

### New 'Radio Replies' Volume Out

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Publication of the third and final volume of "Radio Replies," a collection of questions and answers on the Church and her dogmas, has been announced by the Radio Replies Press here.

The work bears the imprimatur of the Most Rev. John Gregory

Murray, Archbishop of St. Paul, who said of it: "Radio Replies" is by far the best informative work that I have read on Catholic Apologetics. It ought to be in the hands of every priest, nun, educator, and person in the ranks as well as out of the ranks of the Church."

The material in the volume was

given from the Catholic Broadcasting Station 2SM, Sydney, Australia, by the Rev. Dr. Leslie Rumble, M.S.C., and was edited in collaboration with the Rev. Charles M. Carty, of St. Paul. The preface is by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Shoen, of the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

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### Succeeds Father



Daniel J. Callahan, Jr., Washington, D. C., banker who has been appointed Supreme Treasurer of the Knights of Columbus. He fills the post left vacant by the death of his father, who held the office for the past 33 years. Harris & Swing photo. (N.C.W.C.)

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### St. Charles Borromeo

#### LARGE ATTENDANCES

Large congregations have been attending the Wednesday evening services at St. Charles Church. The Rev. Francis J. Pegnam, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, has been the Lenten speaker. The theme of his series of instructions is "Christ and My Salvation."

Remaining sermon topics for the Wednesday evening services which begin at 7:45 are: Mar. 11, "Christ and My Neighbor"; Mar. 18, "Christ and My Worship"; Mar. 25, "Christ and My Sins."

### SPIRITUAL RETREAT URGED AS LINK BETWEEN WAR SERVICE, CIVILIAN LIFE

ST. LOUIS.—A spiritual retreat as a link between war-time service and civilian life, is urged in the March Letter of the Rev. Edward A. Bruemmer, second vice-president of the Catholic Central Verein of America and director of the Verein's Youth Movement.

Noting that "even now some are returning from the scene of battle, wounded by enemy shot or shell," Father Bruemmer asks, "What are we going to do for these young men? What will be our policy in helping them?"

"The problem demands the cooperation of the Government, the employer, the family, the doctor and the priest," he continues. "As in the final analysis, the priest backed by the Catholic organization, can do more than all the rest combined to help our young men. We must begin now to make it possible for every one of them to make a spiritual retreat on the return home. The solitude, the curative properties of spiritual comfort, the Sacraments and the wonderful effects will combine to restore the men to the proper perspective, and will make the minds clear of those things which are best forgotten."

"We are spending vast sums for defense, for physical comfort, for recreation," Father Bruemmer concludes, "surely it is not asking too much to spend some money to help the soldiers forget the past and look to the future with hope that is born of faith and love."

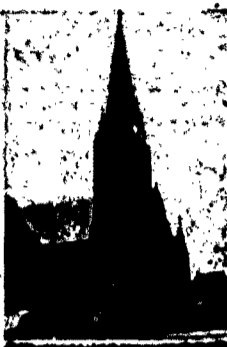
The proposal for spiritual retreats will have a prominent place on the program at the annual convention of the Central Verein held August 22 to 26.

#### VOLUME ON GERMANY

Notre Dame, Ind. — Radical departure of Hitler's Germany from the long-standing German concept of law is contained in "Sachspiegel and Bible," a study by Guido Kisch, edited by the Rev. Philip Moore, C.S.C.

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### DEFENSE MEASURES IN THE HOME

By FLORENCE JANE OVENS

Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 106th Street, New York City. These articles are appearing weekly in our columns.

Are the children in our own homes ready for any emergency? This, naturally, is our first defense responsibility. It doesn't lessen our readiness to serve in other capacities, in fact it definitely increases our value to the community as a family, and it really is a must, isn't it? Now please excuse the personal form of address in what I have to say. If you can answer the questions satisfactorily, you will be glad I asked you, and if you can't, I'm sure you'll realize that the situation is too serious for you to care just how your mistake has been brought to your attention.

First, just what does that word mean to you and your family? How often, for instance, do you use it when speaking to your children? Do you resort to it so seldom and say it with such confidence that it is sure to bring a quick, smiling and willing response? Or, have you worn it out by using it whenever you wanted a child to put away his playthings, to pick up scraps, or to hurry, or to be a little more careful?

Must implies the necessity for unquestioning compliance. Is obedience in your home a "do as I say" requirement, accompanied by threats of punishment, or is it a dignified provision for safety, trusting respect? If the children of a democracy have been properly taught, there is no clash, in their thinking, between obedience and liberty. They understand that obedience is the gateway to liberty. If they have been improperly taught, by unpleasant experiences, they think of obedience as a gate instead of a gateway, so they repeatedly feel urged to climb over it or to tear it down.

In a totalitarian state unquestioning obedience is demanded. If boys and girls in a democracy are required to obey in a totalitarian manner how can we expect them to know how to think for themselves later on? How will they be prepared to use the privilege of free speech wisely or to assert their independence in matters that do not involve infringement of our statutes but conform always to both the spirit and the letter of the law?

Nevertheless, obedience on the part of the child is very necessary for his own protection and for the protection of all with whom he comes in contact. The proper idea of obedience is best introduced and understood in infancy and early

childhood through regularity. If a child's physical needs are cared for with rhythmic regularity, feeling of security develops much like that experienced by an adult coming into a country wisely governed from one where lawless reigns.

Don't give a very young child a chance to disobey. He can't disobey if you make no demands upon him. The fact that he knows what you require of him is not sufficient reason for punishing him for not complying. Key articles for development want him to touch out of his reach. Remove him from the scene if he is unkind or annoying. This is important. Don't allow him to continue to annoy—remove either the child or the cause of his misbehavior.

As the child develops in understanding and need arises, make one or two simple rules. Explain why they are necessary. Attach no punishment to a lapse in obeying them, but make every effort to prevent lapses. Some children will need more help than others; give them all the help they need. It is of the greatest importance that these simple rules be kept. You may add to them from time to time, but keep these few in number. The children in a kindergarten usually help make their own rules and they like to keep them. As soon as you child is old enough let him have a part in deciding the rules he is to obey.

If you have, in general, followed this method with your boys and girls, you will have no difficulty with them in any stress of circumstances. If you haven't, the more for you with regard to preparing them for an emergency, as a defense measure, is urgent. If the children don't obey willingly, begin now to teach them. Talk with them; show them the necessity for obedience. Illustrate by the men in the army. It will appear to them to try to be as watchful and brave as soldiers must be. It takes courage to obey, sometimes, and they must obey their rules. Help them as you would the very little child but have respect for their added years and many experiences. Let them help decide what rules are necessary, but be sure to insist that they keep them—every one and always. One of their rules must be to respect authority, but do not, I beg of you, take advantage of this.

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