

On Guard!

By Rev. Patrick J. Flynn
Fifty-four leading Protestant clergymen of New York State have signed a statement endorsing legalized 'mercy death'...

There is no longer anything unusual about Protestant ministers signing statements for the public press. At least, we are no longer surprised when they sign public protests or attacks against General Franco...

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Apart from Christian principles, mercy-killing is very impractical in a world where society depends upon mutual trust and sacrifice. Professor H. E. Cory brings this out in his book 'The Emancipation of a Freethinker'...

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Huge Holy Name Rally Crowd Due

The greatest outpouring of our Catholic laity in the history of Rochester diocese is expected Sunday afternoon at Rochester's Red Wing Stadium when at 2:30 p. m. will be opened the first post-war rally of Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union.

With His Excellency, Bishop Kearney presiding, Holy Name members from the 114 parishes in the diocese, youths from the Catholic High Schools, fraternal groups and many spectators will participate in a program hitherto unattempted in this diocese. No seats will be reserved after the starting time of 2:30 p. m. but late comers will be provided seats as far as possible.

For the mercy-killers and their Protestant clerical supporters, a good death means nothing more than a death which will release some incurable from long suffering. This is, definitely, not the traditional Christian idea of a good death. The mercy-killers are captured about the meaning of words as well as the meaning of man and, as a result, the word 'euthanasia' like 'mercy' and other good Greek words, has become a casualty of the dictionary. Many politicians, writers and ignorant of the meaning of democracy, but it is disappointing to discover that some Protestant ministers have forgotten the true meaning of euthanasia. And when they advocate putting men out of their misery in this same manner in which we shoot injured horses and chloroform mad dogs, we are led to suspect that these ministers have not only forgotten the dictionary of the Greeks but also the Gospel of Christ.

In their public statement, the Protestant ministers maintain that 'voluntary euthanasia' should not be regarded as contrary to the teachings of Christ or to the principles of Christianity. We are unable to learn how the ministers explain this sensational statement, but we wonder if they have forgotten their Christ who called men to eternal life from a cross and welcomed them with outstretched hands, planned 'Jag' with nails? What about the historic conviction of the Christian world which sees in human suffering an opportunity for men to share in Christ's redemptive work of saving souls? What about the Christian belief that suffering can be made valuable to man if he patiently accepts it as a chance to make atonement or reparation for sin? Again, what about the solid Christian doctrine which insists upon God's absolute authority over man's life and death, and forbids a man to take human life even his own? When the Protestant ministers talk about 'voluntary euthanasia' they are actually approving what amounts to 'suicide by proxy'. The fact that they ignore the historic convictions of Christian people indicates that these ministers have wandered far away from the true Faith and spirit of Christ.

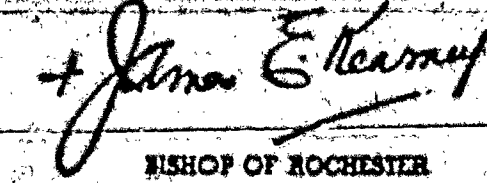
Bp. Kearney Accepts Fraternity Bid
Boston — One of the largest assemblies of Catholic dignitaries in this country's recent history will gather in Boston for the eighth national Congress of the Fraternity of Christian Doctrine. It is expected that 100 members of the hierarchy from all sections of the Western Hemisphere will be here for the sessions, which are scheduled for October 22 to 29.

A Rally Call From Our Bishop

My dear People: This Sunday afternoon, October 7, in celebration of the feast of the Holy Rosary, the Holy Name Society of this diocese will conduct a public service in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, at the Red Wing Stadium in Rochester. This tribute to Our Lady will have a two-fold intention. It is first a public act of thanksgiving to her for her powerful intercession which was a source of hope and encouragement to so many of our fighting men in the recent conflict.

It is also a public prayer to solicit her intercession before the throne of her Divine Son for the restoration and preservation of peace and justice in the world. The present crisis in world affairs has been described again and again in terms of Christ or Christ, God or man, Religion or the end of civilization. It is our conviction, founded on the history of the past and especially vivid to our minds on the feast of the Holy Rosary, that in times such as these the intercession of Our Lady is a shining ray of hope in a clouded world.

May I invite you to this public manifestation of our devotion to Our Lady and our confidence in her help. We shall assemble in the name of her Son, Jesus. He has secured us that wherever two or three shall be gathered together in His name, there shall He be in their midst. His promise gives us high hope for the blessings that will come to our diocese through this great public prayer on Sunday afternoon.



BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

Prelate Denies Charge U. S. Asked To Intervene

Breaks Silence



LOUIS F. BUDENZ

BUDENZ TO BARE RED SECRETS IN ROCHESTER TALK
Special To Courier Journal
New York — A Rochester, N. Y., audience will be one of the first in the nation to hear Louis Francis Budenz brook his year of self-imposed exile and reveal the secret aims of Communism.

The former editor of "The Daily Worker" and national committee of the Communist Party scheduled to speak in Rochester on Sunday evening, October 20 at 8:15 p. m. in the Columbus Auditorium under the auspices of the Courier-Journal, official newspaper of the Rochester Diocese.

Since he reentered the Church under the guidance of Magr. Fulton J. Sheen just a year ago, Budenz has unwaveringly repudiated from any public statements. He served on the faculty of Notre Dame University and is now on the staff at Fordham University.

As editor of the Communist Party of the United States' official newspaper, "The Daily Worker," and national committee of the Communist Party, Budenz has had access to top Communist secrets which he is expected to reveal in the course of his Rochester talk.

Card. Stritch Sees Blow at Church

WASHINGTON (NC)—Bishop hopes that the Government of the United States would protect and use its influence in behalf of Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac of Zagreb and other victims of persecution in Yugoslavia was expressed in a statement issued here by His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago and Chairman of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

The full text of the statement by Cardinal Stritch follows: "It is a sordid record of infidelity, tyranny and despotism, the type which in Yugoslavia, in the arrest and trial of Archbishop Stepinac of Zagreb, has revealed to the world."

Card. Stritch Asks U. S. To Admit DPs
Chicago — (RNS) — Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, urged here that Congress change immigration legislation to permit entry into the United States of larger numbers of Europe's displaced persons, without any racial or religious discrimination.

Confessional Charge False, Author Admits

Honolulu — (Cable, NC) — Lieut. George Ray Tweed, Navy officer who aided the Japanese on Guam for 31 months, admitted in an interview here that the section of his book which charged a Catholic priest had supported him by violating the seal of Confession is not true.

PONTIFF CITES VATICAN POLICY TO CURB WARS

Rome — (RNS) — In an appeal obviously directed against Communist influence in Italy, Pope Pius urged Italian Catholics to "remain loyal to God" and defend "sound principles and human dignity." He spoke at an audience at Castel Gandolfo to delegates of the National Association of Italian Christian Workers.

Calling on workers to be loyal to the Catholic Church, Pope Pius asserted that events of the past seven years have contradicted the "innumerable falsehoods" that have been propagated against the Church and the Pope, chiefly among the working classes.

Farley Backs Vatican Against Communism

Boston — (RNS) — James Farley, former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, declared here he supports the "Falciano" policy against Communism one hundred per cent. He made the statement during a press interview following an audience with Pope Pius XII.

Auxiliary is Held; Priest Toll Hits 32

Geneva, Switzerland — (NC) — The 74-year-old Auxiliary to Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac, and Vice General of the Archdiocese of Zagreb, has been arrested by Yugoslav police on September 28, according to a report of unauthenticated nationality that has been received here.

The report also said that the Rev. Paul Bedonic was arrested by communists on September 11 in the town of Opatovac in the Archdiocese of Zagreb. The report further stated that the Rev. Bedonic was arrested because of his alleged activities in the town of Opatovac.

According to a news dispatch received from Zagreb, the Rev. Alojzije Vukobratovic, vicar general of the parish of St. John, was arrested on September 5 after a brief stay in the town of Opatovac.

715 MORE PUPILS IN OUR SCHOOLS

Well over one third of the 50,000 children receiving elementary and secondary education in Rochester City in Catholic Schools, the Rev. Dr. Charles J. Mahoney, superintendent of Catholic Schools, Diocese of Rochester, stated today following the tabulation of the annual October school census.

German Cardinal Visits England

London — (NC) — His Eminence Josef Cardinal Frings, Archbishop of Cologne, has arrived here for a visit to England, repaying the visit made to Germany shortly after war's end by His Eminence Bernard Cardinal Griffin, Archbishop of Westminster.

Abp. Stepinac Get Death Sentence

ZAGREB, Yugoslavia — An official Yugoslav newspaper today announced that the Supreme Court has sentenced to death Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac and 10 other bishops for their alleged collaboration with the enemy during the war.

The court also sentenced to death several other clerics and laymen. Archbishop Stepinac was sentenced to death by a Yugoslav court after a trial that lasted for several months.

Archbishop Stepinac was arrested by Yugoslav police on September 28, 1945, and held in custody for several months before being brought to trial. He was charged with collaboration with the enemy and other offenses.

The court's decision is part of a series of trials of Yugoslav clergy and laymen for alleged collaboration with the enemy during the war. The Yugoslav government has been accused of persecuting the Catholic Church and other religious groups.

Goldstein Gets \$1,000 Award

DAVID Goldstein, convert, and his wife, who have been in the United States for several years, were awarded a \$1,000 award for their work in the relief of Jewish refugees during the war.

Jews Repudiate Anti-Semitism Drive of 'Protestant' Magazine

New York — (NC) — The campaign for funds to combat anti-Semitism by Kenneth Leslie and publishers of the Protestant magazine has been repudiated by six of the outstanding Jewish organizations in the United States.

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