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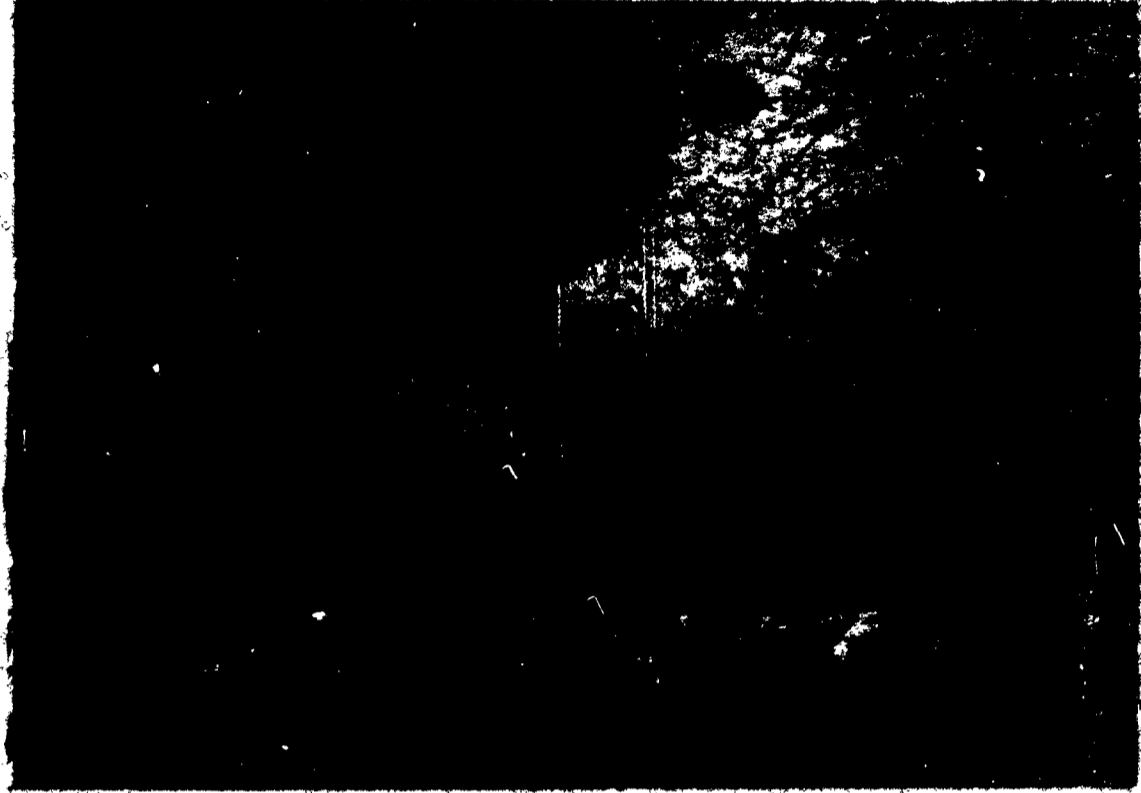
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FIRE COSTING \$50,000 and sweeping through DeSales High School Building was brought swiftly under control by Geneva's firemen. Here students are shown as they successfully salvaged some of the building's contents.

300 Pupils Moved Safely At \$50,000 DeSales High Fire

GENEVA—Fire-drill that proved real brought out 300 DeSales High School pupils in 20 seconds. The fire, which broke out in the rear of the building, was extinguished by firemen from Geneva, N. Y., on Tuesday night.

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Meets Chaplain Known Here At Balboa K. G. Writes Fr. Hanna

A meeting between an Army and a Navy chaplain, both former boys in Rochester, is recounted in a letter sent by Chaplain Bernard C. Hanna to Elmiras Council, Knights of Columbus, of which he was formerly chaplain.

The Army Chaplain whom Father Hanna met in the Knights of Columbus clubhouse in Balboa, Panama Canal Zone, is Chaplain Joseph Koch, formerly of Holy Redeemer Parish and now holding the rank of Colonel in the U. S. Army.

Excerpts from the letter of Father Hanna, who was pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Elmira, at the time of his enlistment, follow:

"The life of a Navy chaplain is quite different than that of a civilian priest and the transition is most drastic, but I feel that I am more or less acclimated to it, although despite our very thorough course at chaplains' school, there is still a vast amount to be learned. This, of course, will be gained through experience.

"The trip down was most enjoyable and very interesting. It is unfortunate that it can't be related here, but it will make for good telling when we are all united once more at our clubrooms.

"I am the only Catholic Chaplain (Navy) on the west side of the Canal, although there are several Army chaplains and hence there is a tremendous amount of work to be done, so much that it almost scares me. Outside of the usual routine work there are ships going

Children, Not Schools, Benefit By Bus Law, State Jurist Asserts

SEATTLE—Children and not the schools which they attend benefit by the use of school buses, it is contended by two of the four Justices of the State Supreme Court who wrote dissenting opinions in the recent 3-to-2 decision which held unconstitutional the State law permitting parents of parochial and private schools to ride in buses provided for public school pupils.

The dissenting justices were John R. Robinson, Joseph A. Mallory, Walter R. Bush and G. G. Jeffers.

"I venture to say that, however violently opposed, on principle, to parochial schools a man might be, he would not hesitate in making a trip taking him past a parochial school to pick up a child struggling through snow or rain to get to that school, on the grounds that he was by such an act supporting parochial schools," Justice Robinson said. "If charged with doing, would he not justly reply: 'I was only doing a kindness to a little child'?"

"The statute under consideration was professedly enacted for the welfare of the children, not for the support of the schools, though they may get some indirect benefit from it. I am not convinced that it authorizes a forbidden diversion of school funds, or that its purpose or its effect is to apply public money to worship or instruction or to the support of a religious establishment; nor am I at all able to conceive how or in what manner it can possibly subject schools, supported in whole or in part by public funds, to sectarian control or influence."

The majority opinion, says Justice Mallory, contains the word "benefit" with the word "support." "A religious school," he said, "gets as much benefit from a city fire department as it is possible for anyone to get, yet the fire department does not SUPPORT the school."

The concluding fallacy of those who voted the law unconstitutional, he said, is the erroneous presumption that "it is the school and not the pupils that benefit from the transportation."

K. of C. \$2,400,000 War Bond Drive—Foster's Month—March 29 - April 2

Pope In St. Peter's On Passion Sunday

VATICAN CITY.—His Holiness Pope Pius XII will go into St. Peter's Basilica on Passion Sunday, April 21, to take part in a ceremony of expiation.

It is the desire of the Holy Father, it was said in connection with this announcement, thus to reaffirm the special importance he attaches to the power and efficacy of prayer at this grave moment. In his traditional address this year to the pastors and Lenten preachers of the churches of the City of Rome, Pope Pius made prayer the subject of his discourse. The Sovereign Pontiff urged the reawakening of the faithful to the pious practice of family prayers.

ARCHBISHOP RIDES HORSE 6 HOURS TO REACH PARISH

PORT-AU-PRINCE.—During a recent episcopal tour, the Most Rev. Joseph Le Gonave, Archbishop of Port-au-Prince, had to travel six hours on horseback to reach the parish of Delmas. Because he visited two other chapels dedicated to St. Joseph and St. Theresa.

The Archbishop visited parish schools throughout the Archdiocese where thousands of children receive their secular as well as religious education.

Vera Cruz Congress

Mexico City.—The Rev. Raymond Lopez, addressing an important gathering of Catholics at Vera Cruz, suggested that a Eucharistic Congress be held there next August as a revivification of Vera Cruzan Catholics which suffered such extensive persecution during the Tejada gubernatorial period. A committee has been appointed to collect funds for the organization.

Books on Index

Vatican City.—The Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office has placed on the index of prohibited books "Christliche Einheit in Katholizismus" (Christian Unity in Catholicism) by Johannes Neumann.

Fire Destroys Roof of Corpus Christi Church

A fire in the roof of Corpus Christi Church, St. Paul's Parish, destroyed the roof and damaged the interior of the church. The fire was caused by a gas stove in the kitchen. The firemen arrived within 10 minutes and had the fire under control. The damage to the church is estimated at \$50,000. The church board has decided to rebuild the church.

Heavy Submarine Open At Hazard

The 200-ton submarine, which was used for training purposes, was opened at hazard. The submarine was damaged by a fire in the engine room. The fire was caused by a gas stove in the kitchen. The firemen arrived within 10 minutes and had the fire under control. The damage to the submarine is estimated at \$50,000. The submarine board has decided to rebuild the submarine.

Blasphemy Hearings

Hearings on charges of blasphemy were held in court. The charges were brought against a priest who had made derogatory remarks about the Virgin Mary. The priest was found guilty of blasphemy and was sentenced to a fine.

War Department Certificates For Chaplains' Home Churches

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