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Turn To Religion To Save Democracy

WASHINGTON. — (NC) — What can be done to save democracy is a question of growing concern to Washington as well as to European Capitals much more directly threatened by the rising tide of totalitarianism.

In the past session of Congress the weaknesses and shortcomings of democracy and the dangers that assail it were the subjects of recurring discussion to a greater extent, perhaps, than ever before since the Republic was launched.

It goes without saying that the strength of a democracy is measured by the strength of the people who constitute it. The responsibility is in their hands. The government is what they choose to make it. This being true, it is evident to be recognized that the regeneration of democracy, as we know it in America, can be accomplished only by strengthening the moral fiber of the individual citizen and giving him a better understanding of his civic responsibilities.

Religion's Past Stressed

That the system can be improved, in this regard, is a generally accepted conclusion, but just how it should be improved is another matter. That it must cultivate the spiritual or ethical side of the individual as well as the material or economic side is also coming to be accepted. The part that religion plays in the national life of America has been repeatedly stressed by members of Congress.

Now, a special committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York has made striking observations in its report, including these: "The great lack in our homes and in our national life is the lack of true simple religion."

"Our religious convictions and feelings are more important today than they ever were—and it is vital that in our education they be honored and promulgated, rather than subordinated or excluded."

"This country does not maintain its religious foundation, its whole structure will fall. The United States cannot have or maintain a right system unless it is based on true religious principles and, therefore, in spite of the fact that some hesitate to include religion in our educational program, we place it first."

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Here these things concerning your order is a tribute to the effective expression of your leadership and also an indication of the blessing of liberty and good will that are ours.

Retiring Head Urges Active Peace Drive

SEATTLE. — On the eve of his retirement after 12 years of service as their Supreme Knight, Martin H. Carmody called upon the Knights of Columbus, Tuesday evening, to give themselves over wholeheartedly to the work of peace.

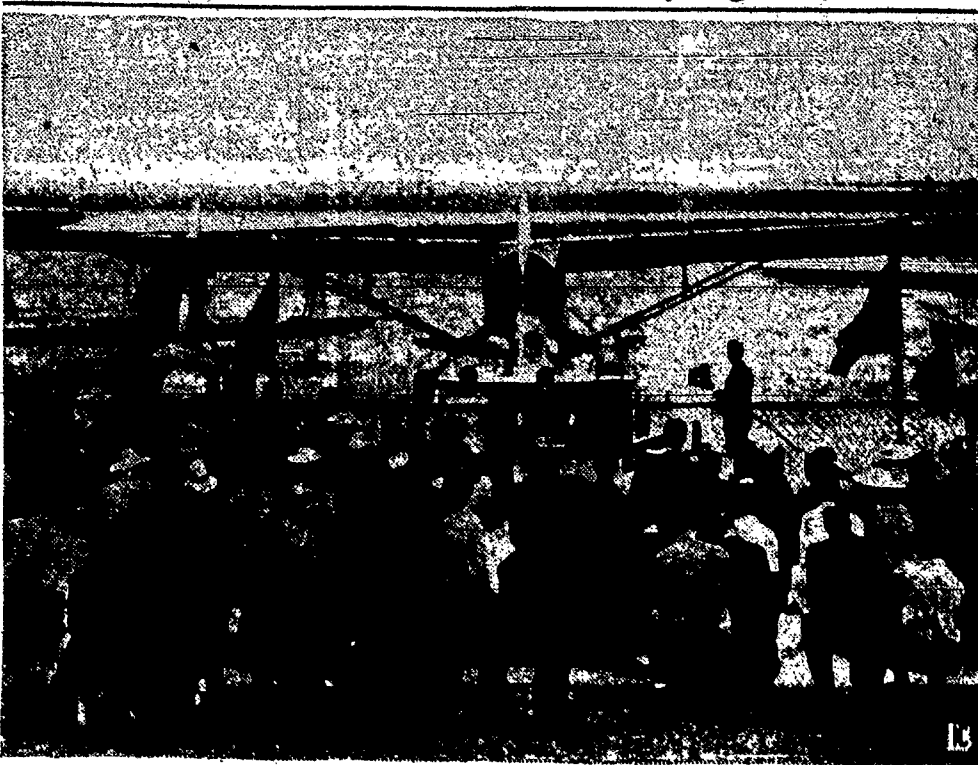
"Speaking at the States Dinner, a highlight of the fifty-seventh international convention of the K. of C. in session here, the retiring Supreme Knight warned "there are many signs that America may become involved in European affairs," and said "it is most important that some concerted effort be made to counteract a present very definite war propaganda, and direct the thought of the American people to peace."

"If then I might presume to leave with this peace assembly from all quarters of the North American continent, a thought for a much needed work of tomorrow," Mr. Carmody continued, "it would be to urge that the power and influence of the Knights of Columbus and its members be dedicated to the noble cause of peace. What results would follow if we would enter wholeheartedly upon a crusade with 'Peace' as the watchword for America is beyond conjecture."

Communist's Niece Ousted From Party

BASEL. — Tatiana Jaroslavl, niece of the head of the Soviet Godless organization, who was expelled from the Communist Party and her family threatened by her uncle with expulsion.

Aviators Hold Mass on Flying Field



The Catholic Aviators of America, a nation-wide association to foster the spiritual well-being of Catholic aviators, celebrated its first anniversary with a Mass on the landing area of Floyd Bennett Field, Brooklyn. Five planes flanked the temporary altar during the service. Rev. Thomas H. Bodie, Superintendent of St. John's Home, Brooklyn, national chaplain, was the celebrant. (N. C. G. W. photo.)

New Vote Count Seen Civil War Deterrent

WASHINGTON. (NC) — The three great civil wars of modern times, the War Between the States, the Recent Spanish War, and the troubles between England and Ireland could have been avoided by using modern methods of vote counting, the Rev. Edward Dowling, S. J., Associate Editor of The Queen's Work, told the Summer School of Catholic Action held here this week under the auspices of the Sodality of Our Lady on the theme "Six Days that Turn Faith Into Action."

Among the students registered were 153 Sisters, 17 Priests, and approximately 300 of the laity. The school offered five regular and 25 elective courses taught by 20 priests.

Exhibits of Catholic literature and Catholic activities added interest to the various courses on consumer co-operatives, Christian democracy, political science, the liturgy, the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ parish organizations and literature.

Father Dowling, who is an Associate Director of the School, said that under the single transferable vote system which is now being employed in Ireland, Douglas would have been elected instead of Lincoln and there would have been no Civil War.

"You may say that then the slaves would not have been freed," he continued, "but I say, if you look at the South today the Negro still isn't free."

Father Dowling illustrated the working of the system by asking his audience to elect a president for a hypothetical society, naming on a ballot four candidates in order of preference. When no candidate received a majority, the one receiving the lowest number of votes was cast out and his ballots distributed to the other candidates according to the second choice marked on the ballots.

Reports On Spain

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the precise form the Government will eventually take. He has the tremendous job of uniting 25,000,000 people who were split into half a dozen factions by one of the most savage civil wars in history.

"It was obvious, therefore, that whichever side won would be up against an even harder task in peace than it faced in war."

"General Franco's initial task was to restore order, feed the vanquished as well as the victors, demobilize and reorganize the army. His second task was to unify his followers and set up a permanent peace-time regime."

"The first of these Jobs General Franco has more or less completed. Neutral observers say he has thus far exceeded expectations. He is now working on the second and most difficult task of welding together the Fascist and the liberals, all of whom poured out their blood for the new Spain."

Scores Soviet Fair Exhibit

WASHINGTON. Russia's poverty-stricken millions would gasp in amazement and indignation if they could but see the "extravagant" display which the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has set up to impress visitors to the New York World's Fair, according to Representative George H. Bender, of Ohio.

Must Love Neighbor To Point Of Sacrifice, Bishop Avers

WASHINGTON.—We must love our neighbor to the point of sacrificing for him, the Most Rev. Francis A. Thill, Bishop of Concordia, declared Tuesday night in sounding the keynote for the eleventh convention of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade at the Catholic University of America here.

Bishop Thill, a member of the Executive Council of the C.S.M.C., said this is one of the missionary implications of the wonderful doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ. Our neighbor must share our sympathy, his hurt must cause us pain, if we are tied to him by a union in one body whose head is Christ," he declared.

"Awareness of such a union with all its implications, acceptance of the doctrine of the Mystical Body with all its corollaries and this by all Catholics and in all places," said the Bishop, "is the only force that will annihilate the distance still separating so many Catholics from the Missions of their Church. It is the only force that will increase of faith, that will dispel our indifference to the last will and testament of the Lord Christ and cause us to be mindful instead of neglectful of the commission He gave His Church to go to the uttermost corners of the earth and to teach all men."

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Bishop Thomas Joseph Shahan (first President of the Crusade) has gone to his reward, and Father Robert Clark who presided at the meeting of organization in 1918 died in China within the year."

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How to Get the Most Out of the LAST SUMMER HOLIDAY



LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 4th WHERE TO GO! WHAT TO DO!

A grid of advertisements for various businesses including Dibble's Lake Shore Station, McKay's Restaurant, Wenna Kenna Tea Room, The Grill, Roseland Park, Springside Inn, and Kan-Ya-To Inn. Each ad includes details about services, location, and contact information.