

# Rochester Spurs National Catholic Stage Move

## BLACKFRIARS IN FIRST CONVENTION TAKE STEPS

To Advance Drama Throughout Nation Naming Fr. Randall here To National Office; Fr. Urban, Full-time Director

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WASHINGTON—A national Catholic theater movement in which Rochester seems destined to play an important part has been launched here as a result of the first national convention of the Blackfriars Guild.

### AMBITIOUS PROGRAM Planned Here by Blackfriars Guild

Preliminary plans for an ambitious 1934-35 program calling for seven separate productions were outlined at the convention held at the Board of Governors of the Blackfriars Guild.

Reports of the Washington convention of the Guild were made to the governors by Rev. John R. Randall, newly elected first national director, who presided at the convention. Rev. Urban, vice-president of the Rochester Guild.

### Freedom of Press Stirs New Fight In Mexico When Boycott Threatened

By CHARLES BERTICO  
MEXICO CITY (NC)—The freedom of the press is the chief topic of discussion currently in Mexico. The Senate has proclaimed with emphasis its attitude in defense of freedom of thought and of the press, declaring that no social class, either because of its influence or its numerical strength, can quiet its critics or annul the right that all citizens have of thinking and publicly and freely expressing their opinions.

### FR. JACQUINI DEPARTS FROM VESSEL IN JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE MEANS

MONTREAL—A report in the media that Fr. Jacques Jacquini, S.M., had been arrested by the Japanese authorities in Japan has been disproved.

### MONTEALMONT REPORTS ON THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Dr. Carroll declared that the freedom of thought in this country is not being granted to foreign correspondents. President Luro Cardeas declared that "as has been said many times the Government takes care that journalists have the freedom to express their opinions."

### GRANDS AUTHORIZED

Local authorities were authorized to grant as much as 15 per cent of the cost of erecting new schools which have been rendered necessary by the new laws all over the country.

### CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

In the Chamber of Deputies, Deputy Filon declared that the freedom of the press involves freedom of thought in his recent interview granted to foreign correspondents.

### Centenarian Greeted by Pope, King, Queen

LONDON (NC)—His Holiness Pope Pius XI, King George VI, Queen Elizabeth were among those who sent messages of congratulation when Mrs. Sarah Fowler, of Oxford, reached her 100th birthday.

### THIS WEEK in The News

A National Catholic Theater movement has long been believed a necessity in these days of independent drama and Communist propaganda. Rochester is doing its part.

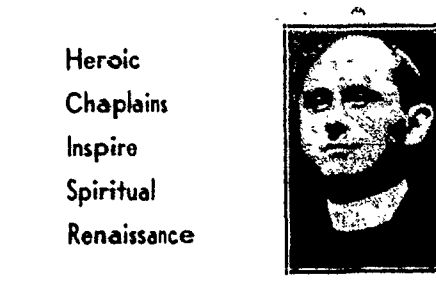
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## SPAIN Today and Tomorrow.

Heroic Chaplains Inspire Spiritual Renaissance

By Rev. Dr. Joseph V. Thorning and John V. Hinkel



This is the second of a series of articles on the situation today and the prospect in Spain, by the Rev. Dr. Joseph V. Thorning and John V. Hinkel, who have gone to that country to make a first-hand study of the religious, social and economic aspects of the Spanish conflict. Dr. Thorning is Professor of Social History at Saint St. Mary's College, Emmett, Idaho. He visited Spain last summer. Mr. Hinkel, a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, is a New York newspaperman, and also has been a keen student of the Spanish situation.

### SARAGOSSA, SPAIN—A spiritual renaissance is sweeping Nationalist Spain. It is inspired largely by the heroic service of the 2,500 military chaplains with the forces of General Franco.

In war, where bravery is commonplace, because of the traditional courage of the Spaniard, the heroism of these chaplains on many battlefields has caused the admiration of officers and men alike.

Your correspondents have witnessed the work of the army chaplains in trench, in hospital and in barracks. They have noted the high regard in which these chaplains are held by all soldiers and civilians alike.

### Military Chaplains were supported under the Republic. There is none with the Red army, where public religious exercises are prohibited, we understand.

All of those present chaplains with the Nationalist forces are volunteers, and only a mere handful have had any previous military experience at all. Their casualty rate is extraordinarily high, because they never hesitate to risk death to help some stricken soldier, no matter on which side he is fighting. It is estimated that ten per cent of these chaplains have been killed or wounded in the line of duty. And, as soon as some falls another priest takes his place, for there is a long list of volunteers. Decorations for bravery are frequent, and virtually every one of them at the front has been cited at least once.

Besides ministering to the spiritual needs of the troops, the chaplains also maintain contact with the families of the soldiers, conduct schools for the soldiers, and comfort the wounded. Chief assistants to the chaplains in these multifarious labors are 10,000 soldiers who are members of Catholic Action in Spain.

Among the unforgettable sights witnessed by the writers during our recent visit to the Sagunto front was that of the officers and men of several front-line regiments hearing Mass before the beginning of an attack in which many of them lost their lives.

Equally impressive was the death of a mortally wounded Nationalist soldier in a Nationalist hospital, to whom a Nationalist chaplain administered the last rites of the Church as he lay dying.

Your correspondents also have seen the unusual sight of chaplains standing in wrecked churches, in towns just liberated from the Leftists, baptizing babies born while the towns were still in the hands of the Leftists. Guns boomed and the air was filled with the sound of the mortar shells as the chaplains administered the sacraments.

A high ranking officer said recently to these writers:

"Much of the morale of our troops is due to the splendid unselfish work of these army chaplains. They've earned themselves the highest respect, admiration and devotion of all. A Church with priests such as these chaplains is bound to flourish after the tragic war is over."

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## Holy Father Flays Catholic Action Foes As He Again Condemns Racism Doctrine

### PONTIFF DEPLORES ITALY'S POSITION On Exaggerated Nationalism

By MARIO ENRICO PUCCI  
VATICAN CITY (NC)—Radio—Criticizing again with great vigor the doctrine of racism and exaggerated nationalism, His Holiness Pope Pius XI has issued a warning to those who pretend to attack Catholic Action without attacking the Church.

Speaking to students from Propaganda College, whom he received in audience at Castelgandolfo, the Holy Father noted that they came from 27 different countries, and said that in their school the Church makes practical application of her university.

He rejoiced, His Holiness declared, that their audience came at a time when so much, too much in fact, is said about racism and nationalism in this excessive talking about these subjects, the Holy Father added, errors are pronounced and accumulated, and things are spoken that are known only superficially and then by hearsay.

"Catholic means universal, not racial, nationalistic or separatist," said the pontiff, "and Catholic Action must be inspired by these principles. Catholic Action means Catholic life and thus Catholic Action is the pupil of the Pope's eye. Catholic life means actively through virtues, through obedient work of the army and the Church, to think of the nation, nationally, or separatistically."

Barrier Between Men  
"We wish to separate nothing in the human family. We do not wish to think of racism and exaggerated nationalism as a barrier between men and men, between peoples and peoples, between nations and nations."

"Some of us set forth a prophetic warning that the present Catholic Action and the Fascist Party there exists an insurmountable doctrinal divergence."

"The solemn affirmation because Catholic Action is Catholic life and cannot be separated from the Church. Between Catholic Action and such errors there is nothing in common. It is forgotten that all men are created in the image and likeness of God, that the human race, though the word race is preferable to designate animals, whereas for men it is better to speak of human beings."

"It must be asked why Italy, with unfortunate limitation, felt the need to imitate Germany. The old Italians used more beautiful and sympathetic words. The Italian race, the Italian stock is of the race of Joseph. These words are more civilized, less barbarian."

Pope Pius added that it is a vain hope to attempt to strike Catholic Action without striking the Church.

"Whoever strikes at Catholic Action strikes at the Pope and the Pope says: 'Beware. I recommend that you not strike at Catholic Action, for your own good, for whoever strikes at Catholic Action strikes at the Pope, and who strikes at the Pope dies. This truth is shown by history.'"

### SHOW COLUMBUS BEACON

Washington—Plans have been completed for displaying at the World's Fair in New York next year a model of the Columbus Memorial Light House to be built in the Dominican Republic. Andres Pastoria, Dominican Minister to the United States, said here this week. The construction of the light house is to be financed jointly by all the American republics.

### HONORED BY 2 NATIONS

Prague—The Rev. Dr. F. Dvorak, professor at the University Charles IV, has been named an associate member of the Royal Academy of Belgium and of the Romanian Royal Academy. He received his doctoral degree from the Sorbonne and was elected to the Czech Academy last April.

### DENY REPORT Pope Is III

VATICAN CITY (NC)—Radio—His Holiness Pope Pius XI continues in excellent health.

### PISTON-EDITOR HIT

Fribourg—The Very Rev. Magr. Jean Quarantou, director and editor-in-chief of Liberte, a Swiss Catholic daily, has died as the result of injuries received when he was knocked down by a car. He was 80 years old. Monsignor Quarantou was a well known figure in Catholic Press circles. He had been editor-in-chief of the paper since 1904. He contributed much to the emancipation of Swiss Catholics and to the establishment of friendly relations and mutual understanding between Church and State.

### FIRST LOW MASS

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### THEY PLANT CONGRESS FLOWERS



Flowers of yellow and white, the Papal color, and the official colors of the National Eucharistic Congress, to be held in New Orleans in October, will be planted in city-wide seedling campaigns sponsored by the Young Men's Eucharistic Club and the New Orleans Floral Trade Association. Boy Scouts are cooperating in the distribution of seeds. In this photo, the Rt. Rev. Magr. Peter M. H. Wyrhoven, (left), general chairman of the Congress committee, and William T. Harter (right), president of the Y. M. C. B. C. break ground as E. M. Tolson, president of the Floral Trade Association, plants the first of the Congress flowers on the Municipal Auditorium grounds. (Catholic Action photo.)

### SCHOOL CRISIS REACHED IN LIVERPOOL DUE TO BAGOBY STAMD

LONDON (NC)—The school situation in Liverpool, where the City Council has refused to make grants to Catholics for the building of new schools demanded by recent legislation, has reached a crisis.

### MONTHLY FEATURE FILM WILL BE PRODUCED BY CATHOLICS OF ENGLAND

LONDON (NC)—A monthly Catholic screen feature on the lines of the "March of Time" will make its first appearance here in September.

### Sacred Heart Leagues To Convene in Montreal

MONTREAL (NC)—A great general congress of the Leagues of the Sacred Heart will be held here in 1942, when representatives of membership of more than 50,000 will be present.

### Program Given For Three-Day Diocesan Liturgy Institute

The Rev. John M. Duffy, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, announced today the three-day liturgy institute which will take place in Immaculate Conception Church and Hall, August 16, 17, 18. The institute is planned for the priests, religious and lay of the diocese. There will be no admission. The program follows:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16  
10:00 A. M. Solemn High Mass  
11:00 A. M. The Liturgy and the Liturgical Movement  
1:30 P. M. Christ the High Priest: His priestly work performed in Church through Liturgy  
2:30 P. M. Educating to Liturgical Participation  
3:30 P. M. Compline and Benediction

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17  
10:00 A. M. Mass Recitation  
11:00 A. M. The Ecclesia, Orders in Action: organic nature of Church, diocese, parish, family  
1:30 P. M. Baptism and Confirmation and their relation to the "lay priesthood," sacraments deputing to civil and Catholic Action.  
2:30 P. M. Music in the Liturgy: Ideal and Actual  
3:30 P. M. Compline and Benediction

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18  
10:00 A. M. Solemn High Mass  
11:00 A. M. The Mass, the Sacrifice of the entire Christ, Head and Body.  
1:30 P. M. The Liturgical Year as the norm of Christian life and sanctity.  
2:30 P. M. Some Fundamental Remarks on the Pedagogy of the Catholic School Music  
3:30 P. M. Compline and Benediction

Lectures at 11:00 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. each day will be delivered by Rev. Godfrey Dickinson, O.S.B., of Collegeville, Minnesota. That at 2:30 each day on Music, will be delivered by Rev. Benedict Dumas of St. Andrew's Seminary.

## Around The World

### THINK BLASHEMY

Rome—A system to check public blasphemy which has been tried out for a year in Verona, has proved so successful that it may be adopted in other Italian cities. The municipal authorities of Verona decided to distribute 20 prizes of 100 lire each to the police agents who submitted the best placards for curbing blasphemy.

### EUROPE ROLLING GATES

London—A two and a quarter ton rolling gate, unique in the world has been placed in position before the relics chapel of the great St. Basil's Cathedral in Moscow. The gate symbolizes the rolling stone of Our Lord's tomb.

### DELINQUENCY GROWS

Home—Messengers, Elmo daily, has published the following incomplete reports on the number of priests killed by Reds in some of the Diocese of Spain. Archdiocese of Toledo 185, Archdiocese of Seville 22, Diocese of Vittoria 47, Diocese of Santander 59, Diocese of Malaga 126, Diocese of Minorca 3, Diocese of Vizcaya 21, and Diocese of Avila 30.

### YOUTH JUBILEE

Jerusalem—The Catholic society, "Youth of St. Anthony," of Bethlehem, which has celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its foundation with the attendance of "Catharch Barlastina and his Auxiliary, Bishop Fellinger," is under the direction of the Franciscan Parish Church of St. Catherine.

### HONOR KIN

Montevideo—Mr. and Mrs. Noe Filion, pioneers of St. Gerard de Kilmorra parish of the north observed the 60th anniversary of their wedding by attending a solemn high Mass sung by their son, the Rev. Joseph Filion, S.M.M. who was assisted by two grandsons of the jubilarians, the Rev. Gerard Supper, of Mont Laurier, and Brother Gabriel Filion, S.S.S.

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### Helps Direct Air Raid Precautions

BRIDA, HOLLAND—One of the first air raid precautions in the history of the world was the appointment of Canon A. Brouwer as director of the air raid precautions in the city of Brida. He has been assisted by the Rev. J. Brouwer, and the Rev. J. Brouwer, and the Rev. J. Brouwer.