

# NATIONAL NEWS

## BUYING POWER EMPHASIZED HEALTH OF YOUTH

### Buying Power For Potential Consumer Urged By Prelate

HARTFORD (NC) - The "most baffling economic question of our time" is how to provide those who would like to consume more with the means of attaining this end, the Rev. Magr. John Ryan, Director of the Department of Social Action of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, declared here Monday.

Monsignor Ryan gave the ninth talk in the Hartford Lecture Series, a course of 12 discourses on "Our American Democracy" being delivered by 11 outstanding authorities. He spoke on "Our Need for Work."

Asserting that "obviously our greatest need for work is for the nine or ten millions of persons capable of working, who cannot find employment," Monsignor Ryan said this problem "already becomes almost inveterate" cannot be solved by the means of the war materials which will follow the lifting of the embargo on the sale of munitions nor through the "restoration of confidence as advocated by many men in the worlds of industry and journalism."

He said "business men and investors who really doubt whether the government believes in the principle of free economic enterprise" will probably be impervious to any assurance that it is within the limits of what is practically possible.

**Investors Don't Like Risks**

Investors will not risk large sums of money "until they have some assurance that these millions now out of work will obtain employment and thus have the money to buy the goods that might be created by the increased provision of capital," Monsignor Ryan warned.

He said that "wasteful believers in large present opportunities for investment" look longingly on the great inventions which have absorbed vast amounts of savings since the beginning of the present century despite the fact that "nothing so costly as great importance as the automobile has appeared since the Great War."

"They refuse to face the facts and probabilities of today," he declared.

Certain measures enacted for the benefit of agriculture during the last six or seven years and the Fair Labor Standards Act were moves in the right direction but they are not capable of abolishing unemployment for many years to come he said. In this predicament he declared the Government must continue spending on behalf of the unemployed.

The F. A. A. and the W. P. A. should be continued and expanded, Monsignor Ryan asserted. "Large increases should be made in the appropriations for housing and for the diminution of farm tenancy."

"Suppose that a balanced and comprehensive program of government spending should within a year or two give such a stimulus to industry that the great majority of the unemployed would be absorbed in employment. Obviously such a program would involve a considerably greater amount of annual governmental expenditure for public work and low-cost housing than we have had up to the present time. But let us assume that this expansion takes place with the result noted in the second last sentence. Would the great masses of Americans find employment in private concerns after the government had ended its spending program? In current parlance would the pump stop primed? Certainly not, unless a better distribution of income between the product between profits and interest on the one hand and wages on the other."

**American Citizenship Commission Formed**

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the Association of American Railroads, Margaret Cullin Banning, author, Herbert R. O'Connor, Governor of Maryland, L. S. Rowe, Director General of the Pan-American Union, S. A. Beldus, Managing Editor of Extension Magazine, Col. Albert A. Sprague, Vida D. Scudder, emerita professor at Wellesley College, Senator James M. Mead, of New York, Margaret Anglin, Hull actress, William Jeffers, President of the Union Pacific Railroad, Senator Francis Maloney, of Connecticut, H. P. Drought, of San Antonio, Texas, Jane Hoey, Director of the Bureau of Public Assistance, Social Security Board, Edward F. McGrady, formerly Assistant Secretary of Labor, Agnes G. Reagan, Executive Secretary of the National Council of Catholic Women, F. P. Kenkel, Director of the Central Bureau, Catholic Central Verein of America, Walter J. Cummings, Chairman of the Board of the Continental National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago; Representative Mary T. Norton, of New Jersey; Anna Dill Gamble, prominent Catholic laywoman; John J. Raskob, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney, of Wyoming; Frances Parkinson Keyes, author, and Thomas F. Woodlock, Editor of The Wall Street Journal.

**Five Buses Paroled**

Chicago—A \$75,000 fire destroyed St. Alphonsus' Atheneum, social center and meeting hall early Thanksgiving morning. Firemen for four hours fought the blaze which for a time threatened the church and other parish property.

### THEY ADDRESSED 500 OF K. C.



Rochester Knights of Columbus at a Communion Breakfast Sunday heard His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, (right) and newly elected Supreme Secretary Joseph F. Lamb, shown at the speakers' table in Hotel Sagamore. The Rev. Hubert Sweeney, C. F. of Pittsburgh was the other principal speaker.

### Science, Religion Akin, Says Savants

NEW YORK - The close relationship between science and religion was emphasized by two world-famous scientists, Dr. Arthur H. Compton, Nobel Prize winner and Dr. Hugh S. Taylor, head of the Department of Chemistry at Princeton University speaking at different occasions here this week.

In a national wide broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System Dr. Compton said that science far from being the enemy of religion was its ally. Dr. Taylor addressing a large audience at St. John's University, Brooklyn, told why it is impossible to divorce science from religion.

Declaring he had been strongly impressed by the way in which science can be interpreted to give a moral and ethical outlook slowly paralleled with that taught by the highest types of religion, Dr. Compton added that their language and mode of thought are different but their conclusions are almost the same.

"Far from being in conflict," he declared, "science has become an ally of religion. By increased knowledge of nature we become better acquainted with the God of nature and with the part we have to play in His cosmic drama."

Dr. Scott, a prominent Catholic layman predicted that with the passage of time knowledge will eliminate any need for a divorce between science and religion. Experience of the last three decades have made the optimism of the nineteenth-century materialist "a hollow mockery," he added.

Dr. Compton in another part of his radio speech praised Christian education as the most powerful factor in stabilizing modern society.

Read the Holy Childhood Association column to learn what the children do for the missions.

**Fr. Gillis Explains True Charity**

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who tolled for food for the Divine Child if you clothe the naked you share with the Blessed Virgin Mary the privilege of weaving and knitting garments for Jesus. If you take some poor outcast under your roof you may as may not be vouchsafed a vision, but you shall learn in the day of judgment that the One who enjoyed the hospitality of your home was none other than Jesus Christ.

"This then is the soul of Christian charity, we minister not to man alone but to God in man. We should therefore give not grudgingly but joyfully happy in the privilege of serving Jesus. We do not sit still through the market place like the lordly Pharisees, throwing a coin here and there and bidding an attendant sound a trumpet whenever we do so much as make a gesture of beneficence."

**Secretary Reports**

Miss Mary Fitzgerald, executive director of the Charities, declared that "America is striving to build and grow in the midst of this world where so many nations are buried in the dark tombs of war. We believe that the day is at hand when agencies must prove their worth in works as well as in words."

"Catholic Charities in this 10th year," she said, "had as many problems and disappointments, successes and failures as in any preceding year. Intakes remained as consistently high as our budget was low. During the year ending Oct. 31st we had under our care over 400 families made up of almost 2,00 in-

### 500 Knights Hear Bishop Kearney's Plea

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Both Father Hubert and Supreme Secretary Lamb emphasized the necessity of consistent living of Catholic lives.

The ungodly detronement of the sacredness of the home and the desecration of womanhood were to be combated along with utter indifference towards Christ by the leading of exemplary lives by staunch Catholic laymen, Father Hubert declared.

He exhorted the banishment from within our own ranks of the "K K K's," "Kicker knockers and kists and the C. C. C.'s" personnel of which never accomplishes anything worthwhile for God and the Church.

Reviewing the work of the Knights of Columbus in Catholic education and how leadership Supreme Secretary Lamb announced a new series of Catholic Action "clinics" being carried on throughout the country by Paul McGuire of Australia.

These courses of two or three days duration, the K of C leader stated are aimed at bringing home to members or any others the necessity for personal sanctity before the Catholic Action program of the Hierarchy can be carried on.

He quoted the closing paragraph of Pope Pius XII's Encyclical to the United States as his closing remarks.

The speakers were presented by Grand Knight Flynn.

A parade of the 500 Catholic men from Columbus Civic Center to Hotel Sagamore, headed by the American flag, added to the occasion's impressiveness.

Eugene F. Bopp, general chairman of the event was unable to attend because of illness.

Make two acts of faith every day one in Almighty God, and one in yourself.

### Decry Lack in U. S. Of Youth Health Aid

WASHINGTON, (NC) - The great deficiency in health facilities and medical care available for American youth demands an immediate nationwide public health program, with Federal support and "on a scale never before attempted in this country," the American Youth Commission, of which Owen D. Young is Acting Chairman, recommended yesterday.

The Rev. Dr. George Johnson, Director of the Department of Education, N.C.W.C., is a member of the Commission.

Pointing out that every year millions of American youth suffer serious health handicaps, the Commission advocates the wide expansion of public recreational programs, both physical and non-physical, and immediate steps to provide adequate medical care. The schools would assist by providing health education, regular physical examinations and physical training to all students, while agencies dealing with out-of-school youth would perform the same services among that group. The Commission warned, however, that the health problem is of such magnitude its solution cannot be left to the states and communities alone.

The statement given out by Dr. Floyd W. Reeves, the Commission's Director, indicated that a broad, national health program necessarily would cover the needs of all citizens, but that it must concentrate especially on helping the young, in view of the importance of having a healthy, clear-thinking youth population under war crisis conditions. The health recommendations of the Commission, which is comprised of national leaders in education, business and other major fields, is in line with its proposal last week that the Federal government must inaugurate a special program of public work to reduce the vast number of unemployed youth.

The Commission's recommendations include care for indigent, support of Federal Government public recreational programs, adequate medical care for whole population, methods of distributing costs of illness.

The Commission paints a dark statistical picture of health facilities available to youth. It quoted a survey of the United States Office of Education which showed that only 10 per cent of college students had taken hygiene courses in either high school or college and that probably no more than 4 per cent of all youth underwent annual physical examinations.

The Commission also notes a finding of the National Health Survey, showing that of the youths who were disabled for a week or more during 1936 by tuberculosis, pneumonia, appendicitis or childbirth 30 per cent had received no hospital treatment. And even in the field of sports as a health protective, the Commission found many inadequacies.

### K. of C. Gives \$3,000 To 'Catholic Hour'

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Board of the Knights of Columbus has renewed its subscription of \$3,000 to the "Catholic Hour" broadcast, according to an announcement made here by the National Council of Catholic Men, producer of the program. This is the tenth annual "Catholic Hour" contribution made by the Knights of Columbus. The total sum subscribed is \$34,000.

Not only has generous support been given by the Supreme Board, the N. C. M. office states, but by many of the local K. of C. Councils as well.

### Leo House Notes 50th Anniversary

NEW YORK - Leo House where thousands of priests, nuns and laymen from all over the United States and from many foreign countries have found accommodations while in New York - celebrated November 19 the fiftieth anniversary of its founding.

The principal commemoration was a Solemn Mass, at which the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, presided. The Mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Magr. John A. Nagleisen, rector of Leo House.

Leo House is operated by the Sisters of the Order of St. Agnes. It was founded in 1889 to care for German Catholic immigrants to this country, being named for Pope Leo XIII. With the virtual cessation of immigration from Germany it became a Catholic home of hospitality for travelers.

### Labor Paper Praises Papal Encyclical

WASHINGTON - In two stories, one on the front page, The CIO News, official weekly publication of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, calls attention to the fact that His Holiness Pope Pius XII in his first Encyclical had defended the right of workers to organize for the purpose of collective bargaining.

The newspaper termed the Encyclical reference to labor as "a powerful defense of workers' rights to join unions and to seek wages sufficient to support their families."

The Encyclical also drew editorial praise from Labor, organ of the railroad unions, most of which are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.



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