Bishops Prepare To 'Clean Up' Literature

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'The Bishop's Prize'

A large cabinet-size photograph of the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, bearing His Excellency's autograph will be the winner's prize in the Golden Jubilee Crusade, now in full swing, for the CATHOLIC COURIER.

One of these striking photos will be awarded to the student in the diocese having the highest number of point credits. (For each kind of order a certain number of credits is given and the total number of point credits will determine the winner.)

One of the Bishop's autographed photos will also be awarded to the school having the highest average of point credits per participating students. (The average is determined by dividing the total number of subscription points by the number of participating students. Participating students include all in the school considered as taking part in the Crusade).

'The Bishop's Prize' is being offered by the Shepherd of the diocese personally and will add great impetus to those striving for success in the Golden Jubilee Crusade.

RITES FOR MOTHER BEATRIX, OLDEST CARMELITE, HELD HERE

Simplicity marked the final rites held for Reverend Mother Beatrix of the Holy Spirit, oldest Carmelite in the world, Tuesday morning at the Carmelite Monastery, 1630 East Ave.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, officiated at the Mass and requiem services.

Assisting in the services were: Chaplains to the Bishop, the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey and the Rev. John S. Randall; Crossbearer, the Rev. Thomas Brennan; Acolytes, the Rev. Joseph Maloney and the Rev. Bernard Drew, Vivian, South Dakota; Censor Bearer, the Rev. Edward Hartmann.

Present also were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V. G., the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Boppel; the Rev. Joseph Vogt, the Rev. John Maxwell, the Rev. Dr. Wilfred Craugh, the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, the Rev. William Ayers, the Rev. Robert Kelaher, the Rev. John M. Duffy, the Rev. John Brennan, C.SS.R., the Rev. Robert Hearn, C.SS.R., the Rev. John J. Healey, C.SS.R., the Rev. Matthew Weber, C.SS.R.

Priests present from outside the city were the Rev. Joseph Mary Esasi, O.D.C., Barcelona, Spain; the Rev. Francis Rogers, Watertown, Mass.; the Rev. Daniel Daley, Kadoka, South Dakota and the Rev. James Linehan, C.S.P.

Bishop Kearney spoke briefly but feelingly of the great influence exerted by Reverend Mother Beatrix through her prayers. The beloved nun had not done anything which the world recognizes as great, the Bishop said, but her influence through her intensive prayers had extended throughout the diocese.

Mother Beatrix, Prioress of Rochester Carmel and ranked as the most powerful American factor in the canonization of St. Therese, "The Little Flower of Jesus," died quietly at the monastery early Sunday morning.

The aged Carmelite,—she would have been 94 next July,—had spent the last 70 years of her life as a Discalced Carmelite and had established communities of the order in Boston, Philadelphia, Santa Clara, Calif., as well as in Rochester.

Community At Bedside

With the 12 members of the community gathered at her bedside, as the chanted the prayers for the dying, Mother Beatrix passed to her eternal reward at 2 A. M. last Sunday.

Death came within a few days of realizing her final wish—to live until Feb. 4 and assist at the private celebration of the silver jubilee of Sister Ignatius, sub-prioress of the order here.

Never in vigorous health since a remarkable recovery from peritonitis nearly 50 years ago, Mother Beatrix nevertheless, had been confined to her bed only since Thanksgiving.

She received the final rites of the church on Friday, Jan. 20, and until her death, at least two members of the brown-robed community kept a constant vigil at her bedside.

Until her final illness, Mother Beatrix followed the strict routine of her order, rising each morning at 4:45 in the summer and an hour later in the winter, spending 8 hours in chapel each day, and the remaining time in her cell and attending her duties as prioress of the community.

Almost Miraculous Cure

About a half century ago, Mother Beatrix was stricken with appendicitis. She refused to submit to an operation, peritonitis set in and all hope for her life was abandoned. Archbishop Williams of Boston stood at her bedside and declared that if he had any powers to heal, he wished to exercise them at that moment. Associates of Mother Beatrix recount that a quick, almost miraculous, cure followed.

Acting on the invitation of the late Bishop John Francis O'Hern, Mother Beatrix brought the Carmelites to Rochester in 1930. They

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Around The World

RESCUES PRIEST

London.—The Royal Humane Society has granted its vellum certificate to Police Constable Alfred Hodgson, who while on vacation at Torquay lived over the quay-side and rescued the Rev. Leo Jackson, a priest whose auto, carrying also his two sisters, had plunged into 19 feet of water. The two sisters were drowned.

FIND SYNAGOGUE

Jerusalem.—The remains of an ancient Jewish house of worship, regarded as representing the earliest type of synagogue architecture yet found in the Holy Land, have been uncovered near Sheikh Abreik.

MEMORIAL UNVEILED

Mexico City.—The first centenary of the birth of Bishop Joaquin Arcadio Pagaza, was commemorated at Valle de Bravo in the State of Mexico with the unveiling of a marker on the facade of the house where he was born.

NEW NOVITIATE

Dublin.—His Eminence Joseph Cardinal MacRory, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, has blessed and opened the new novitiate of the Society of the Medical Missionaries of Mary at Collon.

This Society was founded by Miss Mary Martin, of a wealthy Dublin family, who is the Mother-General. It is the youngest of the Missionary Orders, for it was founded only last year, and has already the approval of the Holy See for its special work of ministering to the sick in the foreign missions.

63,000 NEW CATHOLICS

Montreal.—There have been 63,-800 new Catholics since 1933 in the South African Missions of Basutoland, administered by Canadians, the Most Rev. Joseph Bonhomme, O.M.I., Vicar Apostolate of Basutoland, writes.

The total of baptized and catachumens now is 154,042. Eight years ago there were 29 missionary priests; now there are 80; four Brothers in 1930 compared with 40 today; two nuns in 1930 compared with 169 now.

TO RESTORE CALVARIES

Paris.—An association has been founded at Paris known as the Calvaries of France. Its purpose is to restore the numerous Calvaries along the roads and at crossroads, some of which have great artistic worth.

Rural communities in which these Calvaries are found frequently have need of the counsel of artists, architects or lawyers for their repair, and occasionally for their protection when litigation threatens the sites on which they stand.

JESUIT HAS 2 PRIEST-SONS

Montreal.—Brother Georges W. Lajoie, S.J., who died here in his sixty-third year, was a former printer for La Presse, local French language daily newspaper, for 30 years.

As a young man, Brother Lajoie went to the United States, where he married Miss Angeline Cote at Lowell, Mass. Several children were born, of whom three sons and two daughters survive. One daughter and two sons entered religious life.

When he was 57, his wife died. He accompanied his daughter to a novitiate, then entered the Society of Jesus himself.

26 GENERALS AT MASS

Paris.—The Church of Notre Dame de Bonne-Nouvelle at Paris was dedicated formerly to St. Barbara. For this reason a committee of Catholic artillerymen selected it as their special sanctuary and arranged for an annual ceremony in honor of their Patron Saint.

This year's Mass was attended by 26 generals, 55 colonels, the directors of the artillery schools and about 2,000 active and reserve officers, as well as General Maurin Inspector General of Artillery and former Minister of War. Minister of Finance Paul Reynaud also was present.

Special Honors Offered Students, Stir Wide Activity in Golden Jubilee Crusade

MASS FOR SUCCESS OF CRUSADE SAID

By Bishop Kearney At Civic Centre

Shouting their battle-cry, "A CATHOLIC COURIER in every Catholic home," 15,000 youthful, zealous lay apostles of the Catholic press are on the march throughout the diocese, this week, determined on victory for the Golden Jubilee Crusade.

To spur their efforts and those of the the good priests and nuns who are aiding them in the Crusade, His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, offers 'The Bishop's Prize.' (Details about the prize appear at the top of the first two columns on this page.)

Undismayed by the heavy snow which tried to block the children's progress, they have commenced their activities with unusual enthusiasm and reports are promised tomorrow when the first returns will begin to come into Crusade Headquarters in Columbus Civic Centre, 50 Chestnut Street.

Rally Attracts 2,500

From all points in Rochester and vicinity on last Friday afternoon, there came to the Columbus Auditorium approximately 2,500 boys and girls, accompanied by their Sisters of the various religious orders, for a Golden Jubilee Crusade Rally.

They heard their Bishop speak enthusiastically and forcefully of the great enterprise for Holy Mother the Church in which they are engaged.

He pointed out that the task of acquainting the Catholics with what is going on in the world is a large one and that the Catholic press is one of the best means of accomplishing that task.

The Rev. Leo C. Mooney, managing editor of the CATHOLIC COURIER, acted as master of ceremonies for the rally program

Explaining the details of how the Crusade is to be conducted was the Rev John M. Duffy, superintendent of Catholic Schools of the diocese.

Besides the addresses the children were thoroughly entertained by a program offered by students of the schools conducted by the various orders of nuns in Rochester. The young Crusaders made the large auditorium ring with their songs and laughter.

Staff At Mass

To bring God's blessing upon the Golden Jubilee Crusade, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, Columbus Civic Centre, Monday morning. Members of the CATHOLIC COURIER staff assisted and received Holy Communion in a body.

Although few in number, the Bishop pointed out in addressing the staff at the conclusion of the Mass, those gathered to invoke God's blessing upon the Crusade and its success, could well feel that their prayers would be answered. His Excellency recalled Christ's words that "Wherever two or more people are gathered in My name, I shall there be in the midst of them."

That some people would consider it strange that a campaign for getting circulation for a newspaper should be begun with the Holy Mass, the Bishop said, might be expected. In this case, however, he explained the work of the campaign is in the cause of religion and all works of religion should begin with petition to Almighty God for His guidance and help.

The Bishop also quoted a beautiful prayer of the liturgy, appropriate to the occasion: "Direct, O Lord, we beseech Thee, our actions by Thy inspiration and carry them on by Thy assistance; that every prayer and work of ours may begin always from Thee and through Thee likewise be ended."

Referring to the Golden Jubilee of the CATHOLIC COURIER, the Bishop asked God to assist the newspaper in the next fifty years in even a greater manner than during the first fifty years of the paper's existence.

Assisting His Excellency in the Mass were the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, pastor of St. Patrick's Church and managing editor of the CATHOLIC COURIER, and the Rev. Joseph E. Vogt, director, Social Action De-

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Crusaders Hear Diocesan Leaders At Rally

Inspiration for the Golden Jubilee Crusade was furnished by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, shown in upper photo with the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, managing editor of the CATHOLIC COURIER, left, and the Rev. John M. Duffy, superintendent of Catholic Schools, right, as they read details of the Crusade from the diocesan newspaper at a Crusade Rally, Friday. In lower photo is shown part of the large crowd of youngsters with their teachers who attended the rally held in the large Columbus Civic Center auditorium.

DEMOCRACY COURSES Proposed in All N. Y. Secondary Schools

ALBANY, N. Y.—All secondary schools in the State of New York would be required to have at least one period instruction each week in "the ideas, ideals and working principles of American democracy," under the terms of a bill introduced in the State Legislature here.

This period of instruction would be in addition to any other studies in social service and American history now compulsory under the law. If similar courses weer not established in a private school, the bill provides that "attendance upon instruction in such school shall not be deemed substantially equivalent to instruction given to pupils in the public schools of the city or district in which such pupils resides."

Another measure introduced in the Assembly provides that every contract of any kind, or any agreement in a contract, "discriminating or tending to discriminate against persons on account of race, creed or religion," would be against public policy and void and unenforcible.

NAZIS FORBID READING OF ST. PAUL'S EPISTLES

BERLIN.—Consistency has been regarded as "a jewel" for lo these many years, but in Nazi Germany it is becoming a rare gem. Witness the banning of the Epistles of St. Paul by Nazi officials of Anhalt. Two years ago they issued an ordinance on religious instruction prohibiting use of or reference to the Old Testament. The ban against St. Paul has just been added.

Why St. Paul? Why not the Evangelists Matthew, Mark and John, or the other Jewish writers of Epistles—James, Peter and Jude?

Possibly the Anhalt Nazis stumbled upon the twenty-second verse of the eleventh chapter of St. Paul's Second Epistle to the Corinthians: "They are Hebrews; so am I. They are Israelites; so am I. They are the seed of Abraham; so am I."

A Rare Treat in January—Fresh Strawberry, Whipped Cream Pie, at 25c. Order now at AUNT JENNIE'S BAKE SHOP, 516 Monroe Avenue. Monroe 66.—Adv.

Text of Bishop Kearney's Catholic Press Radio Talk

(Asking support of all diocesans in the Golden Jubilee Press Crusade, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney delivered the following informative address on the Rochester Catholic Hour, last Sunday.)

In opening the Jubilee Crusade on behalf of our CATHOLIC COURIER, I can do no better than to quote for you the appeal issued by the Episcopal Chairman of the Bishops' Committee of the Press Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. Bishop Gannon says: "The Catholic Church in America has built majestic Cathedrals and matchless Seminaries. It has yet to build a great, powerful Catholic press. We have expended more than a billion dollars in establishing a school system of Christian education. We have invested, relatively, a pittance in our American Catholic press. We can quickly lose all without the protection of a militant Catholic Press.

"If ever there was a time in the history of the United States when the imperative demand for an intelligent, militant Catholic press was strikingly evident, that hour has arrived.

America is literally under the siege of an evil propaganda. With even more deadly devastation than organized infantry, artillery and airplanes inflict, the evil ideology of the century is rapidly destroying the beautiful old forms of American democracy of which we were always so proud."

Social Structure Besieged

"Our American Constitution is attacked as a conservative instrument fashioned by some simple-minded Colonials; our great industrial life has been exposed as a horrible evil and a mark of shame; our American farmers have been regimented like little children and, between gift checks and no work, thrown into a state of confusion; our educational systems has almost completely removed God and Christian influence from the character-building of millions of American children. Obscenity in its most brazen form stalks through the land, both in literature and on the stage. The whole social and political structure of America, weakened by the loss of Christian education and morality, is now besieged by an evil ideology, call it an "ism" if you wish, and we are shamefully unprepared to withstand the attack. Indeed, we lack the moral courage to fight and to discipline ourselves."

"Frankly, the honest observer of current America must concede that Christian tradition and practice is rapidly disappearing from American life, and a social and political revolution is making America into a new pattern of some unholy design into which the promoters hope the threads of the Catholic Church are not to be woven."

"We announce from high places the building of ten thousand new bomber airplanes and a new, powerful fleet of battleships, but we are silent about moral citizenship or punishment for intellectual treason and the evil of subversive propaganda."

Beyond Appraisal

More than the thought of the financial support they have given is responsible for the justifiable pride with which Catholics look upon their parish church, their parochial school and their homes. These three are linked together in a value that is beyond appraisal in dollars and cents, for no price can be put on the preciousness of faith, education and family life. They are not only the

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Would Aid Parish Schools

PHILADELPHIA. - Federal aid for parochial and private school students, as recommended in the report of the President's Advisory Committee on Education, is supported by Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, in an article entitled "Uncle Sam's Children" in the current number of the Saturday Evening Post.

Advocating a democratic means of getting a decent education for all children, Dr. Hutchins scoffs at certain persons who oppose the giving of aid to private and denominational schools by pointing out that in virtually every State of the Union these schools already are receiving some sort of aid from State funds and through such Federal agencies as the WPA and the NYA.

The real issue, he said, is neither Federal nor denominational support, but "whether we mean what we say when we talk about equality of opportunity."

DRIVE TO BE LAUNCHED THROUGHOUT AMERICA [illegible]

Effort To Halt Evil Effects Now Threatening Moral, Social and National Life Of Our Country As Catholic Press Month Begins

A nation-wide drive to clean up literature is swinging into action today, with forceful impetus given it as a result of the meeting just held by the Bishops' Committee on Obscene Literature at Chicago.

The drive will be in complete harmony with the Catholic Press Month Crusade now in action throughout the country and will strive to do for literature what the Legion of Decency has effected in motion pictures.

A National Organization for Decent Literature with an outline for the institution of diocesan units has been formulated and elaborated by the Bishops' Committee reports the N.C.W.C. News Service from Fort Wayne, Ind., where the Chairman of the group, the Most Rev. John F. Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne, made known the results of the Chicago meeting on Monday.

Five Bishops Present

The Chicago meeting was attended by all five Bishops who comprise the Obscene Literature Committee. They are Bishop Noll, chairman; the Most Rev. Edmund F. Gibbons, Bishop of Albany; the Most Rev. Francis P. Keough, Bishop of Providence; the Most Rev. Urban J. Vehr, Bishop of Denver, and the Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary of Chicago.

In a statement of the Catholic principle involved, the Bishops' Committee describes obscene literature as "an evil of such magnitude as seriously to threaten the moral, social and national life of our country." It points out that the moral forces of the country must be rallied to oppose this rising tide of evil, but that these moral forces will not and cannot organize themselves. "It is clearly the duty of the Bishops of the country," the statement adds, "to assume the leadership in this momentous struggle and under the divine guidance to organize, direct and inspire the splendid forces at their command."

In preliminary suggestions for the institution of the National Organization for Decent Literature in the various dioceses, the Bishops' Committee offers Sexagesima Sunday, February 12, as a day on which the work might be inaugurated. Other suggestions include the appointment of a priest as diocesan director of the movement, and the enlistment in the work not only of parochial groups, but also of the National Council of Catholic Women, the National Council of Catholic Men, the Knights of Columbus and other organizations.

The standards by which, in the opinion of the Bishops' Committee, publications may be judged objectionable include

(a) Those which glorify crime and the criminal.

(b) Those whose contents are largely "sexy."

(c) Those whose illustrations and pictures border on the indecent.

(d) Those which make a habit of carrying articles of "illicit love."

(e) Those which carry disreputable advertising.

In setting forth still further suggestions relative to the organization of N.O.D.L. on a diocesan basis, the Bishops' Committee draws attention to the fact that in some dioceses a pledge, patterned after the Legion of Decency pledge, is taken simultaneously with the latter in all the churches of the diocese, that some dioceses have found it helpful to the crusade to have a poster or sticker, to be placed on the racks or in the window of proven cooperative dealers; that the success of the campaign depends upon sustained interest; that the Vigilance Committee, whose duty is to check on the sincerity of cooperating dealers, is an especially important one.

It is also stated that the crusade is not limiting its efforts to magazines which can be proceeded against under the penal code, but that, by persuasion and education, it is hoped to reach those magazines which, while keeping just within the law, nevertheless are offensive to public decency and harmful to the morals of youth.

"Due to the multiplication of means and opportunities to spread lascivious literature, including lewd pictures, and the rich financial returns accruing from its sale, the traffic in printed obscenity has reached gigantic proportions," the Bishops' Committee says.

"Obscene literature is an evil of such magnitude as seriously to threaten the moral, social and national life of our country. History demonstrates that no nation can long survive when the moral law has broken down.

"To provide an adequate remedy for this alarming condition it is necessary to organize and set in motion the moral forces of the entire country. Wishful thinking, noble emotions, righteous indignation will never avail to check the onslaught of this resourceful, diabolical foe."

BISHOP OF TERUEL FREED FROM PRISON

Barcelona Citizens Hail France Troops

By [illegible]

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Wild Rejoicing Greets Spain's Deliverers

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Two Million Want Embargo

WASHINGTON.—While the fall of Barcelona undoubtedly has dampened the inward ardor of the numerous Leftist organizations and sympathizers who have been seeking desperately to have the United States lift its embargo on the shipment of war materials to Spain, petitions, letters and telegrams opposing such a course have continued to pour in in such numbers that they are believed now to total two million or more.

Meantime, there were indications that the United States administration does not think the embargo should be lifted.

In some quarters it was flatly stated that the idea of lifting the Spanish embargo is virtually dead. An instance, The Washington Post asserted editorially that "the movement to raise the embargo against the Loyalist Spanish government will now collapse." Other papers [illegible] tion. However, the [illegible] Spanish Embargo Committee [illegible] made it clear that it [illegible] its activities unabated, [illegible] work earnestly until the [illegible] question has settled with [illegible]

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LONDON. [illegible]