

## Labor Voice in Foreign Economic Policy Asked

Washington (AP) — The C. I. O. insists that American workers be given a voice in the determination of American foreign economic policy. Secretary-Treasurer James H. Callaghan declared before the Labor Relations of the Catholic University of America here.

### LABOR DAY MASSES SET

Masses in churches throughout the country on September 8, Labor Day, will give testimony of the church's concern for the laboring classes and pay tribute to the dignity of human labor.

In New York the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists is sponsoring a Labor Day Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Archbishop J. Francis A. Molloy, Coadjutor of New York, will celebrate the Mass and the sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Thomas J. Sharkey, professor at Catholic College and the College of New Rochelle and director of the New Rochelle Labor School.

In Chicago, workers and representatives of management from all over the city have been invited to assist at the annual Labor Day Mass at Holy Name Cathedral. The Rev. R. A. McManus, director of the Social Action Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, will preach the sermon and the Mass will be celebrated by the Rev. Vincent Moran, pastor of St. Bonaventure's Church there.

At the same time it was announced that the newly organized Catholic Labor Institute of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will sponsor a Labor Day Mass at St. Vincent's Cathedral there. In Columbus, Bishop Michael J. Brady of Columbus will officiate at the Labor Day Mass in St. Joseph's Cathedral there. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. George G. Higgins, assistant director of the NCWC Social Action Department.

### Hawaii Curbs Released-Time

Honolulu (AP) — The policy of curtailing the release of time for religious education programs in Hawaii has been relaxed, according to a statement from the Hawaii Department of Education.

The department announced that it will allow religious groups to use school buildings for religious education programs during the school year, provided that the groups have been approved by the department and that the programs do not interfere with the regular school program.

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## Prepare for Work of Lay Apostolate



At Catholic University of America, over 100 priests, religious and lay persons from all sections of the country participate in the first Conferency of Christian Doctrine Institute, in a six-week summer session. In this photo, the Rev. Michael J. Quinn, of Brooklyn, director of the Institute, helps the Conferency workers to prepare for the great work of the lay apostolate. (AP Photo)

### K. of C. TOOPEN BOSTON MEET

Boston (AP) — Knights of Columbus from every section of the United States, Canada, Mexico and Central America are beginning to arrive in Boston this week for the 55th annual convention, scheduled for Aug. 17 through 21.

The convention will officially open with a Solemn Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on Tuesday, Aug. 18. Bishop Henry J. O'Brien of Hartford will be celebrant, and Bishop Matthew J. Brady of Manchester, N. H., will preach the sermon. Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston will preside.

Highlight of the convention will be the state dinner on Tuesday evening with Archbishop Cushing, Supreme Knight Judge John E. Swift, and Senator Francis J. Myers of Pennsylvania as speakers. State Deputy Joseph J. Francis of Massachusetts, host to the visiting delegates, reports a varied program arranged for the two thousand visitors expected.

### Papal Legate Ends First Tour of China

Shanghai (AP) — "Everywhere the Chinese authorities gave me an official welcome. They voiced grateful appreciation of the welfare work done by the church, especially during the war," said Archbishop Anthony Riberi, apostolic internuncio to China, speaking of his tourneys which, within six months after his arrival, have taken him into nine of China's 18 provinces.

"They praised the missionaries for staying with their people through air raids and other perils," he reported. "They all admire the Holy Father's work for world peace."

Wherever he went, Archbishop Riberi left considerable sums in the name of the Pope for relief of distress, particularly in Yellow River flood areas.

### Social Justice Work of U. S. Church Cited by N. Z. Editor

(The author of the following article is assistant editor of "Zealandia," Catholic weekly published in Auckland, N. Z. She is visiting this country and Canada to report her observations of Catholic life and institutions for her newspaper.)

By MAILORIE HACKETT (Written for NCWC News Service)

The direct contact with American Catholic servicemen, particularly chaplains, during the war years made personal the feeling of kinship which has always existed between the Catholics of Australia and New Zealand and those of North America. Historically, all three countries are young and their development has followed the same broad pattern. Problems unknown to the old world have had to be met and overcome by these younger countries.

It is obvious that in this association America should take the lead. Its vastly greater population and longer history place it in a position where it is competent to give invaluable help and advice to the countries "down under."

A visit to this country reveals two phases of Catholic life, both largely unpublished in Australia and New Zealand, which indicate the example being given by Catholic America in the manner in which it is solving problems of essentially modern development.

Christian Values Watched. To counteract present-day paganism, a spontaneous movement has arisen among the laity who in unselfish and well-organized activities work unceasingly to place first the things of God and, therefore, of the Church.

Prominent writers, men holding important political positions, professional men, successful businessmen, everyday humble workmen—all are ever watchful that Christian values should be observed. They are courageous, these men, and they are unified. This is a movement which has not been directly governed by the Church, and the clergy are more than satisfied to leave the

work entirely in the hands of well-instructed, zealous Catholic laymen.

The second phase, dealing as it does with a movement of worldwide implications, is no less important. That is the manner in which the Church in America is meeting the challenge of purely materialistic forces in the field of labor.

There is no empty condemnation of communism and socialism without the substitution of a positive program which gives the material advantages promised by both these creeds, and at the time preserves spiritual values.

Cities Industrial Conferences. In economic and social spheres throughout the country, constant activity is being so that the principles of social justice will be understood and acted upon by both employer and employee so that each may receive their due and work together in harmonious relations. The Church is ever ready to protect the rights of the wronged or the underprivileged, but she is making sure at the same time that all parties in labor disputes are at least familiar with the principles of Catholic social teaching on which she acts.

Two examples of this work of particular interest to the visitor from "down under" are the Catholic Conferences on Industrial Problems held throughout the country and attended by representatives of both management and labor, and the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists which aims at giving the Catholic Unionists a solid knowledge of the social teaching of their Church.

## Christians Await Status In Free India

Muravillangal, India (AP) —

As India's day of freedom dawns with the establishment of the self-governing dominions of Hindu India and Moslem Pakistan, the future position of the Christian minority is a matter of great interest and puzzlement.

From Madras, a dispatch states that M. Raghunadram, president of the Catholic Union of India, who opposed the partition of the nation into two dominions, envisioned that Christians in both new states must "continue to be alert in the assertion and defense of their rights and liberties."

Frequent declarations by leaders in the India Congress against the idea of permitting conversions from one religion to another have given rise to fears that missionary work might be interfered with by a national government according to a dispatch from New Delhi released by the Fides service. The dispatch adds that with Communism on the increase in India, it can be expected that Communists will throw their support toward any anti-religious campaign.

Federation Formed. An All-Indian Federation has been organized in the native state of Cochin, says word from Ernakulam, for the purpose of protecting the rights and liberties of Christians within the state.

At the organization meeting, the report said, Catholics of the Latin and Syrian rites, Jacobite schismatics and Protestants were represented.

A resolution protesting the policy of state monopoly in the field of education and demanding facilities for imparting religious instructions in all public schools was adopted at a meeting of Muslims of the Travancore State. It was reported from Alleppey. Another resolution demanded Muslims be exempt from the provisions of civil marriage in force in some states and provinces of India.

With the appointment of Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, as ambassador to Russia, a report from New Delhi asserts that Sir C. P. Ramaswami Ayer, Dewan of Travancore, declared that the move will facilitate the spread of Communist principles and tactics throughout India.

### Priest Escapes Bullet Fired at Detective

Newark, N. J. (AP) — The Rev. Matthew Hoehn, O.S.B., prior of St. Mary's Abbey, narrowly escaped death when a bullet, fired by a man grappling with a detective outside the abbey, shattered a window, grazed his cheek and imbedded itself in the ceiling of the room.

Father Hoehn was at his desk when the bullet flew by. Detectives agreed that had the priest been standing instead of seated, he would have been shot. The bullet was aimed at Detective Pompey DeCarolis who caught up with three men after an automobile chase.

## 'Tolerance' Leader Charged With Bias

Springfield, Mass. (AP) — Enthusiasts for the Springfield Plan to promote racial and religious tolerance received "a rude shock" to learn that the educator who wrote the

preface to a book promoting the "plan" has now come out with an accusation that U. S. Catholic bishops are "representatives of a foreign power." The Catholic Mirror, Springfield's official publication, says here.

Dr. Clyde H. Miller of Teachers College, Columbia University, the writer involved, is "such a poor disciple of the Plan," the Mirror charges, that he talks of "Vatican propaganda" teaching Americans "through parochial schools and through pressure on press and radio," and urges that the foreign agents registration act "should apply to agents of the Vatican State as much as it applies to those of the Kremlin."

The plan is also the subject of an editorial in the current issue of the Catholic Mirror, which asks: "Does 'The Springfield Plan' ambition a super-duper proselytizing scheme to convert Catholics to Protestantism?"

Plan Begun in '39. Taking note of the widespread publicity given the plan, the editorial also asks: "Is the battle now a front to destroy religious freedom or divide Christians in strife?"

The Springfield Plan was an undertaking begun in 1939 under the leadership of the local superintendent of public schools, designed to ease inter-group tensions by a program of child and adult education, non-discrimination in employment, common community projects and activities, etc.

"Our present concern" the editorial in the Springfield Mirror says, "is registered as the deceit and bigotry of a Plan widely publicized as an honest attempt to create understanding and tolerance."

"The basis for this assertion is founded in the introduction written by Dr. Clyde Miller for The Story of the Springfield Plan, the textbook of this movement."

"Four Fatal Delusions" "Dr. Miller is recognized as a

### Ex-Movie Star Says First Mass

Lima, Peru (AP) — Numerous petitions poured into Father Jose Francisco de Guadalupe, O.F.M., who was known to the world as Jose Mopira, a favorite Latin American motion picture star and operatic star before he entered religious life, when he prepared to offer his first Mass.

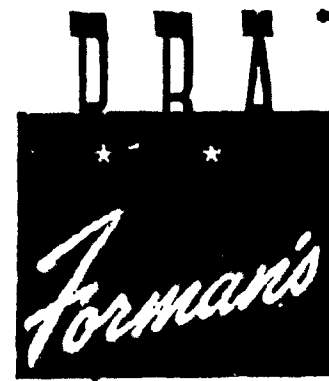
consultant to the Plan's promoters. In his introduction he characterizes the objectives of the Plan as an attempt to eliminate four fatal delusions from American life. The first fatal delusion to be eradicated in the interests of peaceful and tolerant American life is the following: "The first is the delusion that one's own church, cult, sect or group alone expresses God's will on earth, that it alone can reveal God's purpose toward mankind. We have seen this delusion in the Shintoism of Japan, in emperor worship. The emperor is divine and treason against the nation is blasphemy against God. But this delusion has not been confined to the Japanese."

"We can be patient with the shortcomings of the Springfield Plan," but find it hard to stomach the bold hypocrisy which foments intolerance while at the same time posing as a bearer of fellowship and good will. It is clear that the Columbia professor is referring to the Catholic Church."

Elsewhere in its present issue, The Catholic Mirror quotes Dr. Miller as saying recently that "members of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy in the United States are representatives of a foreign power," and that the foreign agents' registration act "should apply to agents of the Vatican State as much as it applies to those of the Kremlin."

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