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The word "strike" is no longer the harmless commonplace of the baseball park, but the serious signal of national peril. "Strike three" at the Polo Grounds or Yankee Stadium may inspire a barrage of pop bottles from the bleachers, but a third general coal strike in less than two months imperils the corporate welfare of 130,000,000 Americans.

The crucial combat between the miners and the mine operators, which involves such personalities as President Roosevelt and John L. Lewis and such institutions as the United States Congress and the War Labor Board, can easily breed inflammatory loyalties and prejudiced judgments. In forming their opinions on the coal strike issue, Catholics should be guided not by any animosity or sympathy to the personalities or groups involved, but by the moral principles of justice and charity.

Apart from the question of who is right in the coal fight, the mine workers or the mine operators, is the more serious problem of what is the proper moral method of settling just grievances. It is well to remember that the labor strike should not be the normally accepted means of gaining the honest demands of organized labor. Conciliation and arbitration should be the usual and preferable means of solving labor problems. A strike is a serious affair and always will be an extreme method of redress. Catholic moralists are unanimous in insisting that a labor strike is lawful only under these conditions: (1) When there is a grave and just cause. (2) When all peaceful means have proved fruitless. (3) The good to be obtained must be proportionate to the evil effects produced by the strike. (4) The rights of the public must be respected.

Finding moral justification for our current coal strikes is complicated by the very nature of these strikes themselves. A strike started by a group of workers all suffering from the same grievance is called a "simple strike." The "general strike," which is initiated by the entire body of workmen or by such an important section of them as to bring industry to a standstill, is vastly more serious than the "simple strike" and accordingly needs more serious justification.

The current strikes of Mr. Lewis and his miners are general strikes, and there is tremendous danger in the possibility that the organized workers of America may make this large scale form of redress their common policy in obtaining their demands whether just or unjust. Years ago, the Jesuit champion of social justice, Father Huissein, warned that the supreme weapon of communism and socialism is the general strike.

For a nation engaged in a world war, a general coal strike is a very definite peril. Here we have a conflict between the private interests of the miners and the public welfare of the nation. The learned Dominican, Father Prummer, specifically says that "very rarely is it lawful to start a strike which would cause serious injury to public interest." The public good of society must prevail over the private interest of the workers, and only when it is the sole means of defense against intolerable and grievous injustices, may workers be justified in striking at the expense of public suffering.

Some of the enthusiasm among Leftists in America for General De Gaulle, head of the Free French, may be explained by the

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20,000 To Assist At Navy Mass Celebrated By Bishop July 4th

Fr. Ratigan Named Chaplain To Cadets

The Chancery announced this week that the Rev. Arthur E. Ratigan, Director of the Family and Child Care Division of the Rochester Catholic Charities, has been appointed by the

Military Ordinariate as an Auxiliary Chaplain. Word of his designation was received from the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., Military Delegate of the Armed Forces of the U. S.

Father Ratigan has been assigned to the Navy and Marine Cadets who are to be quartered at the University of Rochester. Arrangements have been worked out with the University officials whereby Mass will be offered every Sunday in lower Street Auditorium. Father Ratigan plans to be on the Campus at least two evenings each week for personal interviews, confessions and any other assistance he can give these trainees.

Much the same program is being arranged at the Seneca Hotel for the men of the 61st College Training Detachment. In the ballroom of the Seneca Mass will be offered each Sunday and Father Ratigan will be available to the men at other times throughout the week.

It is the policy of the Military Ordinariate to select a local priest to act as chaplain to military units which are numerically so small that they would not justify the assignment of a regular Army or



FATHER RATIGAN

Navy Chaplain. It is expected that there will be 800 men in training at the University and approximately 500 Army Air Cadets studying at the Rochester Business Institute.

36 Young Men, Women Given Diplomas At Holy Family High School Commencement

AUBURN—Holy Family High School's ninth annual commencement was held on Tuesday evening, June 22, in the School Auditorium when thirty-six young men and women were awarded their diplomas and became members of the Alumni Association of Holy Family.

Paul Leo Magill gave the Salutatorian's address; Miss Mary Lou Hayden, third ranking student of the Class of 1943, delivered an address entitled "Victory—The Only Basis of Peace"; and the Valedictorian's address was given by Marilyn Theresa Barry. The student chorus sang the "Ave Mater," "My Own U. S. A." and the "Pans Angelicus," and the program was brought to a close with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Rev. William Davis, principal of Holy Family, presented the Class of 1943, and the diplomas were awarded by the Rt. Rev. Charles E. Shay of Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, who represented Bishop James E. Keane who was called out of the diocese.

Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway, pastor spoke briefly and closed his address by saying: "Members of the graduating class it leaves me little to say to you this evening because the thoughts that were in my mind have been expressed so very beautifully by the members of your class who have spoken to you this evening. They have spoken to you of the happiness that is yours and have also pointed out to you the problems that you are going to face.

"We congratulate you sincerely on the accomplishments you have obtained. The ties that have bound you so closely to H. F. H. are about to be severed; as a matter of fact for the majority of you it is going to be like leaving home

because for twelve years you have been attending Holy Family. That is a long time. During those years there have been instilled into your minds and hearts certain principles—not mere theories. I ask you tonight as you go forth into the world to carry with you those principles and try to apply them to the problems you are going to face."

Dean Conway presented Monsignor Shay who spoke as follows: "It is a great pleasure for me to come to Holy Family High this evening and to add the graduates. I was greatly pleased and surprised on last Saturday night when the Bishop asked me if I would come to Auburn, and preside at the graduating exercises of Holy Family High School. I never thought I would come here in any other capacity except that of a friend of this graduating class.

"The Bishop told me to express his sincere congratulations to you men and women of the graduating class. Tell them," he said, "that I know of the scholastic standing of their high school and am greatly pleased by the work done there by the principal, faculty and the class itself. Don't forget that I want them to know that they will be remembered by their Bishop every day in his prayers as an expression of my good will."

Bishop's Blessing
"He told me to be sure to remember to impart to you his bless-

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Military Delegate To Speak At Rite Marking Sampson Naval Victory

NAVAL TRAINING STATION, Sampson, N. Y.—To the strains of the "Ecce Sacerdos Magnus" played by the Sampson Navy Band accompanying a choir of more than two hun-

dred voices, a solemn Pontifical Mass will be offered by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Keane, of Rochester, here on Sunday, July 4.

The Mass will be a worthy celebration of Independence Day. It will commemorate the Naval victory of Admiral William T. Sampson, after whom the Station has been named. It was on July 4, 1898, that that great Naval leader defeated the Spanish Fleet under the command of Admiral Cervera at Santiago.

The program is scheduled to be 800 sailors of the Catholic Faith stationed at Sampson will participate at 7 A. M. Mass (last 10 days). The Mass for the solemn ob-



BISHOP KEANE

Rites On WHAM

Ceremonies of the solemn Pontifical Military Mass celebrated at the Naval Training Station at Sampson with Bishop Keane officiating and Bishop McCarty, C.S.C. delivering the sermon will be broadcast over Station WHAM Sunday, July 4, from 11:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon.

The Rev. John S. Riedel, Managing Editor of the Catholic Courier, will describe the service.

service have attracted such widespread interest that many out of the Catholic faith have requested permission to attend. It is estimated that the crowd will number upwards of 10,000—the largest group of men ever brought together for such an occasion in the history of the Navy.

Bishop McCarty To Speak

His Excellency, Bishop Keane will speak briefly at the close of the Mass, introducing the Most Rev. William T. McCarty, C.S.C., Military Delegate of the Armed Forces of the U. S. A. Bishop McCarty former Provincial of the Recollectist Order, will deliver a message from the Military Ordinariate to the men at Sampson. He will be escorted by Lieut. Joseph J. McDonald and Lieut. (jg) Thomas P. Driscoll, both Catholic Chaplains stationed at Sampson. The two other Catholic Chaplains assigned to the Naval Station, Lieut. John M. Maxwell and Lieut. (jg) John Welland will also be present.

Lieut. Eugene B. LeGault, (jg) U.S.N., senior Catholic Chaplain at the station, who is in direct charge of all arrangements, announces that Bishop Keane will

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Fr. Duggan Appointed Aquinas Principal, Succeeds Fr. O'Leary

According to the Rev. J. O'Leary, C.S.B., as Principal of Aquinas Institute will be the Rev. J. Duggan, C.S.B., as Principal of the school as First Assistant to Father O'Leary at the New York Catholic High School for boys.

This is included among appointments made by the Very Rev. J. J. McKeown, C.S.B., Father General of the Congregation of St. Basil and released at the Chancery today as this year's list of priests.

Named Superior of the Rochester Community of the Congregation of the Rev. D. L. Dillon, C.S.B., at present Assistant General of the Basilian Fathers, Father Dillon came with Father O'Leary when the Basilian Fathers took charge of Aquinas Institute.

Father O'Leary has been appointed Rector of the Basilian Seminary in Toronto.

God is proud of those who wear a sorrow bravely. He goes to meet them, and they in turn feel their hurt heart strangely comforted.

Summer Schedule Of Publishing Announced

Beginning with our issue of July 8 you will receive your CATHOLIC COURIER every Thursday morning, one day earlier. This schedule will be maintained during the summer to give subscribers maximum of reading hours of the paper. News must reach this office before Tuesday noon, each week.