

# NATIONAL NEWS

## Archbishop Noonan in Columbus Day Address Warns U. S.

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an explicit and formal recognition of certain inalienable rights that no government can abridge, and of the proposition that government derives its just power from the consent of the governed.

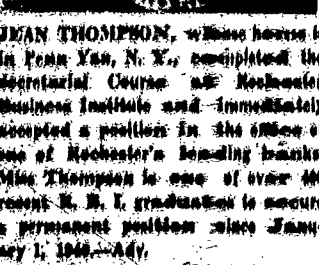
"It would be an exaggeration to say that this was a new political philosophy," he said. "In fact it was a revival of the philosophy of the American Declaration of Independence. But the solemn declaration of these Founding Fathers was the first formal and written recognition of these fundamental principles in the establishment of a nation.

Devotion to an ideal

"This summary statement of an outstanding historical fact suggests reactions which I would like to put before you. The first is that the Declaration of Independence is the basis for the formal recognition of these democratic principles of government gives a new and distinctive character to American patriotism. It is not a mere slogan, it is a philosophy. It is not a mere sentiment, it is a way of life. It is not a mere motto, it is a principle that dot the country and express a traditional culture and a permanent historical consciousness that makes a nation's glory.

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JEAN THOMPSON, whose house in New York, N. Y., completed the Metropolitan Course at Rochester Business Institute and immediately accepted a position in the office of one of Rochester's leading banks. Miss Thompson is one of over 400 recent N. Y. graduates to secure a permanent position since January 1, 1940-41.

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## HONORED AT MASS



Very Rev. Charles J. Callan, O.F.M.

## Celebrates Mass Noting Papal Post

A Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving commemorating the appointment of the Very Rev. Charles J. Callan, O.F.M., Dominican Father, as consultant of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, will be celebrated Saturday, Oct. 12, at 10:30 A. M. in the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, Lexington Ave. and Sixty-sixth St., in New York.

Doctor Byrne is president of the Catholic Biblical Association of America. Assisting will be other outstanding biblical scholars.

The sermon will be preached by the Most Rev. James E. Walsh, D.D., Titular Bishop of Asia and Superior General of the American Foreign Mission Society of America, with headquarters at Maryknoll where Father Callan was a member of the faculty for 28 years.

Father Callan is said to be the first native born American to receive the high honor as Consultant of the Pontifical Biblical Commission. He was recently appointed to the post by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII.

## PUERTO RICO LABOR INVESTIGATORS LAUDED

SAN JUAN, P. R.—The intelligent approach it has made in the investigation of working conditions in Puerto Rico was the subject of praise bestowed upon the committee of Americans and Puerto Ricans which has opened its hearings here. The committee, of which the Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Haas, Dean of the St. Francis Seminary, Catholic University of America, is chairman, was led by Lieut.-Col. Philip B. Fleming, Wage-Hour Administrator.

## Artist, Former Polish Count, Designing Huge Crib For U. S. Parish

ATCHISON, Kan. (AP)—A huge outdoor Christmas crib designed by the well-known European artist, Lino S. Lipinsky, is now under construction in St. Benedict's parish here.

The crib, which will be 24 feet wide and about seven feet high, will be housed in a permanent or semi-permanent wooden structure across the street from the church.

Designing Christmas cribs is something of a hobby with Mr. Lipinsky, a Polish count, who came to America last February. The former nobleman has been widely acclaimed in Europe as a portrait and landscape painter and as an engraver and sculptor.

Under the direction of the Rev. Albert Havelthorpe, O.S.B., Pastor of St. Benedict's Church, and Mrs. Gerald Dougherty, General Chairwoman of the crib committee, nearly a dozen young women of the parish will model the figures of the Holy Family, the Wise Men, the angels and shepherds out of Kansas weeds and Missouri river mud.

Have you many lines to say in the new play? No, I take the part of the husband.

## Heads Dentists

Dr. George W. Wilson, assistant dean of the School of Dentistry, Marquette University, Milwaukee, who has been named president of the American College of Dentists, Dr. Wilson has been a member of the Marquette University faculty since his graduation from the school in 1914. (N.C.W.C.)

## LAYMAN HONORED FILM ON DIVORCE

## Priests Hail Film As Aiding Church's Fight On Divorce

LOS ANGELES—(N. C.)—"Hollywood's first contribution toward the fight of the Church against divorce" is the manner in which the new Paramount picture, "I Want a Divorce" was characterized following a special preview attended by the St. Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. ODwyer, head of the Archdiocesan Catholic Charities Bureau, the Very Rev. Msgr. John R. Mulroy, President of the National Conference of Catholic Charities, educators from Loyola University and press representatives.

"After viewing the picture," declared Monsignor ODwyer, "I feel duty bound to comment on the message it contains for those married people who may be suffering a temptation to tug against the holy bonds of wedlock.

"While the studio described the film as a comedy drama, there are numerous comedy highlights to relieve the full dramatic import of its message, stark tragedy walks hand in hand with quick and easy divorce throughout the entire story.

"Here, I believe, is Hollywood's first contribution toward the fight of the Church against divorce, the movie industry's first evidence of willingness to ally itself with us in our effort to preserve the sanctity of the home.

"The picture is well worth seeing, not only for those whose marital lives are clouded by lack of faith and faithless, but for those well-to-do who have heard and held true the happiness of Holy Matrimony and those who look forward to it.

Commenting on "I Want a Divorce" which features Jean Blondell and Dick Purcell and is directed by Ralph Murphy, as a castigation of the practices of lawyers who do not hesitate to break up homes to earn their fee, Monsignor Mulroy said:

"The evil influence of lawyers who, unfortunately, prostitute their profession for gain in the civil courts is strikingly brought out in this picture. It is a recognized fact that a profession which should contribute much to social stability and to the happiness of home life assists but infrequently in effecting reconciliations. The Court of Conciliation referred to in the picture should become a reality. It would fit into the judicial set-up of every large community where there is a prevalence of divorce. It could do much to support the legislation of the Church, even as it affects Catholic marriages and it would be a boon to all right-thinking people.

"The fact that a child is born to a married couple is sufficient reason to prevent separation. The influence of older people who have witnessed a reality, it would be strong youth is well illustrated by Grandma and Grandpa Brokaw. The suicidal ending shows the ultimate outcome when there are no restraints dictated by the laws of God or His Grace coming from prayer and the reception of the Sacrament."

Mr. Murphy, the director, is a Catholic.

## BONA MEDALIST



JOHN J. CRAIG

## John J. Craig Given Catholic Action Medal

ST. BONAVENTURE, N. Y.—The support to the challenge of a world of rampant divorce and the solution of its problems can be found in the devoted service of the Catholic lay who will spread the gospel of Christ in its simplicity, the Most Rev. John A. Duffy, Bishop of Buffalo, declared at ceremonies marking the conferring of the St. Francis Medal for Catholic Action at St. Bonaventure College here on John J. Craig, of Tulsa, Okla.

Bishop Duffy's call to service to the Catholic lay in the spreading of the gospel and the renewing of the faith of man, was pointed by reference to the work of Mr. Craig.

The Bishop pointed to the need of a more active apostolate of the Catholic lay, declaring that street preaching, which he has fostered in his own diocese and of which Mr. Craig is an exponent, is one of the most effective means by which the Catholic layman can make Christ known to the world and bring men to His followers.

Bishop Duffy presided at the ceremonies and the award was made by the Very Rev. Thomas Flanagan, O.F.M., President of St. Bonaventure's.

The Catholic Action Medal is awarded each year by St. Bonaventure College to a Catholic layman whose work has been outstanding in the previous year in the interest of the Church and society.

Mr. Craig is one of the best known business men of the Southwest. In the mining business he has applied the principles of social justice promulgated by recent Popes. In spite of the demands of his business, Mr. Craig has found time to devote himself to a large number of activities, connected with the Catholic Church and the social order.

His principal activities have been in connection with the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, the Catholic Evidence Conference and the Laymen's Retreat Movement. He is a Grand Knight of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre.

Mr. Craig was prominent at the regional meeting of the Laymen's Retreat Movement here in November, 1938, and spoke before the St. Francis Society of Holy Rosary Church on another occasion.

## PUBLISH HAND BOOK FOR CITIZENSHIP GROUPS

DAYTON, O.—To further its efforts in sponsoring the formation of student Civics Clubs throughout the country, the Commissioners on American Citizenship at the Catholic University of America, Washington, has prepared a handbook to guide in the establishment of such groups in schools.

The booklet, "Americans All," is published here by the Messenger Publications, and is the first publication of the Commission. It has been prepared by Dr. Robert M. Conroy, Director of the Commission, and in addition to explaining the rules of parliamentary procedure, gives practical suggestions for activities that may be undertaken by members of the Civics Clubs.

## Build Atom-Smasher At Notre Dame U.

NOTRE DAME, Ind.—An 8,000,000-volt atom-smashing machine which will be capable of producing a voltage nearly twice as large as any existing electrostatic generator is in the process of construction at the University of Notre Dame and will be in use in the first of the year.

Notre Dame's atom smasher, Dr. George R. Collins and Dr. Bernard Waldman, who operate the 3,000,000-volt atom smasher in the Cushing hall of engineering, and John T. Ferguson, supervisor of the Notre Dame machine shop, designed the new equipment, modeling it after the 4,000,000-volt generator, the country's largest, at the University of Wisconsin.

## \$100,000 School

Rochester, N. H.—A new \$100,000 Holy Rosary school was dedicated here. Classes have been conducted in the structure for several months, but the ceremony was delayed due to the illness of the Most Rev. John E. Peterson, Bishop of Manchester, who officiated.

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