

Catholic Press Defends Catholic Morals

Messages of Bishops, Editorials Call for Wide Observance of Press Month

That the Catholic Press is a most potent weapon in warding off the attacks of paganism and modern materialism, as well as a primary means for the dissemination of the teachings of the Church, it is emphasized in Catholic Press Month messages throughout the country.

Members of the Hierarchy and editorial articles in Catholic publications just issued, and dedicated to the observance during February of "Catholic Press Month" are stressing the importance of reading Catholic newspapers, periodicals and literature.

The Catholic Press is the "living voice of the nation" that was founded by Christ and, as such, its messages are for the generation and not for the day. The Southwest Courier, organ of the business of Oklahoma City and Tulsa, says in an editorial it points out that the daily press deals with humanity in its relation to life while the Catholic paper deals with humanity in its relation to God.

Value of Holy Father "Consider the Catholic Press then not as a publishing pad to please and entertain but as the voice of the Pontiff himself," the editorial continues. "It does not compete with the daily press, but complements it. It feeds the body, the other feeds the soul. The Catholic Press is interested in people keeping the Ten Commandments; the daily paper becomes interested when they are broken."

Keep the Catholic paper close to your family because it lights the highway toward your future life. It safeguards your children, enlightens your mind, binds the family together firmly in the Faith. Fathers and mothers who have withstood for years are crumbling around us. The hidden evil of birth control, divorce and sterilization is making its way into our homes. The subjects who have forced Christ out of their hearts with their gods of this world, our Faith must be buttressed in what the grand old days of the Church were. The Catholic paper close to your family.

Within recent years, the Most Rev. Louis B. Kuerst, Bishop of Lincoln, writes in The Register, Lincoln edition, a good deal has been said about the need of conserving the world's antiquities and monuments. While such a program is

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CRUSADERS RALLY IN FINAL DRIVE

Public Meeting Set To Launch Move Here To Aid Negro

INTER-RACIAL APOSTLE OF LEADERS TO LEPERS ON U. S. SOIL

Fr. Damien's Remains Brought from Molokai Enroute To Belgium

By ALICE ROGERS "Justice for the American Negro" With such a purpose the St. Peter Claver Society of Rochester is sponsoring a public meeting on "Inter-racial Justice" to be held by noted workers in the field of inter-racial relationships, the Rev. John LaFarge, S.J. associate editor of America, representing the white race, and Elmo Anderson, the negro race. The meeting will be held in Columbus Civic Center Building on Sunday, March 1.

San Francisco—(NC)—The mortal remains of Father Damien, Apostle to the lepers of Molokai, lie tonight on American soil before the high altar of St. Mary's Cathedral in this city.

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They were borne there Tuesday afternoon with reverential ceremony following their arrival aboard the United States Army transport, "Republic."

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE DECLARED BARRED FROM SOCIAL JUSTICE UNION

Detroit—(NC)—Candidates for election to Congress are barred from membership in the Social Justice Union for Social Justice and to it office holders of political parties could hold office in it, the Rev. Charles C. Coughlin, leader and Sunday orator, said today.

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PRIEST INJURED, RESCUES BI. SACRAMENT FROM FIRE

Quebec, Canada—(NC)—Plunging into the burning building through a window, the Rev. E. Wilowski, parish priest of St. Stanislaus Church, Quebec, near here, finally was able to reach the tabernacle and save the Blessed Sacrament from the flames which destroyed the building.

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Holy Father Pleased With NCW Catholic Action Plan

Were, Ind.—(NC)—The Holy Father is pleased with the plan of Catholic Action in the National Council of Catholic Women which was adopted at the 15th Annual Convention of the National Council of Catholic Women, held in St. Louis, Mo., last August.

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Flashing Crusade Victory Smiles



Jessie Butler and John Stadmiller, typifying the spirit of the Students' Catholic Press Crusade.

FIRST PRIZES GIVEN, OTHERS WAIT WINNERS

Three Boys, Three Girls Receive \$5 Awards; Final Reports Due Wednesday, Feb. 19; Nuns Lauded for Support in Drive

Driving down the home stretch to a whirlwind finish, the CATHOLIC COURIER Crusaders are working at top speed in an effort to reach the subscription goal before the campaign closes Monday on the stroke of midnight.

As the Crusaders strike with triphammer blows along the battle front with the full knowledge that the final results depend on the number of subscriptions signed up over the weekend, some 15,000 pairs of eyes are riveted on the prize list awaiting the winners of the Students' Catholic Press Crusade.

The first shower of prizes fell this week on six Crusaders, three boys and three girls who turned in the greatest number of orders in the first two reports. Each of the six will receive cash awards of \$5.

The winners are John Stadmiller, Holy Family School; William Green, Our Lady of Good Counsel School; Charles Kelly, St. Mary's School; Elmina, Immaculate Conception; Mary McCarthy, St. Vincent de Paul's School; Corning, and Doris Bergin of St. Bernard's School.

Crusader Stadmiller of Holy Family was given special mention by the campaign judges for turning in the remarkable total of forty-one subscriptions. Unlike the scoring system used in the district whereby the winners are determined by total points, these six Crusaders were selected by total volume of orders.

The fate of the entire Crusade rests on the final two reports. One due on Saturday and the other on final is scheduled for next Wednesday, Feb. 19, two days after the close of the campaign.

To the nuns directing the Crusade goes a great deal of credit for the showing made this far. Their unsparing and tireless help has helped to spur the Crusaders to seemingly unattainable heights.

With the drive in the home stretch special attention is called to the seven top prizes to be awarded to the seven schools heading their respective divisions.

To the leading school in each division goes a beautiful statue of St. Francis de Sales, patron of the Catholic school. The statue, measuring three feet, seven inches in height and forms a rich centerpiece for any shrine.

It is hand decorated and especially designed for the CATHOLIC COURIER by A. J. Train Company of Boston. The statues comprise some of the most valuable prizes ever offered in a campaign of this kind. They go to the school having the highest percentage of the total number of points credited to each school will be divided by the total number of students in the grades participating in the number of subscriptions obtained.

The student with the highest number of points in each division will receive a small religious picture which will be placed in the "Crusade Home" to be awarded to the student in each classroom with the highest number of points.

All these prizes are in addition to the regular cash consolation and prizes for the school for the various types of subscriptions. A prepaid mail subscription for one year at \$2.50 means forty cents for the Crusader and a like amount for his or her school. At year's end the same prize means twenty-five cents for the school. Ten cents each goes to the Crusader and school for a prepaid new subscription.

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Students' Catholic Press Crusade High on Reports 1 & 2

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CHURCH'S FIRE LOSS SLIGHT, SAYS PASTOR

Special to CATHOLIC COURIER—Blazing fire caused by an overheated boiler broke out last Monday morning in St. Patrick's Church, where fire discovered just before 1 o'clock Mass was to start, worked its way up through the rafters.

Damage to the basement has made it necessary to close the church for the week. It is being used in the assembly hall.

The Rev. William J. Brian, pastor, said: "There was no explosion as has been erroneously reported. The church itself has been damaged very slightly, but the blowing was made necessary because of the damage done to the boiler. Sunday Masses will be said in the Church."

SAYS CHURCH'S FUTURE IN U. S. LIES WITH THE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE

Chicago—(NC)—"The future of the Catholic Church in the United States is in the hands of the university graduates," declared the Rev. E. V. Cardinal, O.S.V., president of St. Victor's College, at the mid-year convocation of Loyola University, here.

"We can no longer rely on the immigrant and the large family to increase our membership," he asserted. "We shall have to attract the attention of outside groups by our worthwhile contributions to scholarship. If Thomas Aquinas was instrumental in bringing people into the Church by his learning, then the logical mode of procedure for us today is to produce, if we can, another St. Thomas."

Sisters of St. Joseph To Observe Anniversary

St. Louis—(NC)—The Sisters of St. Joseph are preparing to observe the one hundredth anniversary of their Order's establishment in the United States. The ceremony, which will take place at the mother house, will recall the arrival in this city of the six nuns who began the work of the Order in the United States.

The Sisters of St. Joseph now count 3,058 Sisters. 212 novices and 85 postulants. The Sisters conduct five colleges, 39 parochial elementary schools, 180 parochial elementary schools, three schools for Indian children, 12 hospitals with training schools, 10 orphan homes, 100 day homes, two schools for the deaf and one home for the blind.

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Archbishop Mooney's Message

The goal we are aiming at is to put our diocesan paper in every Catholic home in the diocese. To make a material advance toward this ideal we need not ask that our Catholic people make an added outlay of funds for reading matter but only that they divide the money spent for this purpose in such a way as to provide for at least a minimum Catholic content in their reading.

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St. Mary's, Auburn, sent in a request for 200 more subscriptions blank two days after the Crusade opened.

The long distance prize goes to Sacred Heart Academy. A student there turned in a subscription which calls for delivery to Ateneo College, Manila, Philippine Islands.

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