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Jack, Bob and Leo Go Shopping For Their New School Clothes

● Someone will get a thrill when Jack starts out in this Grenade blue "Trio-style" suit, matching and contrasting slacks, "pork-pie" hat, Kentucky home spun tie, heavy scotch grain shoes in boot maker finish, and a tweed "topper" from BOND CLOTHES

● Bob likes sport ensembles. This one, a three button, Glen Plaid Sport Coat, Sleeveless "V" neck sweater and pleated top grey flannel slacks was his selection from McFARLIN CLOTHING CO.

● Jack's pals will turn an envious eye on this green Tweed Twosome. The coat is sport back, single breasted, trousers full cut slack top. Jack also had his choice of brown and blue at SEARS-ROEBUCK

● Leo goes nautical in this three-piece all wool, flannel sailor suit. It has shorts as well as "longies"—A hat to match if desired, selected from LOBELL'S KIDDIE SHOP

● Quite British, Eh What? Black flannel shorts (or corduroy if desired) and a long sleeve Basque shirt, white shoes and socks to match shirt was what Leo found to his liking at THE EDWARDS STORE

● Jack added a sport outfit to his wardrobe. This green plaid Tweed coat, single breasted, College drape, with contrast brown trousers. A white shirt, brown tie, and a hat by Knox in the new Autumn Brown all from THE NATIONAL CLOTHING CO.

The boys who posed the above photos are Jack, Bob and Leo O'Connor, sons of Thomas O'Connor, editor of the Catholic Courier.

U. S. Catholic Schools Enroll 2,626,200

Civics, Vocational Training High On Year's Curriculum

By James E. Cummings,

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Civics instruction and vocational training will receive major attention during the coming school year.

The war has brought to the American people a clearer concept of the gift of freedom we enjoy and the necessity for protecting our heritage. Education will be a powerful factor in this essential service to the nation. It may be expected, therefore, that civics courses will be vitalized in order to make more effective the teaching of the principles of democracy.

This dominant trend makes opportune the work of the Commission on American citizenship, organized by the Catholic University in response to a letter addressed to the American Catholic Bishops in September, 1938, by the late Pope Pius XI. The program of the Commission now about to be put into effect has for its purpose: "the extension and deepening of the already existent teaching of good citizenship in the Catholic schools of the nation."

The plans for national defense also encompass the field of education. The demands of government and industry for those who are mechanically proficient will be fulfilled by technical schools and increased facilities for vocational training.

Backs Defense Plan

The Catholic school system of the United States will assist in the furtherance of the program of national defense.

Highly significant, therefore, is the information that there will reopen in the United States this September 10,484 Catholic schools with an enrollment of approximately 2,626,200 students. Of this number 2,075,000 will be in 7,916 elementary schools, 370,500 in 2,164 high schools and academies, 152,500 in 187 universities and colleges, 9,800 in 42 diocesan teachers colleges and normal schools, 8,200 in 94 major seminaries and 9,600 in 81 preparatory seminaries.

A corps of about 95,000 teachers will guide the progress of this large army of students through the various educational levels. Eighty-seven per cent. of this teaching staff are religious teachers—an impressive reminder of the fact that this self-sacrificing body constitutes the strength of the Catholic schools.

The Bishops who have directed the development of the Catholic school system and the parents who have provided for its support have erected a bulwark against naturalism and irreligion—forces opposed to our national welfare.

The biennial surveys conducted by the Department of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Conference form the basis for the annual forecast of school attendance figures, of which the above is an example. These surveys, which involve compilations of reports from dioceses and individual schools, also indicate trends of importance to school administrators, teachers and the laity.

Survey Summarised

The statistics for the 1939-40 school year will be gathered in the survey that is now being made. The last completed survey, that for the school year 1937-38, is herewith summarized, together with developments gleaned from this and preceding surveys.

An enrollment of 2,066,071 pupils in Catholic elementary schools in 1938 indicates that the decline in this division, first manifested in 1932, still continues but at diminishing rate. The pupil loss, 23,876, between 1936 and 1938 was not half the decrease between 1934 and 1936 when the loss was 49,678 pupils. It is believed, moreover, that the birth-rate whose drop in previous years was reflected in the attendance of the elementary schools of the nation since 1932, will soon reach a point that will put enrollments in these schools on a uniform basis.

The enrollment of 345,218 students in Catholic secondary schools in 1938 was a gain of 58,354 students since 1936. This gain is not expected to be so large in 1940-41 because the total from now on will be affected by the aforesaid decline in the elementary enrollment.

Chalk Marks

Written for the N. C. W. C. SUPPLEMENT.)

Approximately one-third of the American people are without library serice. About 900 counties do not have a single public library.

Character is the most sought for qualification by American employers of college graduates, asserted King Merritt, vice-president of Investors Syndicate, of Minneapolis, in reporting on the company's annual survey of college graduates' job prospects.

"Elementary education represents our biggest educational program," it is stated in a recent report of the U. S. Office of Education. Twenty-two and three-fourths millions of children, aged from 5 to 14 years, make up this group. Of this number about 2,075,000 will be in Catholic elementary schools during the coming school year.

The proportion of college graduates in the total population increased from two persons in each 1,000 in 1880 to almost 30 persons in each 1,000 in 1936.

American Education Week will be observed this year from November 10 to 16. This will be the twentieth anniversary of the observance of the event. The Department of Education of the N. C. W. C. will issue its American Education Week Program for Catholic Schools prior to that time.

"We say the fundamental objections to Catholic education are temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, but we have heard others."—The Monitor.

St. Agnes Institute Offers New Courses

First and second year high school courses will be conducted this year at St. Agnes Institute, Main St. East.

In addition to Pre and Grammar School courses, music, art, dancing and French will also be included in the curriculum.

Room and board is available for students upon application. Room and board accommodations are also available for ladies. For registration call Stone 6719.

Nazareth Model School Will Open Sept. 16

A new Rainy-Day Playhouse, fitted with miniature bowling alley, indoor scooter-track, and carpenter-shop, awaits youngsters returning to Nazareth Model School, Pittsford, on Monday, September 16. Inspection and registration days are September 1, 2, 3 and 4, from 3 to 8 P. M.

This year the school is adding third and fourth grades to its regular program, and for this group a new classroom, with mural paintings done by Sister De Sales Darcy from the story of Heidi, has been designed. Other new murals on the themese of the Three Bears and Raggedy Ann have been added in the pre-school and first and second year rooms.

The campus, with its woods and wide acreage, offers a unique opportunity for healthful play and nature-study, and its quarter-mile scooter-track is the delight of the younger fry. Boxing has been added to the play-curriculum by the Rev. Earl Ritz, religious instructor of the children. Mrs. Walter Baker, gymnasium teacher, coaches the junior basketball teams on a thirty-foot court with adjustable goals for little folk.

This year at the request of parents, Model School members will wear uniforms—monogrammed jerseys and dark blue shorts for the boys, and short-sleeved poplin dresses of dark blue for the girls.

Birthdays are a feature in the Nazareth training for happiness and courtesy, and every child presides once during the school term at his table of presents, thanks the donors, and plays host at a special luncheon. Another red-letter occasion comes for each child when his mother and father spend a day at the school and dine with the children.

The Model School has its own farm, providing milk and other foods of high quality. Sister Evangela, Principal, and Sister Helen Agnes, graduate of the Ann-Reno Institute in New York, preside at all meals. Group piano lessons, dancing, and French are a regular part of the cultural program.

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Gregorian Masses
Have you written for our pamphlet on Gregorian Masses? It explains the old custom of offering a Mass every day for thirty days for one who is deceased. Write for your copy.

SISTERS NEED HOUSE
Home and School Must Close
Not far from Damascus is the Archdiocese of Baalbek. Archbishop [illegible] sent us this letter:
"This Archdiocese is large and a difficult part of God's vineyard. We have village after village that is dry and rocky. My poor people have a struggle to live.
"The Village of Fike is one of our best spots. Thanks to your organization, we have a chapel. The Sisters of the Sacred Heart have been teaching in our school. The building served as a residence for the Sisters and also a school.
"Today our school is crumbling. We can't use it any longer. The Sisters live in it at great danger. It is liable to fall any moment. What can I do?
"If I allow conditions to continue as they are, the Sisters will have to leave. What will become of the children? Who will instruct the children? In these parts Sisters are absolutely necessary. You see, I am desperate.
"I can build a school for Six Hundred Dollars. I can attach a wing to it for Three Hundred Dollars more. In this wing the Sisters can live. It will not be elegant, but it will be sufficient.
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SPIRITUAL BOUQUET
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NEW MEMBERS
Every year some of our members die. We need new friends to take their place. Every member is important. All we ever ask is One Dollar a year. There are no special appeals. Become a member or interest one person in our work.

SANCTUARY LAMP
Seven Dollars will purchase a Sanctuary Lamp for a mission chapel. This is the Lamp that hangs before the Altar on which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved.

MASS VESTMENTS
The missionary can purchase a Set of Mass Vestments for his chapel for Twenty Dollars.

AMONG THEIR OWN
One Hundred Dollars will support one of our students for a year. These students are in the Major Seminary. They remain there six years, and then are ordained to the Holy Priesthood. Then they return to their own people to work among them. Can you help?

A CIBORIUM
Ten Dollars will purchase a Ciborium for a mission chapel.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Every good Catholic admits the necessity for a Catholic School for Catholic children. What is true in our country is also true in the mission lands. The Mohammedans control the public schools. Everything Christian is ridiculed. The missionary must have a school. He can build one for Five Hundred Dollars. You could never do more for the glory of God than to build a Catholic mission school.

STILL WORKING
Our missionaries are remaining at their posts. Some are very successful. Others are experiencing the hardships brought on by the war. Help us to keep them and their work going. Send us a gift for the needest missionary.

FOR OUR MEMBERS
The missionaries offer Fifteen Thousand Masses each year for our members. These Masses are for the living and the deceased.

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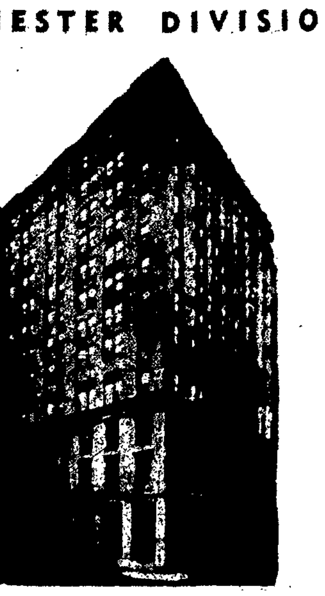

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