Catholic Women Back Literature Clean-up Effort

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Around The World

RECEIVES 7 SACRAMENTS

Paris — Few living men in the world have received all seven Sacraments. One of them is Abbe Durupt, present chaplain of the College at Luneville.

Originally from the vicinity of Nancy, young Durupt decided to be an officer in the army. He saw service in the World War and was injured so seriously that he received the last Sacrament. Surviving, he was married but only for a short time. His wife died.

Then Abbe Durupt entered the priesthood to receive the only Sacrament that had not been previously administered to him.

TAUGHT TO KILL

Warsaw—More than 150,000 civilians were compelled to take part in the war games recently held at Leningrad. The chief aim of the "games" was to familiarize the people with handling machine guns.

Women were included in this maneuver, according to the report. The civilian army "attacked" the regular troops, who defended the town.

MEXICO RESTORES IMAGES

Mexico City—Responding to the appeals of the parishioners made to municipal authorities, the Department of National Properties of the Ministry of Hacienda has ordered that images and other objects taken from the parish church at Motozintla be returned to the Church.

ENTERS ORDER AT 50

Fribourg Dom Nicholas Perrier O.S.B. was a former member of the Cantonal State Council here. At the age of fifty, he retired from public office to become a Benedictine monk.

He has been promoted recently to the rank of Prior and professor of theology of the Abbey Pierre-Qui-Vive in France.

PHILOSOPHY BANNED

Montreal —According to a statement told here by Prof. Karsavhoff, all serious, religious or secular philosophy is forbidden in Soviet Russia. The professor is a member of the Russian Theological Academy in Paris which aims to preserve the Russian Orthodox priesthood.

One Russian professor wrote a treatise on Plato. He has been prohibited from writing any more on such subjects and his name has been struck from the list of Russian authors.

NEW CZECH CARMEL

Prague A new convent of the Carmelite nuns is to be built at Beo. At present the convent here is the only one of this order in Czechoslovakia. It was founded in 16[illegible] and is world famous.

The miraculously preserved body of its foundress, Mother Mary Lo[illegible] contained here. She is seated in a chair and the head in a glass case.

MASS—THE SOLUTION

London. "Social reconstruction through the Mass" is the slogan of a new campaign undertaken by the Scottish Catholic Young Men's Society, launched at the annual conference in Edinburgh.

Members will be urged to apply themselves to a deeper study of the Mass to "live the Mass" in the words of the national chaplain, the Rev. Joseph Daniels, and to counteract, as far as they may be able, influences tending to destroy the social order.

HELP THY NEIGHBOR

Paris When Archbishop Verdier visited the parish of St Eustache he was met at the door of the church by a picturesque corege. Fishermen bore on their shoulders a miniature of a fishing vessel. They were followed by other fishermen wearing the characteristic costumes of their provinces.

All of them brought baskets of lobsters crayfish, oysters, salmon and pollack. At the close of the ceremony the donation of the fish merchants was carried to a home for the aged. This was a contribution to charity on the patronal feast of their parish and occupation by the fishermen.

ODD MEETING

McAlester, Okla. — At a luncheon meeting during the annual convention here of the Oklahoma Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women, a central table was occupied by a minister of the Christian Church, a representative of the Salvation Army and a non-Catholic member of Congress. Bishop Kelley of Oklahoma City was the principal speaker.

AID SPAIN

Burgos—Efforts are being made to restore some of the glory that was Spain before it was enmeshed in this civil struggle. One of the first moves is to build up the library. Catholic groups from all over the world are assisting the work of restoration by making gifts of books. Many collections have been sent to Spain, including one important collection of theological books the gift of the Archbishop of Paris.

State Naturalist

The establishment of a wild life sanctuary and the organization of nature leagues throughout Illinois will be among the tasks assigned to the Rev. George M. Link, who has been named to the new post of State Naturalist. Father Link is pastor of St. Benedict's Church, Auburn, Ill., and has been director of the Springfield Nature League.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

EXTRA

COLDWATER SCHOOL Destroyed By Fire; Classes Continued

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By EDWARD ESSE

A fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed the Holy Ghost School in Coldwater, N. Y., Wednesday afternoon. The blaze lasted for nearly two hours and endangered the convent and church, located close by.

According to the Rev. Joseph C. Wurzer, pastor of the Church, approximately $15,000 loss was suffered. For the present, the classes will be conducted in the Church hall.

The Sister of Notre Dame, guided the children from the classroom to a place of safety. There were 82 children in school at the time, but all were safe as the Sisters quickly led them out.

The school building formerly was a church, built in 1875. The sad part of the fire is that just recently $2,000 were spent to renovate the building. It was well equipped and finished over.

Only a few feet separate the school and convent and because of the strong wind, it seemed as if the convent would be destroyed, so Father Wurzer removed the Blessed Sacrament from the convent to the church as firemen struggled successfully to prevent the fire's spreading.

Father Wurzer praised the work of the firemen, who came from the Gates-Chili, Barnard and Churchville companies. Parishioners lent themselves immediately to helping out and the Harris Seed Co. sent all its equipment and its entire force of men to aid in the work.

Only the adjoining part in the rear of the school was saved. Books were salvaged, but little else could be saved.

The town has offered to supply desks etc., so that the school work may continue.

Despite the fire, novena services in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help were continued Wednesday night.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

LUTHERAN CONFERENCE OPPOSES BUS AID FOR PARISH SCHOOL PUPILS

NEW YORK By an overwhelming majority the seventh triennial conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, Atlantic District, here, adopted a resolution opposing passage of the proposed first Amendment to the State Constitution opening the way toward allocation of public funds for transporting pupils to and from parochial schools in buses.

The resolution warned of the dangers inherent in a "State-subsidized or regimented religion." Condemned also in the resolution was the proposed eighth amendment, "which provides for social welfare services to be extended alike to denominational as well as the public schools." The conference saw in this amendment a possible entering wedge for the use of State funds for building private and religious schools and paying their teachers' salaries.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO. 1

Swiss Abbot Elected

Zurich - Dom Dominikus Bucher, O.S.B., was elected Abbot of the Swiss monastery of Muri-Gries. He is 67 years old.

CARDINAL REPLIES TO NAZIS DENYING Attack On Hitler, States Duty

GENEVA (NC).—In violation of Article Four of the Concordant between the Holy See and Germany, the Most Rev. Matthew Ehrenfried Bishop of Wuerzburg, was stopped at the German border last Wednesday while enroute to Rome and was detained several hours, according to word received here.

The German authorities who stopped Bishop Ehrenfried's passage had photographic copies made of all his papers, it is said.

AMSTERDAM (NC). — Declaration that while a Catholic must carry out his duty to the State, a Bishop must carry out his duty of representing God and Church was made by His Eminence Theodore Cardinal Innitser, Archbishop of Vienna, in a statement read in all churches of Vienna Sunday, according to accounts received here. The statement was regarded as a reply to Nazi news agency demands that the Cardinal state his position.

Not With Single Word

The statement, according to accounts received here, quoted the Cardinal as saying:

"The well-known declarations of the Bishops of Austria of March 18 were made with the best intentions in order to come to a peaceful understanding with the present ruling authorities of the country. The course of events brought unfortunate measures, which the Catholic people were forced to accept, as already recalled in the pastoral letter of the Austrian Bishops of September 4.

"Not with single word did I attack the Fuehrer in my sermon to the Catholic Youth at the (St. Stephen's) Cathedral on October 7, nor did I instigate hatred against him, the State or the party. The demonstration of young people after the religious service was neither foreseen nor designed. It is also untrue that the Catholic Youth took this opportunity to sing political songs.

"They have put the following into my mouth (I have decided to fight and I am ready to lead.' I did not say this at the Bishops' Conference nor to any assembly of priests.

Unanimously Decided

"The prohibition to priests to take part in the 'Workers Organization for Religious Peace' was not issued by me alone, but resulted from a unanimous decision of the Bishops' conference taken not for political reasons but for reasons of church discipline.

"I have never failed to appreciate the historical importance of the hour when my homeland the Sudetenland of Czechoslovakia returned to the great German Cardinal's I gave thanks to the Fuehrer proclaimed thanks for the whole German mark (Austrian) and ordered the ringing of bells. I defend myself against the offensive reproach that I have set myself up in a deliberate contest against the Fuehrer and the people."

Further word received here was to the effect that the Reich had decided to withhold any emoluments that clerics, active or retired, or their dependents receive, unless they "prove themselves worthy of the State's solicitude."

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

BISHOP BRADY Former Student Here, Consecrated

BURLINGTON, VT.—"For the Diocese of Burlington I could wish no better fortune than the gift of this man whom the Holy Father has sent to you and whose service as father and friend has been inaugurated by the ceremony of consecration."

Thus spoke the Most Rev. Francis P. Keough, Bishop of Providence in his sermon yesterday morning at the solemn consecration of the Most Rev. Matthew F. Brady as the fourth Bishop of Burlington.

Bishop Keough was a fellow-student of Bishop Brady's at Louvain and at St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, N. Y.

His Excellency the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, officiated at the solemn elevation of Bishop Brady to the Episcopate, the ceremony taking place in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception here.

The Most Rev. Maurice Francis McAuliffe, Bishop of Hartford and former teachers, as well as episcopal Superior of Bishop Brady, and the Most Rev. Joseph F. McCarthy, Bishop of Portland, Me., who was formerly associated with Bishop Brady on the faculty of St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, Conn., were the co-consecrators.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

Club Selects Volume On Daniel O'Connell

NEW YORK—"King of the Beggars," by Sean O'Faolain, a study of Daniel O'Connell, is the October selection of the Catholic Book Club here.

Calling the volume "the Intelligent Englishman's Guide to the Irish Problem," a review by Robert Speaight, reprinted from the London Times in the Book Club's Newsletter, says "the political and cultural renaissance of Ireland, which has now become a commonplace but should forever be regarded as a miracle, is meaningless without some knowledge of the patience, cunning, industry and faith which worked it." "Mr. O'Faolain sees in O'Connell not only the chief architect of the resurrection, but the type of its qualities and defects," the review adds. "And his penetrating study of the man reveals and explains at the same time the nation which he recalled to freedom."

PUBLIC WEAL AVERRED AIM OF AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

LETTERS POUR IN APPROVING PLAN Of Bishop Kearney To Increase Jobs

With signs, here and there, showing that an uptrend in business is possible, a definite interest is growing in Bishop Kearney's proposal for stimulating purchasing to result in added employment.

This interest is being manifested in letters and calls being received at the CATHOLIC COURIER office. Letters are being printed in the secular newspaper columns endorsing the idea.

Awaiting the issuance of the Bishop's pastoral shortly, plans are being made to publicize the plan through various agencies and mediums.

Business men and workers are writing in letters giving their approval of such a plan. The following letter is an example:

Mr. Howard W. Klippert, Mgr.
Catholic Courier
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Klippert.

Please accept my sincere congratulations on the splendid work His Excellency, James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, is doing to re-establish confidence in the minds of our citizens and to impress upon them the necessity of purchasing the things they really need.

I am, indeed, very much in accord with His Excellency's statement in the Catholic Courier of October 13, 1938 in which he says in part, "We all know that unless money is in circulation, unless people are shopping and buying things, it is impossible to keep people at work."

If there is anything we can do to help in this noble cause, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

May God bless and guide His Excellency so that he may continue this wonderful work he has so unselfishly started for the good of all the people.

Respectfully,
A. C. Dersch,
Mgr. Dairyland Milk.

Among the signs that there is a pick-up in employment is a statement in the bulletin of the Civic Committee on Unemployment released this week on employment for May through August.

"There is reason to believe, aside from any unusual factors entering into the situation, that a definite recovery has begun," said Harold L. Rand, who compiled the report.

This is seen as evidence that with the added effort proposed by Bishop Kearney, many more persons can be returned to their jobs in the next few month.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

FOUR WHO SOLD Booklets Flaying Churches Sentenced

ALEXANDRIA, LA.—Four men who sold pamphlets attacking both the Catholic and Protestant churches were convicted here under a statute prohibiting the peddling of books without a license, and were told by Judge Gus A. Voltz that "this community does not, nor does any American community, need men of your type." The judge imposed against each a $100 fine and a sentence of 90 days in jail, but he expressed a willingness to withhold the latter if they paid the fines and left town within six hours.

"Our State, parish and city are made up of God-fearing people—people of all faiths and creeds, who enjoy the friendship of each other, irrespective of religious beliefs," Judge Voltz said.

"And now you come into this community unknown, unrecommended, uninvited and, indeed, unwelcome. The literature which you have been peddling in violation of the State laws, and which has been handed me for inspection, is vicious and calculated and intended to create hatred and unrest."

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

Pius XI Is Greatest Personage Ever Met

Notre Dame, Ind.— The crowning achievement of 16 years as a reporter at the Papal Court was a private audience with Pope Pius XI, Thomas B. Morgan, author of "A Reporter at the Papal Court," told a large audience in a lecture at the University of Notre Dame.

"As soon as I saw the Pope I knew I was face to face with the greatest personality and character I had met in my many years of contacts with crowned heads, statesmen, diplomats and other famed people," Mr. Morgan said.

He scored the popular belief that the Vatican is "hard to get into" and related the ease with which he was admitted to the Under-Secretary of State when he was first assigned to "cover" the Papal Court.

An Unwarranted Attack On Public Servants

That Governor Lehman and Constitutional Convention delegates are charged with approving "insolent and dangerous provisions in proposed Amendments to the State Constitution" is the only inference that can be drawn from an article in the October 23 issue of the Parish Bulletin of St. Luke's (Episcopal) Church of South Fitzhugh Street, Rochester.

The article from which the above quotation was taken is an attack on the honesty and patriotism of public servants.

The Parish Bulletin has the effrontery to say: *"Now the Catholic Hierarchy is demanding through the proposed No. 1 and No. 8 amendments that we permit the alliance of Church and State by compelling us to support their private Catholic School System at a cost of many million dollars a year. Busses for transportation is only one small item. Salaries for priests, nuns, teachers; books, medical and dental hygiene; buildings, and equipment, etc., all may be included to support the Catholic Schools if these amendments are passed. We have it on the authority of a legal expert that what we have outlined above is exactly what can be done with those loosely woven amendments No. 1 and No. 8."*

The above statement quoted from the Parish Bulletin should furnish a real surprise to the delegates of the New York State Constitutional Convention. They are intelligent men, most of them of religious affiliations other than Catholic. They should be given credit for an honest understanding of the matters discussed and approved in the Constitutional Convention.

The St. Luke's Parish Bulletin further states: *"These provisions are very cleverly written in proposed amendments No. 1 and No. 8 in the hope that they would not be detected by the average voter, so it is important that you make copies of this letter AT ONCE and get them started."*

In the light of these inuendoes what are we to think of the approval given to these two amendments both by the Democrat and Republican parties, as well as the personal endorsements of Governor Lehman and Mr. Thomas E. Dewey?

Are we to conclude from this that the delegates to the Constitutional Convention, as well as Governor Lehman and Mr. Dewey are so ignorant that they cannot see the so-called *"dangerous provisions cleverly hidden"* in these proposed amendments No. 1 and No. 8? Many of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention are lawyers and judges well versed in the law. Governor Lehman has the advice of the New York State Attorney General. Mr. Dewey is District Attorney of New York City. Does it seem probable, or even possible, that gentlemen of this caliber unwittingly signed themselves up for an alliance of Church and State to compel all citizens of the State to support the Catholic School System? Governor Lehman will be pleased to have this free legal advice. Mr. Dewey will undoubtedly be seeking out this "legal expert" to thank him for shedding light on a matter hidden from the legal intelligence of the District Attorney of New York City.

On behalf of the people of an honest Community we tender to Governor Lehman, to Mr. Dewey, and to the delegates of the Constitutional Convention our apology that such a reproach against their honesty and their patriotic spirit should find its way into print. We glory in giving each of them the respect and gratitude which their public service merits.

WE ARE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THE INTELLIGENT VOTER WILL NOT BE FRIGHTENED by the misstatement of facts, or the threat of non-existing dangers contained in the above mentioned bulletin. We are convinced that they will go along with the delegates to the Constitutional Convention as well as both major parties, Governor Lehman, and Mr. Thomas E. Dewey in giving approval to this forward looking program by voting "YES" for Amendments 1 and 8 on Election Day.

ALTAR BOY IN BURNING SURPLICE IS SAVED BY WOMAN COMMUNICANT

WEBSTER, MASS.—A woman waiting to receive Holy Communion in St. Louis Church here Sunday saved an altar boy by beating out his flaming surplice with her hands, but was badly burned herself. Nevertheless, she received the Sacrament before allowing her seared hands and arms to be treated.

Mrs. Minnie Waldron, one of the many persons in the crowded church kneeling at the altar rail, was near James Quail, Jr., when the brushed against a candle. The boy's surplice caught fire quickly and she quietly rose and had the fire out before others could reach the youngster. The boy was unharmed.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO 1

U. S. Nuns Open New Girls' School in China

PEKING — The Sisters of St. Francis, from Wisconsin, have been engaged in teaching in the Tsinan Vicariate for the past nine years. Their principal educational establishment—an elementary and middle girls' school—is at Hungkialow, North China center of the Franciscans Minor. They have another elementary school in the Shantung capital, Tsinanfu. They have just opened a third school at Tehchow, an important city on the railway line south of Tientsin.

HISTORY OF FORDHAM TO BE PUBLISHED ON 100TH ANNIVERSARY

New York - Looking to the celebration of Fordham University's one hundredth anniversary in 1941, the Rev. Robert I. Gannon, S. J., its president, has announced the institution of the Taaffe Historical Guild, through which alumni throughout the world will cooperate in supplying data for the history of Fordham to be published three years hence.

Dr. Thomas Gaffney Taaffe, for whom the Guild is named, was a member of the Fordham Class of 1890, and on the occasion of the University's Golden Jubilee in 1891, published a history of the institution up to that date. Dr. Taaffe was for many years on the faculty of the College of the City of New York. Fordham conferred the honorary degree Doctor of Letters upon him in 1920 in recognition of his distinction as a teacher, author, lecturer and dramatic director. Dr. Taaffe died three years ago.

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO. 2

ST. FRANCIS IN THE "NEWS"

Chicago—The CHICAGO DAILY NEWS took cognizance of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi by an editorial nearly one-half column in length.

"Just 712 years ago today, St. Francis extended his arms to embrace Sister Death as a dear friend, even as, in gentleness and joy, he had espoused Sister Poverty and given the kiss of peace to Brother Man," the editorial said.

LAST MINUTE OPPOSITION HIT As Attempt To Becloud Benefits

Frankly amazed were fair-minded citizens to learn this week, that any opposition should develop at this late date, almost on the eve of election, to the many provisions contained in proposed Amendment No. 1 to the State Constitution.

These provisions in the formulation were considered "non-controversial." They were written in a humanitarian spirit and their passage was practically unanimous.

"We cannot understand why an amendment which contains so many propositions for the benefit of people in general should be challenged by any group, who want to be thought progressive," said the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, diocesan director of Rochester Catholic Charities, today.

"We cannot understand how any group could be opposed to equal protection to every person within the state, or how anyone can deny the constitutional protection of civil rights to all people regardless of race, color, creed or religion. These are benefits guaranteed by the Bill of Rights as proposed in Amendment No. 1."

Safeguard of Rights

Taking cognizance of any opposition, the Rev. John M. Duffy, diocesan superintendent of Catholic Schools, Diocese of Rochester, points out that the Constitution of our government should be the safeguard and guarantee of the rights of the people.

"If and when conditions have changed that necessitate amendments to the Constitution," Father Duffy stated, "it is the privilege (as well as the duty) of the people of a democracy so to amend the Constitution that its end and purpose may be fulfilled."

It is recalled here that during the past summer duly appointed delegates from all sections of the State assembled at Albany to consider, discuss and vote on proposed changes to the Constitution.

Thoroughly Studied

Discussion brought out the weaknesses and undesirable features of some proposals and they were consequently rejected.

While these delegates, representative and capable men, are not infallible, still it is difficult to understand how they would be so blind and so remiss in their sacred trust as not to detect proposals that were dangerous and inimical to our free institutions and the rights of the people.

Benefits Pointed Out

Humanitarian measures formulated in a spirit of regard for the public welfare as contained in Amendment No. 2 include:

A measure offering to the people security in their persons, houses, papers and effects against unreasonable search and seizure as well as unreasonable interception of telephone and telegraph communications.

Providing for a business-like way of preparing the state budget as well as a better control of appropriating state monies.

Guaranteeing a better type of financial control for the funds of counties, cities and towns of the state—regulating borrowing and the levying of taxes on real property.

Protecting the local government from harmful bills which may be passed by the state legislature and offering a safeguard to cities, towns and villages from a transfer of their powers without the consent of the people.

Providing fitting qualifications for the legislature and preventing a member of the Legislature from profiting personally through any bill passed in the legislature while he is a member.

Affording protection to all members of a pension or retirement system of the state, county, city or town by making their membership a contractual relationship, the benefits of which shall not be diminished or impaired.

Carrying over the provision for the education and support of the blind, deaf and the dumb and juvenile delinquents of the state.

Guaranteeing that the power of taxation shall never be surrendered, suspended or contracted away by the power of the state.

Giving protection against taxation of undistributed profits.

Making subject to taxation all salaries, wages and other compensation except pensions paid to employees of the State and the subdivisions and agencies thereof.

Providing for aid and support of the needy as a matter of public concern.

Continuing the State Board of Social Welfare with power to visit and inspect all public and

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VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO. 1

HALLOWE'EN SPECIALS in baked goods at Aunt Jennie's Bakery Shop, 814 Monroe Avenue. Include Harvest pumpkin pies, fried cakes, cookie and other specialties.—ADV.

N.C.C.W. CALLED "BEST HOPE" Of Womanhood At National Meet

BILOXI, MISS.—Stamping out salacious literature on a nation-wide scale will be high on the activities of the National Council of Catholic Women this year.

A campaign against evil literature, as wide in scope as the campaign of the Legion of Decency against immoral motion pictures and similar in plans, is being prepared by a committee of Archbishops and Bishops in the United States, delegates to the N.C.C.W. eighteenth annual convention here were told by the Most Rev. Emmet M. Walsh, Bishop of Charleston.

Support of the proposed campaign was expressed informally by members of the N.C.C.W. immediately after Bishop Walsh's address. The President, Miss Katherine Williams of Milwaukee, Wis., contrasted Mrs. Eugene McCarthy, East Cleveland, Ohio, national chairman of the committee on press to draw up a resolution embodying the national council's intention of efforts to stamp out salacious literature among its activities.

(Miss Celia M. Keenan, President of Rochester Diocesan Council, N.C.C.W., was elected third vice-president of the National Council on Wednesday.)

Most Hope

More than 500 delegates heard Bishop Walsh at another point declare that the best hope of combating the full force of Catholic womanhood to promote genuine Christian traits in American life today is to be found in the National Council of Catholic Women.

Bishop Walsh's statement was made at a session under the chairmanship of Miss Katherine D. Williams, President of the National Council, to discuss ways and means of improving and strengthening the various units of the National Council.

The large gathering of women came to this Gulf Coast resort at the close of the magnificent Eucharistic Congress which ended last week in New Orleans.

Business meetings, luncheon panels, forums and receptions addressed by several Bishops, and priests and laywomen, filled the days of the convention beginning Saturday.

Speaking of "The Place of the National Council of Catholic Women in the National Catholic Welfare Conference," Bishop Walsh, who is Assistant Episcopal Chairman of the Department of Lay Organizations, N.C.W.C., asked the National Council of Catholic Women "to use our best brains and energies in coordination of the activities of Catholic laywomen to further Catholic ideals in family life, in education and in all the phases of social relations."

Prayer for Good

"A National Council," he said, "which is affiliated more or less all the various societies of Catholic women in America, can wield a power for good that is beyond calculation.

"Their duly commissioned spokesmen, with episcopal guidance in all matters pertaining to faith and morals and Christian order, can speak with the voices of hundreds of thousands of profoundly convinced Catholic women.

"And such a voice, the voice of a minority professionally organized and full of zeal for their convictions, has demonstrated more than once in recent years its power to influence public opinion, the trend of social thought, social planning and legislation."

Bishop Walsh, at the session devoted to combating indecent literature, read a paper for the Most Rev. John J. Neal, Bishop of Fort Wayne, who was unable to be present.

Saying that the national campaign against such literature will be launched "in the very near future," Bishop Walsh said that cooperation of Protestants and Jews will be sought in efforts to stamp out the objectionable literature.

400 Publications

"There are in the United States," Bishop Walsh said, "400 objectionable publications, three-fourths of which have come into being since 1930.

"The total of objectionable publications is 15,000,000 copies, and if each falls into the hands of four persons there is a total of 60,000,000 persons affected," the Bishop said.

Bishop Noll's paper declared that "the motive for the publishers of obscene literature, aside from gratification of which the United States excels, is first of all profit on the part of producers."

"Then there are themes," the paper added, "who believe that the destruction of a moral sense in youth is part of the Communistic program to prepare the way for its revolutionary theories. Those who refuse the indecent will, to say the least, be indifferent towards a drive against religion."

The paper cited the Fort Wayne Code as standard for combating salacious literature, saying that "when magazines are condemned in relation to such a code, the publishers can have no legal recourse against the decency."

VOTE "YES" ON AMENDMENT NO. 1

Book Markets Prepared By Pre-Parade Club

New York—The Pre-Parade Book Club will have thousands of worthy reading books on sale during Book Week, November 13 to 19. They will be sold at Book Week stores for 25 cents per volume. Selected from the best children's books published this year by the various publishers, the books are the choice of librarians, teachers and the Book Week committee.

Because of the importance of Catholic material in the Pre-Parade Book Club, Archbishop Edward Mooney, Detroit, Mich., has been asked to be honorary chairman, it was announced.

Man, Rosary Safe In Crash

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — As the pilot of the flaming plane in which he had been returning from the Eighth National Eucharistic Congress at New Orleans, where he was a speaker, was trying to make an emergency landing, Joseph V. Connolly, general manager of the Hearst newspapers, sat strapped in his seat, holding in his hands a Rosary that had been given to him by his daughter on leaving New York. "I seemed to feel I would not die," he said after the plane had been landed in a dark field.

Also a passenger on the plane, which was destroyed, was Dr. James T. Nix, dean of the Graduate School of Louisiana State University, a Knight of St. Gregory and also a speaker at the Eucharistic Congress. Both spoke in praise of the heroism of the pilot and crew of the air liner.

In the ashes of the plane were pictures of the Eucharistic Congress which the Associated Press was having flown to Atlanta for prior distribution.

"It was the nearest I have come to death," Mr. Connolly said. "As the plane stalled there were grim expressions on the passengers' faces. I sat tense, holding in my hands the Rosary beads my daughter, Mary Jack, handed to me before I left New York. I thought of her and the Eucharistic Congress at New Orleans. Somehow, I seemed to feel I would not die."