[illegible] "Family Theater" ... Prime mover of the "Family Theater" is the Rev. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., founder of the Family Rosary Crusade, who has been enlisting the stars of screen and radio to donate their talents in dramatizations of the power of prayer to save both individuals and nations.

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Two Bishops, Priests Held by Chinese Reds

Peiping — (NC) — Although Chinese public opinion now is notably favorable to the Catholic Church, two Bishops along with a number of priests, Brothers and nuns, both Chinese and foreigners, still are being held prisoners by communists in north and northeast China.

Bishop Ignatius Krause, a Polish Vicariate of Shuntehfu in Hopei Province, with six Polish, one Chinese priest, one Chinese brother, one Polish Sister, and three Chinese Sisters, were seized by communists on December 4 and, according to last reports, still are being held captives.

Two priests and a Brother were ill treated and rendered unconscious, an incident which evoked a protest from the Polish charge d'affaires in Nanking to communist representatives. Ten days later there still has been no reply from Yenan.

Latest reports indicate that another Bishop along with a number of priests, Brothers and nuns were being held prisoners under circumstances of great hardship in the Yenki district of Manchuria.

It is known that several embassies which took up cases of missionaries, both Catholic and Protestant, who had been ill treated by communists, have met with unsatisfactory experiences, similar to that of the Polish government representative.

Some seven weeks ago, an official investigation was promised by the communists of reported cases in violation of religious freedom, but no reply yet has been received, despite repeated requests for action.

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World-Wide Pilgrimage To Fatima Set for May

Lisbon — (NC) — An international Catholic girl's pilgrimage to the Shrine at Fatima, which will include pilgrims from Spain, England, Ireland, France, Belgium, Holland, Poland, Switzerland, Italy, the United States, the South American Nations, Africa and the Orient, will take place from May 3 to 6.

Plans are bing discussed by the Bishop of Leiria and the Government for the town planning of Fatima, to improve the roads approaching the Sanctuary, to rebuild existing buildings, but to keep Fatima much the same as it was when the Blessed Virgin appeared in 1917.

BEARER OF GLAD TIDINGS

J. Stanley Smith, of Philadelphia, rings a bell which is a sister bell of the famed Liberty Bell on the occasion of ground breaking exercises at Villanova College for a $1,200,000 building program. Mr. Smith, a member of the board of trustees and the oldest living alumnus, graduated in 1882. The bell was made in England and was recast in 1847. For 70 years it was used to call students to class at Villanova. It was formerly in the State House, Philadelphia, and was rung at the signing of the Declaration of Independence. (NC Photos)

World Youth Group Seen Red Front Unit

Amsterdam — (NC) — Feverish activity is being carried on throughout Europe to swell the ranks of the delegates to the "Festival of Youth" to be held this summer at Prague under the auspices of the World Federation of Democratic Youth.

However, the impression is dominant here that the term "democratic" is merely a camouflage; that this federation does not represent truly free youth, and that its statutes do not express the real character of the organization. Formed in London in 1945 and with headquarters in Paris, this new federation appears to many observers as merely the rebirth of one of the popular fronts of the prewar comintern.

These are questions which puzzled the head of one prominent youth organization: "What youth groups are represented by the FMID delegates? Are they leaders of a regular organization and are they democratically elected by the members?"

A look at the first list of the members of the FMID council shows that they practically all come from leftist-dominated countries. They are delegates from the U.S.S.R., Yugoslavia, the Soviet Republics of the Ukraine, Latvia, Esthonia, Byelo-Russia, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Czechoslovakia, Finland, Mexico, Mongolia, and the Spanish Red Government.

It is also interesting to note that the delegate from Mongolia resides in Moscow and the Gold Coast, Africa, representative did reside there for many yars. The FMID representatives of China, South Africa, Burma, India, Iran and Egypt reside in England; the delegate from Indonesia lives in Amsterdam, the one from Ecuador in New York, while the delegate from Ceylon seems unknown in his country.

The activities of the executive council at its meeting in Paris last May also give rise to the suspicion that the federation is but a sounding board for red propaganda.

Washington — (NC)—Numerous reports received from American observers abroad by the Rev. Charles Bermingham, director, Youth Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference here, confirm the strength and activity of the World Federation of Democratic Youth (FMID).

He pointed out that youth leaders in America are looking at this new organization with divergent views. One group, recognizing its preponderant Communist control, he said, feels that American participation would give the federation more truly democratic tendencies. Other youth leaders regard it as a definite Communist front organization in which participation would prove futile and even harmful.

LaFollette Sees Reds in Key U.S. Jobs

New York — (NC) — Important revelations of the extent to which communists and fellow-travelers had penetrated into key federal government positions in recent years is contained in an article by former Senator Robert M. LaFollette Jr., of Wisconsin, published in Collier's Weekly here.

"I know from first hand experience that communist sympathizers have infiltrated into committee staffs on Capitol Hill in Washington," writes the former Senator, who has been noted for his progressive views on social welfare and labor legislation. His article is entitled "Turn the Light on Communism."

He refers to his experience with the staff of the Pepper Subcommittee on Wartime Health and Education, of which he was a member, and with the staffs of other Senate committees and subcommittees. He writes that he "was forced to take measures to stamp out influences" in the civil liberties group and resigned from the Pepper subcommittee because he didn't want to be associated with its program.

Proof Difficult

"The difficulties of proving disloyalty charges are great," he explains, "and the civil rights of employes must be protected from witch hunts. It is clear, however, that the government has not made very serious efforts to investigate questionable employes. In 1945, when the civil service 'suitability' investigations were at a peak, only about one out of every 25 placements was checked."

Fellow travelers on committee staffs have illicitly used committee files and private documents of committees to their own advantage, the former Senator declares. They give out this information to their friends as a "private sying system against their enemies, as an advance tipoff of committee thinking, or as a means of bringing pressure to bear where it might effect a desired course of action."

"On several occasions," he points out, "I have had the revealing experience of receiving prompt protests and advice from strange and remote sources the day after I had voiced anti-communist sentiments or voted contrary to the prevailing communist party line in executive sessions that were wholly unreported in the press. Such reactions could not occur without an effective grapevine."

Fellow Travelers Blamed

It is not the avowed communists who are the most menace to democracy, Mr LaFollette declares, it is the fellow travelers, who are difficult to classify, who are dangerous. In this regard, he says that "actions are more reliable detectors of the real purposes of these people, rather than verbal protestations or official labels.

"Suppression is no answer to these tactics," he writes.

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LABOR LAWS SEEN PERIL TO UNIONS

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dustry-wide collective bargaining as an attempt to chop up the trade union movement into small and ineffective groups.

"It is inconsistent," he said, "for large corporations with monopolistic power to chop up trade unionism into small groups and to ask those groups to bargain without any help."

Father Higgins revealed that privately employers are as much opposed as labor unions to the attempt to outlaw industry wide bargaining. "Employers - know that industry wide bargaining is a protection against cutthroat competition," he said, "and to change this is to take a long step backward."

As a conclusion Father Higgins urged management to admit labor to a partnership for dealing with the problems of industry such as production and the question of wages and prices.

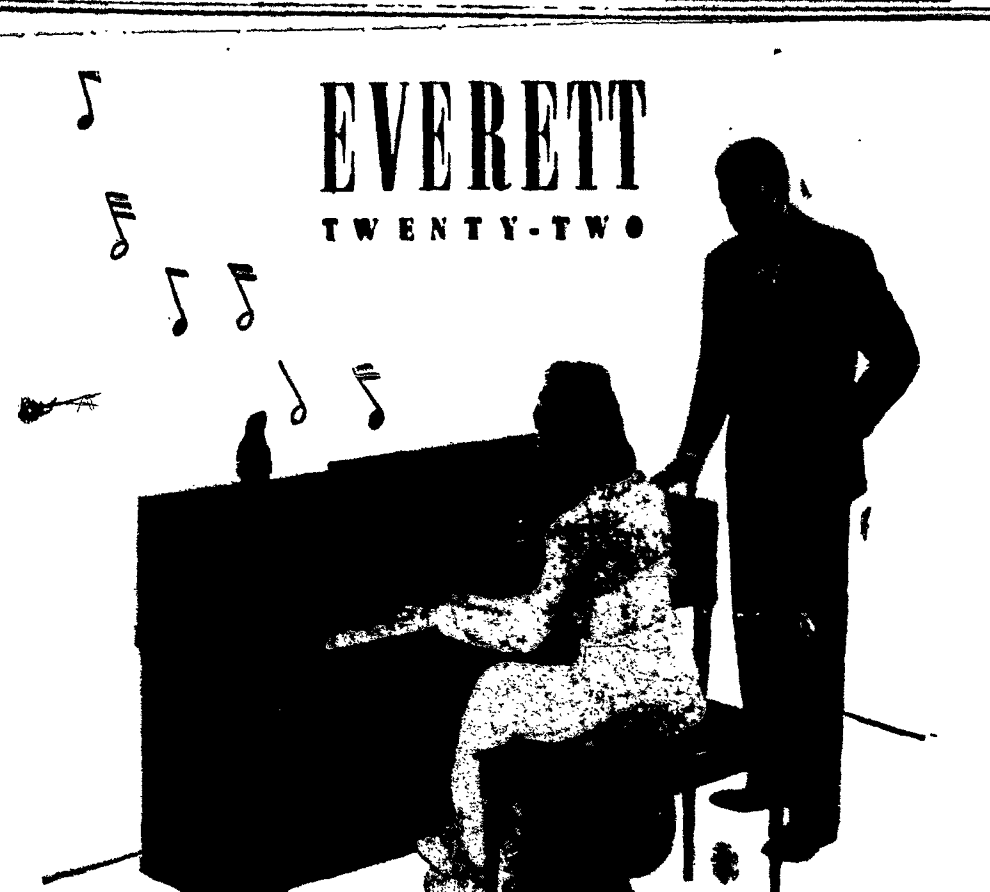
Real Problem Economic

"Our real problem is economic. It concerns the question of the distribution of goods and the necessity of striking a balance between wages and prices. Unless we find a way to balance profits and prices all labor legislation is merely salve on an open wound," Father Higgins said.

The Rev. John S. Randall, retiring chairman of the Religion and Labor Council, acted as chairman of the meeting and introduced Father Higgins.

The Rev. Mr. Alfred Wangman was elected to succeed Father Randall as chairman of the Council. The Rev. Patrick J. Flynn was elected vice-chairman and Elmer Louis was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

The following were elected members of the executive committee: Father Randall, John Cooper, Rabbi Leon Stitskin and Anthony Capone.



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