

NATIONAL NEWS

RELIGION AND UNEMPLOYMENT 'FIFTH COLUMN' LOOMS

Religion's Concern With Unemployment Defined By Msgr. Ryan

WASHINGTON — The main concern of religion with unemployment arises out of the following facts, unemployment brings upon its victims grave spiritual and moral injury which is obviously a primary task of religion to deal with. It imposes upon religion the obligation of charitable relief and of rehabilitating character measures of public relief and proposals for abolishing unemployment have moral aspects upon which religion must pronounce judgment.

This was the substance of an address by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John A. Ryan, Director of the Department of Social Action, National Catholic Welfare Conference, at the opening session here Tuesday of the Interfaith Conference on Unemployment, sponsored by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the N. C. W. C. Social Action Department, the Social Justice Commission, Central Conference of American Rabbis, and the Social Justice Committee, Rabbinical Assembly of America.

Other speakers who will preside or give addresses at some time during the three-day sessions of the conference are: the Rev. R. A. McCowan, Assistant Director, N. C. W. C. Department of Social Action; the Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Egan, Dean of the School of Social Science, Catholic University of America; Philip Murray, Vice-President of the Congress of Industrial Organizations; Edward Keating, Manager of the newspaper Labor, and George Meany, Secretary of the American Federation of Labor, and Miss Lonna Bressette, field representative, N. C. W. C. Department of Social Action.

Sharing the platform with Msgr. Ryan were Albert W. Eble, Esq., past president, Federal Council of Christ in America, and Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenberg, of Temple Emanu-El, New York. The Rev. James Myers, executive secretary of the conference and industrial secretary of the Federal Council of Churches, presided.

Msgr. Ryan, commenting on the concern of religion with unemployment from the point of view of financial support of religious institutions, pointed out that unemployed persons and persons on relief are not in a position to give this support and that, generally speaking, contributions come principally from small groups. The concern of religion with the effect of unemployment, Msgr. Ryan said, "is genuine and vital, it need not and should not be ignored, denied or minimized."

Msgr. Ryan discussed the functions and obligations of charity as a generally recognized concern of religion with unemployment. He said the sufficiency or insufficiency of public relief measures in dealing with a crisis like the present is a concern of religion in this category.

Religion, he said, "has the obligation of declaring when the relief is inadequate." "The recent attempts in Congress to reduce appropriations," he said, "below the amount provided for the current fiscal year, had a distinct moral aspect; they aimed at an end that would have been distinctly immoral, because it would have sentenced tens of thousands of persons to an existence incompatible with human dignity and the maintenance of right human life."

Turning then to discuss the broader public aspects of the unemployment problem and methods of dealing with it, Msgr. Ryan quoted recently the recent statement of the Archbishops and Bishops of the American Hierarchy on "The Church and Social Order," to the effect that it is not the concern of religion to pass upon purely material and technical questions involved. He continued:

"As a rule, the ministers of religion have not the special knowledge and equipment necessary to propose an effective solution to the problem of unemployment. What religion can do, what it is obliged to do as an important part of its office, is to evaluate the morality of the proposals and solutions offered by economic businessmen, labor leaders, and other groups.

"Religion is peculiarly concerned with all those remedies or preventions which obtain any considerable measure of either authoritative or popular support and which will be even more concerned with the solutions that are actually adopted. For all these proposals and solutions have moral aspects; they are either right or wrong. Now it is decidedly the business of religion to point out and define these moral issues, to pass judgment upon the rightness and wrongness of these proposals and solutions."

As one example of questions of this kind Msgr. Ryan referred to a passage of Pius XI's Encyclical on "Atheist Communism" as clearly implying "heavier taxation upon the wealthy with the object of bringing about a better distribution of the national income."

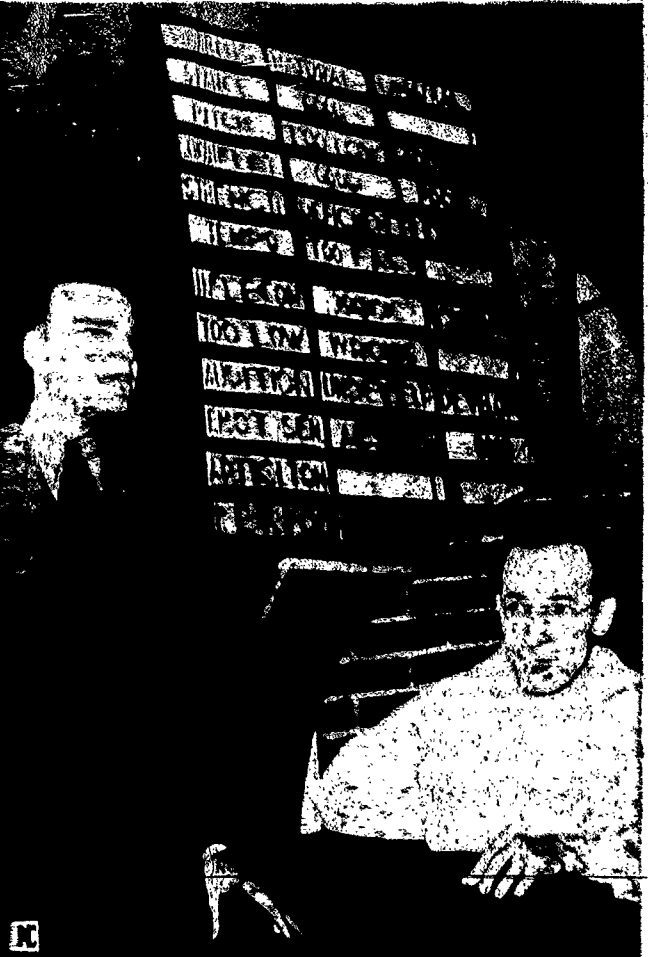
War Chaplain Dies Praying For France

FAL RIVER, Mass.—The Rev. Ambrose O. F. O'Leary, World War chaplain, was fatally stricken as he recited the Rosary at services at which prayers for peace were being offered in St. Anne's Church here Sunday night.

Knowing with other priests of the parish, Father Lamare suddenly collapsed and died of a heart attack. The Rev. Vincent Marchiondo, O.P., administered the last rites as the congregation continued to pray.

Father Lamare came here six years ago, to serve as treasurer of the Dominican community. During the World War he served at the front with Canadian forces as chaplain. He was a native of Montreal.

INVENTS 'REMOTE CONTROL CRITIC'



To assist his class in public speaking, the Rev. Joseph M. Sherer, O.P. (inset), oratory professor at Providence College, Providence, R. I., has invented a new indicator, which by means of remote control illuminates the criticisms of the student speaker to point out defects to the class without interrupting the flow of the prepared talk. Detailed criticism is given to the speaker at the end of the address. (N.C.W.C.)

Blesses New Academy Wing

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In their preparation for civic, social and professional service. Defects in utterance and unpleasant voice quality will be eliminated by improved vocal technique. The skilled guidance of the teacher. Students with definitely pathological speech handicaps will be given private instruction under a trained speech correctionist.

The library. During the summer vacation period the present study hall will be outfitted as the library reading room. This will make the library about two and a half times its present size.

Home Economics Building. The Home Economics Department of Nazareth Academy has progressed with such rapid strides during the past few years that more spacious accommodations have become imperative to supersede the present crowded quarters in the "Glass House."

The new home of the practical branch of modern education will be St. Joseph's Hall which will be opened in the fall. The new building will provide for the training and practice of home making in all phases of the practical branch of modern education. It is better for a woman to know how to make a home happy than to be able to read Greek. The ground floor will include unit kitchen, dining room, living room, bathroom and bath. The second floor, well-lighted room on the second floor, together with the adjoining smaller rooms will be equipped with all the facilities of a clothing store, which, on conversion, may very readily be converted into a beautiful social room.

In Nazareth Academy a comprehensive correlated program of Vocal Music Appreciation and Instrumental Music is offered to the students. Beginning with rote songs in the grades the students are carried through Gregorian and modern music. Gregorian music is started in the sixth grade and the eight modes are completed in the Grammar Department. The World of Music Series is used throughout the grades, students singing in two and three parts in connection with the vocal instruction theory is taught carrying the work through the major and minor modes and the principal chords.

Youth Has Right To Know God Says Pastor

NEW YORK (NC) — Boys and girls have the right to know God from childhood "as they have to know their own father," declared the Rev. Arthur J. Sawkins, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Toledo, Sunday night in the first address of his current series over the nationwide "Catholic Hour."

The "Catholic Hour" is broadcast over a network of a dozen broadcasting companies and is produced by the National Council of Catholic Men.

Father Sawkins said his series of talks would be "a sort of serial in four parts. The most stupendous story ever told, with an almost incredible principal character, having the most adventurous, fascinating and astonishing accomplishments." He cited natural phenomena, such as the laws of heat and cold, the solar system, the provision of needs such as air and water, in proper proportion, as "clues" to the identity of the protagonist in the story of life and creation.

"Is there any reason why every man and woman in America should not know these things?" Father Sawkins asked. "And what is more, is it not an astonishing and tragic fact that these things are not being taught to even half our boys and girls, either at home or in school or college? Those boys and girls have a right to know them from childhood; they have a much right to know God as they have to know their own father. And believe me when I say that if one wants to stop perjury, dishonesty, sexuality, divorce, injustices, oppression, and all the other iniquities of our so-called civilization, one will never make any headway with a nation which does not know God, love God, and serve God."

"No one seeks contact with physical things; why become excited by contact with things which are spiritual?"

Activities Of 'Fifth Column' In Americas Cause U. S. Concern

WASHINGTON (NC) — While other capitals are thinking of war in terms of armies and guns and death-dealing airplanes and tanks, Washington is thinking of it mainly in terms of "fifth column" activities. For this there is a reason. While the United States is preoccupied with the grave problem of defense, it is without the aid of physical combat. The only attack to which it is actually being subjected is directed to the undermining of American institutions and ideals and the weakening of faith in them in preparation for a possible physical assault which may come later.

These misgivings are not confined to activities within the United States alone. Nazi and Communist ideologies have taken firmer hold in other countries in the Western Hemisphere. They may be the back door through which attacks may be launched. The danger of this kind of attack, which led to the formulation of the Monroe Doctrine, is even greater in the case of Communism and Nazi advances than it was in the case of the monarchism against which that doctrine was aimed. The fate of the United States is more or less tied up with the fate of other American Republics.

Mexico Said Haven. Nazi and Communist ideas are more prevalent in other countries than in the United States. Mexico, especially, appears to be a haven for foreign agents. What their disposition is to be made in the event of a complete Nazi victory, of colonies in the Western Hemisphere owned by belligerent countries is also the occasion for some anxiety, although German claims are aimed at Africa, rather than the Americas. At the moment what might be called the Pan-American doctrine, upheld by the neutral republics, would discourage any attempt on the part of the Reich to assume control of these foreign owned colonies. But, what would be done with them would be a matter of direct concern for the United States.

Friction is much more likely to occur over German attempts to secure trade advantages with South American countries to the detriment of the United States and other nations. Barter agreements were a form of German economic attack before the war. Even more restrictive agreements might be made if it ends with the Germans in control of the major part of Europe.

Drastic Measures Taken. These are conditions and possibilities which make "fifth column" activities in the Americas of so much concern to Washington. The "tightening up" of supervision over aliens in the United States is already under way. More drastic measures to ferret out and suppress Nazi and Communist efforts are not improbable.

The Civil Service Commission has announced that it will not certify for federal jobs persons who belong to the Communist Party, the German Bund, or any other Nazi or Communist organization.

The situation is one that calls for careful discrimination and sober judgment. In a time of war or threatened war, civil liberties are necessarily restricted. The responsibilities of citizenship become more important than the privileges of citizenship. The tendency is to regard aliens in a hostile light and very often civil liberties are ignored under the stress of danger. There are probably thousands of aliens who have come to the United States in good faith to establish homes and who have no sympathy with totalitarian ideas. It would be unjust to penalize them for the shortcomings of others. But to draw the line where civil liberty ends and civil responsibility begins is no easy matter.

The Administration, according to all indications, is doing its best to prevent an emotional anti-alien movement. It is determined to suppress "fifth column" activities and at the same time to safeguard civil liberties. This is not a question merely of keeping aliens under surveillance. Experience has shown that native Americans as well as foreigners may be engaged in subversive activities. It is not a question of racial exclusion, but of status but of what is actually done. Unfortunately, it is the right of free speech behind which the proponents of subversive doctrines take refuge. To separate the sheep from the goats is no easy task.

STERILIZATION COULD NOT BE 'GENERAL CURE-ALL'

ATLANTIC CITY (NC) — There is no scientific basis for presenting sterilization of the mentally deficient as a cure-all and its advantages are being exaggerated, Dr. Bronson Price, of the department of psychology, Ohio State University, told a session here of the American Association on Mental Deficiency.

Sterilization propagandists, Dr. Price said, have "a kind of social democracy, dangerous because it is based on a lack of knowledge." The proportion of people with high, medium and low intelligence would remain virtually the same under any sensible sterilization program, although the general average of intelligence would rise slightly, he said.

K. of C. Sponsors 'Travel America' Move

NEW YORK — In line with Pres. Roosevelt's recent proclamation to "Travel America in 1940" the N. Y. Chapter Knights of Columbus has announced a program of escorted tours for members and the families and friends to California and the West.

The parties, designed for 2, 3 and 4 week vacations, will tour all of the West during July and August, with stopovers at the Grand Canyon, Los Angeles, Catalina Island, Hollywood, Yosemite National Park, San Francisco, the Pacific Northwest, Banff and Lake Louise. The program includes entertainment features on the trains and dinner dancing, beach and horseback riding parties at the resorts and national parks.

Thomas A. Broderick, executive secretary of the New York Chapter with headquarters at the Hotel Capitol is chairman of the tours committee.

Montreal Conductor. The Most Rev. Joseph Charbonneau, Bishop of Montreal, Canada, has been named Titular Archbishop of Anagnino and Coadjutor with the right of succession to the Most Rev. George Gauthier, Archbishop, of Montreal.

When in doubt throw questionable magazines out.

HIGH SIGNS FROM BIG CHIEF



Radio is a complicated business. If you don't believe it, just look at the complicated signals that keep WHAM and NBC programs on schedule. The gentleman seemingly talking with his hands is Wilfred S. Roberts, production manager of NBC. The center picture means "take the cue." The other signals beginning at top left and going clockwise are: 1—not so loud, 2—farther away from "mike," 3—(circular motion) faster, 4—clearer to "mike," 5—cut, 6—liming is "cut the noise," 7—louder, 8—applause, 9—slower, 10—perfect performance.

JOIN UP!

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Maybe you don't know a howitzer from a mess kit. But you can easily spot a Divisions Commander from a "buck" private — by the cut and fit of his clothes! It's the same in private life. Why look like a "buck" — when it's so simple to dress like a "General"? A few minutes of Bond's will show you the difference. For one thing, the difference between Rochester tailoring and the ordinary kind. Those smooth shoulders, that easy drape, and the smart flat-hipped fit of your Bond suit carry an air of importance. What's more, Bond's custom-styled fabrics quietly set you apart from the crowd. They tell us even our prices rate a 21-gun salute. Do you wonder Bond's "army" of boosters is the largest in America? March in, and see why, today or tomorrow!

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