

Prelate Urges German Clergy Aid War Victims

GENEVA (By Wireless-RNS)—Declaring the future may bring "worse things" than before, the Most Rev. Conrad Greber, Archbishop of Freiburg im-Breisgau, Germany, has urged his clergy to increase aid to war victims in the diocese. His instructions were given in a pastoral letter copies of which have just been received here. The pastoral was issued after an Allied bombardment of the frontier towns, located in western Germany.

Archbishop Greber had been reported killed in an air attack, but it was later learned that, ignoring his own safety, he had gone from house to house distributing the sacraments and ministering to the dying.

The archbishop instructed priests to minister to refugees now being housed in religious centers in Freiburg and elsewhere, by holding special services for them, making arrangements for the religious education of children, and giving aid to the sick and aged.

Showing particular concern for the spiritual welfare of evacuated children, Msgr. Greber, obviously referring to Nazi youth indoctrination, said:

"The middle of such a terrible war is no time to replace religious conceptions by new worldly views, thus raising opposition between parents and children and weakening the strength of the people. Unfortunate experiences make me fear that their religious and moral life will not be as well cared for as Holy Church and their parents' consciences would desire. Everything should be avoided which might injure children in regard to holy things. There is no blessing for a people which fails to value or deserves children of those American forces which alone can assure healthy growth of character."

Nobleman on Deathbed Appeals to Churchill

LONDON (NC) — In an exchange of letters between Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Lord Alfred Douglas, a convert to the Faith, who is critically ill, Mr. Churchill declared that Great Britain "shall not depart in any way from our resolve that independence, domestic freedom and full sovereignty of the Polish State will be preserved."

This declaration was made by Mr. Churchill in answer to a letter from Lord Douglas as follows: "I write from what is probably my death-bed. I was given Extreme Unction three days ago. I am writing as a dying man to implore you . . . not to fall into the pit of dis-honor which would be the result of the betrayal of Poland . . . I am too ill to write more, but I beg you to consider that if you let down the Poles, your own reputation, which is now at the highest peak, will be irretrievably damaged in the eyes of posterity."

Mr. Churchill replied: "You may be sure that we shall not depart in any way from our resolve that independence, domestic freedom and full sovereignty of the Polish State will be preserved. I cannot, however, agree that the frontiers should not be adjusted provided that Poland has a secure home and resting place, fully adequate to the enormous needs of her population."

Lock of Chaplains in Wehrmacht Decried By German Bishop

NEW YORK (NC) — A lock of hair was given to a collection of the German army and navy by the commandant of the prison camp in which the Rev. Joseph Lippert, 35, a German Catholic, was held captive. Father Lippert, who was captured by British troops while serving as a chaplain to the German forces, was released by the Germans in December.

The German commandant, who gave the hair to Father Lippert, was identified as Capt. Karl Schmid, 35, a former member of the Hitler Youth.

Syracuse Leaders Call For Postponement of Conscription Action

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The Most Rev. Walter A. Flanagan, Bishop of Syracuse, last week joined Protestant leaders of that city in issuing a joint statement calling for postponement of action on post-war military conscription until after the war.

While expressing " hearty accord" with the purpose of achieving the security of the country in the post-war world, the statement enumerated three reasons why action on compulsory military training should be deferred.

1. The proposal calls for a revolutionary change in our traditional American policy. It requires patient, stabilized and dispassionate study. War-time does not provide the need for such study.

2. Hasty decisions is not necessary. An extension of the present Selective Service Act will provide the procedure for securing military personnel for the present war and the immediate post-war world. If any early decision were made, our men and women now fighting on the battlefields of the world

for democracy and human freedom would be excluded from any effective participation in this momentous decision.

3. We cannot know at the present time what the post-war world will require in military terms. A world organization may be set up achieving an aim of the United Nations, as defined in the Atlantic Charter, to establish a permanent system of general security and encourage all other practicable measures which will lighten for peace-loving people the crushing burden of armaments.

Bishop Flanigan's signature on the statement included:

Dr. W. Earl Ladd, resident bishop of the Methodist Church; the Rt. Rev. Malcolm E. Poobody, bishop of the Episcopal Diocesan Council of Churches; and Dr. F. Crawford, vice-chancellor of Syracuse University.

Sodality Directors Urge Church's Cooperation with Government on G.I.

ST. LOUIS (RNS)—Looking forward to the postwar period, 40 delegates to the seventh annual conference of diocesan, deanery, and Sodality Union directors, agreed here that the Church's co-operation with established government agencies will speed the rehabilitation of young people in the democratic conduct of their societies, realizing that this is training in the American way of life."

They were urged by a St. Louis priest, Lt. Col. William F. Mulcahy, of the Chaplain's Corps, to read the G. I. Bill of Rights as

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turning veterans. He asked that they be treated as normal young men, and predicted that those more seriously incapacitated would not offer as serious a problem as others, since they already had been called upon to make their readjustments as hospital patients.

Opening the three-day session the Rev. Daniel A. Ford, S.J., editor and author, declared that returning service men will need the inspiration of religion and a "practical Christian attitude toward life, without which the winning of the war will mean no victory." Religion had taken a new grip on the world, he said. "It is a religion which moves one individual soul by working for the happiness of all mankind, and accepts responsibility for others."

Father Ford told the parish of the future "will be concerned with the 'common' soldier. Men, but also with their welfare and economic standing, the type of job and home they have."

"It will build more and more credit unions," he added, "and foster cooperatives. It will train

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"The Chinese communists," the editorial comments, "break their solemn pledges. They seized over-million soldiers, confiscated the people's wheat, and kidnapped innocent citizens and demanded high ransoms for them. They appointed anti-communist officers, chased the government of Hsiao Province, General Li Chung-Lin, and the governor of Shantung Province, Admiral Shen Hsueh-lin, from their respective posts.

"They attacked the government troops and harassed the government garrisons. They harassed the guerrilla forces of Madame Chou (who is known as the 'Mother of Guerrillas') and now her son, Colonel Chou Tung. If today there are corruptions in China, there certainly are arch-corruptionists there too."

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Abbot Found Alive Amid Ruins on Monte Cassino

ROME (NC) — A visitor to the ruined Abbey of Monte Cassino reports finding the Abbot, Msgr. Rev. Edmundo Ropponi living there in two small rooms on the second floor of a partly demolished house. The roof was damaged, he reports, and the room was uninhabited. The Abbot expressed his determination to rebuild the famous monastery.

Famed Fordham 'Earthquake Priest' Is Not Fooled by Stamping Spiders

NEW YORK (NC)—The Rev. John Joseph Lynch, S.J., known to the public as the "earthquake priest," is the subject of a story by Mayor Fiorello La Guardia.

The 55-year-old Frenchman, Lynch has been a member of the Fordham University faculty for the past forty-five years and his reputation as a teacher of a

seismologist received by New York's religious leaders, Michael Murphy, a brewery executive, "was somewhat the same passing of a golden era," concluded

Fordham, who noted that during the past year he had been asked

Prelate Blams Bad Education For Causing War

NEW YORK (NC)—And education is largely responsible for the war, the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, declared at the blessing and dedication of the City Hall Division of Fordham University.

The Archbishop spoke at St. Mary Hall, the school division of the City Hall Division of Fordham University. It has been converted from an office building to its present use and houses the School of Adult Education.

Archbishop Spellman expressed the hope that Fordham will become "an arsenal of education" and gave assurance of his fervent prayers. He also presented \$1,000 to the School of Adult Education calling the gift "something for the baby's stocking." The school is only a year old.

"I wish Fordham will be its mission and hope those who come here will learn the truth that man must free and keep them free and walking in the pathway that leads to peace on this earth as well as in peace with God," Archbishop Spellman said. "As the Bishop of our country stated, last November, this war can be traced in large part to bad education. Good education would have taught democracy. Charity, freedom and God-like living within the scope of the Ten Commandments and the natural law."

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St. Patrick's Shrine Drive Nets \$30,000

NEW YORK (NC)—Patriot's parish has completed a War Bond Drive which has added \$100,000 to the building fund for the proposed Memorial Shrine of St. Patrick. It has been commanded here by the Rev. Francis G. Dugan, pastor.

The contributions, which included gifts from many non-Catholics, were received from all parts of the country.

Air Raids Reported Forcing Papal Delegation from Tokyo

NEW YORK (NC)—The Rev. Francis G. Dugan, pastor of St. Patrick's Shrine, said "Missions from the Vatican" had been on report and members of the "missions" were seen in Tokyo, the capital of Japan, the seat of the Japanese government.

The delegation, headed by Cardinal

Giuseppe Siri, Apostolic Delegate,

had been sent to Tokyo by Pope

Pius XII to represent the

Vatican in the Far East.

Cardinal Siri was reported

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