

Convert Society Formed In India To Instruct

Calcutta—(NCWC-Fires)—A new group has been formed here called the St. Thomas More Convert Society. The members offer their services for the instruction of those who inquire about the Catholic Church. They also distribute Catholic magazines and pamphlets.

An excellent method of preserving ourselves from relapsing into serious faults is to say every evening, "Tomorrow I may be dead."

TEACHING OF CATECHISM IS GIVEN VIGOROUS IMPETUS IN MEET HERE

Continued from page one united system for instruction, he said, must be the parish presided over by the pastor.

"The ideal stressed in each class of the Religious Instruction School for Public School pupils might well become the Missionary—at home—ideal of the Bishop's office," continued. "For these pupils, unable to attend a Catholic High School, there is a vocation to be Christ's representatives among the many students

divorced in this day from the spiritual world of Christ's Kingdom on earth. There is the further incentive not only to prepare themselves for Catholic living, but to be the standard bearers of Christ and Christian living in their own community, which like every other community and social unit, must soon face the choice of Christ or chaos."

The Rev. Joseph H. Ostleck of Omaha, Neb., continued the discussion on this same subject. As Superintendent of Schools in that city, he gave an account of the work that is being done in that locality. "We all know that the Confederation of Christian Doctrine contemplates a rich program of instruction among public high school pupils," he said. "Indeed, this is a field that lies fallow and ready for intense cultivation. But the program must be sold to those who are in charge with authority and responsibility. Courses, manuals, materials and suggestions prepared by experts in the light of experience should be a great help. But it devolves upon pastors and teachers to study their own problems and to adapt these instructional aids and programs to the local conditions."

Parents' Responsibility Discussing the preparation of parents for religious instruction in the home Bishop Duffy declared: "One of the greatest dangers that threatens modern America is the lessening of religious influence in the lives of its people. Although many agencies have contributed to the decline, nevertheless it is unquestionably true that the finger of major responsibility must be placed upon the home."

"The training of the children must be begun in the home," Bishop Duffy continued. "The home instruction is the work of the parents, particularly the mother. The child's habits, attitudes and character are largely formed before the child has had an opportunity through its established educational system of bringing religion into the life of the child, and the home's responsibility becomes all the more certain in the revelation that children can and do know God at the age of two years."

Graded Catechism Need One of the most important problems treated during the convention was that of the revision of the graded Catechism. Bishop Gerow, speaking on this subject said: "A specific problem that is ours to deal with today is the grading of the Catechism content. We are asked to discuss that question of the Catechism graded for children having in view most especially those children who have not the advantage of a Catholic School education."

Others engaging in this same discussion were the Rev. Leroy Callahan of Los Angeles and Dr. E. J. Moran of St. Paul University. In these days of modern terms, Father Callahan said, "I would recommend to the teacher that too much attention should not be given to the 'psychology' in the approach to the child and more attention be given to the 'dogma'—which brings it close to the child's mind and the child's problems."

A graded Catechism adapted to the psychological and educational age of the learner was advocated by Dr. Moran. She proposed that the Catechism be graded for and in the primary, intermediate and upper grades of the elementary school. "We could," she said, "let innumerable results of the misuse of the Catechism be avoided by: (1) Little or no interest in religion; (2) No understanding of religious knowledge; (3) No idea that there is a voluminous literature dealing with Catholic doctrine; (4) No ability to find motivation in the dogmas of Religion; (5) Little or no sense of the individual Catholic's place in the mystical Body of Christ."

ARCHBISHOP IN ENGLAND DEFENDS POPE

(Continued from Page One) Catholic Church in Italy and throughout the world. Let me say briefly as I can try to make it more clear.

Not Obligated to Intervene "Obviously as King of the Vatican City, the Pope is not obliged in the interests of justice and charity to intervene, as other States occasionally are, in the disputes between nations. It was for that reason that I emphasized his materially weak and defenseless position. "Again, even as Head of the Catholic Church, he holds the office of Father, not of Judge, and his duty is strictly that of a pastor, not of a legislator. He is not obliged to intervene in ecclesiastical cases. His business is to interpret the moral law, primarily for the guidance of those who recognize his authority and who are prepared to accept it. He is not obliged to intervene in the disputes between nations. It was for that reason that I emphasized his materially weak and defenseless position. "Furthermore, the tribunal which had cognizance of the case, the League of Nations, did not decide that Italy was the aggressor until several days after the actual aggression. How the world would have blamed the Pope if he, assuming the role of judge, had broken in upon this legal process and anticipated its verdict weeks beforehand?"

Made Moral Attitude Clear "Now that the League has decided, the Pope to denounce and launch spiritual penalties against the aggressor? Those who are convinced of Italy's guilt would say yes, but the Pope has in consequence of his position would do anything to help the Ethiopians or to stop the war. He has made his own moral attitude abundantly clear, and if he thought that would commend further the cause of justice no doubt he would speak out. But if he is practically certain that the only result would be to produce worse evils to expose the faithless in Italy to pressure, or to plunge Italy into chaos and anarchy if it fell why should he do so? It is not his duty to produce worse evils to expose the faithless in Italy to pressure, or to plunge Italy into chaos and anarchy if it fell why should he do so? It is not his duty to produce worse evils to expose the faithless in Italy to pressure, or to plunge Italy into chaos and anarchy if it fell why should he do so?"

"I might say very much more, but you would not have room for it, and the full text and content of my sermon explain my meaning."

Discussion Club I read the "Confaternity" report on the Discussion Study Club. The purpose of the religious discussion study club she said is to develop among the laity a mastery of the expression of religious thought. "Many of us who present secular facts and pollutes 'convincingly,'" she said, "are quite unaware of the truth of our faith. Group study newly awakens us to the beauty and strength of our religion and develops the habits of talking about it intelligently. We know that human beings cannot escape a life where there is mental and spiritual progress. By studying with others we enjoy wholesome intellectual contacts and the stimulation that comes from group activity."

MOVIE-GOERS' GUIDE

As a guide for Legion of Decency members, a list of current attractions at Rochester's larger theaters is given below. The rating is based on a moral estimate made by Chicago Council, Legion of Decency on motion pictures recently released.

- Key to ratings: Class A—Pictures in this group are considered suitable for public entertainment. Class B—Pictures in this group are neither approved nor condemned, but are for adults only. Class C—Pictures in this group are condemned. CENTURY Three Musketeers, Class A. LITTLE My Song for You, Class B. LOEW'S ROCHESTER Mutiny on the Bounty, Not classified. TEMPLE Wanderer of the Wastelands, Class A. Diny Damsel, Class A. Page Miss Glory, Class A. Two-fisted, Class B. REGENT King Solomon of Broadway, Class B. Personal Maid's Secret, Class A. This is the Life, Class A. She Married Her Boss, Class A. RIVIERA Manhattan Moon, Class A. Smilin' Through, Class A. She Gets Her Man, Class A. Bonnie Scotland, Class A. Bright Light, Class A. Two For Tonight, Class A.

Court's Ruling Keeps Banned Play Closed

Chicago—(NO)—The city, led by Mayor Edward Kelley, won a victory Thursday of last week in the see-saw battle for legal advantage between the producers of "Tobacco Road," play closed by the Mayor on the grounds of indecency, and the municipal authorities.

Within an hour after District Judge William H. Holly granted the play's producers a temporary injunction permitting them to reopen the show, Judge Holly on Friday night, Judge Evan A. Evans and Samuel Alschuler of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, granted the city of Chicago a writ of supersedeas blocking the reopening of the play.

In giving the court's opinion, Judge Evans said that "we feel under the circumstances where it is a question of dollars and cents on the side, and public morals on the other, that we will not issue a writ of dollar and cents. The defendants must be protected against loss. However, and a writ of supersedeas blocking the reopening of the play."

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Nazareth College Briefs

The student body and faculty of Nazareth College were addressed last Monday by Mrs. Maudie Ward Sheed, Mrs. Sheed wife of Francis J. Sheed of the Sheed and Ward Publishing Company. She is the author of several books. An evening meeting of the Debate Club was held at the college on Monday, November 4. The Students' Spiritual Council met at 3:30 on Monday. A tea sponsored by the Secretarial Club was held at the college on Tuesday afternoon. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. David J. Hickey of Brooklyn, the Rev. Andrew Bouwhis, S. J. of Canisius College addressed the students of the college on Thursday morning, October 31. Continuance of Soviet Anti-Religious Drive Is Described in Reports Stockholm (NC)—Nyha Dagligt Allehandan leading newspaper received reliable reports from Lutheran Finns in East Karelia, Russia, stating that only one out of 120 churches remains undestroyed in that territory. Thirty-two priests and four ministers left to them, it is asserted. Most of the others have been deported. In April and May of this year, the reports state, some 160,000 persons were forcibly transferred from Eastern Karelia and Ingermanland to Turkestan and Kazakhstan. Self-respect is the noblest garment we can clothe ourselves in. Syrus.

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