

Warns Slurring of Bible Is Punishable by Law

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS)—Attorney General Guy E. Williams has warned that a public school teacher in Arkansas who makes slurring remarks about the Bible in the classroom is subject to prosecution under an initiated act of 1938 which provides for daily Bible reading without comment in the state's public schools.

The decision answered the Rev. Russell J. Clubb, Baptist pastor of Tyrona, Ark., who queried concerning a Tyrona teacher who he said, "is repeatedly making slurring remarks to the children about believing the Bible." The minister said the teacher made such remarks as "Surely you don't believe all the Bible, do you?" Mr. Williams wrote that the law "made it the duty of every teacher or other person in charge of all public tax-supported schools to provide for the reverent daily reading of the Bible without any comment from the teacher whatever."

Gen. Drum Named to Head Empire State Bldg.

NEW YORK (INS)—Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, Commander of the New York State Guard, has been appointed president of Empire State Inc., which operates New York's Empire State Building.

General Drum succeeds the late Alfred W. Smith. Announcement of his appointment was made by John L. Ruakob, chairman of the board of directors.

DONATE TO THE MISSIONS

Willful violation of the act is subject to a fine of not more than \$25 for each offense, and upon conviction, "the position held by such teacher automatically becomes vacant and any contract for services of such teacher becomes null and void."

HOW TO OUTWIT THE DEVIL

Two devils were speaking together one day concerning the progress they were making with persons whom they were tempting. One said: "I am doing very well with my victim. When I present a foul thought to him, he takes to it readily and dwells on it fondly. Then he begins to grow anxious in mind and to doubt as to whether he related or consented, to the thought, whence it came, and whether he gave occasion to it. He is soft and easy with himself and then unduly scrupulous. I consider him my prey already."

"For me," said the other tempter, "I am leading my time with my subject. Whenever I present a bad thought to him he turns in prayer to God or to the Virgin, or else he occupies his mind with some other business. I cannot lay hold of him and have quite given up the effort."

The devil is well pleased when we put ourselves at his disposal, or stop to reason about how far we may go with a bad temptation. A good way to defeat him is to pray promptly and to turn our thoughts at once to other matters.

Holy Communion's Effect on Our Body and Soul

Holy Communion exercises its beneficent action on our souls and our bodies. Through it we unite ourselves so intimately with Jesus Christ that He dwells in us and we dwell in Him, and are so entirely transformed into Him that we become, in a manner but one flesh and one blood with Him; that we are as so many Jesus Christs; not that Jesus Christ changes Himself into us, but that we are changed into Him.

In fact, the more worthily we approach Holy Communion, the better we become. In the same degree that we separate ourselves from it, the farther we go away from virtue.

When we communicate with faith, we feel that it would not be right that the tongue on which has been laid the body of a God should be profaned by indulging in frivolous or uncharitable conversations; that the body which has been the living ebriety of the sacred Host should be soiled by the slightest indecency; that the heart which has been the sanctuary of the Divinity should open itself to anything that is not holy and pure.

Hence it is that Holy Communion

corrects vices, moderates passions, deadens the fires of concupiscence, cures our spiritual languors. Afflicted, it consoles us; discouraged, it revives us; cast down, it raises us; cold, it warms us. It would be impossible to express what blessings Holy Communion, properly received, brings to us. It is the wheat of the elect; it is the wine which makes virgins and gives to the soul a love for purity and innocence.

The presence of Jesus Christ in

us strengthens our will in regard to charity and all the other virtues. "He that eateth Me," says Jesus Christ, "the same also shall live by Me"; that is to say, he will no longer lead an earthly and animal life, but the life of Jesus Christ, a life of humanity, of purity, of obedience, of meekness and patience and he will also be able to say: "I live now not I, but Christ liveth in Me."—Father St. Hamon, S.S.

Reports Nazis Terrorizing Hungarian Church Leaders

STOCKHOLM (RNS)—German occupation authorities are terrorizing Protestant and Catholic church leaders in Hungary, according to the Hungarian Minister to Sweden, Dr. Antal Ulllein-Rozvaky. The Minister, who is a Catholic, said he is an authorized spokesman for Justinian Cardinal Sered, Primate of Hungary, now reported to be under house arrest. The Hungarian official revealed

that the Germans have recently attempted to keep churches empty by sounding air raid alarms at times when services are scheduled. Reporting that Catholic Bishops and priests have remained at their posts in Russian-occupied areas of Hungary, he said: "Hungary seeks friendly relations with Russia, even in the domain of church life."

QUERIES and REPLIES

Q.—A Protestant Navy Chaplain—the only chaplain aboard his ship at sea—is reported to have held services for the Catholic members of the ship and to have given them Holy Communion. Is this possible?

A.—First of all we sincerely doubt the alleged report of this incident. The Protestant Communion Service can in no way be identified with the Catholic reception of Holy Communion. For Protestants generally the Communion Service is a mere ceremony in which only bread and wine is received. Protestant ministers, as Catholics very well understand, are not priests. They have no power to celebrate Mass or consecrate bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. As we know Catholics, it is impossible for us to believe that they could be deceived into accepting the "Lord's Supper" ceremony of Protestant practice for the Mass and Holy Communion of the Catholic Church.

The Catholic Church teaches that Christ is REALLY present—"body and blood, soul and divinity"—in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. How many Protestant ministers believe this, and if they do where are their priestly powers which would enable them to provide this REAL Presence of Christ?

In the case alleged there are these possibilities:

Did the Protestant Navy Chaplain force the Catholic crew members to participate in a Protestant "Lord's Supper" ceremony? This would be a serious violation of Navy regulations and we doubt it very much that this would happen.

Did the Protestant Chaplain attempt to deceive the Catholics by trying to simulate the Catholic Mass and Holy Communion? This would be outrageous, if true. For lack of evidence we dispatch this possibility as fantastic.

Did the Catholic sailors themselves through ignorance mistake the Protestant Communion Service for the Catholic Holy Communion? Humanly speaking, Catholics are capable of error, but this suggestion would make Catholics supremely glib. Catholics are too well informed on the doctrine of the Holy Eucharist to make such a blunder as is suggested here.

Alleged reports of Protestant Chaplains giving Holy Communion to Catholics should be supported by slow motion pictures, very very slow motion pictures.

PLAN ANTI-NAZI TEXTBOOKS FOR POSTWAR GERMANY

NEW YORK (INS)—Anti-Nazi textbooks, designed for use in post-war German schools, are being prepared by German scholars and educators who escaped to the United States after Hitler came to power.

The books, to be published by the Anti-Hitler publishing firm of Hermann-Fischer Verlag, are expected to be available as soon as Germany is defeated and will cover the fields of literature, biology, history, geography and mathematics. Reasons for slowness and

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"We are writing these things to prove that ours is a worthy work and to beg your help. God will bless those who are good to His poor."

The Sisters did not have to prove anything to us, and we know you will want to help their work. Mother Superior asks for a thousand dollars. Even if your gift is small, it will be a rich treasure."

WONDER WORKER

St. Gregory the Wonder Worker, Near East bishop, honored on November 17, actually moved a mountain and built a church in the spot. Such was his faith. Will your faith prompt you to send \$750 to his successor, Bishop George Hakim of Galilee, for a chapel?

REPEAT

During this month we have received very little for Bishop Hebbe's schools. Unless we send him six hundred dollars, he must close them. Then his children will go to public schools run by Mohammedans. Have you read our pamphlet "Jails in Islam"?

SISTER DIONYSIA

Our thanks to this good Sister and her class for sending a stringless gift to poor Near East missionaries. Your mission club can help much. Our free pamphlets will tell you how.

THREE CHURCHES

St. Clement's feast on next Thursday reminds us that in his Church in Rome, two great saints, Cyril and Methodius, both of the Near East, are honored. The church is really three churches, built one upon the other. We are trying to build one church, Our Lady of Victory, in Egypt near where the Holy Family stopped. Can you help us to build this memorial to our fallen soldier boys?

WHO WINS?

At Irbid, a town beyond the Jordan, where our Lord was baptized, the Protestants are making inroads among the Catholic population. Bishop Salman needs a thousand dollars to put a little chapel there at once. Otherwise the faith will be gone. Please do help him.

LESSON

November Masses for beloved dead teach us how much the priest means to us. We must have more priests for Near East missions. Won't you join the Student Support Club and send one dollar a month? It costs six hundred dollars, one hundred a year, to train a priest in the Near East.

AJELTOUN

The Sisters of Charity big two hundred dollars for their little orphanage at Ajelton, Syria. Why not adopt this work and send them a little each month?

HOLY KISS

Watch the priest as he reverently kisses the altar, which represents Christ. His vestments, the Mass book, altar linens and the chalice can be placed in a Near East chapel for fifty-five dollars.

GRUESOME

At Damascus you can still see the horribly gashed skulls of eight Franciscans, martyred by the Moslems on the altar steps less than a hundred years ago. Relics of martyrs are in the antiquarium, the linen corporal on which rests the chalice at Mass. You can give one for five dollars.

HANGED

A bishop was once hanged by the Turks in the vestments of the Mass. In reparation, members of the Near East Altar Sodality, the MONICA GUILD, send one dollar a month for vestments. A set costs thirty.

HALF-YOURS

Any chapel you furnish will be half yours. Chapel furnishings cost one hundred and twenty-two dollars.

"OFF I AM!"

"Off I am, Brother Joseph!" said Father Damien, leper priest, when told to rest by his assistant. Please add to our DAMIEN LEPER FUNDS and help poor outcasts.

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