ANTI-RED BILL LOST DESPITE PLEAS IN FAVOR

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Around Catholic World

Washington That taxpayers be permitted to exempt a higher percentage of gross income for contributions made to the support of educational, charitable, religious and other similar institutions is urged in a letter which the Rt Rev Msgr Michael J Ready General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference has addressed to Senator Pat Harrison, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the United States Senate It is asked that such a provision be embodied in the revenue bill now before Senator Harrison's Committee

WARNS OF DRINKING

Fall River An appeal to all peoples under our charge particularly the young, to beware of the dangers that lie in liquor drinking dangers material, physical and spiritual is the subject of a pastoral letter which the Most Rev James E Cassidy, Bishop of Fall River directed to be read in all the churches and chapels of his See Sunday Bishop Cassidy directs attention to the fact that all God's creations are beneficial and beneficent if properly used" and that "all God's creations may be harmful and injurious when wrong use is made of them

JESUITS NUMBER 25,460

Vatican City Remarkable growth of the Society of Jesus throughout the world, and notably in the United States since the last General Congregation, in 1923, as revealed in figures released at the present General Congregation being held in Rome Today the Society of Jesus counts 42 Provinces and four Vice-Provinces, with 25 460 Religious, of whom 11 365 are priests 8,796 students and 5 299 lay Brothers At present there are in the United States seven Provinces those of California Chicago, Maryland New York, Missouri New Orleans New England and Oregon The number of Religious has doubled, there being 5,229 of whom 2,273 are priests, 2,360 students and 596 Brothers.

REPLY 'HEIL HITLER'

London The recitation of prayers in the schools of Vienna, suspended following the German absorption of Austria has been ordered resumed by the Nazi authorities but following the prayers the children pay tribute to Chancellor Adolf Hitler dispatches arriving here assert

At the end of the regular school prayer, the teacher says: "We thank our Fuehrer"

The school children reply Heil Hitler

Doctor Fritz new Director of Education in Vienna is quoted as saying religious faith is to be respected, but that politically minded Church delegates no longer will be allowed to "meddle in school affairs

RELIGION IN SCHOOLS

Honolulu As the result of an agreement between officers of the Department of Public Instruction and representatives of the Catholic and Protestant churches of the Territory of Hawaii classes in religious instruction are held in rooms of public school buildings throughout the school year Students desiring to attend classes of their choice are excused from other duties during certain hours of the school week

JUBILEES MARKED

Mexico City The city of Morelia was en fete on Saturday the occasion being a double sacerdotal jubilee celebration The Most Rev Leopoldo Ruiz y Flores Archbishop of Morelia and former Apostolic Delegate observed the golden jubilee of his ordination and his Coadjutor the Most Rev Luis Altamirano y Bulnes his silver jubilee

CATHOLICS TO BROADCAST

Shanghai, China Shanghai is henceforth to have Catholic broadcasts every two weeks A long standing wish of the Most Rev August Haouisee, the Vicar Apostolic is thus fulfilled For the beginning, three American Jesuits Fathers McGreal Kearney and Lipman will take turns in speaking from the Church of Christ the King every second Sunday at 6 30 p m

DR. FUNDER HELD

London Dr Frederic Funder editor of the internationally-known Reichspost until the German absorption of Austria is under "protective arrest" in Austria according to a message from the Permanent International Commission of Catholic Editors

NUN WINS DEGREE

St. Paul Sister Marie James of St. Joseph of Carondolet instructor in Chemistry at the College of St Catherine here, is to receive the Doctorate of Philosophy in Chemistry from Columbia University New York after having successfully defended her dissertation, "Physical Chemical Study of the Three Ferrous Complexions," in an oral examination

Vienna Press Conference Out

VATICAN CITY (NC) The Third International Congress of the Catholic Press which was to have been held in Vienna in May has been cancelled

A committee of the International Union of the Catholic Press will meet in Budapest Hungary at the time of the Thirty-fourth International Eucharistic Congress in that city to decide upon a time and place for the press congress

Challenge on Spain

The Rev Dr Joseph F Thorning, professor of Sociology and Social History at Mt St Mary's College, Emmitsburg Md following whose recent radio address on Spain a group of Protestant bishops issued a statement which was challenged by Dr Thorning as containing "palpable untruths" Dr. Thorning who visited Spain in recent months has been a distressing numerous audiences in opposition to the Leftist regime in Barcelona.

FRANCO PROPOSES LABOR LAWS

Guided by Catholic Tradition

BILBOA (NC) The new Labor Law or Social Constitution which General Franco has promulgated for Nationalist Spain opens with the declaration that the State renewing the Catholic tradition of social justice that guided legislation under the Monarchy now undertakes the task of restoring to Spaniards once and for always their country bread and justice

The worker shall not be reduced to a material concept of merchandise nor be the object of any transaction incompatible with his personal dignity the law says The right to work it adds is a consequence of the duty imposed on man by God for the attainment of his individual purposes and the prosperity and grandeur of his country. The State exalts and exalts labor and will protect labor with the force of the law making it compatible with the fulfillment of other individual family and social aims [illegible]

Conditions of Work

[illegible]

The wages [illegible]

The State [illegible] the employers and [illegible] subordination on the part of the individual.

Peasant families [illegible] hygienic living [illegible] have a small farm [illegible] proved

The State shall protect the worker and his family against all risks and difficulties including maternity [illegible] diseases and old age Credit available to all shall facilitate the means for obtaining a small property The State recognizes and encourages private [illegible]

Family Recognized

The family is recognized as the natural and primary [illegible] rights superior to all positive legislation For the greater guaranty

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AUSTRIAN BISHOPS CALL ON FAITHFUL

To Vote In Favor Of German Reich

VIENNA (NC-Cable) In a joint statement the Austrian Hierarchy has formally approved of the anschluss of the former Austrian Republic with the German Reich and urged the Faithful to vote Yes in the forthcoming national plebiscite which is to legalize this reunion definitely and to abolish the traditionally Catholic State of Austria

The statement signed by His Eminence Theodor Cardinal Innitzer Archbishop of Vienna, and all Austrian Bishops, had previously been sent to Joseph Buerckel Chancellor Hitler's deputy in charge of the plebiscite, with a covering letter dated March 18 saying "the Hierarchy has done its national duty spontaneously and not under pressure and adding this statement will conduce to friendly cooperation" The letter concluded with "Heil Hitler"

Read In All Pulpits

Nazi authorities having approved of the text of the statement, it was read in all Austrian pulpits Sunday The statement itself carried the date of March 18, showing that it was adopted unanimously by the same members of the Austrian Hierarchy exactly one week after the resignation of the Schuschnigg Government, the policies of which always were guided by Catholic principles and enjoyed the strong moral support of the Holy See Former Austrian President Wilhelm Miklas was attending Mass at St Rochus' Church here, Sunday with his wife when the statement was read He partook of Holy Communion

The declaration itself follows

"We the undersigned Bishops for the Austrian dioceses of free will do solemnly declare at this historical moment for German Austria

We joyfully recognize that the National Socialist movement has produced pre-eminent accomplishments toward the national and economic reconstruction as well as the social welfare of the German Reich and people, particularly for the poorer classes

We are also convinced that the Nationalist Socialist movement will avert the danger of atheistic and destructive communism The Bishops bless this activity for the future and admonish the faithful to do the same

"On Plebiscite Day April 10 it will be a self-evident and national duty for us Bishops to profess ourselves as Germans and for the German Reich We expect all faithful Christians to take cognizance of what they owe their people

His Excellency the Most Rev Cesare Orsenigo Apostolic Nuncio to Berlin visited Baron Joachim Von Ribbentropp German Foreign Minister last Friday to discuss the possibility of revision of certain clauses of the Germany Concordat with the Holy See About the same time Durchbruch widely circulated German pagan weekly known for its outspoken hostility to all things Christian particularly the Catholic Church was suppressed by order of Dr Joseph Goebbels German Minister of Popular Enlightenment

The latter also omitted all reference to church struggles in his recent speech on the plebiscite which confirmed the impression that the Berlin authorities are now catering to the goodwill of Catholic and Protestant voters and are trying to avoid everything detrimental to a favorable result in this popular ballot of Greater Germany

Whether German religious policies will actually be revised after the plebiscite remains to be seen The Austrian Hierarchy apparently entertains some hopes in this direction and may have good reasons for it but pessimists and experiences seem to justify the reserve of those German Catholics who have been disappointed so many times by promises not kept by the Nazi regime

As a matter of fact Field Marshal Goering's last stump address here when he said Third Reich does should not interfere in questions which are none of the state business is not encouraging and showed the basic Nazi philosophy regarding religion is essentially unchanged

Obscene Literature Propagator Jailed

PARIS (NC) At the close of a session held behind closed doors the Tribunal of Nantes has sentenced to a year in prison and a fine of 5,000 francs which together with costs will total more than 50 000 francs the propagator of a pornographic work The suit was initiated by the Catholic Parents' Association at Nantes

WORLD TRIBUNAL URGED AT VATICAN

For Humanitarian, Moral Problems

WASHINGTON (NC) Establishment by the nations of the world of a tribunal at the Vatican to which they could refer all international problems of a moral and humanitarian nature, as a means of promoting international accord was suggested by the Most Rev Martin S. Gillet, O.P., Master General of the Dominicans, who was a visitor here over the week end

Having completed a canonical visitation of his Order's missions in the Philippine Islands, China, Indo-China and Japan, Father Gillet is returning to Rome by way of the United States. He already has visited San Francisco, Los Angeles and New Orleans He is going from Washington to New York, whence he will sail March 30 for Europe.

Avoids Political Aspects

Interviewed here Saturday evening, Father Gillet made it plain that he did not discuss the political aspects of any question. He also emphasized the fact that he spoke as an individual, and not as Master General of the Order of Preachers He said that nations must be prepared to make sacrifices for the good of humanity if there is to be any real hope of peace.

He believes in the League of Nations, he said, but asserted that as long as each nation insists on discussing a given problem from its own particular point of interest, the hope for real world peace is lessened Consideration must be given to an interest higher than the economic or political interest of any one nation the interest of humanity and this interest must be reinforced by religious sentiment, Father Gillet declared

In suggesting the establishment of a tribunal at the Vatican, Father Gillet pointed out that many of the nations represented at Geneva also have representatives at the Vatican The nations could continue to take to Geneva those questions of an economic or political nature and could take to the Vatican tribunal those problems of a purely moral nature he said

The very fact that the nations have diplomatic representatives at the Vatican indicates that they have confidence in the Holy Father, Father Gillet declared

Asked if the United States exercises a potent influence for world peace, Father Gillet said that when one is in Europe one feels that the policies of the United States are closely watched, and that when President Roosevelt speaks the world listens

Father Gillet said it is known definitely that more than 100 Dominican priests and seminarians have been slain in Leftist Spain

A member of the French Legion of Honor the author of 20 books doctor of seven universities outside of France Father Gillet has given lectures in all the principal capitals of the world except that of China

DECENCY LEGION

Against Showing 'Baby' Film Widely

NEW YORK (NC) While granting that the motion picture has merit from the medical educational social and technical point of view the National Legion of Decency here in a statement made public Tuesday opposes the general exhibition in theaters of the film Birth of a Baby

The statement points out that the theater at the present time is not popularly accepted as a clinic consultation office or classroom and that the audiences attending theaters "are composed of both sexes and various ages backgrounds mentalities and temperaments" "Adequate and satisfactory audience control is very difficult to obtain in theatrical exhibitions" it adds

"The Legion of Decency deems this picture unsuited for entertainment and inappropriate for general theatrical exhibition"

South Carolina Spurns Divorce Law

COLUMBIA S C (NC) In spite of another attempt to change South Carolina's status as the only State which does not allow divorce on any grounds, the unique constitutional prohibition still stands

A bill to eliminate this provision introduced by Representative Bailey of Cherokee was supported by a majority of the House of Representatives today but failed to win a necessary two-thirds

Representative Bailey's bill would have submitted the question of changing the state's constitution to permit divorce to a popular referendum.

Foes of Parochial School Aid Organize

WASHINGTON (NC) Organized opposition to State legislation providing free textbooks and free bus service to private as well as public school pupils is indicated as a major aim of the Friends of the Public Schools an organization which has opened headquarters in Chicago

Writing in a quarterly called Liberty and published here Mrs Greta S DeFenbaugh Secretary of the Friends of Public Schools says "Opposing the use of public funds for private schools either sectarian or lay the new group aims also to see that public school policy is shaped by persons who believe in and understand the public schools" She asserts that this new organization, a product of seven years of preparatory work is in the process of putting out branch organizations in the States"

"As things now stand," Mrs DeFenbaugh says "legislation favoring private schools and sectarian groups is sometimes put through the State legislatures and city municipalities with but little organized opposition Some of the States recently diverted public education funds for free textbooks and free bus service to private and parochial schools No sectarian influence of that kind should be allowed to exert itself in our public school system Any sectarian influence to obtain funds or to propagate religious teaching at public expense, should be opposed"

ADVOCATES VATICAN PEACE FORUM

Urging the establishment of an international tribunal at the Vatican to discuss world problems from the moral and humanitarian viewpoint, the Most Rev Martin S. Gillet, O. P., of Rome, Master General of the Dominican Order, visiting in Washington en route to Europe, was photographed at the Dominican House of Studies, Catholic University of America. He is shown (left) with the Very Rev. T S. McDermott, O. P., of New York, Provincial of the Dominican Fathers of the Province of St. Joseph. (Rent photo.)

Priests Add Protests To Close Evil Movie

CORNING Due to urgent protests of citizens, including priests and laity of Catholic parishes here, the motion picture "Crusade Against Rackets," and accompanying features were withdrawn last week at the Palace Theater

"The show was misrepresented to me by the agents who brought it here," Frederick Gerber of the Palace Theater told the Corning Leader It was withdrawn when I realized that some people objected to it

Chief of Police A W Eckess said that he attended the performance Tuesday of last week, after complaints were reported to him

He said that he found nothing objectionable in the motion picture, but objected to certain slides shown in an accompanying skit He said the management agreed to change or eliminate these pictures

No other action was taken however, and Chief Eckess said that Mr Gerber voluntarily cancelled the show

Those who complained at police headquarters or to other city officials, Chief Eckess said, included Alderman Clement L. Murphy, Paul Tammaro, representing the Knights of Columbus; the Rev E A Rawlinson, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, and the Rev. Dr E. J. Stuart Objections were also made, he said, by Corning Free Academy officials who protested against a book sold in connection with the presentation

These and other citizens also protested to the Palace management, Mr Gerber said.

Father Rawlinson reported that the other priests in Corning, the ministers and the Mayor, lent their aid in forcing the producers to withdraw the objectionable film and lectures from this city

BISHOP O'REILLY

Held in Scranton Funeral Rites

SCRANTON Church dignitaries priests, sisters and members of the laity formed the throng overflowing St Peter's Cathedral here today gathered to pay final tribute to the Most Rev Thomas C O'Reilly D D third Bishop of Scranton

Bishop O'Reilly died at Miami Beach Fla Friday night at the age of 65 years He had been ill a long time

Last October due to the illness of Bishop O'Reilly the Most Rev William J Hafey Bishop of Raleigh was named Titular Bishop of Appia and Coadjutor Bishop of Scranton with faculties of Apostolic Administrator

Among the high ranking prelates here for the funeral are the Most Rev James E Kearney, D D Bishop of Rochester and the Rt Rev Msgr William M Hart Vicar General of the Rochester Diocese

Bishop O'Reilly who attended the funeral services for the late Bishop John Francis O'Hern in Rochester in July 1933 had many friends in that diocese

Recognition of his ability as an organist, counsellor and administrator was widespread

He was ordained in Rome on June 4 1898 and was consecrated Bishop of Scranton on February 16 1928 in the Cleveland Cathedral He was Vicar General of the Cleveland diocese when named to the bishopric

His tenure of the See of Scranton has been marked by continuous activity for the coordination extension and development of diocesan undertakings on a sound foundation

Archdiocesan Youth Meeting

Los Angeles The first Archdiocesan convention of Young Peoples Clubs will be held here next Sunday March 27 under the patronage of Archbishop Cantwell The clubs are affiliated with the Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Organization

CANADA BANS CLICK

Magazine Featuring Indecent Pictures

OTTAWA (NC) The picture magazine Click, published in the United States, has been banned indefinitely from Canada on the grounds of indecency

But two issues had appeared in Canada when this action was taken

MONTREAL (NC) Provincial authorities will be asked by the Montreal Catholic School Commission to take prompt and effective measures to put a stop to an influx of publications which are considered as tending to corrupt youth Warning that such action was necessary Gerald A Coghlin, member of the board, gave wholehearted support to complaints recently voiced by Owen Dawson, of the Boys Farm, who had stated that there were boys whose evil character or tendencies could be traced to a feeding on such publications

Oblates Position Improved

Rome The Rev Emilio Alonso, O M I has informed the Motherhouse of the Oblates here that since the canonical visit of Father Pietsch, things are going better for the Oblates in Spain, particularly at San Sebastian and Las Arenas

Among the new arrangements made by the Provincial Administration is one for sending the Scholastics to the Grand Seminary of Vitoria to continue their studies.

NEXT WEEK Easter Shopping Edition

BISHOP AT CORNING BLESSES NEW ORGAN

Urges Knights To Preserve Nation

(Special to Catholic Courier)

CORNING—A throng overflowing St. Patrick's Church, Sunday, witnessed the climax of events marking the first public appearance here of the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester. The Bishop blessed and dedicated the church's new organ and officiated at Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Previous to the Church ceremonies, the Bishop was guest of honor of Corning Council, Knights of Columbus at a banquet in Baron Steuben Hotel, which also noted the Council's observance of Founders' Week.

"When Christopher Columbus discovered America, a young Franciscan monk leaped from the boat and buried a cross on the shore, claiming it as God's country and now it is up to the Knights of Columbus to keep it God's country."

This was the charge left with more than 150 Knights assembled at the banquet.

Catholics and non-Catholics were in the crowd at St. Patrick's Church for the religious rites and were unanimous in their praise of the new organ.

The organ's first use—immediately following the blessing was in the sacred music for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

At the close of the service an hour's recital, by Joseph E. Tallmadge, noted organist from Auburn, revealed the wide scope of sensitive, mellow and majestic tones of which the newly installed instrument is capable.

St. Patrick's Cadets, led by Francis Hoffman, marched at the head of the procession of priests and fourth degree Knights of Columbus who escorted the Bishop from the rectory to the Church. The Bishop, priests and guest organist entered the Church through an aisle formed by the Cadets, who then fell in line preceding the Knights.

Among the priests in the procession were: the Rev. Lawrence Casey of Rochester, secretary to the Bishop; the Rev. Michael B. Groden, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Corning; a former assistant pastor at St. Patrick's Church; the Rev. John Ball of Lima; the Rev. John Bohmwetsch of Rochester; the Rev. Henry Bieler, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Church; the Rev. Lawrence W. Gannon, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church, Corning; the Rev. John Newcomb of Hornell and Frank Newcomb of Auburn, brothers of the Rev. Bernard Newcomb, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church.

Appreciation of the Bishop's visit and thanks to Mr. Tallmadge, who donated his services for the recital, were expressed by the Rev. E. A. Rawlinson, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, as he welcomed the parishioners and visitors.

Mrs. Newton K. Lincoln, organist of the Church, was at the console of the organ when Bishop Kearney proceeded to the back of the church and upstairs, and she continued to play during the brief ceremony of blessing.

Returning to the sanctuary, the head of the Diocese of Rochester gave a short sermon on the organ. He referred to its sound as intimately wrapped up in the ritual of the Church. The Catholic Church, he said, has been traditionally the champion of the arts.

Bishop Kearney officiated at the Benediction, with the Rev. Bernard Newcomb assisting. Deacons of honor were the Rev. John Newcomb of Hornell and the Rev. Michael B Groden of Corning.

"Panis Angelicus" was sung by the Junior Choir and "Tantum Ergo" by the Senior Choir, with Mrs Lincoln at the organ. Her playing during the service also brought out its beautiful tone. The hymn, "Holy God We Praise Thy Name," was sung by the congregation.

Mr. Tallmadge's expertly rendered program was as follows: Toccato and Fugue in D Minor, J S. Bach; Soeur Monique, Couperin; Aria, Handel; Le Cygne, St. Saens; Sonata V. Allegro Appassionata, Adagio and Scherzo, by Guilmant; Serenade, Schubert; Capriccio, Lemaigre; Nocturne, Chopin; Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre; Symphonie V. Allegro, Andante Cantabile and Toccato, by Widor;

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DeSmet Medal Goes To Mother Drexel

SPOKANE Mother Katharine Drexel of Philadelphia foundress of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, will receive the 1938 De Smet medal, the Very Rev Leo J. Robinson, S.J., president of Gonzaga University, announced today. She is the first woman to receive the honor.

The award, presented annually, was instituted in 1930, on Founders' Day as a memorial to Father Peter De Smet, S.J., pioneer Indian missionary.

Mother Drexel established the Blessed Sacrament Sisterhood in 1889, a few years after the death of her father, Francis A. Drexel, who willed $1,500,000 to charity, to be administered by his children.

The pitiable condition of Indians and Negroes in the United States moved Miss Drexel to devote her large inheritance and her life to the service of both races. Next year, the religious community founded by her will celebrate its Golden Jubilee anniversary.

Indian missions in Alaska, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana have been assisted by Mother Drexel for many years.

GOVERNOR VETOES McNABOE MEASURE

Barring Radicals From Public Office

Thousands of appeals to Governor Lehman to approve the McNaboe bill which would have barred Communists and other radicals from public office, civil service and school positions in the state failed in their purpose when the Governor on Tuesday disapproved the bill.

The bill was passed last week in the Senate by a [illegible] vote and in the Assembly by 110 to [illegible]

Forces against Communism were rallied earlier in the week by leaders of patriotic and Catholic organizations to seek the Governor's approval of the measure. [illegible]

The Governor in a memorandum Tuesday night, stated that "Although I am unalterably opposed to the principles of Communism, I am vetoing this bill in the interests of safeguarding American democracy."

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DR. ABELL HONORED

As U.N.D. Makes Laetare Award

NOTRE DAME—(NC)—Dr. Irvin Abell of Louisville, president-elect of the American Medical Association, was the recipient of the Laetare Medal, bestowed annually since 1883 by the University of Notre Dame upon an outstanding member of the Catholic laity, the Very Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., president of the university, announced here on Laetare Sunday, March 27.

In announcing the name of this year's medalist, Father O'Hara said:

"The merit of Dr. Abell in his profession has been signally recognized in his election to the presidency of the American Medical Association, and his varied service to city and State as surgeon, citizen, soldier and Christian gentleman [illegible] in the esteem of a [illegible] extensive [illegible] years of devotion to the welfare of his fellows."

Noted Scientist Becomes Catholic

AMSTERDAM [illegible]