

Amendments Seek Clergy Exemptions

WASHINGTON — (N. C.) — After vigorous and widely representative demands had been made in public hearings that the measure be modified so far as it affects priests,

Msr. Ready's Statement On Compulsory Service Printed By Congress

WASHINGTON (N. C.) — Complete text of the statement by the Burke-Wadsworth bill for compulsory military service which the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Ready, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, presented to the House of Representatives Committee on Military Affairs, last week, was printed in the Congressional Record on Thursday on the motion of Representative James A. Shanley of Connecticut.

Former Order Superior Paid Final Tribute

A fitting final tribute was paid the beloved Sister Mary Benedict of the Sisters of Mercy at funeral service held Monday morning (August 5, 1940) at Holy Family Church, Auburn.

Sister Mary Benedict

Sister Mary Benedict, former Mother Superior and widely known for her faithful and zealous service, had been a member of the order for over 50 years.



CATHOLIC COURIER Staff Photo
1,500 Applaud—Rochester Summer Symphony directed by the famous Jose Iturbi (top) the ballet of Thelma Biracree (second row, left) Rita Holzer of the Metropolitan Opera Company ballet (right) and the Nazareth Academy Persian Choir (third row) in second Nazareth Concert series, Tuesday night at Highland Park Shell. Lower photo shows triumph before curtain time. Proceeds benefit Sisters of St. Joseph's new mission at Selma, Alabama.

FIRST AMERICAN NAMED AUDITOR OF SACRED ROTA

U. S. Typifies True Freedom Urges Return To Religion

NEW YORK (N. C.) — "America can and I believe will set an example of freedom before God and man."

This was the outstanding remark in a message to the United States by the Cardinal Bishop of the Holy See, delivered Sunday by his over the radio.

Cardinal Hinsley was the first of four speakers who will be heard on successive Sundays speaking at 12:30 Eastern Standard time, direct to America on the general theme "Spiritual Issues of the War." His address was carried by the network of the National Broadcasting Company, which also made a transcription here.

Cardinal Hinsley said a debt of gratitude was owed to the United States because "inspired by your statements you have taken, as Pius XII has said, a prominent place in the vanguard of those who would promote peace and generously succor the victims of the war."

Cardinal Hinsley explained that he felt that in Great Britain and in all other civilized nations there had to be a return to religion.

Delegate Cites Rota's Functions

(With announcement that an American priest had for the first time in history been named an Auditor of the Sacred Tribunal of the Rota, the N. C. News Service cited the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, to provide for the Catholic Press an article outlining the history and functions of that most important source of ecclesiastical jurisprudence. This he kindly consented to do.

A celebrated authority and writer on Canon Law, Archbishop Cicognani spent two decades as an official of various Sacred Congregations and held a diploma as an advocate before the Tribunal of the Rota. Formerly Professor of Canon Law in the Pontifical Institute of Canon and Civil Law at St. Apollinare, Rome, he is also the author of the authoritative work "Canon Law."

By Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani (Written for N. C. NEWS SERVICE)
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Offices Close On Holy Day

Thursday, Aug. 15, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All Catholics are obliged to abstain on Holy Mass under pain of mortal sin on that day, a Holy Day of obligation.

OFFICES OF THE CATHOLIC COURIER will be closed on Thursday, Aug. 15. (All news must be in the COURIER office before Tuesday, Aug. 13, 5 p. m.)

Mexican Clergy Cleared Of Charge

MEXICO CITY. — (N. C.) — The Mexican clergy was exonerated of having any part, directly or indirectly, in the assassination of Gen. Alvaro Obregon by friends and adherents of Obregon who enlisted them on the anniversary of his death.

The speakers further charged that the execution of Jose Luis Torres in connection with the slaying was unconstitutional.

Lieutenant Colonel Solis, one of the speakers, emphatically declared that the clergy was not even remotely connected with the killing of the President-elect and that it was purely a politically-inspired assassination.

Pennsylvania Priest Chosen Dr. F. J. Brennan First In History

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Dr. Brennan was one of the translators of the authoritative work "Canon Law" by the present Apostolic Delegate to the United States, the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani.

Two Rochester Youths In Ordination Class

Two young Rochester priests who will be ordained in the Congregation of St. Basil at Trenton, N. J., on August 11, are Joseph J. ...

They were the Rev. Robert M. ... and the Rev. ...

SPANISH ACADEMY OUSTS NOTED CATHOLIC DRAMATIST

(By N. C. News Service)
Word just received states that ...

... the Rev. ...

Catholic U. Campaign Realizes \$12,000

BURLINGTON. — (N. C.) — The Catholic University of America ...

Nazis Jail Priest, Minister

GENEVA (N. C.) — The Rev. Martin Niemöller, heretofore German Protestant pastor and former submarine commander, who has been kept in solitary confinement in the infamous Nazi concentration camp of Oranienburg by Chancellor Hitler has now the Rev. Rupert Mayer, S.J., well-known Catholic preacher and war hero, as his cell neighbor there, according to reliable information received here.

Theresa Neumann Is Still In Good Health

GENEVA. — Theresa Neumann, stigmatized peasant girl of onnere, Bavaria, is well and hearty, this correspondent has been reliably informed. She has recently undertaken some trips into the neighborhood and continues to take an active interest in all matters pertaining to the Church.

Bomb Fails To Explode In Front Of Chapel Altar

GENEVA. — Two recent incidents in connection with the Anglo-British aerial warfare have caused wide attention in Catholic circles over here.

Mothers Of Priests Here Safe In Holland

NEW ORLEANS. — The Rev. Msgr. Peter M. H. Wynhoven, President of the Catholic Press Association and Editor of Catholic Action of the South, weekly here, has learned that his mother escaped the German bombardment in Holland.

Red WPA Writers Suspended

NEW YORK. — Maxwell Bodenheim, author, and seven other employees of the WPA Federal Writers' Project and the WPA Historical Records Survey have been suspended pending an investigation whether they had fraudulently signed affidavits denying they belonged to the Communist Party.

Native Japanese Joins Dominicans

ST. HYACINTHE. Que.— One of the five young men who have just entered the Dominicans here is a Japanese, Benoit Ito Tomura.