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MENTION THE "CATHOLIC COURIER" TO ADVERTISERS

Religious tests for teachers and others seeking public employment in the State of Washington are prohibited under House Bill 353 passed by the State Senate at Olympia.

His Holiness Pope Pius XI solemnly blessed the Golden Rose, the Papal award scheduled to be presented to the Queen of Italy on April 4.

Dr. Jeremiah D. M. Ford, chairman of the Department of Romance languages at Harvard University and Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences was announced as recipient of the Lactare Medal bestowed annually by Notre Dame University on an outstanding Catholic layman.

Board of Education in Toledo, Ohio, formally advised the Rev. Hilary R. Weger, Director of Religious Education in the Diocese of Toledo that classrooms in the Woodward High School could be used after regular school hours for holding of religious education classes.

The Most Rev. Francis Johannes, Bishop of Leavenworth, Kansas, died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Denver, at the age of 63 years.

In an historical indictment of Communism as the ruin of the family and society, His Holiness, Pope Pius XI issued an encyclical, "Divini Redemptoris," calling on the entire world in general and Catholics in particular to combat the Red doctrine with a sound program of social justice.

Magnificent property some five miles outside of Las Vegas, New Mexico, was announced as the site for the seminary in the United States where Mexican youths will be trained for the Holy Priesthood. The name selected for the institution, first of its kind in this country, is "Montezuma."

Legislative measures which in their original form would have taken much of the property and income of Indiana churches and non State owned schools and charities went to the Governor for his signature with amendments that considerably lessened, and in most instances, virtually eliminated the tax burden which they threatened against those institutions.

In an Encyclical Letter addressed to the Bishops of Germany and inspired by a fatherly benevolence toward the German people, His Holiness, Pope Pius XI put in bold relief the attacks upon Catholic doctrine contained in errors being widely propagated in the Reich and vigorously protested the persecution to which the Church was being subjected in that country. The Holy Father asserted that the Concordat negotiations between Germany and the Holy See remained in large part unfulfilled by the German Government.

A program adopted by the Administration Board of Bishops, National Catholic Welfare Conference, for aiding Catholic youth was announced in Washington. The plan called for establishment of a bureau under the Executive Department, N.C.W.C., to be known as the National Catholic Youth Council. The Rev. Vincent Mooney, C.S.C., was chosen director of the Council.

Former Judge Alfred J. Talley of New York was announced as recipient of the DeSmet Medal awarded by Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

Declaring that his heart was greatly saddened by conditions that afflict the Church in Mexico, His Holiness, Pope Pius XI in an Apostolic Letter addressed to the Mexican Hierarchy under date of Easter Sunday gave expression to the consolation he found in the affection shown him by the Hierarchy and clergy of that country and in the constancy shown by Mexican Catholics under circumstances which require really heroic conduct for the open profession of the Faith.

Tears welled to the eyes of His Holiness Pope Pius XI and coursed down his cheeks on Easter Sunday when a quarter of a million people acclaimed with indescribable enthusiasm his first public appearance since the inception of his serious illness.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Caesar Orsenigo, Papal Nuncio to Germany, entered formal protest with the Nazi Foreign Office at Berlin, it was learned in Switzerland, against statements in the German press charging that the Concordat between the Holy See and the Reich had been violated by the Church and that the recent Encyclical of His Holiness Pope Pius XI to the German Bishops constituted an interference in German domestic affairs.

Amendments to the Assessment Act in Canada, passed in 1936 by the Liberal Government under Premier Mitchell Hepburn and designed to give a more equitable distribution of corporation taxes to Ontario Separate Schools were repealed by the Government, which introduced the amendment the previous year.

Eighteen priests in Spain remained alive due to the courage of Sister Pilar, Mother Superior of the Carmelites of Limonar, who, disguised as a member of the Red Militia, on 18 different occasions penetrated the prison of Malaga and each time succeeded in bringing out a priest.

Edward A. Kreamer, a Baltimore Catholic layman, who in his lifetime served 50,000 Masses, died. His funeral taking place on Holy Saturday, no Mass could be offered for him on that day.

A letter directed to all Protestant ministers of Ohio urging them to urge their people in opposition to measures before the State Legislature that would give aid to the parochial schools of that state was revealed by The Catholic Universe Bulletin of Cleveland and The Catholic Chronicle of Toledo.

Stand taken by Pope Pius XI in his Encyclical Letter to the German Bishops was lauded, the Reich Government's fight on Catholic schools was condemned, and the Harrison-Black-Fletcher education bill was declared to promise "only a deeper entrenchment of the inefficiency and abuses now existing," in resolutions adopted at the 34th annual meeting of the National Catholic Education Association held in Louisville, Ky.

Catholic pastors of Frankenthal and Saarlautern, Sarre Territory, were arrested by Nazi secret police in connection with demonstrations by the faithful there against removal of crucifixes from public schools and replacement by Hitler pictures, authentic reports received in Amsterdam revealed.

The Waldvogel Bill appropriating \$3,500,000 for two years to aid children attending private and parochial schools was passed by the Ohio Senate.

Incensed by a reference to the "other sons and daughters of the Blessed Virgin Mary," appearing in the Chicago Daily Tribune, Catholics of Chicago effected an apology in that paper through the efforts of the Rev. Dr. Timothy Rowan, editor of The New World, Catholic newspaper who as representative of His Eminence George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago, met with the editors and the apology in the Tribune followed.

While emphasizing that the Church's condition for the justification of industrial strikes are very specific, the Most Rev. Gerald Shaughnessy, S.M., Bishop of Seattle, in a message declared that, in cases where these conditions are fulfilled a "sit-down" strike is not among the things to be immediately condemned.

The Most Rev. Aloisius J. Wilinger, C.S.S.R., Bishop of Ponce, Puerto Rico, in a statement sent to the priests, denounced the Birth Control Bill passed by the Puerto Rico Legislature and urged the Governor to veto it.

The birth rate is notably higher in the rural sections of the United States than in the cities and the latter no longer are reproducing themselves, the Rev. Dr. Edgar Schmiedeler, O.S.B., Director of the Rural Life Bureau, National Catholic Welfare Conference, declared in an address at a Rural Life Institute held in Indianapolis.

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