

Students Collect Radios For Army Signal Corps

CHICAGO (AP)—A \$1000 for old radios is being conducted by DePaul University here to aid in collecting students in the Signal Corps of the Army. Fifty radios...

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Peace Be To You

When our risen Saviour appeared to the Eleven He said: "Peace to you! It is I, do not be afraid." Our officers and missionaries pray this blessing and comfort for our friends and benefactors.

CHRIST AND THE PRIEST

Earlier came for a special work on the Priesthood. Christ's mission on earth is carried on by the successors of the Apostles. The priesthood is instituted by Christ Himself...

A missionary priest leaves his native land and family to bring the story of Christ's sacrifice and His love to peoples who know it not...

By good example and prayer they are prepared to do the major ministry. There they spend six years in study and in becoming like Christ. After ordination they return to their own people...

But it is hard to support these young men during the six years of missionary training. It costs Six Hundred Dollars for the entire course. Can you send us One Hundred Dollars a year? Or a Dollar a month for our Student Support Club?

A Mission to be successful must develop a native priesthood. You have helped many with vocations. They need support while studying. Sponsor a seminarian. While you live and after death he will pray for you. After you will share in his work as a priest.

FURNISH A CHAPEL The furnishing of a mission chapel is an opportunity to do something big and get the most experience. You can give to a chapel the altar, the chairs, set of altar linens, vestments, set of vestments, crucifix and candles for One Hundred and Twenty Dollars.

OUR WORK Our missionary society is to support the missions in the Near East among the people of the Oriental Rites. Our work is done only nine million are Catholics. Will you help us reunite these other Christians to the unity of the Church? You can do so by a donation or by joining our Association. Dues are but One Dollar a year.

ORPHAN CHILDREN

The plight of an orphan child evokes a response from the Christian heart. It causes us to think of a child bereft of parents and dependent upon a hard world. The war has increased the number of orphans cared for by our missionaries. Will you help us house, feed and clothe them? Five Dollars will pay for the care of an orphan for a month.

DECEASED PRIESTS

Many say that a priest is soon forgotten after death. Yet he should be ever remembered by the people whom he served. Do not forget the priests who trained and inspired you. Request our missionaries to offer Mass for the souls of deceased priests.

AN ALTAR

Having an Altar on which Mass can be offered with dignity and where the Blessed Sacrament can be reserved, is the wish of every missionary. Fortunately enough to have a chapel. You can present the Altar for a donation of Fifty Dollars.

NOT TOO LATE

It is not too late to make a Lenten gift to the missions. And our missionaries appreciate every gift no matter how small. Send a donation and tell us to use it where most needed.

BADLY NEEDED

Many of our priests read Mass from Missals that are torn and falling apart. The Missal is often called the Mass Book. You can give a Missal to a mission chapel for Ten Dollars. Make a gift in memory of a deceased priest.

CATECHISM-PRAYER BOOKS

In our mission schools we are using to provide every child with a catechism-prayer book. This little book is an outline of the articles of faith, and contains the prayer, every Catholic should know. Your Dollar gift will supply ten copies.

OUR LADY'S PICTURE

The people of the Near East are very devoted to our Blessed Mother. We should like her picture in every chapel and mission school. Five Dollars will buy a large picture of our Lady in the Near East.

ON LOOKING AHEAD

By George Barnard

(Written for N.C.W.C. Easter Supplement)

One of the stand-by topics for debate among serious youth, either in private conversation or on those more colorful occasions when young people argued in public, both for their own experience and for the education of their fellows, used to be whether or not it was to our advantage that the vision of the future was concealed.

It would be so much better, so the ardent young folk used to argue, if we could see ahead, and know how things would stand with us in this year or that, so that we could plan.

When Bilbao was in the path of General Franco's march in the Spanish civil war, thousands of children were moved out of Spain to England, Mexico, France, Russia and many other places. Before they could get back home thousands of them found themselves in the middle of a bigger war. We still have some hundreds of them with us in England; some of them have been bombed out of their homes. Had human wisdom been less certain of its ability to figure out a path in the maze of world forces, many a child would have found again a garden of happiness, instead of being compelled to wander still in a wilderness of despair.

What's the use of planning to be a musician if some new invention will make the employment of musicians unnecessary?

What's the use of getting married and raising a family if there is going to be another war?

And so on. The complete answer to this sort of inbred caution is that if we were to know the future, and act in our limited wisdom, to meet the situation, the world would be paralyzed.

Pre-View of War Even if we were to think about the possible result of every action we should soon be reduced to a state of almost complete inactivity.

What would have happened in England, say, in the spring of 1933, if the people could have known that in the fall they would be committed to a war that would certainly last three and a half years, and that even then the people would be asking themselves, without seeing any answer, when will it all end?

To begin with the people would have started moving themselves about the country in an effort to evade the consequences of the war that threatened. Which way would the enemy attack, they would have asked themselves, shifting this way and that like chess-men in a plot, in an attempt to beat the horror that threatened.

Even rulers cannot foresee the moves in the line of sudden or threatened catastrophes. When the war started children were moved from the cities to the coast. When it were threats to the

Would I be consoling to know that in a matter of months, or years, I might be inactive because of illness?

Would I have been consoled to know in my youth that I was destined to spend three years as a soldier with no military ambition; that I would endure things and see things that would be a memory till my dying day?

Would a man contemplate marriage if he could see in advance the struggle he might have to bring up a brood of children, with the fluctuations of health and fortune which are certain to come into play?

God's Great Mercy

It is by God's great mercy that the future has been kept from us. Instead of a knowledge of the future God has given us many of the joys of adventure, delight in the uncertain, a pleasure in facing odds. If there are black spots in the future we do not dwell on them now if we do not know of them. When we meet them we always find strength to face them; and a point to note is that we are not usually called upon to face calamity alone. If you must, therefore, let your mind feed on future tragedies which you think are bound to come, remember, for your consolation, there are always, in this good world, friends who will give you their hand to help you over the rough places.

It is foolish, then, isn't it, to try to pierce the clouds which God, in His mercy towards us, has dropped over all that is to come? Yet millions of people hang on to the absurd and contradictory readings of those who imagine, or pretend, that they can see into the future by considering the movements of the stars.

This thing is certain. That whatever the darkness over the earth today, there is something ahead. And the Resurrection is the promise of that.

English Newmanites Greet Fr. Gannon

LONDON.—The Newman Association on Saturday held a reception in honor of the Very Rev. Robert J. Gannon, S.J., President of Fordham University, New York. Father Gannon has also arranged to give an address to the Aquinas Society on philosophical trends in the United States.

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