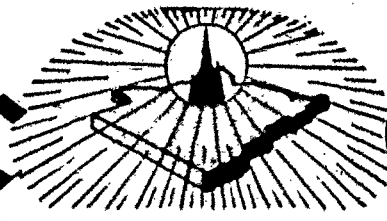


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Nazi Plan To Oust Christianity Bared

600 Witness New Church Dedication

Amidst the impressive ritual of Holy Mother Church, the beautiful new edifice of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in West Elmira was dedicated last Sunday morning by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of the diocese of Rochester.

More than 600 witnessed the colorful ceremony. The Rev. Leo G. Schwab is the pastor of the new church.

The ceremony of blessing the new church was followed by a solemn Pontifical Mass.

Hundreds visited the church throughout the day and a large crowd was present for the evening services.

The Rev. Leo G. Schwab, pastor, read the gospel and thanked all who had aided in any way to make this beautiful Church possible. He expressed his gratitude to Bishop Kearney for appointing him pastor of this new church and for being present. He thanked Father Brien for being such an hospitable host while the new church was being constructed.

Influence of Lourdes Cited

In commemorating the day Bishop Kearney pointed out that the influence of Lourdes had been transplanted from across the seas to this Diocese.

"The miracles at Lourdes," he said "are among the significant incidents in the Christian religion. The tremendous series of events which began at Lourdes have been subjected day by day now after the lapse of many years to the scrutiny of scientists and have been accessible to the investigation of insincere critics and sincere critics but have never been discredited."

"We have made it possible to have the story of Lourdes repeated here to have Our Blessed Lady, do the things here which she has done at Lourdes."

"Confident of the influence of Our Blessed Lady and confident of the miracles at Lourdes we have built here a similar shrine and have placed before our eyes, the beautiful story of Lourdes."

The Bishop mentioned that the story of the appearance of the Blessed Mother to Bernadette could not be told so briefly and that history had been printed in brochure form so that all who attended could read and keep it as a remembrance of the dedication.

Pastor lauded

Bishop Kearney praised the efforts of Father Schwab who worked so hard to establish the parish. He thanked Father Brien for his hospitality and general assistance to Father Schwab.

Bishop Kearney lauded the work of Leo Schwab whose genius made the church so beautiful, and all those who had any part in the work of construction.

The Bishop addressed a dinner gathering at the Mark Twain where congratulations were extended to Father Schwab. Approximately fifty members of the clergy were present.

Assisting Bishop Kearney at the Mass were: Assistant Priest, the Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V. O., Deacons of Honor, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee, V.F., pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira, and the Rev. William

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Mark Anniversary

St. Charles, Mo.—A sesquicentennial celebration in observance of the founding of this historic Missouri town, first Capital of the State, and of St. Charles Borromeo Church is being observed here in both civic and ecclesiastical ceremonies.

Joyous Parishioners At Church Dedication



CATHOLIC COURIER Staff Photo

Solemn Services Over, parishioners of the new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, West Elmira file out of the beautiful edifice dedicated by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, last Sunday. (Other Photos Page 20)

Widespread Approval Of Southern Tier Edition Voiced By Leading Elmirans

The initial Southern Tier edition of the CATHOLIC COURIER met with widespread approval from clergy public officials, officers of organizations and Catholic laymen.

Appreciation of the facilities for more complete and thorough coverage of news of interest to the Catholic people of the community was expressed as well as commendation of the magazine type format which makes up the dress of the new COURIER.

Typical of the many comments received were the following:

Mayor J. Maxwell Beers of Elmira: "May I extend a hearty welcome to the Southern Tier Edition of the Catholic Courier and to express my pleasure that you have established an office in this city."

"This means improved service for your large number of subscribers in Elmira and vicinity and it is logical that you give it I have watched the growth and improvement in the CATHOLIC COURIER for several years and the establishment of Elmira headquarters is evidence that the progress is to continue."

"I am a newspaper publisher and I extend fraternal greetings

as well as those of the citizens of Elmira. The best of success to you."

Rt. Rev. Monsignor John J. Lee, pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Church: "The publication of a CATHOLIC COURIER for Elmira is a commendable endeavor. It should be a valuable means for making our Catholic people better informed on Catholic affairs that are taking place throughout the world as well as in our own community."

Rev. William J. Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's: "The first issue of the Elmira CATHOLIC COURIER was a creditable publication. I am sure our Catholic people will welcome it and accord it every support to the end that it may continue the improvement and progress that is so strikingly represented in the first issue."

Rev. Leo G. Schwab, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes: "The new CATHOLIC COURIER impressed me greatly. The makeup of the paper was attractive with more news of local interest to Catholics. It offers a great opportunity for service to the Church and our community."

John T. Nugent, grand knight of Elmira Council, K. of C.: "I want to pay tribute to the fine work done on the first issue of the Southern Tier edition of the Catholic Courier. I think that the new magazine-type format is a decided improvement over the conventional newspaper style."

"This paper is bound to be of more interest to the Catholic people in the Southern Tier than it has been formerly because it will not only keep them informed of world events in the Catholic Church but will also keep them in touch with local news and events of interest to the Catholic layman."

Harry J. Lagonegro, District Deputy, K. of C.: "The management of the CATHOLIC COURIER may feel justly proud of the Southern Tier edition. The first issue was well prepared and attractive and I know it will be an asset to our Catholic people as well as to the community."

Rev. Joseph V. Gullfoyle, pastor of St. Vincent de Paula: "Forming the Southern Tier edition has my support and endorsement. It makes the Catholic people of this section feel it as their own paper and I assure the opportunities for continued improvement will be fully utilized."

Mayor Daniel Stinson, Corning: "The publishers of the Southern Tier edition of the CATHOLIC COURIER are to be congratulated on their first issue. I welcome its influence in our community and trust it will have every success in its field."

Alderman Clement L. Murphy, Corning: "The new improved CATHOLIC COURIER for the Southern Tier is a most outstanding feature and I hope it will find its way into every Catholic home."

Hugh T. Cunningham, Corning: "Success to the new CATHOLIC COURIER. The Southern Tier edition is a splendid start and I look forward to steady growth and success."

Paul Tammaro, past district Deputy, K. of C.: "The Southern Tier edition is a wonderful improvement. It merits the fullest support of our Catholic people and it affords greater opportunities for service to the Church as a whole, and particularly for our churches of Corning and throughout this section."

Mercy Nun Dies In Corning

Widespread mourning was caused by the death of Sister Mary Scholastica Dower in St. Mary's Convent, Corning, on Monday, October 27.

Solemn Requiem Mass was offered at St. Mary's Church, Corning, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock by the Rev. John J. Smith, pastor, as celebrant. The Rev. John F. Albert, Deacon; the Rev. Joseph Gullfoyle, Pastor of St. Vincent's Corning, Subdeacon.

Burial was in the Sisters' Plot at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Rochester.

Sister Mary Scholastica a member of the Sisters of Mercy for 40 years had during her long teaching career guided men later to become some of Corning's outstanding business and professional men. During her early years at St. Mary's School, she taught boys and girls who subsequently became leaders in the community.

Entering the Sister of Mercy at St. Mary's convent, Rochester, in

the light of Rochester and other parts of the Diocese as well as in Corning. Her sister Sister Mary Clare is now stationed at St. Mary's Convent in Corning.

2 Supplements Due Next Week

With the Nov. 6 issue of the CATHOLIC COURIER will come an historic "Our Lady of Lourdes Supplement" and the comprehensive Annual Calendar and Review devoted to "Catholic Schools in Review." Watch for them.

30-Point 'Reform' Disclosed

WASHINGTON (NC)—Abolition of all existing religions and the substitution of an International Nazi Church if Hitler wins were predicted by President Roosevelt in his Navy Day address broadcast throughout the world.

Speaking at the Navy League dinner in the Mayflower Hotel here the Chief Executive said the United States Government has a document among others made in Germany which is a detailed plan "to abolish all existing religions—Protestant, Catholic, Mohammedan, Hindu, Buddhist and Jewish alike." "The property of all churches," the President said "will be seized by the Reich. The cross and all other symbols of religion are to be forbidden. The clergy are to be forever silenced under penalty of the concentration camp, where even now so many fearless men are being tortured because they placed God above Hitler."

"In the place of the churches of our civilization, there is to be set up an International Nazi Church—a church which will be served by priests sent out by the Nazi government. In the place of the Bible, the words of 'Mein Kampf' will be imposed and enforced as holy writ. And in place of the cross of Christ will be put two symbols—the swastika and the naked sword."

"The God of Blood and Iron will take the place of the God of Love and Mercy. Let us well ponder that statement which I have bade tonight."

Highlights Details Of 30-Point Plan

NEW YORK (NC)—Details of a 30-point German plan for the "re-organization" of religion in the event of a Hitler victory were disclosed by William L. Shirer, former Berlin correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System, in a CBS broadcast Saturday.

Mr. Shirer, who is author of the book, "Berlin Diary," declared that the State Department was in possession of a Nazi document in which the proposals for "religious reform" are set forth.

Mr. Shirer said his details of the proposals were received from a trustworthy source outside the State Department. The plan, he said, is the work of Alfred Rosenberg, one of Hitler's earlier mentors and entrusted by Hitler with what the Nazis call the "spiritual field in Germany."

Some of the 30 points of the plan cited by Mr. Shirer are:

The new National Church of the Reich National Reichskirche will take over all Protestant and Catholic churches in Germany.

It will be determined to annihilate Christianity as "foreign to German being and character," according to Rosenberg.

Pastors and priests will be replaced by National Reich "orators" who alone will have a right to speak in the churches.

Sunday as a day of worship will be abolished. The Nazi "services" to be limited to Saturday evenings only.

Printing and importation of the

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Publish Narberth Articles In China

NARBERTH, Pa.—A letter just received from the Rev. Alphonse J. Hotz, S.V.D., announces the publication of the Narberth Catholic Information Articles in Fu Jen Life, the official organ of the Catholic University of Peiking.

Other publications in far lands which use the Narberth articles, include The Voice, Gold Coast, West Africa; Light of the East, Calcutta; and Jai-Jai Catholic Leader, Singapore.

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