved holidays. Otherwise the Archbishop's "Official School Calendar" should be observed.