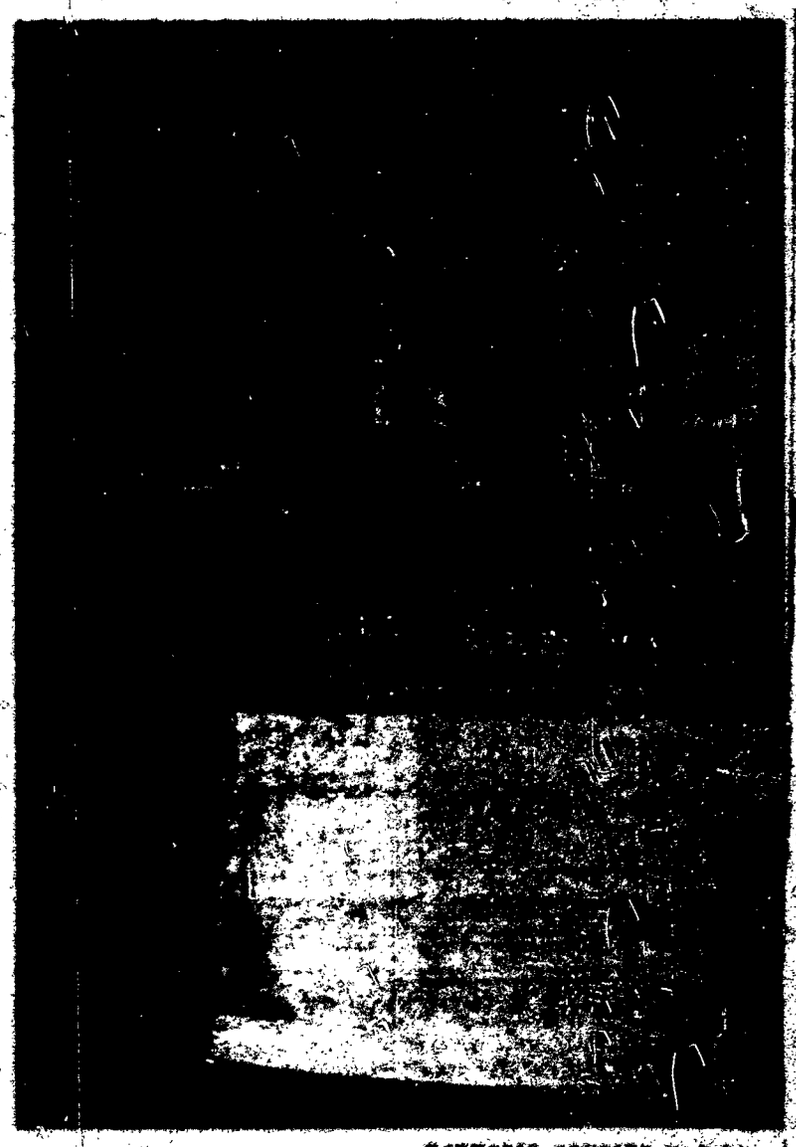
Germans Told Of Fate Of State Scorning God

NEW YORK. — Blessing the First Commandment, the Vatican Radio on a German language broadcast to Germany asserted that any State, which offers a substitute for church, religion and God "is bound to find a miserable end at its appointed hour." It was reported here by the Office of War Information.

"The scorning of God leads to the scorning of men, of those men who have no power themselves," the broadcast stated, adding that whoever flouts the First Commandment is a "grave digger of human personality, of economical, political and national life."

"Only when it respects the inalienable rights of the individual can a State exact its own demands from the individual," the broadcast continued, "for the State is nothing unbounded. The State is but a servant. It is the task to serve the development of human personality. A return to the supreme law, 'I am thy God,' is prerequisite to a sound social order."

Learn to thank God for all things, especially for pain and sorrow. You cannot offer any sacrifice so pleasing to Him.



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CENTER OF DEVOTION in Our Lady of the Lake Diocesan Retreat House, Geneva, is the altar fashioned by the Rev. John F. Murphy, C.S.B., director, who is planning now for the laymen's retreats soon to open. The retreats in ideal surroundings are conducted by the Redemptorist Fathers.

Scrapbook Exhibit To Reveal Schools' Wide Wartime Effort

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types of thermometers, on trees, on parachutes, with money bags of all descriptions was listed the enormous sums of stamps and bonds sold and purchased in the schools. In Auburn, Holy Family High, St. Mary's and St. Alphonsus schools are flying a Minute Man flag for excellence in war stamp selling. In Naples high school, Geneva; St. Salome's in Sea Breeze, likewise, tell the story of a Minute Man flag.

Keys have been collected by the hundreds of thousands with Blessed Sacrament school boasting of 14,500 in its collection. Colored pictures from St. Ann's, Hornell, show tiny youngsters knitting squares for afghans; while original plays written by six graders were cleverly entered in the book from St. Ambrose. Action close-ups gave the story of St. John the Evangelist evacuation during air raid drills while a miniature movie reel told the story of the school's war activities covering the whole gamut of projects from salvage commandos to blood bank canvassers.

Original Activities

St. Andrew's school turned in an enviable report on salvage work; St. Michael's displayed artistic shields bearing stories of work and effort; St. Charles' book had "stick men" building up their bodies for the future. Original songs and skits; acrostics and poems; posters and cartoons; essays and diagrams abound in every book. St. Stanislaus was one of the many schools to dedicate their book to the President of the United States, while any number of youngsters wrote letters to the Chief Executive pledging 100 per cent loyalty to every war project.

Should you be in doubt as to where "our boys over there" in Midway, on the Solomons, in the African desert are getting the courage to fight on in the face of death, then read the youngsters' record of prayers said daily for the men in the armed forces.

Prayer Front Fundamental

Not one of the 77 books turned in failed to record the work done on the prayer front. Hourly, thousands of ejaculations wing their way to the King of Peace petitioning help; daily guards of honor attend Mass and receive Holy Communion; visits are made throughout the day for their "adopted buddy." As one book graphically put it, "a little child shall lead them home by prayer."

High Schools Participate

The schools also turned in representative books—none mature in presentation but nevertheless the story of concentrated effort. These must be seen to be appreciated. Holy Family High, Auburn, depicts well their fine record of stamps and bonds meriting them the Treasury Flag Award, and the inclusion of new courses geared to war time needs.

Dr. Hales High, Geneva, the first school in Ontario County to fly the School Minute Man flag, has achieved a remarkable record in the sale of stamps and bonds told in pictures and story. Artistically, students of the Academy of the Sacred Heart have shown their war activities in and after school hours to be varied.

Aquinas' stamps and bonds record reveals them leaders in this phase of war activity in the area, and no one will wish to miss their scrapbook report of their model plane activity.

Nazareth Academy shows general student participation in a wide range of activities with an enviable record of achievement in their many undertakings. The report from Our Lady of Mercy High shows similar activity, and one notes with interest the unique recording of various methods and plans used in putting over their war-time program.

Catholic Rochester has something to be proud of. No mother or father should be apathetic to the work the schools have done for the war effort.

"Show your enthusiasm by attending the exhibit at the Columbus Civic Center. You're in for a treat; you'll thrill at the patriotism of your sons and daughters. It's time to salute the parochial school system in Rochester—it's time to show the 'Kiddies' you're for them 'all the way.' Don't wait too long—Wednesday will be too late," the School Office states.

ECUADOR BISHOP BLESSES LOW-COST HOUSING PROJECT

QUITO.—The Most Rev. Carlos Maria della Torre, Archbishop of Quito, in the presence of Minister of Social Welfare Carlos Andrade Marin, blessed the site of the low-cost housing project to be developed under the auspices of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The Rev. Inocencio Jacome, O.P., is promoter and director of the project. The blessing of the land was followed by a Field Mass and a procession in which the image of St. Vincent was carried.

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