

VOTING TIME IN FREED COUNTRIES



When for the first time in history, Italy permitted women to vote in its recent elections (left photo), men were among those who exercised this right. In the first free election in Germany in thirteen years (right photo), men were among those at the polls. This picture was taken in Erbach on the Rhine, when 1,243 Hessian townships held an election. (NC Photos)

Papal Envoy to Britain Warns on 'Formulas'

London—(NC)—Going beyond questions of frontiers and systems of government the struggle "that is about to begin after this most devastating war" centers around "the dignity and rights of a human person," Archbishop William Godfrey, Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain, declared in an address at a meeting of the Catechist Association, a Catholic professional men's group.

The Apostolic Delegate arrived at the meeting directly from attending a session of the United Nations General Assembly. He expressed the hope that "the

Vicar" will be identical "with the ideals and doctrines which are taught by those in whose hands are placed the destinies of men."

But the Archbishop gave a stern warning: "We must not be deceived by high-sounding phrases which conceal ugly things," he said. "A very dangerous situation arises when important people meet in conference and agree only in formulas while differing pro-

foundly in the meaning of the words they have used. It seems to me that that is the peril of the present situation."

"If unpalatable things are withheld from the public," he continued, "if their knowledge is dependent on the guidance of the few who are intent upon putting forth their own particular point of view, publishing this suppression that there can be no democ-

cracy worthy of the name. I ask you all to pray and hope that we may not proclaim lofty ideals in the time of danger only to abandon them when the danger has passed."

"It would seem," the Archbishop said, "that some people hope that the Christian ethic can be maintained even though its basis be withdrawn. That is obviously impossible. Take away the foundation and the fabric falls. We often hear it said that the great object of the endeavors of statesmen at the present time must be to raise the standard of living. If we take a purely materialistic view, such endeavor if brought to fruition will certainly not bring happiness to mankind."

"By all means let us work to raise the standard of living but at the same time let us work also to raise the moral standard. If the latter is wanting, no true happiness can be found."

Relief Scheduled For German Needy

Berlin—(NC)—Two thousand tons of food, clothing and medical supplies will be extended monthly to the German civilian population through their own welfare organizations.

This was disclosed by the American Council of Voluntary Agencies, which just has completed negotiations for the distribution with Gen. Lucian D. Clay, Deputy Military Governor of Germany. The Rev. James Hoban, of War Relief Services National Catholic Welfare Conference, who took a prominent role in these negotiations, has left for Paris, enroute to the United States, where he will help complete arrangements for the first shipments to go out as soon as possible.

Delegates to Egypt Received Home—(RNS)—Mgr. Arthur Hughes, Apostolic Delegate to Egypt, was received in audience by Pope Pius XII prior to returning to Cairo after a brief visit here. He informed the Pope that 30,000 former Italian war prisoners are still in Egypt but that he expects they will soon be

Spain Religious Rebirth Seen

Washington—(NC)—A "splendid religious and social rebirth" is taking place in Spain, showing itself in direct action for the benefit of the people and in preparing leaders in the various fields of Catholic Action, said Bishop Juan Herras, Auxiliary of Valencia, Spain, who is visiting this country after attending the second Inter-American Seminar of Social Studies at Havana, Cuba.

Spain's Catholic youth in particular, Bishop Herras said, is filled with eagerness to live up to the best traditions of their country and to make it a source of spiritual strength for the Christian world. While many ignore the efforts made by the Church in Spain, the Bishop remarked, the spiritual force animating Spain's national reconstruction is a guaranty for the establishment of a proper social order.

Spain is, therefore, justified in asking respect for her autonomy and her right to self-government "unimpeded by foreign influences which try to curtail the religious awakening of the people," the Bishop said.

Know It!

(Answers on page 16)

If you answer all five, you're perfect; three or four, good; if only one or two, not so good.

1. Is the following Communion verse read at a nuptial or a requiem Mass? "Behold, thus shall every man be blessed that fear-eth the Lord; and mayest thou see thy children's children: peace be upon Israel" (Ps. 127, 4).

2. The following lists of Saints and the occupations of which they are patrons are a bit mixed up. Straighten this out by placing the occupation against the name of the right Saint:

St. Agatha — — musicians
St. Anne — — dentists
St. Cecilia — — housewives
St. Martha — — nurses
St. Appollonia — — cooks

3. Was the burning bush in the desert, signifying the Divine Presence, seen by: (a) Abraham, (b) Jacob, or (c) Moses?

4. Who were the two young men in the Old Testament with long hair figured to their misfortune and death?

5. What event in the Gospel is associated with the following animals: (a) a herd of swine; (b) an ass and his colt; (c) a pair of pigeons or turtle doves?

Philippine Loss Bill Criticized

Washington—(NC)—The Philippine Rehabilitation Bill now in the hands of the House Insular Affairs committee is "not entirely satisfactory" to the Catholic Welfare Organization, the official agency of the Bishops of the Philippine Islands. William E. Montavon, director of the Legal Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, has written C. Jasper Bell, committee chairman:

Mr. Montavon stated that the N.C.W.C. has been designated to represent the C.W.O. and asked an opportunity to present its views on the measure, which has been passed by the Senate.

Under the property reimbursement provisions of the bill, a total of only \$3,000,000, out of an expenditure which Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio estimates

may run to \$40,000,000, is set aside to aid in restoring church property, other than schools and hospitals. Claims of private property owners are not limited, and will be paid up to 75 per cent of the total loss, if allowed.

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