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STATE CONTROL OF MEDICINE DENOUNCED

Bishop Kearney Gives Commencement Talk

ELMIRA.—It is regrettable that any system of so-called social improvement dares to enter the sanctuary of the relationship between humanity and humanity's servants, the physician and the nurse. With these words, His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, denounced the encroachment of government in the field of medicine...

IN DRIVE FOR DECENT LITERATURE



In connection with the drive for the National Organization for Decent Literature parish workers in many dioceses visited news stands to secure pledges of co-operation. In this picture taken in a drug store in Syracuse, N. Y., the owner is congratulated for displaying the poster: "We are Co-operating with the National Organization for Decent Literature." Photo courtesy of The Catholic Sun. (N. C. W. C.)

FIGHT WAR MONGERS TO PRESERVE PEACE

Fr. Coughlin Urges War On Bolsheviks

DETROIT.—(NC)—"Muzzle the war-mongers" to avoid war, the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, Pastor of the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, declared Sunday in his weekly radio broadcast. "To muzzle the war-mongers," Father Coughlin said, "we must take the offensive—not the defensive—against the Bolsheviks who hate our God and who abhor our Constitution and whose advertised policy is world revolution."

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Reformatory Inmates Acclaim Visit of Bishop Kearney

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to call them by a lovely tag devised in old England are outcasts from human society. The prison scum is never permitted to dry up and disappear. It must forever remain visible, that staunch pillars of society might point the accusing finger, the long, admonitory finger of utter scorn at the unfortunate prisoners. Society fears at the thought of being buffeted about by a man who has been in prison walls for a lengthy stay releases him reluctantly, stamps "anti-social" on his bent back and projects him into a hostile world. To be buffeted about at every turn and probably returned to prison for a second sojourn.

The outburst above was not premeditated and is not intended to serve as an exposure of society's prevailing attitude towards members of the criminal class. We merely mention it in order that a comparison might be drawn between our own sympathetic behavior and the traditional hostile attitude of most free men. To bring into sharp relief the startling division of opinion, expert and the other kind, concerning the logical approach of the criminal caste is our aim. On one hand we have the sympathetic broad-minded pitying attitude of "big men like your Excellency, opposed to the bitter, angry, denunciatory harangue of "small" humans. The latter elect vengeful, iron-jawed prosecutors and judges to solve the dilemma by crusading for long prison sentences. Truly "the blind leading the blind."

It is our hope to show that in history and science and philosophy, justice, charity and mercy are always overruling courts of last resort, and preserving the finer and rarer qualities that, in spite of rules and precedents and judgments, still inhere in man. We in Elmira seek not pity but an opportunity to faithfully portray our given role in the tense drama of life. We have a system of rehabilitation at Elmira, the most humane program ever developed and made to work in the whole wide world. No artificial, unnatural procedure of human behavior based on cold scientific logic beyond the ken of ordinary mortals. Our motif is rehabilitation in its truest sense. A wide rounded, balanced, diversified program of activities, sprung from a sound moral philosophy of life. A design for living aimed at fashioning youths of moral, physical and mental stamina. It is succeeding because it is impossible of failure. Dr. Christian, Major Hanlon, all officers, every inmate form integral parts of our Elmira Reformatory society. No casual system exists. Protestant, Catholic and Jew work and play side by side. All desire to pursue a normal life, keyed by work, play, religion and education. This desire is being fulfilled in many and every applied sense of the word.

The Elmira program the creation of Dr. Christian and Major Hanlon is attracting considerable attention. For too many years what the public wanted in the way of books of prison life were crime stories that appealed to the passions. The public has so long been taught to hate and judge that hitherto it seemed hopeless to try and teach any sane and humane ideas of conduct and reasoning. And yet, as was proven by Dr. Christian and Major Hanlon, if a person knew something of philosophy and life and reactions, and are able to express it simply, they can get a great deal of responsive understanding from many men. Major Hanlon's tireless crusade for public education of the prison problem has been an immeasurable boon to Elmira Reformatory directly and all inmates benefit indirectly. Of this Your Excellency is no doubt well informed.

The rehabilitation of men in prison calls for an acute intelligence, the capacity for instantaneous thought and a moral conviction born of trust. Simply and honestly, our officials possess such gifts. Prisoners watch every movement of an institution head and their verdict depends to a considerable extent on what they think of him. They do not have much confidence in a warden or principal keeper who acts them to be strange or preposterous things. This is not complimentary to their mentality, most of the men in prison have good sense, plenty of charity and understanding and know they have made mistakes, in short, they generally are human. Elmira officials realize the fact without reserve. After all, if society wishes to save the criminal, it can find a good reason why it must, and should.

It is not from any magnified conceit about our program that so much time and verbiage has been squandered for us to relate this story. Your Excellency, we have no exaggerated idea of the nature of our existence. It is greatly to be desired, however, that the free world know and appreciate if the latter is possible the fact that rehabilitation is not a mere expression of something that is said without conviction. It should be made known that hundreds of youths pass through the portals of Elmira every year, ready to assume the responsibility of their own civilization has placed upon them. Our Mission was a success. It could not be otherwise. We would not permit it. "We" include every man in the institution every inmate, Dr. Christian, Major Hanlon and the officers to a man. All "made" the Mission setting a low attendance mark and outstripping all previous Missions in other notable respects.

CATHOLIC DAILY Seeks Books for Spain's Seminarians

PARIS La Croix, Paris Catholic daily, has appealed for books for Spanish students and seminarians. Certainly the paper says, in speaking of the 600,000 refugees in France and thousands of other Spaniards across the border, "one must feed and clothe them, provide them with fuel and heat them, but war, with marauding bandits, falls also on the edifices that are the refuge of the workers with the mind."

Roger Millot, as vice-president of the Pax Romana, reminds French students that the National Confederation of Catholic Students of Spain was one of the three organizations that founded Pax Romana just after the World War and he calls upon the students of France to come to the aid of their fellow-students in Spain regardless of political affiliation. Several thousand volumes already have been sent by the French Federation of Catholic Students to His Eminence Pedro Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State, and to the Bishops of Toledo and Primate of Spain, for distribution, but many more are needed, Millot says.

FOES OF COMMUNISM SEEK TEACHERS UNION CONTROL

NEW YORK.—An opposition ticket to oppose the present administration of the New York College Teachers' Union, which it is charged, is "Communist-dominated and unaccounted to by a group of prominent educators." The action follows a controversy over radicalism that has disturbed the union for several months last December, three professors resigned because of what they regarded "Bolshevik control" of the union.

Parish Chairmen Aid Hospital Drive

AUBURN.—Reports were turned in and a check-up on the progress of the campaign was made at the meeting of the Holy Hospital's Men's Guild last Monday evening. Edward T. Boyle, Chairman, presided, assisted by Frank J. Lech, secretary and John J. Ganev, treasurer. Chairmen of the committee in the various parishes are: Holy Family, George Cuddy, St. Alphonsus, Michael T. Hatch, St. Aloysius, William J. Gynor, St. Mary's, Joseph J. Hickey, St. Francis, Joseph Speno and St. Hyacinth's, Joseph Skowron.

32 Webster Pupils Listed On Honor Roll

Thirty-two pupils of Holy Trinity school, Webster, N. Y., were listed on the honor roll for the month of April as follows: Elizabeth G. Gordon, Alice Bicknell, Alan Clark, Rosemary Day, Lela Sullivan, Mary Jean Miller, Evelyn Smith, Helen, Rosemary, Joseph Speno, Anna Mae Zimmerman, Rosemary G. Ganev, Mary Hagler, Roy G. Ganev, Rich Grade, Jean V. G. Ganev, Lorraine Ganev, Barbara Hest, Mary Welch, Evon Locher, Barbara G. Ganev, Catherine Ganev, Nancy Marie, Shirley Ganev, Joe B. Ganev, and Wilfred Ganev. Third Grade: Joseph Peter, Peter Joseph, William Fraily, Patricia Rosenfeld, Robert Ganev, James Becker, Ruth Ganev, Rose Miller and Jean May Trumbull.

Three Lepers Are Members of Holy Name For 20 Years

HONOLULU.—At the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of a branch of the Holy Name Society at the Leprosarium at Kalaupapa, Molokai, three patients, members of the society since its founding, were present. One, a man now 83, often served Mass for Father Damien, Molokai Martyr. A High Mass of Thanksgiving inaugurated the anniversary celebration. Patients sang the Mass. Following the religious services, a laia Hawaiian native feast was served.

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