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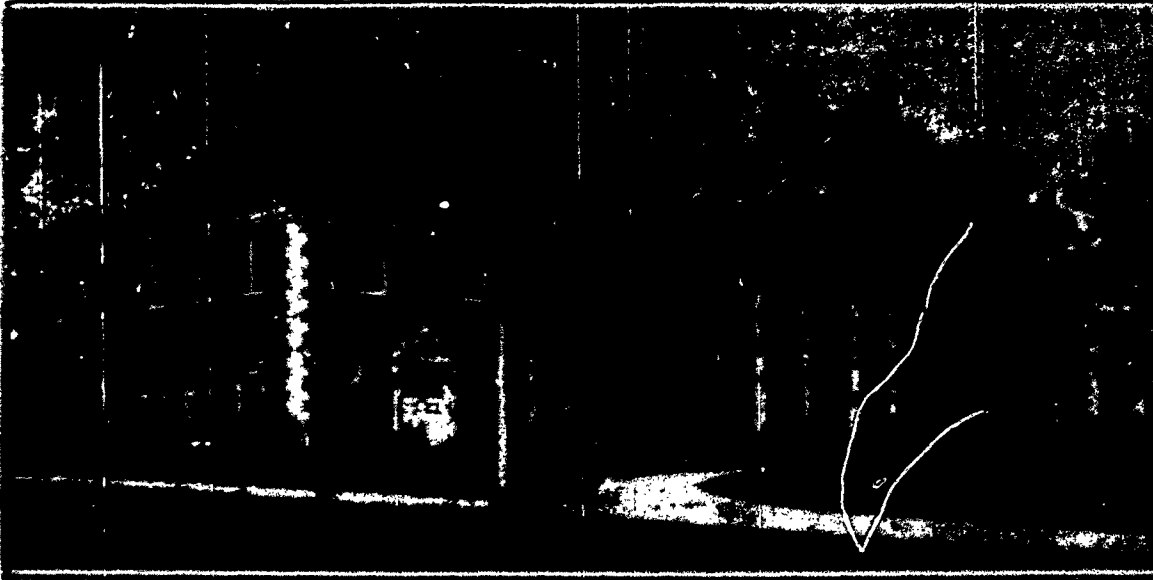
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St. Mary's Home, Savannah, Georgia



Pictured above is St. Mary's Home, attractively located on Victory Drive, in Savannah, Georgia. The present home for orphan girls of the Diocese of Savannah-Atlanta was dedicated in 1938. The imposing building, one of the finest institutions of its kind in the South, was designed by Cletus W. Bergen, Savannah architect. Operated under the patronage of the

Female Orphan Benevolent Society, St. Mary's Home is conducted by the Sisters of Mercy, who carry on at St. Mary's Home a labor of love begun in Savannah more than a century ago, when a dozen parentless girls were placed under the care of the Sisters at St. Vincent's Convent. There orphaned girls were cared for until 1875, when the first St. Mary's Home was established in a remodeled

residence at White Bluff, also miles from Savannah. A few years later property on Habersham Street in Savannah was acquired and the second St. Mary's Home was built. This later served as St. Thomas Vocational School. Sister M. Amabilia, R. S. M., who has been Superior of St. Mary's Home since 1945, is completing her term in charge of the home this month.

Distinguished Jesuit Urges Moral Code for Government Officials

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—Congress should frame a code of moral principles for government officials to remind them that public office is ministerial in nature and is a trust for which they are accountable to God.

This proposal was made by Father Wilfred Parsons, S. J., of Washington, D. C., to a Senate committee investigating the need for better moral standards in government.

Father Parsons, professor of political science at Catholic University of America, said that the public official should be reminded that he wields a power which is ultimately derived from God.

"We should exalt the public employee to the high state of a true minister of God and of the people," he said. "We should endow him with a supreme dignity that he cannot surrender without a dire loss of self-respect."

Americans have a double tradition, Father Parsons said, the one Judeo-Christian and the other democratic.

"Both traditions agree on one thing," he asserted, "that public office must truly be called and be used as a ministry."

"The office holder in this tradition never, as an office holder, can act for himself or his friends but always and only for the public. In all his official duty he is never a private but always a public person. He is the public personified and must act as the public itself would act were it able."

Father Parsons said that he agreed with Senator J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.), author of a resolution proposing the establishment of a commission to draft a moral code for government, that public officials who use their offices for personal ends commit a more serious offense than mere violation of the law.

"The unfaithful official incurs double infamy which transcends the mere legal guilt involved," Father Parsons said.

"By using public office for private interests he has betrayed something much more precious than the mere law of the land—he has betrayed his Creator and his own people."

A CIVIC RECEPTION, a huge candlelight Holy Name ceremony and a parade through downtown streets will be among the features of the fifth national Holy Name Society convention to be held October 2-7 in Detroit.

Belmont Abbey College Inaugurates Program of Evening Class Courses

BELMONT, N. C.—Belmont Abbey College began on July 23, for the first time in its long history, a number of courses in the evening.

The courses are for the benefit of those men and women who are unable to attend day sessions but who would like to advance themselves educationally so as to qualify in time for a degree. Father Bernard Roasvog, O. S. B., rector of the college, said that at least six semester hours of credit may be carried during a semester.

The first evening session was held on July 23 to enable those who are under the G. I. Bill to take advantage of its benefits before the "cut-off" date of July 24, 1951. After the 25th, veterans lose their benefits if they are not already using them. The first session will end on December 3. The second session starts and all evening sessions thereafter will coincide with the regular day classes in the college.

At the present time, classes are

being held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening from 7:30 until 9:30 and from 9:30 until 11:30.

Entrance requirements are the same as for the day sessions, Father Bernard announced. The students must have finished high school or take aptitude tests if they did not finish high school but are of adult age.

The courses being offered are those in the regular college catalogue for which there is a sufficient enrollment. They will be conducted for the same number of weeks and clock hours as those in the day sessions, and will carry full college credit. Teachers for the classes are drawn from the regular college faculty.

PRIESTS may have to go to the street corners to reach youth between the ages of 18 and 25, a Priests' Workshop at the Lay Apostolate in Boston was told by Father William J. Quinn, Chaplain of Catholic Action in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

NEW HIERARCHY APPOINTMENTS



Pope Pius XII has raised the Diocese of Seattle, Washington, to the rank of Archdiocese and made it the Metropolitan See of the new ecclesiastical province. Bishop Thomas A. Connolly (left) of Seattle has been named the first Archbishop. Msgr. Joseph P. Dougherty (right), Chancellor of Seattle, has been named first Bishop of the newly created Diocese of Yakima, Washington. Also included in the new ecclesiastical Province of Seattle is a new Diocese of Juneau, Alaska, with Rev. Robert Dermot O'Flanagan (not pictured), pastor of Holy Family Church, Anchorage, Alaska, as first Bishop. (APC Photos)

Holy See Creates Province of Seattle, Erects Dioceses of Yakima and Juneau

(N. C. W. C. News Service)

WASHINGTON.—His Holiness Pope Pius XII has created a new ecclesiastical province in the United States. His Excellency Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, announced here.

The Holy Father has raised the Diocese of Seattle, Washington, to the rank of Archdiocese and made it the Metropolitan See of the new ecclesiastical province.

Created the new Diocese of Yakima, in the State of Washington.

Created the new Diocese of Juneau, in Alaska.

Named Bishop Thomas A. Connolly of Seattle to be the first Archbishop of Seattle.

Appointed Msgr. Joseph P. Dougherty, Chancellor of the Diocese of Seattle, to be the first Bishop of Yakima.

Appointed the Rev. Robert Dermot O'Flanagan, pastor of the Church of the Holy Family, Anchorage, Alaska, to be the first Bishop of Juneau.

The new ecclesiastical Province of Seattle will embrace the Archdiocese of Seattle and the Dioceses of Spokane, Yakima and Juneau and the already existing Vicariate Apostolic of Alaska. The ecclesiastical Province of Portland, to which all the territory of the new province formerly belonged, will in the future consist of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon and

the suffragan Diocese of Baker City, Oregon; Boise, Idaho; Great Falls, Montana, and Helena, Montana.

The new Diocese of Yakima will consist of Chelan, Kittitas, Yakima and Klickitat Counties formerly belonging to the Diocese of Seattle, and Douglas, Grant and Benton Counties formerly belonging to the Diocese of Spokane. The total population of the area embraced by the Diocese of Yakima is 285,000, of whom about 20,000 are Catholics. Presently there are 35 priests serving in the territory of the new diocese, in 34 parishes and missions.

The new Diocese of Juneau, the Capital of the Alaska Territory, has been created by the Holy Father. It was stated in connection with the increasing development of the Alaska Territory, and in view of the difficulties of the sacred ministry in the vast region of 58,000 square miles. Generally speaking, the Diocese of Juneau will include all the southern coastal region of Alaska; and the remaining part of the Territory will continue to form the Vicariate Apostolic of Alaska.

All the remaining area of the Territory of Alaska will continue to be known as the Vicariate Apostolic of Alaska, of which the Most Rev. Francis D. Gleason, S. J., will continue to be the Vicar Apostolic. Bishop Gleason was named Third Bishop of Cotana and Vice Apostolic of Alaska on January 2, 1948, and was consecrated on April 3, 1948.

All Christendom Threatened by "Trial" of Hungarian Archbishop Declares U. S. Senate Chaplain

WASHINGTON.—(NC)—All Christendom, not just the Catholic Church, is threatened by a "blasphemous trial" in the "trial" of Archbishop Josef Groesz of Hungary, Dr. Frederick Brown Harris, chaplain of the United States Senate, stated here.

Speaking to his congregation at Foundry Methodist Church, Dr. Harris characterized the Archbishop's "confession" as another example of "depersonalizing the victim by torture." The Methodist minister's statement follows:

"Once more the civilized world beholds the diabolical travesty of the slave state at its worst. Again, from the Kremlin the strings are pulled for another puppet show in Budapest. After the familiar pattern of depersonalizing the victim by torture, Archbishop Groesz is put upon the same sadistic rack which broke Cardinal Mindszenty and Robert Vogeler, American businessmen.

"The verdict of this mock trial, of course, was in when some time ago the Archbishop disappeared. Again, the indignities of mind and body which no human being can stand, by sickening methods, exacts the so-called confession.

"Now, how naive do the Hungarian perverts think the Western world is? The Archbishop is guilty, and admits his guilt. What he is really guilty of are actions and attitudes to which every true Christian prays that he too might bear witness if he were in the power of the same satanic hands. The differences which separate those who hold the Christian faith are forgotten when such pagan tormentors pounce upon a representative from what they fear most, the Christian faith, which denies all that atheistic communism so blantly asserts.

"This sinister force is gunning not just for the Roman Catholic Church. It is out to demolish all signs of a genuinely free Church which will not bow the knee to this blasphemous Baal. The only church they will tolerate is a subservient satellite of the godless state.

"And so, again, Christ stands in Pilate's court. But it is not Christ, but anti-Christ, which is really on trial. Every believer who is with

the Christ, whose truth makes men free, is in the prisoner's dock with this priest of the Church. We sleep his hand with the grasp of a brother and would assure him, if we could, of our prayers in this hour of his living martyrdom at the hands of those who hit their puny arms against his Christ and ours. But the gates of hell cannot prevail against the holy Church composed of all those who confess Jesus Christ as Savior, Lord and Master."

Bulletins

THE REMAINS of Father Gabriel Richard, pioneer priest of Michigan and the only priest to serve in the United States Congress, have been exhumed by a crypt beneath the high altar of St. Anne's Church, Detroit, which was blessed by His Eminence Edward Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, on the Feast of St. Anne. The pioneer Detroit missionary served in Congress as Detroit's representative from Michigan Territory in the early 1820's.

THE INTENSE LOYALTY in the Church shown by the great mass of Hungarian Catholics is evidenced in Vienna one of the main reasons for the recent "trial" of Archbishop Josef Groesz and other churchmen. In the eyes of an informed source the Holy See and the "trial" will frighten some Catholics into leaving the Church, perhaps, blacken the hierarchy and especially religious orders in the eyes of the others.

DELEGATES from the 15,000 parish Holy Name units in the United States and Canada are expected to attend the Fifth National Holy Name Convention in Detroit, October 2-7.

THE COPTIC Catholic population of the Diocese of Thebes and Luxor, in Egypt, estimated at 16,000, has been increased by the recent conversion "en masse" of 400 schismatic Coptic Orthodox.