

# CARDENAS HEARD ON RELIGIOUS STATUS

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VATICAN CITY

Observatore Romano has taken occasion to deny again the erroneous report in secular newspapers that the Vatican is planning to demand of the Italian Government sums of money collected for Pius's Peace in Germany, but which the Italian Government will not permit to be exported from that country. The false report states that Italy would pay goods in Germany, with the money thus kept in that country and would pay the Vatican the equivalent in Italian lire.

Observatore calls this report a pure invention, stating that it has been published in a French newspaper. Adding that it does not know whether this misrepresentation of fact is published with intention or through simple negligence, it says that if it is misrepresentation reported to by one wishing to prove the efficacy of sanctions, he is very likely to be implicitly denied.

The profound devotion of the people of the government and the people of the Vatican to the Holy See is expressed by the fact that the Holy See has been the recipient of a flood of letters from all over the world, and that the Holy See has been the recipient of a flood of letters from all over the world.

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DUBLIN

DYING MAN RECEIVES 5 SACRAMENTS; PRAYERS OF MOTHER ANSWERED

South China (NC) - A dying man's prayers were answered, it is reported in the Catholic press, when a man who was dying received five sacraments and his mother's prayers were answered.

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## SAYS ANTI-CHURCH DRIVES NOT AIM OF GOVERNMENT

Conflicting Former Declarations, However, Are Recalled, As Mexico President Issues New Religious Statement

By CHARLES BETICO  
(Wire, N.C.W.C. News Service)

Mexico City—(N.C.)—A statement on the religious situation was made by President Cardenas before a State teachers' meeting at Guadalajara, last night, to which importance has been attached in some circles here. The President said: "The Government will not incur the error made by former administrations of considering the religious question a pre-eminently political problem which other aspects of the program of the Revolution are subordinate." He also asserted: "It is not the competence of the Government to promote anti-religious campaigns."

Responsible persons have not as yet commented on what the meaning of the President's statement with regard to the religious question may be. Nevertheless it is known that the President finds himself in a most difficult position. He has been accused repeatedly of extreme radicalism and certain of his statements, particularly with regard to the labor question, and also many of the acts of his regime, have served as a basis for charges of anti-religious propaganda. But in recent days there has been a widespread outbreak of labor troubles and a decided slackening in the rate of industrial production. It is believed that the President is endeavoring to prevent the further complication of the organization of labor, both agricultural and industrial, into one organization dominated by the Communists. The President is also endeavoring to prevent the further complication of the organization of labor, both agricultural and industrial, into one organization dominated by the Communists.

It is a statement given in the press that the President was leaving Monterrey, and in which he discussed the labor situation there which he had gone in person to investigate. President Cardenas charged that the Communist Party (Revolutionary Mexican) was trying to promote dissension among workers in order to place obstacles in the way of the social development program of the Revolution. He further stated that the Communist Party was furthering its efforts to create a "nation's labor camp" in Mexico. This immediately drew a reply from the Catholic Shirts, a group of Catholics who are active in the labor movement. They stated that the expression of ideas shall not be the subject of an official or exclusive investigation unless it offends good morals, injures the rights of others, or is liable to crime or cause a breach of the peace.

Whether or not, faced with the present unrest in Mexico and the definite organization of Catholic labor into various groups, President Cardenas in his latest statement meant to hint that he feels the necessity to take a more moderate position regarding religion remains to be seen. It is noted that the Catholic Shirts are active in the labor movement and are active in the labor movement.

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Crusade Bulletin

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## KEEP LARGE CARD. ROSSI MINORITY IN LAUDS NCWC PROGRAM

CORTES

Spanish Catholics Power Still Strong; Importance of Leftist Victory Over-rated

By REV. MANUEL GRANA, Madrid Correspondent, N.C.W.C. NEWS SERVICE

Madrid (NC) - The election of the Cortes in the Republic has struck the advance of Catholicism in public life but the importance of the victory has been very much exaggerated. It must not be overlooked that in the new Cortes the Catholics will have a large and important minority.

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Conduct Radio Experiments Between Vatican, Manila

VATICAN CITY (NC) - Experiments in radio communication between the Vatican and Manila are being conducted by the Holy See and the Philippine government.

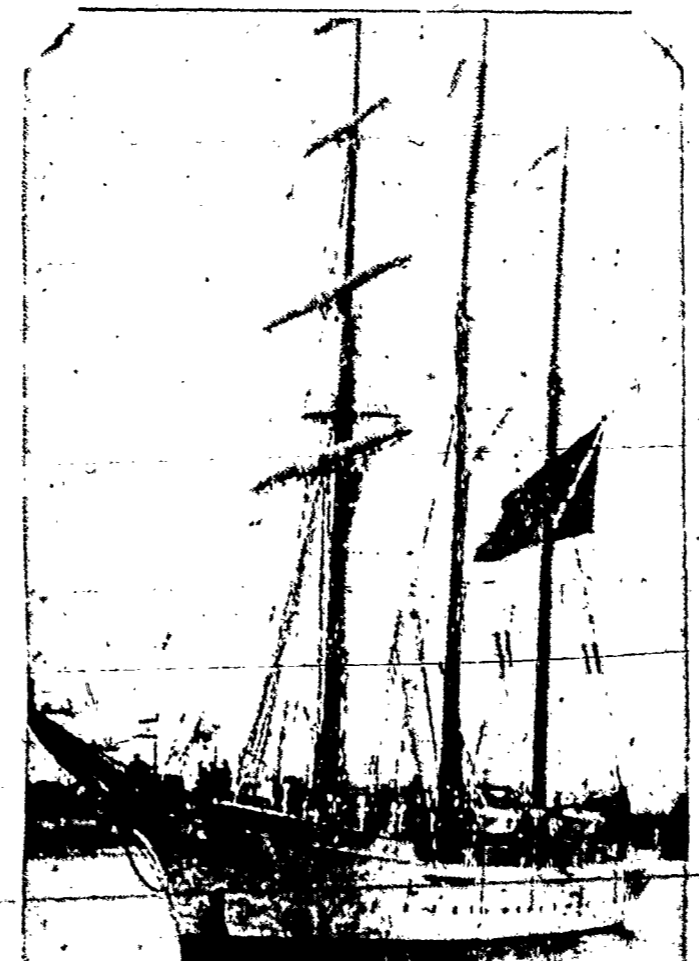
Priest Is Elected New Member of School Board

ROCHESTER (NC) - A priest has been elected to the school board in Rochester, New York.

Communism Rise Due to Evils of Capitalism - Fr. Coughlin

DETROIT (NC) - Communism is the result of modern capitalism, according to Father Charles Coughlin, a prominent American politician and radio speaker.

## ON LAST LEG OF LONG JOURNEY



The Most Rev. J. M. Preciado, Bishop of Duran, officiated at the simple services held on the aft deck of the Belgian training ship, "Mercator", as the remains of the martyr-priest, Father Damien, Apostle of the Molokai lepers, were lowered on board at Cristobal, Canal Zone, February 26. Local priests are shown chanting a "De Profundis" and "Benedictus". The Rev. Maurice Coonan, S.S., CC, officiated at the services on the U.S. Army transport, "Republic", which continues with the remains to Belgium. The "Mercator" (above), a sailing ship, is not expected to reach Antwerp for two months.

## NEW CATHOLIC BOY SCOUT INVESTITURE CEREMONY IS DEVISED IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON (NC) - A special investiture ceremony for the new Catholic Boy Scouts has been devised in Washington, D.C.

Nuns, Heroines Of Fire, Will Be Awarded Medals

WASHINGTON (NC) - The bravery of the nuns who saved the lives of the children in the fire at the St. Elizabeth's Hospital will be recognized by the awarding of medals.

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## MSGR. RYAN OPPOSES 'RIDER'

Priest-Economist Sees Menace in Propaganda Directed Against Social Justice

WASHINGTON (NC) - I believe that our beloved America is in less danger from the preaching of the Communist than from certain professedly anti-Communist propaganda which is in reality directed against social justice, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John A. Ryan of the Catholic University of America said.

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