

Communism 'Internal Peril' Msgr. Sheen Declares In Stirring Talk At Auburn

AUBURN—Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen delivered his stirring address on "The Perils of Our Time" before a capacity audience at East High School Friday night. He was introduced by Mr. Eugene Donovan, President of the Auburn Trust Company.

Monsignor Sheen told his audience that the internal perils of our time are Russia, Japan and Germany, and that Communism is the internal peril. He described in no uncertain terms how western civilization has failed at crucial moments and pictured for his audience the story of Communism and its history. The Monsignor declared that "the western world needs something to love. It needs the Heart of Christ. It needs freedom, democracy and moral law to win the day."

Three Principles

He began his address by saying: "Western civilization is deeply rooted in Christianity and is based on three principles. The first is democracy — or the value of man; the second, justice or the recognition of moral law — the moral law; and the third is freedom — of the soul. Today we find Russia, Japan and Germany a burden upon the Christian world. But if we delve deeply into history, we shall find that western civilization fell in 1702, Japan in 1853 and Germany in 1918. At the close of this world war we will be given another opportunity to bring the heritage of civilization to these nations and this time we must not fail."

Although it was freely admitted that Russia had been the instigator of World War I, the country was not invaded because, as Monsignor Sheen said, "First, France was afraid that she would not get what was coming to her. Secondly, England was afraid that the financial status of the world would be destroyed. The third reason was bigotry and the nations guilty of bigotry were France, England and the United States. Twenty years to the day that bigotry was avenged and Nazism came into being because God was left out of the conference at Versailles."

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With the warning that censorship forbids the mention of Communism and Russia in the same breath, the speaker cited a number of incidents in which he has encountered this "hush-hush" attitude. He said that one of his recent radio talks had a line: "Poland was crucified between two thieves." Shortly before the broadcast he received a letter from one of his 67 varieties of censors demanding that he strike this line from his talk for it might be dangerous. He replied, "How about Russia being the good thief." The line was not out.

At another time he was instructed to change a sentence in his script. He agreed to do so provided he could give the original copy to the New York Sun and they could show about freedom of speech for the next week. The line remained.

Commenting on the dissolution of the Third International, Monsignor Sheen reminded his audience that "to dissolve the Third International, there must have

Japs Commit Atrocities As Tokio Raid Reprisal

ST. LOUIS—It was developed here this week that atrocities and excesses committed by Japanese troops against Chinese people and Catholics missionaries in Kiangsi Province, China, which were detailed last month in the Catholic Press through an N.C.W.C. News Service release, were in reprisal for an attack on the Tokio raiders of Gen. Jimmy Doolittle.

The Rev. Paul Yager, C.M., one of three Vincentian missionaries who were in China at the time, in a statement asserted that massacres, atrocities and devastation of homes and mission property, were committed by the Japanese soldiers in the spirit of revenge for the help given to the American fliers.

Named In Prison

New York—Although interned in a German concentration camp, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. N. J. Hendricks has been recognized as Vicar General of the Diocese of Hills to Erie, Holland, according to word received here by the Netherlands Information Bureau.

Camp Villa Maria Registration Near Completion

By MARY E. FITZGERALD

Popular merit awards among Elmira parents, this month, are the promises of Camp Villa Maria vacations. Many a troubled boy and girl has tried to make up for lost moments and have buried deep into text books, in the effort to make the passing mark, and attain the coveted prize of ten days on Chemung's beautiful Harris Hill.

The quota for the girls' camp is now filled but a few vacancies remain in the boys' period. The rate is \$2.00 for a full ten days of fun, and constructive training, hours crammed full of learning to do "worth while things," that are attractively presented by interested Counselors.

Camp experience can do much toward the "growing-up" of your boy and girl at Villa Maria, the process is kept close under the guidance of Our Blessed Lady to whom the camp is dedicated. Morning and evening prayers in the spacious recreation hall are held close to the Camp status of Our Lady.

It is to be regretted that some Catholic parents do not recognize the prestige of the Catholic Camp whose supervisors are carefully selected on the basis of spiritual as well as of physical qualifications. Camp Villa Maria offers a combination of formal and informal programs and meets the standards of the best recognized camps.

Your boy or girl will be grateful to you for the privilege of such a vacation.

A patriot in a free land is one who refers to the government as "we" instead of "they." — Buffalo "Times"

Elmira Catholic High News

On Friday, June 11, the annual Senior Day festivities were held at the Dunn Memorial Auditorium. Students, friends and parents of the graduates attended. Father Burns announced the following awards: William Thomas, valedictorian, \$10 for outstanding scholarship; Eleanor Maloney, salutatorian, \$5 for excellent scholastic achievement; American Legion Award to the outstanding boy in the Senior Class, James Flynn; Knights of Columbus \$5 awards for excellence in study of Christian Doctrine, William Thomas and Mary Catherine Wheeland; Bus Award, Mary Margaret Weingart; Clarion Award to Editor of the paper, William Thomas; Award for excellence in English, Eleanor Maloney (Award in memory of Thomas J. Layden); Award for excellence in Science by Bausch and Lomb Optical Co., William Thomas; Reader's Digest Award, William Thomas; Catholic Digest

Youth From Elmira Serve Nation At Varied Posts

Aviation Cadet Alfred F. Spallone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spallone, 378 W. Fifth St., St. Anthony's Parish, has reported to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, Tex., having completed basic training at San Antonio and Uvalde, Tex. Cadet Spallone was employed at the LaFrance Plant before entering the service in Oct., 1942.

Also a member of the Air Corps is his brother in service Pvt. Joseph Spallone, now home on 30-day leave following a brief illness. Pvt. Spallone will return to his duties as clerk in the canteen at San Antonio, Tex., at the end of his leave. Employed in Elmira at Remington-Rand, Pvt. Spallone left Elmira 2 1/2 years ago with Co. L. After 17 months service, he joined the Air Corps with which he has remained since. Both boys were members of St. Anthony's Holy Name Society.

Wins Promotion

Sgt. Francis A. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Miller, 212 W. Miller St., St. Mary's Parish, has been promoted to technician fifth grade at Ft. Miles, Del., and is now studying in radio repair school at Camp Crowder, Mo. Inducted in January, 1943, and cadet officer at Ft. Miles, Cpl. Miller was assistant manager at Loblaws in Elmira before entering the Army.

Also in radio work is his brother, Lt. William J. Miller, now at Tampa, Fla. Lt. Miller was a graduate of Penn State and has been a physical instructor for several years in civilian life, teaching in Addison and at Jersey Shore. He received his officers' training at Yale. Two weeks ago, he was home on furlough, in time to see the last of the trio in service, Sgt. Raymond Miller, stationed at Ft. Meade, Va., also home for a day.

Technician Promoted

Having been promoted to technician fifth grade, Pfc. Joseph T. Krocynski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hippolite Krocynski, 108 Lywood Ave., Elmira Hgts., has been enrolled for a special course in the Clerical Dept., Ft. Knox, Ky. Pvt. Krocynski is a member of St. Casimir's Parish. Before entering the service, he was employed at the office of the Schweizer Aircraft plant.

Iceland To Africa

Seaman William H. Reidy, Jr., son of Mrs. Hazel Reidy, 501 Lake St., St. Cecilia's Parish, like many U. S. sailors, has traveled from one extreme of temperature and latitude to another. Enlisted a year ago on his seventeenth birthday, June 30, he had a short session of "boot" training at Newport, R. I., and then sailed for Iceland. On entering the Arctic Circle, Seaman Reidy earned the following certificate which his mother is carefully saving for him at home: "All Seamen, Wherever Ye May Be, Greeting: Know all ye by these presents, that William H. Reidy, Jr., did, on Sept. 12, 1942 appear in the northernmost reaches of my Realm. . . bound for the dark and frosty wastes of The Land of the Midnight Sun and did, with my royal permission enter this dread region by crossing the Arctic Circle by virtue whereof, I, Neptune Rex, ruler of the raging main, do hereby declare him to be a loyal and trusty Blue-nose, and do call upon all icebergs, sea lions, narwhals, polar bears, whales and other creatures of the Frigid North, to show him due deference and respect. Disobey under pain of my Royal Displeasure! Aurora Borealis, Queen of his Majestic Northern Provinces, Neptune Rex, Ruler of the Ragging Main."

After receiving this imposing document, Seaman Reidy about-faced and shipped aboard a destroyer conveying the forces which landed in Casablanca in November for the African invasion. A few weeks of shore duty at Norfolk, Va., made him anxious for sea service again. He is now stationed aboard a seaplane tender operating from a Panama Canal Zone home port.

Seaman Reidy attended St. Cecilia's school, and was employed at the Corning Glass Works before his enlistment.

Pre-Flight Graduate

Naval Aviation Cadet Sheldon Lewis, son of Mrs. Joseph S. Lewis and the late Dr. Lewis, 310 Grove St., St. Patrick's Parish, has completed the course at Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. He will receive primary flight training at Peru, Ind.

65 Years A Priest

Charlottetown, P. E. I.—The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Jean Chisason has observed the 65th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Despite his 65 years, Msgr. Chisason says Mass each morning at Sacred Heart Hospital, where he has been living in retirement.

FAMOUS CLOSE SHAVES By Barber Sol

Tuneful Operetta Delights Audience And Cast Alike

The "Gypsy Rover," Rob, in the person of Stanley Kaminski, aided by his attractive leading lady, Madelyn Clune and a tuneful cast gave a presentation of the operetta of that name which was enjoyed immensely by both audience and players on Wednesday night, June 9, in St. Casimir's Hall.

With gypses and nobility pleasantly mixed in true operatic style, the plot offered ample opportunity for some very good singing by the two leading characters and the chorus. Entering into the spirit of the play when Rob enters to sing "So Come My Friends and Sap With Me" the chorus joined in with much enthusiasm when Zara and Slink, (Mary Ellen Panyla and Frank Bonignore) sing the inviting "Let Us Dance." When the two swing into a clever bit of jitterbugging on the assumption that modern gypsies would know about it, such was the spontaneity and gaiety of the whole that nobody thought it incongruous.

Presenting with Zara the most natural romantic give-and-take of the performance, Slink also jolas with the gypsy Marito (Thomas Sullivan) in a delightfully comic robbery scene, Jack Batterby as Lord Craven very thoroughly lives

up to his name, and there are pleasant solos by Eleanor O'Hanlon, Rob's very young foster mother, and Jean Peel as Nina in a scene with her romantic soldier, Capt. Jerome (Joseph Daly). John Kerwin plays the bewildered father of Constance (Madelyn Clune), and Paul Lockocki and Mary Catherine Clune are Sir Toby Lydon, a social butterfly, and Lady McCorkle, respectively.

Miss Clune's singing was especially lovely in leading the chorus in "They Say Girls Can't Keep Secrets," and the duet with Rob in "It's Just the Same Old Story." Stanley Kaminski's baritone made his solos distinctive, and lent noticeable body to the chorus singing. Miss Peel also understated the part of Lady Constance.

Credit for directing goes to Mrs. John D. Lucas. Mrs. Clarence Kennedy played the accompanying music. So successful was the performance that the committee in charge is considering another presentation at a later date.