

Famed Innsbruck Institution Closed By Nazis

50 AMERICAN STUDENTS FLEE TO SWISS REFUGE

As Internationally-Known Center of Learning Becomes Latest Object of Nazi Wrath Against the Catholic Church in Germany

(By N. G. W. News Service)

The latest outrage perpetrated by the Nazis against the Catholic Church in Germany is one that is calculated to arouse the indignation and sorrow of a large number of American Catholics and especially members of the clergy in the United States who are alumni of the institution. It is the closing of the Cantatorium of Innsbruck, a famous institution which has some 600 of its alumni in this country.

Persons in close touch with Innsbruck hastened to assure relatives in America of students attending the Cantatorium that all had been conveyed safely to Switzerland.

ZURICH, SWITZERLAND.—The German Nazi regime has closed the Cantatorium of Innsbruck, long famous as a Catholic center of learning in what formerly was Austria. On November 27, the Cantatorium of Innsbruck, a famous institution which has some 600 of its alumni in this country.

The institution was the residence of the Apostolic Administrator, and included also the seminary, theological faculty and the international house and the international house, including 50 Americans, five Hungarians and ten Hungarians, as well as students from Japan, Holland and Italy.

The Nazi order means the suppression of the seminary, the theological faculty and the international house, and will be the cause of great losses and inconvenience to the foreign students.

On November 2, the community of the Holy Fathers was subjected to a search by police. The members of the community were assembled in the first floor corridor and placed with their faces to the walls. Three laymen were arrested.

CHICAGO.—Confirmation has been received here of the seizure by the German Nazis of the famous Cantatorium of Innsbruck. The Rev. Walter Leo Pannartz, pastor of St. Ignace's Church here and chairman of the American Committee of the Innsbruck American Alumni, has received a cablegram from the Rev. Michael Hofmann, rector of the institution, to that effect.

The Cantatorium was the private property of the Society of Jesus and the funds for its construction and maintenance were obtained from the tuition of the international student body. Father Pannartz said there are some 400 alumni in the United States. American Catholics, Father Pannartz was advised, could not be expected to contribute to the maintenance of the institution, which is in the hands of the Nazis.

Father Ripple died Tuesday night in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, at the age of 62.

Present at the services in the Cathedral were the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, the Most Rev. John T. McElroy, O.P., Archbishop of Cincinnati, and the Most Rev. Peter L. Irwin, Co-adjutor Bishop of Richmond.

Although a leader in many fields, Father Ripple became widely known as national organizer and national head of the Holy Names Society and during his tenure the Society increased its membership until it passed the 200,000 mark.

Father Ripple was born in Baltimore October 25, 1876. His early education was received at St. Mary's of the Sea School and Loyola High School that city. He began his studies for the priesthood at the Dominican seminary in Somerset, O., and was ordained October 10, 1901.

Father Ripple began his work of organizing the Holy Names Society on a national scale in 1904 and four years later returned to missionary work in the south. In 1920 he became National Director of the Holy Names Society and head of Dominican publications. A year later he was named Editor of *Holy Names* magazine. He spent most of his later years as a Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City.

OTTAWA.—Tribute to the work of the Knights of Columbus was paid here by His Excellency the Most Rev. Illudbrand Antonutti, Apostolic Delegate to Canada and Newfoundland, when members of the State Council of the Province of Quebec visited him and presented a silver tray to him.

The Apostolic Delegate said he saw in the K. of C. one of the best ramparts against social disorder, and said they offered an efficacious protection for youth against the subversive doctrines being spread by the enemies of Church and State.

SEVILLE.—New courses have been established in this city for the re-education of the crippled of the war.

ZARAGOZA.—The old Cathedral of Zaragoza, in the historic city of Spain, has been reconstructed in its original style and workshop has been restored, it is announced by Nationalist authorities here.

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Legion of Decency Pledge To Be Renewed In All Churches of Diocese, December 11

U. S. BISHOPS URGE STRONG LEGION TO COMBAT SALACIOUS FILMS

The Legion of Decency pledge which obligates those who take it to remain away from films dangerous to morals, and places which show such pictures as a matter of policy, will be renewed throughout the Diocese of Rochester on Sunday, December 11.

This is in accordance with the request of the Bishops of the United States at their recent annual meeting in Washington to the Most Rev. John T. McElroy, Archbishop of Cincinnati and chairman of the Episcopal Committee on Motion Pictures to renew all Bishops of the Episcopal Church to the pledge which Pope Pius XI issued in the Encyclical "Vigilantia" directed should be taken annually.

The Bishops of the United States designated Sunday, December 11, the Sunday within the Octave of the Immaculate Conception as the day for renewal of the pledge.

In a letter sent to priests of the diocese, this week, the Most Rev. John T. McElroy, Archbishop of Cincinnati, stressed the importance of wide renewal of the pledge at this time.

Points To Trend

Monsignor Bergan in his letter points out that recent developments in motion pictures indicate the necessity of forming or strengthening Diocesan Councils of the Legion of Decency.

The Department of Justice recently has brought suit against the Motion Picture Industry, and this suit may result in a dissolution of the Production Code Administration if that measure is successful.

The Legion of Decency will not have one organization to deal with, namely the Production Code Administration, but will have to cope with a battle along two fronts where pictures are exhibited.

For this reason that a Bishops are advocating a well organized Legion of Decency for every diocese.

The pledge endorsed by the Bishops of the United States appears in the column to the right above.

Priests are asked in Monsignor Bergan's letter to read the pledge to the people at all Masses on Sunday, December 11, and to request them to subscribe to this pledge.

At their meeting in Washington in October the Bishops made it plain that it is desirable to be prepared in all dioceses by having a well organized Diocesan Legion of Decency strong enough to combat locally salacious pictures.

The Bishops also recommended that the pastor of parishes be encouraged to subscribe for the Legion of Decency List and that editors of Catholic papers be requested to devote adequate space to the Legion's film ratings.

The CATHOLIC COURIER has been carrying the Legion's film ratings each week on page 2. In addition to the general listings there is given the classification of motion pictures as shown at downtown theaters.

From the inception of the Legion of Decency in 1934 to the present time great strides have been made in clearing up objectionable pictures. The Legion has justified its existence. A recent report shows that less than 6 per cent of the pictures reviewed during the past year fall into the B. Classification and only one per cent in the C rating.

Prompt action on the part of our people here has caused films classified as "C" to be withdrawn. On the other hand, our people are asked to patronize the many worthwhile films classified as unobjectionable for general patronage as classified.

When the drive for the Legion of Decency was launched in this diocese the CATHOLIC COURIER said editorially:

SPANISH EMBASSY TERMED 'NUMBER 1' Red Station In The United States'

PHILADELPHIA (N. C.)—The Spanish Embassy in Washington was called the "Number One Communist Propaganda Station" in the United States, an appeal was made for the suffering victims of the Spanish civil war, and "the highly efficient financing and direction" of Spanish Loyalist propaganda were cited, at a mass meeting held here Thursday night under the auspices of the Spanish Nationalist Relief Committee.

The charge against the Spanish Embassy was made by Dr. A. Hamilton Fire scientist, physician and author of "The Spanish Tragedy," and appeal for the victims of the civil war by Dr. J. Eastman Sheehan, Professor of Surgery at the New York Polytechnic Medical School and Hospital, and the denunciation of Loyalist propaganda by former United States Representative Clarence Gerald Emery.

Among those present at the meeting were His Eminence Dennis Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, the Most Rev. John J. Leach, Bishop of Harrisburg; the Most Rev. Hugh L. Lamb, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia; the Most Rev. Bartholomew J. Franco, Bishop of Altoona; and many other ecclesiastical lay notables. Some 400 persons crowded the historic Academy of Music for the meeting and more than 7000 were turned away.

Dr. Fire further charged the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy in Propaganda Station Number Two for Communism "Station Number One."

He said that the so-called Spanish Relief Committee, which has collected \$15,000,000 of money, money stolen from banks and privately owned property part of a loot of \$100,000,000, which the Loyalist Government confiscated to spread the doctrine of Moscow in this country.

Referring to himself as a "New England Protestant," Dr. Fire said the Catholic Church stands out as the foremost and the firmest bulwark of "Christianity and civilization." He said he was "ashamed of the stars" that the Protestant Church has taken on this question of Spain.

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DECEMBER

- 8 Thursday—St. Bernard's Seminary—Pontifical Mass—Patronal Feast of Seminary—8:45 A. M.
- Sacred Heart Academy—Children of Mary Society—2:30 P. M.
- Immaculate Conception—Closing Novena Exercises—8:00 P. M.
- 11 Sunday—St. Francis Xavier, The Bronx—Pontifical Mass—11:00 A. M.
- 12 Monday—St. Thomas, Summerville—Blessing of Baptismal Font—8:00 P. M.
- 13 Tuesday—Columbus Civic Centre—Priests' Holy Hour—3:00 P. M.
- Aquinas Institute—Board of Trustees Meeting—6:30 P. M.
- 14 Wednesday—Nazareth College—Christmas Entertainment—8:00 P. M.
- 15 Thursday—St. Monica's—Fortieth Anniversary Service—8:00 P. M.
- 16 Friday—St. Mary's Boys' Home—Christmas Entertainment—7:30 P. M.
- 17 Saturday—City Club—Hotel Seneca—Address—12:00 Noon.
- 18 Sunday—St. Francis Xavier—Low Mass—10:15 A. M.
- St. Lucy's—Benediction—11:45 A. M.
- 19 Monday—St. Patrick's Girls' Home—Christmas Entertainment—7:30 P. M.
- 21 Wednesday—Nazareth Hall—Christmas Entertainment—8:00 P. M.
- 22 Thursday—Nazareth Academy—Christmas Entertainment—8:00 P. M.
- 23 Friday—Charles House—Christmas Entertainment—2:15 P. M.
- Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral—Christmas Pageant—8:00 P. M.
- 25 Sunday—Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral—Midnight Mass.

JANUARY

- 1 Sunday—Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral—Pontifical Mass—11:00 A. M.
- Bishop's House—Priests' Reception—3:00 P. M.
- 2 Monday—Bishop's House—Public Reception—10:00 A. M. to 12:00 Noon; 2:00 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.
- 8 Sunday—Holy Family—Holy Childhood Reception—1:30 P. M.

BY ORDER OF THE MOST REVEREND BISHOP, Lawrence B. Casey, Vice-Chancellor.

Around The World

KOREAN MISSIONERS

St. Columbus, Neb.—A district teaming part of the Vicariate of Seoul, Korea, is being entrusted by the Holy See to the priests of St. Columban's Foreign Mission Society it has been learned at headquarters here.

They will work under the Most Rev. Adrien Leclercq, Vicar Apostolic of Seoul. Priests of the Paris Foreign Missions with native Korean priests staff the vicariate. It was from the Paris missionaries who that St. Columban's Society took over its first Korean territory, the Prefecture of Kwosou.

SOMETHING NEW

London.—A Catholic Book Fair, the first of its kind, has just been held here. The exhibition was made up of books by Catholic writers. At intervals talks were given by noted writers, among them Christopher Hollis, Douglas Woodruff, Douglas Newton, Vera Barclay, J. B. Morison and Mrs. F. J. Sheed.

CROSS BEARER DIES

London.—Charles Rock, frail white-headed bearer of the Tyburn cross before Hansom Guild processions here for 40 years, has died at the age of 85.

Even when he was 75 he carried the Ransom cross in the Tyburn Walk along the track of the martyrs from Newgate prison to the site of Tyburn gallows, as he had done every year since the Walk was started more than 20 years ago.

TO REFORM MT. OLIVET

Jerusalem.—A project on the part of the British Mandate to reforest the Mount of Olives is dealt with in the report of the Jerusalem Town-Planning Adviser.

Since the British occupation of Palestine, there have been restrictions on building on the universal reverence hill, but it has remained in its barren state.

TERMS COMMUNISM And Nazism Today's Two 'New Caesars'

WASHINGTON, (N. C.)—The Catholic Church must perish, "if that were possible," before it will compromise on the issue of destruction of religion with the "new Caesars" of Nazism and Communism, declared the Rev. Dr. Edmund A. Walsh, S.J., Vice-President of Georgetown University, at a mass meeting in Washington, D. C., last night.

Other speakers on the program were Bishop James Freeman, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Washington, and Senator Edward R. Burke, of Nebraska.

Dr. Walsh declared the German Government, "in stamping out, as well it might, the domestic menace of Communism, has simply and cynically substituted another tyrannical inhuman and equally abhorrent for the evil it would correct." He said both Nazism and Fascism "are equally unacceptable to civilized ideals and both should be roundly resisted."

He asserted "tyranny is a creeping paralysis and hence resistance to tyranny is not only obedience to God but a dictate of self-preservation against the subtle infection of absolutism and arrogant autocracy now riding the air, the seas and the lands of an independent and demoralized world."

Citing the persecutions in Russia and Germany, Dr. Walsh said they are "a complete demonstration of the inevitable course any government embarks on when it arrogates to Caesar the things that are God's." Dictatorships cannot stop dictators, otherwise they lose the reason for their existence," he went on. "When the initial human opposition has been smothered they must continue to find new victims; and history teaches that such a quest usually means an assault on religion."

Dr. Walsh urged that Religion and Democracy not only be believed in, but "be lived in the concrete," saying denouncing and protesting against intolerance and persecution are only half the obligation.

35 Injured As Mexico Church Collapses

MEXICO CITY.—A telegram from Guadalajara, Jalisco, reports that several columns of the Third Order Church at Cocula collapsed injuring 35, some seriously. It is fortunate that the cupola of the church did not fall for the edifice was filled with people because of the visit to Cocula of the Most Rev. Jose Garibi Rivera, Archbishop of Guadalajara.

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POET-PRINCE TO APPEAR ON CHRISTMAS BROADCAST

CHICAGO.—The Rev. Francis C. Young's Christmas message of spiritual counsel and peace will be broadcast on a national radio network Sunday, Dec. 10, at 10:30 p. m. The "National Farm and Home Show" will feature the broadcast.

The 10th annual convention of the National Farm and Home Show will be held in Chicago, Dec. 10-12, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The convention will feature the broadcast of the Rev. Francis C. Young's Christmas message.