

BISHOP'S APPEAL TO HELP YOUR DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER TAKE A VITAL STEP FORWARD

My dear Friends:

The Catholic Courier Journal has for some time been concerned with better printing facilities. It has been faced with the possibility of finding no local press interested in continuing to do its work.

In this precarious situation, it was decided to purchase a fine press available at a most attractive figure and set it up in a printing plant where the entire administration

of the paper could be housed and where every step of production could be under one roof.

By accepting contracts for other work, the paper would have an income which would enable it to function in a better way than the "hand to mouth" existence which has weakened it through the years.

We must have a Catholic diocesan paper. We can be sure of it permanently only if we will pay the price. The purchase of a building at \$50,000 and a press at \$20,000, together that price—\$70,000.

I feel that the people of the diocese will support me in this tremendous undertaking. I believe the courage of our priests in the publication who are willing to attempt and carry this purpose through.

I do not want to put the diocese into debt as we must know what the next few years may mean. May I then ask you to give me a generous gift to establish firmly our diocesan paper.

A donation at least as large as your Seminary offering will enable your parish to meet its share of this large

task. We shall then have a chance to develop and improve a publication worthy of your diocese and understood by the greatest weight of heavy mortuary payments every few months.

Praying that God may bless you for your willingness to lighten one of your Bishop's burdens, I am with you in full blessing.

Your devoted shepherd in Christ,
+ JAMES E. KEANEY,
Bishop of Rochester.

Bishop's Statement

The full text of Bishop Keane's statement at the November Club Convention at Rochester appears on Page 5.

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Fighting the Reds
Social Justice
What Did Plus XI Say?
By REV. P. J. FLYNN

We are all fighting Communism — today it is very popular to denounce the Red Peril but we are not doing so well.

The glaring weakness of our efforts to resist the spread of Communism lies in the fact that we are too negative about it.

We rant and rave and even grow hysterical in denouncing Communists but it is most doubtful that such a strategy is going to stop them. Too many Americans, including too many Catholics, vainly believe that they can hurt back the wave of Red Terrorism simply through investigations, exposures and speeches against Mr. Stalin and his Red comrades. This is a mistake.

It is particularly Catholics that the only effective method of combating Communism is to remove the social conditions which breed it.

Communism, had housing, high prices, poverty, fear of losing one's job, unfair wages, these are the social factors which provide the fertile soil from which the Communists reap their harvest of converts.

It is futile for us of us to expect that we can overthrow Communism by denunciations, investigations and at the same time remain blind to social conditions existing in our own communities.

Low cost houses for our American workers and American veterans would do more to dispel the danger of Communism in this country at least than all the exposures of Communism which may be published by such groups as the Chamber of Commerce or the Hearst Press.

The weakness of our opposition to Communism is revealed by these Americans, and again we must include many Catholics, who speak so patriotically of the Church's fight against Communism and in the very next breath condemn as socialist and communistic the very social principles which the Church so proudly champions—the God-given right of workers to organize into trade unions and the duty of government to interfere when private enterprise fails to provide for the workers social right to a decent home, an income adequate to the needs of his family, and job security.

It is scandalous and a great blow to the Communist cause to see Catholics resisting the right of workers to form trade unions. It is shameful and also a source of aid to Communist propaganda to see Catholics, for political or selfish motives, openly fighting and obstructing government whenever it attempts to exercise its moral duty in behalf of its people.

Whenever private enterprise fails or is unable to provide for the needs of the people, housing, social insurance, workers rights, sufficient family income etc. then the government is morally bound to step in and do something.

Catholics should be able to see this just as clearly as the Communists. To label as Communist every effort of government to provide social progress is to pay the Communists an unwarranted compliment.

Let's denounce Communism. Let's expose its wiles agents. Those things we should do. But this is not enough. We must do more. Sincere and effective opponents of Communism must be constructive as well as negative. We can defeat Red Terrorism when we are able to fight FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE with the same energy as we fight AGAINST COMMUNISM. Catholics everywhere must become as devoted to "the SOCIAL APOSTOLATE" as Pope Plus XI said it to be the work of gaining social improvements which will rebound to the benefit of society as a whole and not just to some privileged few or special class.

Pope Plus XI, long before (Turn to Page 5)

Msgr. Sheen Denies Psychiatry Attack

New York — Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen in a letter to the editor of the New York Times this week answered public charges that in a sermon in St. Patrick's Cathedral on March 9 he had criticized psychoanalysis as immoral. Msgr. Sheen declared that he had attacked "Freudian psychoanalysis" but not psychoanalysis in general and had described psychiatry as "a perfectly valid science."

Msgr. Sheen revealed that there had been a grave distortion of the sense of his Lenten sermon for the past several months on the part of the medical profession and the public. The sermon was referred to in a letter of resignation by Dr. Frank J. Curran, a Catholic, said he was resigning as chief psychiatrist of St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City, because of the failure of the Archdiocese of New York to clearly or repudiate Msgr. Sheen's reported attack on psychoanalysis.

Shortly after the sermon the New York Psychoanalytic Institute issued an official answer to Msgr. Sheen within recent weeks four eminent Catholic psychiatrists including Dr. Curran, during the convention of the group for the Advancement of Psychiatry, defended their profession against Msgr. Sheen's reported attacks.

Monsignor Sheen claimed that the newspaper reports of his sermon were misquotations and distortions. In the sermon entitled "Psychoanalysis and Confession," Msgr. Sheen said:

"I am not going to speak on psychiatry which is a perfectly valid science dealing with definite types of mental diseases. I am not speaking of psychoanalysis in general, when in its methods has rediscovered on its fringes, the doctrine of original sin. I am speaking only of a particular type of psychoanalysis called Freudianism which is based upon false assumptions, materialism, hedonism, infantile masturbation and infantile incest, and to the extent that it denies sin and would supplant confession."

In explaining the sense of the sermon which caused such a reaction, Msgr. Sheen said, "I did not make a criticism of psychiatry, nor of the psychoanalytic method in general. I have seen many people who are psychiatrists. The point of my criticism is not the science of psychiatry and science but the way in which it is being used as the spokesman of the Church on the subject of psychiatry except to praise it when it remains within the limits of the scientific method in psychiatry. It does not make Freudianism Catholic any more than Catholics in physics make a science bonafide."

I am here to speak on behalf of the Catholic Church and I say that any positive defense of the point of Freudian psychoanalysis is a distortion of the Church's position on the handling of the problems which affect the whole man. My criticism of psychoanalysis as a substitute for the confessional was because it substituted substitution for absolution."

Referring to newspaper stories of his now famous sermon, Msgr. Sheen said "The report in one of the New York papers (Continued on Page 6)

Miraculous Medal Nun Becomes Saint Sunday; Rites Planned Here

By REV. RICHARD J. TOMMY

Sister Catherine Laboure, the French nun who started the Miraculous Medal devotion and a member of the Sisters of Charity, will be named the Church's newest saint on Sunday by Pope Plus XII.

At almost the same hour, 25 Sisters of Charity, fellow members of the new saint's religious community, will assist at a High Mass to be celebrated in her honor in the Chapel of St. Mary's Hospital by Rev. Charles Connell, hospital chaplain.

The canonization has unique local interest because for 90 years the Sisters of Charity have directed St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester's oldest institution.



Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul are pictured in Rochester's St. Mary's Hospital as they prepare for Sunday's ceremonies before a statue of Blessed Catherine Laboure, who will be canonized as the Church's newest saint on Sunday. Sister Catherine is pictured at the left and Sister Teresa at the right. Sister Catherine who received the Miraculous Medal from the Blessed Virgin was a member of the Charity order.

Cincinnati Prelate Gives School Reply

Cincinnati — (NC) — A full statement of facts concerning the controversy in North College Hill, a suburb of Cincinnati, which began when the school board sought to discontinue the contract of Dr. William A. Cook, superintendent of schools, and into which subsequently a religious issue was injected concerning the incorporation of a former parochial school into the public school system, is contained in a letter to pastors by Msgr. Clarence G. Isenmann, chancellor of the Cincinnati archdiocese.

Following resignation of the five-member school board of North College Hill three of whom were Catholics, as a result of the controversy, the schools were placed temporarily under Probate Judge Chase M. Davies, who, acting under a ruling of the Ohio Attorney General, named a new five-member board, four of whom are Protestants and one Catholic.

Judge Davies also reappointed Dr. Cook to serve as superintendent of school for a three-year period and dropped the former parochial school from the public school system.

Commenting on these developments, Msgr. Isenmann remarks that, although a very large number of the people of North College Hill, if not the majority, are Catholics, Judge Davies could find only one Catholic in North College Hill whom he considered "fair."

"In the Judge, as a School Administrator, one of those who think that Catholics should have nothing to say about a public school," he asks.

Msgr. Isenmann also asks why Judge Davies appointed on the school board man who, he charges, "were known to be partisan," and he expresses regret that as school administrator, the Probate Judge "thought it well to tie the hands of the School Board for the next three years by his reappointment of Dr. Cook."

The controversy between Dr. Cook, superintendent of schools, and the school board, however, Msgr. Isenmann states, had nothing whatever to do with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Memorial Mass offered for Archbishop Hanna before the body was taken to Naples where it was put aboard the ship on July 1. It traveled from Rome to Naples in a special railroad car with a corps of Italian guards of honor.

Monsignor Tuzi offered the Mass in Santa Susanna Church, the American church in Rome. Present were their Eminences Pietro Cardinal Fumasoni-Biondi and Giuseppe Cardinal Pizzardo. The absolution was given by Archbishop Luigi Traglia, Vice-Regent of Rome.

After his death, Archbishop Hanna's body was interred temporarily in the crypt beneath the Chapel of the American College. The body will remain aboard the ship while it is in port here.

Two Cardinals, Vatican officials and members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Vatican were present at a

Pope Pledges Aid To Workers; Cites Social Reform Steps

Vatican City — (Radio, NC) — Pope Plus XII gave a three-point guiding principle for all social reform in an address given to the American delegation which is returning from the International Labor Organization convention held in Geneva.

He declared that any movement for social betterment must respect the human dignity of all men, acknowledge the solidarity of all peoples and place the common good above personal gain.

The Holy Father declared that no working man desires to improve himself by trampling on the rights of others and yet, that his desire for independence and security are rightful and that the Church will always defend him against any system that would deny him his "inalienable rights."

It is not the function of the state, he said, but it is the sacred office of religion to reform the spirit of man. The Church's interest, according to the Holy Father, is not to regulate economic life, but to affirm and especially the unchanging principles of morality.

"You have some Gentlemen," he said, "from an important meeting of the International organization which is charged with the duty of improving the condition of the workman. No doubt, you find it a vast and seemingly insuperable task, but it is one which challenges all that is noble in the human heart. We cannot give too great praise to your aims."

"History," he declared, "is witness to the grave concern with which the Church has always treated this question. The Holy Father continued, 'It is not that the Church has any magic date directly to regulate economic life, but the social and economic order cannot be divorced from the moral and it is her privilege and her duty to affirm and to proclaim the unchanging principles of morality. These principles rise above the storm-tossed sea of social controversies as beacons whose piercing light should guide every attempt which is made to bring a cure to social ills.'

"A Rightful Desire" The honest working man does not wish to improve his position by trampling on the liberties of others which should be as sacred to him as his own. But, deep down in his heart, there is the rightful desire for the independent and secure possession of what is necessary to provide for himself and his family a way of life which is in keeping with his dignity and his conscience.

That is why the Church always defends him against any system that would deny his inalienable rights—which derive, not from any civil society, but from his own human personality—and would reduce him to the state of complete subjection to the bureaucratic class holding political power."

"We are sure," he said, "that you gentlemen will agree that any organization for improving the condition of the workman will be a mechanism without a soul and hence without life and fecundity, unless its charter proclaims and effectively prescribes, first, respect for the human person in all men no matter what their social position; secondly, the acknowledgement of the solidarity of all people in forming the human family which has been created by the loving omnipotence of God; and thirdly, the imperative demand on society to place the common good above personal gain, the service of each for all."

"When the spirit of man is reformed and vitalized according to these truths," the Pontiff concluded, "the condition of the workman will be improved. No power of the state will reform the spirit of man. That is the sacred office of religion, and the state whose foundations rest on morality and religion will be the most effective protector and defender of the workman."

"The Pope's blessing on your earnest efforts in this field, and may the noblest grooves descend on you and all those who are dear to you."

Magr. Swanson Gets Relief Post Washington — (NC) — The Very Rev. Magr. Edward E. Swanson, assistant executive director of War Relief Service, National Catholic Welfare Conference, has been appointed the agency's executive director, succeeding Dr. J. J. Connelley, who was succeeded by Archbishop John J. Sheen.

Nicholas, O.P., of Cincinnati, Chairman of the N.C.W.C. Administrative Board.

Monsignor Swanson succeeded the Rev. Magr. Patrick A. O'Leary, whose resignation became effective August 1, 1947. Monsignor O'Leary was recently appointed executive director of the Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of New York.

Quezon's Son Enters Seminary Manila — (NC) — Juan Quezon Jr., son of the late President of the Philippine Commonwealth, has entered the Santa Teresa Central Seminary and has started his course as student for the priesthood. "It is expected that he will complete his studies in seven years."

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Father O'Callahan Assigned to Japan

Boston, NC — The Rev. Joseph T. O'Callahan, S.J., only chaplain in U. S. history to be decorated with the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for bravery, has been assigned to work in connection with the new Jesuit mission for Japan and the Caroline Islands.

Serving as a Navy chaplain, Father O'Callahan was decorated for his heroic action at the time of the bombing of the aircraft carrier USS Franklin, which was set afire by Japanese "suicide" planes about ten miles off the Japanese coast. Before entering the service, Father O'Callahan was chairman of the department of mathematics at the College of the Holy Cross.

Catholic Newspaper Banned in Red Zone Berlin — (NC) — The Soviet military administration has refused an application of the diocesan chancery here to authorize the circulation of "Petra," a diocesan organ of this capital city. In the Russian zone of occupation, the paper thus is officially banned and some six million Catholics are left without a press of their own.

The application had pointed out that "Petra" is a religious organ shunning all political controversy.

Jersey City, N. J. — (NC) — The SS. President Monroe carrying the body of Archbishop Edward G. Hanna of Rochester, N. Y., who died in Rome December 18, 1944, has docked here enroute to San Francisco.

Archbishop Hanna, who at the time of his death had given 55 years to the priesthood, was the first chairman of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, a post he held for 16 years.

He resigned in 1935, the same year he retired as Archbishop of San Francisco. He had served the San Francisco archdiocese first as Auxiliary Bishop from 1912 and then as Archbishop from 1915 until his retirement. Among the first to board the ship were Msgr. James Hughes, Chancellor of the Archdiocese

Archbishop Hanna's Body Arrives in United States

of Newark, representing Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh; Msgr. John O'Donnell, chaplain of the Port of New York, representing His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman; Thomas Mulholland, of the Bureau of Immigration, National Catholic Welfare Conference; and Daniel E. Doan of San Francisco, executive director of the Catholic Film and Radio Guild. They proceeded to the cabin where the Archbishop's body, enclosed in triple coffins lay in state.

There the lay members of the party knelt while Monsignor Egidio Tuzi, pastor of All Souls Church, San Francisco, who had accompanied the body on the 16-day trip from Rome joined the other Monsignors in reading prayers for the repose of Archbishop Hanna's soul.

The outer coffin was covered with a black pall in which was hung a garland of Roman laurel. Four tall candles in brass holders burned at the corners of the coffin which was placed in the center of the cabin. In the course of the voyage the candles burned continuously whenever the ship touched a port and were lighted every evening when the faithful aboard gathered to say the Rosary in the cabin.

According to officials of the line, the ship will remain here until August 1. Then it will follow its regular course to Boston, Cuba and through the Panama Canal to San Francisco where it is scheduled to arrive on August 17.

Two Cardinals, Vatican officials and members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Vatican were present at a