

# BACK TALK

members of their own craft, pointing out how communistic Russia poured men, money, military experts, and munitions into Spain?

Do Hayward Brown and his doctrine actually believe that the Spanish Leftists are fighting only for democracy and that they haven't received one single bit of Communist help from Soviet Russia?

What is the Guild's answer to this bold statement made to H. E. Knoblauch, former Associated Press correspondent covering Madrid, by Largo Caballero, pre-

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... of Leftist Spain: Within five years the Republic will be so organized that it will be easy for my party to use it as a stepping stone to our objective—a Union of Iberian Socialist Republics."

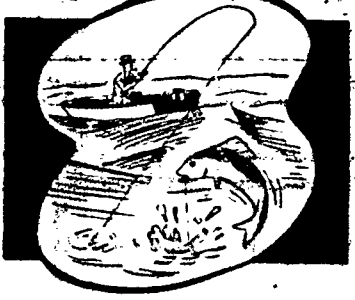
Now if the Guild will admit that perhaps there is something to this Communist connection with the Leftists, let them dwell on what their future would be under a Communist regime as Mr. Michael Williams points out so well in the current Commonweal:

"There are several highly interesting, critically important points about that resolution (quoted above)—and about the more significant fact that the resolution represents the point of view held by newspapers which are themselves often inimical to trade unionism and to the Newspaper Guild.

In the first place, it is assumed, without being offered (and indeed, little if any real proof exists to be offered) to support the assumption that world Fascism, by which is meant the influence of Hitler and Mussolini are the chief protagonists of the struggle in Spain, and not a word is said, never a single solitary word is ever said, by the champions of this baseless assumption, about the notorious, provable, undeniable fact that Communism has wiped out all trade unions except those absolutely controlled by its 1936 tyranny in Russia, and is bound by the relentless logic of its own philosophy to wipe out all independent, free, democratic cooperative trade unions, and indeed all associations of free and independent citizens in religion, in labor, in trade, in politics, in literature, in law, in science, wherever, and whenever Communism gains the mastery, directly or indirectly.

And with that something to think about, Newspaper Guildsmen of Rochester, may we express our deep regrets that your otherwise splendid organization has waded off the reservation of social justice so early in life to be scarred in adolescence with the insipid and fatal propaganda of a philosophy under which you couldn't even exist.

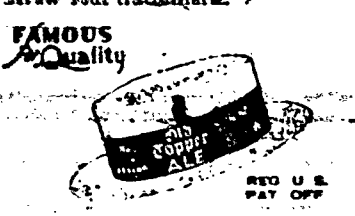
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## 50,000 Souls In Diocese Of Lansing

### New Division of Archbishop Mooney's Province Has 46 Parishes

By ANTHONY J. BECK

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DETROIT The new Diocese of Lansing comprises 46 parishes and 20 missions with 71 priests, according to a tabulation just completed by the Detroit Archbishop's Chancery office. The population is conservatively estimated at more than 50,000. The Detroit Archdiocese still retains more than 550,000 Catholics.

There are 28 parochial schools with 3,229 pupils and 1,532 school pupils in the new diocese. This leaves 107,325 pupils in the parochial schools of the archdiocese, 24,289 of these in high schools.

The Lansing Diocese has five hospitals, one orphanage, a home for feeble-minded children, a college and academy for girls, an academy for boys and the motherhouse of a sisterhood. The Sisters of Mercy conduct hospitals in Jackson, Lansing, Battle-Creek and Dowagiac. The Sisters of St. Joseph whose motherhouse is at Nazareth, near Kalamazoo, conduct Nazareth College, Barbour Hall for boys, St. Anthony's Home at Westport and St. Joseph's Hospital in Kalamazoo. Felician Sisters from Detroit are in charge of St. Joseph's Orphanage at Jackson.

New Cathedral

Vincentian Fathers care for the Marquette Medical parish in Jackson. Franciscan Fathers of the Syracuse Province have Holy Cross parish in Lansing and a member of the Holy Cross congregation is chaplain at Nazareth.

St. Mary's Church in Lansing has been selected as the new cathedral. Its rector is the Rev. John W. O'Rafferty. Lansing has three other Catholic parishes, and on the basis of school attendance its Catholic population is over 100,000. Jackson has five parishes with a population of more than 2,000. The first parish in Jackson, St. John's, was founded in 1833.

The Lansing Diocese has within its borders the first mission established below the Straits of Mackinac. St. Joseph's in Tow, fourth near Niles by the famous Jesuit missionary, Father Claude Allouez about 247 years ago. While this mission was the first center of Catholic life in the lower Peninsula, it is the first Mass in Michigan. St. Joseph's was celebrated at least 11 years earlier on December 3, 1674 at Saginaw, now included in the Grand Rapids Diocese.

Second Mission Begun

With St. Joseph's mission as a base of operations, the Rev. Stephen Badin, who came from Kentucky, began a second mission across the Indiana line about 1820 on the site of the present University of Notre Dame.

St. Joseph's mission antedated the founding of Detroit in 1701 by at least 11 years. The earliest records of St. Anne's Church in Detroit were lost because of fighting among Indian tribes. However, since February 2, 1704, when the baptism of Cadillac's daughter, Marie Thérèse, was recorded, the parish registers have been maintained without a break for 220 years. In fact, according to the Rev. George Pace, Diocesan Historian, the seventh Church of St. Anne's parish, Detroit, possesses one of the longest continuous church records in the United States.

Mother of Many Sees

Lansing is the twentieth diocese to be erected within the confines of the original Detroit Diocese. At its founding in 1833, the "Diocese of Michigan and the Northwest," as it was called, embraced not only Michigan and Wisconsin but also for some years Iowa, Minnesota and the Dakotas.

Coming from Cincinnati to Michigan the Most Rev. Joseph H. Albers, first Ordinary of the Lansing See, continues a tradition that began in the Ohio metropolis in 1838, when Father Frederick Rese became the first Bishop of Detroit. In 1853 Bishop George was consecrated in Cincinnati as Vicar Apostolic for the Upper Peninsula. Father Henry J. Richter, Pastor of St. Lawrence's Church, Cincinnati, was consecrated in 1863 as first Ordinary of Grand Rapids.

### Month's Mind Mass For Fr. Quinn Set

A Month's Mind Mass for the Rev. John P. Quinn, former pastor, will be celebrated in Mother of Sorrows Church in Mt. Read Boulevard, Wednesday at 9 a. m. Fr. Quinn was chaplain of the Holy Angels Home in Winton Road North at the time of his death on June 14.

### Communism Message Is Called Third Papal Labor Encyclical

NEW YORK—Declaring that since the appearance of His Holiness Pope Pius XI's Encyclical Letter on Atheistic Communism on March 19, last, "we now have three labor Encyclicals which can be commemorated together this year and in all future years," the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John A. Ryan, Director of the Department of Social Action, National Catholic Welfare Conference, declares in the current issue of The Commonweal that "they provide us with complete teaching and guidance on the moral aspects of every department of economic life, economic doctrine and economic theory."

"Whether 'Atheistic Communism' can properly be regarded as a sup-

## REFUGEES HEAR MASS ON LINER



This scene, taken aboard the liner Habana, on the arrival of Bilbao child refugees at Southampton recently, shows a Basque priest celebrating Mass for the children. Some of these child refugees have been housed in diocesan children's homes in England and others have been cared for in private Catholic homes. (Photo courtesy of London "Universe.")

## TYPHOID CLOSES A. A. U. PUTS BAN ON GERMAN TOUR

LONDON—Strikes from the Bilbao refugee concentration camp at North Stoneham, Southampton, has been resumed, following a period of observation due to the appearance of typhoid cases. It is expected that the camp will be cleared by sending the remaining children to various institutions throughout the country.

The Catholic Bishops have undertaken to care for 1,335 of the 4,000 children brought to this country from Bilbao. The country has been somewhat surprised to find that not all the refugees are Catholics and that only a minority are Basques. As far as possible, all the practicing Catholics among the refugees children are being sent to Catholic institutions.

### Maranville Night Listed at Ball Park

A group of Walter "Rabbit" Maranville's friends are planning to host him at a special "Maranville Night" next Friday, July 9, at Red Wing Stadium. At that time the Red Wings and Maranville will be playing a single game going under way at 8:30 p. m. under the lights. Shortly before game time, a special committee composed of Maranville's close friends and other local baseball fans will appear at home plate and present "Rabbit" with a fitting gift. District Deputy John A. Doyle will head a Knights of Columbus delegation.

### Nun Recalls Boy Picked for Role Of Tom Sawyer

CHICAGO—A Chicago Religious Mother Mary Judge of the Convent of the Cenacle, was among those delighted in the fortune of Tommy Kelly, who was recently selected to portray the role of Tom Sawyer in a motion picture. Mother Judge remembers Tommy Kelly, of the Bronx, New York, as one of the faithful members of her Boys Club there.

Tommy Mother Mary says comes from a thoroughly Catholic home. Mrs. Kelly, a real Catholic mother, says their Chicago nun-admirer, has three other boys besides Tommy and a little girl.

Tommy was selected by David O. Selznick, film producer, from among 25,000 boys from all parts of the country. He once served on the altar in St. Raymond's Church, New York.

## Reopen Mexican Catholic Church For Protestants

MEXICO CITY (N.C.)—The Church of Santa Catalina de Sena, located in the Argentine Republic Avenue, where the image of Our Lord of the Cloak is venerated by Mexican Catholics, was closed by the Government some time ago, and now the authorities have opened it for a Protestant sect.

It is charged here that the Government has acted unjustly in thus making available to the use of a Protestant denomination a building reared by Catholics for their own worship.

## Church War Hurts, Cardinal Warns

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lary on the radio where the report had been widely distributed by the German stations, the restriction was finally made between 6 and 7 o'clock in the morning, at a time when, of course, only very few listeners could be reached.

Facts Suppressed

Likewise, the information made available in are comprehensively every day about the truth behind the preposterous so-called "immorality" trials against members of the German clergy shows conclusively that the real facts are systematically concealed from the public.

There is the typical case of the Alexian Brothers in the Rhineland. An Attorney General, who has been described as a "holier of crime." Of the 23 members of this community who were defendants in the widely-reported court trials 14 were sentenced, and 11 acquitted, while three could not be located. Of these sentenced, eleven had been relegated by the community itself years ago.

The acquitted were not ever reported in the Nazi press. Of the 1,400 witnesses in this public trial, only four feeble-minded, two of whom had been guilty themselves of sexual crimes, testified unfavorably for the defendants.

At one of the trials, the Most Rev. Franz Hügel, Archbishop of Trier, was openly accused of perjury by the prosecuting attorney. The Bishop addressed a formal letter of protest to the Attorney General, but the Nazi press continues to ignore the true facts, fostering the impression among the masses of its readers that a Catholic Bishop had virtually committed perjury.

Sacred Heart P.T.A. Lists Garden Party

The Parent-Teachers Association of Sacred Heart School will hold a garden party at the home of Mrs. Geo. H. Cannon, 1829 Dewey Ave. Tuesday evening, July 28. Mrs. Vincent Maloy, Ways and Means chairman, has appointed Mrs. Geo. O'Brien general chairman and Mrs. Cannon co-chairman in charge of arrangements. Other committees to assist will be named later.

## CHURCH WAR HURTS, CARDINAL WARNS

Knowledge of our faith helps us, but application of that knowledge to other nations.

Truth about Spain will be found in "Covered Madrid" series in this issue.

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### G. K. Chesterton's 'Father Brown' Is Honored by Pope

LONDON—The famous "Father Brown" of G. K. Chesterton's detective stories, Father John O'Connor, pastor of St. Cyprian's Church at Heaton, Bradford, has been granted a Privy Chamberlain by the Holy Father.

Monsignor O'Connor had a known Chesterton many years before the author became a Catholic and eventually received him into the Church. He also offered the Requiem Mass for Chesterton in Westminster Cathedral.

Together they used to take long walks over the Yorkshire moors, and it was during these walks that Chesterton conceived, from queer incidents related by the priest, the idea of making him the model for his detective stories. Chesterton disguised his "priest-detective" as an Englishman, actually, Monsignor O'Connor is an Irishman from Clonmel.

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