

Priest Claims: Public School Teachers Lack Vision to Unionize

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As a group, public school teachers are woefully underpaid; their tenure generally is insecure; provision for their retirement is non-existent or inadequate. Thousands of teachers, particularly the divorcing number of them in the profession, need extra work after school hours to make ends meet. One might surmise, therefore, that the teaching profession would be a fertile field for a labor organizer. Far from it.



Less than 10 per cent of the nation's public school teachers belong to a labor union. After 30 years, the American Federation of Teachers has organized only 50,000 of the nation's 500,000 teachers.

Educator Raps Report Cards, Women in PTA

Grand Rapids, (NC) — A leading Catholic educator, pleading for closer liaison between home and school at a Parent-Teacher Association luncheon at the Catholic Tri-State Congress here, issued a blunt warning that parental control of education in America is threatened by professional organizations of public school teachers.

"Indeed," said the Rev. William E. McManus, assistant director, Education Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference, the ever-increasing amount of control wielded by professional educators is one of the most dangerous and insidious trends in modern American education. It is less checked, this trend, will lead to a professional dictatorship over the nation's schools... no less disastrous than a governmental dictatorship.

Father McManus cited as an example of the growing intervention of the professional teachers the "attribution" refusal of not a few public school administrators to comply with the requests of large numbers of parents that religious education be included in the public school program. These school officials, he stated, are "upset upon finding American youth in their parent of a secularized society with little room for God or religion."

FATHER McMANUS had harsh words in his address for two long-time American schoolhouse institutions: the written report card and the P.T.A. unit dominated and saturated by women.

"I am convinced that the traditional report card, supposedly means of contact between school and home, actually is the main barrier between them," the N.C.W.C. official declared. "Until this barrier is removed, thousands of parents will let a school year go by without so much as laying eyes upon the teachers of their children. The common sense remedy for this condition is the parent teacher interview."

"Take the case of Johnny," he elaborated. "Johnny knows he has an IQ of 125, but he is failing in all his subjects; so she marks him 50 in effort. Of course she doesn't know that three times a week Johnny is kept awake half the night by his father's card playing friends and that in the morning this 10-year-old youngster gets his own breakfast as his mother has a (Continued on Page 9)

ON GUARD!

Mr. Marshall Is Blunt
Russia and the Veto
Bishops Were Right

By REV. PATRICK J. FLYNN

Secretary of State Marshall's address this week to the United Nations General Assembly was blunt and even undiplomatic, at least according to some standards of modern diplomacy, but the Secretary's forthrightness underscores the seriousness of the world situation.

Clearly indicative of what we are up against are these gloomy words of Mr. Marshall:

"The situation we face today may be summarized by the statement that more than two years after the war, the fruits of peace and victory are still beyond our grasp. Men look anxiously toward the future, wondering whether a new and more terrible conflict will engulf them. We have not yet succeeded in establishing a basis for peace with Germany and Japan, nor have we restored Axis as an independent state. Reconstruction lags everywhere. The basic requirements of life are scarce; there is desperate need throughout great areas. The complex economic machinery which was thrown out of joint by the war has not yet been put back into running order. In place of peace, liberty, and economic

security, we find menace, repression and dire want."

WHY IS IT that two years after the establishment of the United Nations as a world organization to preserve the peace we find ourselves drifting once more towards war? There are dangerous tensions brewing in the Balkans, in Greece, in Palestine, in Italy, in Korea, in China and elsewhere.

All of these troubled spots of the earth are highly explosive and any one of them could easily become the first battlefield of a new war.

Adding to this dismal picture is the depressing fact that the United Nations have failed miserably in their efforts to handle the trouble spots and the cry of despair of a new war is being heard. The very organization which was formed to preserve international security has bogged down in the face of growing tension among the nations of the world.

What is the trouble with the United Nations? Secretary Marshall is very frank in answering this question. He places major blame for the failure of the United Nations upon the obstructive tactics of (Continued on Page 9)

Murray Asks Conference On Inflation

Grand Rapids, Mich. — (RNS) — Declaring the United States is facing an economic crisis "worse than any in its history," Philip Murray, president of the C. I. O., proposed here that labor management and government hold a national conference to "put the brakes on inflation."

He spoke before delegates to the Catholic Tri-State Congress and the general public at a mass meeting climaxing day-long sessions on industrial and labor problems.

"It is the bounden duty of the leaders of industry, government and labor to get together in the national interest to halt the inflationary spiral and bring about a sane economy," Murray said in a preliminary news conference.

"THE SITUATION is one that cannot be resolved exclusively in economic terms and procedures. We must bring to bear in this present situation a sound moral approach."

He said he believed President Truman should make the formal invitation for such a conference, with the support of leaders in government, labor and industry, churches and their lay organizations.

"If a solution is not found, our present serious situation will probably develop into the worst in the nation's history," he said. Murray called for the elimination of an "atmosphere of mistrust, lack of confidence, and fear" which he said was surrounding the relations of labor and management.

"There is more at stake than the welfare of our own people; there is at stake the peace of the world," he asserted. Murray said both labor and management must not be concerned with a "win-lose" policy, but with the welfare of the individual and the family unit, on which alone a "sound society can be based."

"We must think in terms of individuals, of real living men and women and children, each made in the image and likeness of God and each with his own problems," he said. Presenting industry's program for full employment at the mass meeting Otto S. Saylor, president of the West Michigan Steel Castings Corporation of Muskegon asserted that only through "democratic methods" of conference and discussion will he be able to reconcile divergent views and eventually develop an appropriate program of action.

The Rev. Raymond Clancy, archdiocesan director of social action of Detroit presented the Church's program for full employment.

He said the Church insists that a just wage under modern conditions must be sufficient not only to buy the necessities of life but also a "proper home" for all of the family's members. A system is capable of producing Father Clancy also called for "unselfish" cooperation on the part of labor and management and advocated the setting up of industry councils to give the efforts of an industry to the common good of all.

CHURCH OUSTS YUGOSLAV MOB

Rome, (RNS) — A formal decree of excommunication against all persons implicated in the recent murder of Father Miro Ruzic and the wounding of Mgr. Jakob Ukmair during an anti-clerical riot in the Yugoslav controlled province of Venezia Giulia has been issued here by the Sacred Congregation of the Council.

(Excommunication is an ecclesiastical censure involving loss of the right to attend divine services or to receive the sacraments, and other penalties. One of the causes for which it is invoked is the "laying of violent hands on any cleric or religious.")

It was learned here that Mgr. Ukmair, who had been transferred from a hospital where he was undergoing treatment for his wounds to a Trieste prison, will shortly be taken to another prison in Plesio before being brought to trial with other defendants charged with instigating the riot. Plesio was the home town of Father Ruzic.

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RED MASS PRINCIPALS



Upper photo shows His Excellency Bishop Kearney (center) as he prepared to celebrate the annual Red Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Rochester, to mark the opening of the court session. The Rt. Rev. Mgr. James H. Griffiths of New York, Chancellor of the Military Ordinate of the Holy See, is seated at the right. At the right is Associate Justice William F. Love of the Appellate Division, who presided over the ceremony. Lower photo shows (left to right) Congressman Kenneth B. Keating, former Supreme Court Justice James P. Duffy, and Eugene H. Cusker. The man on the extreme right is unidentified.

Red Mass Preacher Pleads for Justice

"If there are no Ten Commandments, then Hitler was right," the Rt. Rev. Mgr. James H. Griffiths of New York, the Chancellor of the Military Ordinate of the Holy See, told a large assemblage of Rochester jurists and lawyers attending the third annual Red Mass yesterday morning at St. Joseph's Church.

The Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost was celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Kearney to beg God's blessing on the courts of justice and the lawyers, judges and public officials of the area whom the Bishop had invited to the annual ceremony. The Bishop was escorted by a group of prominent Monroe County lawyers headed by Supreme Court Justice William F. Love and Mayor Samuel B. Dickler.

MGR. GRIFFITHS, who recently returned from assisting in the Nuremberg trials of the Nazi war criminals, held up the moral collapse of Germany as a frightful lesson of what can happen in any community or nation when justice is ignored and God's law is defied.

"As I gazed about me at the trial," he said, "I was confronted with an apocalyptic vision of man's destruction."

300,000 Japanese in Brazil Still Believe Japan Won War, A-Bomb Missioner Reveals

New York, (NC) — Down Sao Paulo Bay in Brazil, there's a colony of some 300,000 Japanese, most of whom still believe that Japan won the war.

Rumors persist that the Japanese fleet will visit Brazil and on three occasions thousands of these Japanese have gathered at the port of Santos to welcome the ships. When a movement was started among the more educated in the colony, who, of course, know of Japan's collapse, to raise a fund to help the homeless and starving in Japan, the indignant die-hards took part in a riot which engulfed the whole colony and resulted in 13 deaths.

This strange story has been brought back by the Rev. Hugo Lassalle, S.J., heroic survivor of the Hiroshima atom bombing, who spent two months in the Brazilian Japanese colony. He is the superior of the Jesuit mission in Japan and was mentioned prominently in John Hersey's widely read account of the Hiroshima bombing.



FATHER LASSALLE

plained that the Japanese in Brazil had no newspaper of their own for five years and are unable to read Brazilian papers. The patriotic die-hards are a majority of the colony, in the peasant

Eucharistic Congress To Draw Many

Large delegations from the Rochester Diocese will travel to Buffalo next week to join thousands of pilgrims from the East and Midwest for the Eucharistic Congress celebrating the centennial of the founding of the Diocese of Buffalo.

Expected to be the greatest religious gathering ever seen in this state, the Congress will extend from Tuesday morning, Sept. 22 through Thursday, Sept. 24.

Crowds of from 20,000 to 30,000 headed by the cardinal of the Church and about 60 bishops and archbishops, will attend the meetings and religious functions honoring the Holy Eucharist.

Most of the liturgical functions will be held outdoors. They include Solemn Pontifical Masses on the three mornings of the Congress in Buffalo's huge Civic Stadium where 50,000 people will gather. Holy Hours at which America's most distinguished bishops and church leaders will preside, sectional meetings for different groups of laypeople and religious, and the annual Eucharistic procession on Thursday afternoon in Delaware Park.

THE REV. LTD. M. MONAGHAN, appointed by His Excellency Bishop Kearney, as the diocesan director of Rochester's participation in the Congress, announced this week that a special pilgrim train will leave Rochester on Thursday, September 23 at 8 a. m. via the New York Central Railroad to enable Rochesterians to attend the Pontifical Mass in the Civic Stadium at 10 a. m. and the Eucharistic Procession in Delaware Park at 7:30.

The return train will reach Rochester at 9:15 p. m. Round trip tickets are \$3.50. Father Monaghan said. Reservations and tickets must be obtained at the De Pro Travel Agency, Powers Hotel, Main 5200.

Another Congress event that will attract hundreds of Rochesterians is the Worshippers' meeting from 8 to 9 p. m. on Wednesday, Sept. 24. Five Cardinals will speak.

DELEGATIONS from the Rochester Eucharistic Adoration Society, the Rochester Holy Name Union, the Knights of St. John and Knights of Columbus are planning to attend the Wednesday night meeting for men only. The men will remain in the Stadium for the Holy Hour from 9 to 10 p. m. at which Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago will be the preacher and Bishop James E. Kearney the celebrant.

A special train for the men who will attend the evening session will leave Rochester via the New York Central at 6 p. m. and will return after the Holy Hour.

class, and no amount of proof will convince them that the conqueror could have surrendered. They credit all such talk to American propaganda.

There are 3,000 Catholics among these Japanese and among them the defeat generally is accepted. Father Lassalle said the primary reason for this is the five Jesuits, eight Franciscans and five Divine Word missionaries working in the colony. Sao Paulo has only one Japanese-born priest.

During his stay in the colony, Father Lassalle said he gave 53 lectures in Japanese, principally for the Catholic groups, but related that huge crowds of the pagan Japanese attended and that he had been questioned by them for four and five hours after each lecture.

He explained that his reason for the visit was to collect funds for rebuilding in Japan and to this end the Catholic Japanese in the colony donated \$10,000 to the fund for an orphanage in Hiroshima which was destroyed by the atom bomb.

Fr. Kohl Appointed St. Boniface Pastor; Fr. Ehmann Named

Two priests were named to important pastorates in the diocese, the Chancery announced today.

The Rev. Walter J. Kohl, Ph.D., pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, Watkins, is appointed to the pastorate of St. Boniface Church, Rochester, to succeed the late Mr. John W. Ehmann who died last July 1.

The Rev. Bernard A. Ehmann, Ph.D., of St. Bernard's Seminary, is appointed to the pastorate of St. Joseph's of the Lake Church, Watkins, to succeed the late Mr. John W. Ehmann.

Dr. Kohl has been the pastor of St. Mary's since February, 1948. A native of Rochester, Father Kohl was educated in St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries and ordained in June, 1922.

His first appointment was to the faculty of Aquinas Institute where he taught until 1930 when he was transferred to the faculty of St. Andrew's Seminary. He taught at St. Andrew's for 18 years where he was an instructor for the college students in the sciences of chemistry and biology. Father Kohl holds the degree of Master of Arts and Doctor of Theology from St. Bernard's College.

FATHER EHLMANN, however, has also been closely identified with the intellectual work of the diocese. Ordained in June, 1930, after studies at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries, he was first appointed assistant pastor at the old St. Patrick's Cathedral. In 1931 he became a member of the faculty of St. Andrew's Seminary where he taught English and Church History. While continuing his doctoral work at St. Andrew's he also became professor of Church Music at St. Bernard's Seminary in 1938, succeeding the late Rev. John P. Curley who was named only a few days before Father Ehmann's arrival at St. Bernard's.

Brother Ehmann is the spiritual director of the diocesan youth center at the St. Joseph's of the Lake Church in Watkins. He is also the editor of "The Christian," national magazine of the Gregorian Society of America.

For the last thirteen years Father Ehmann has been a regular contributor to the Rochester Journal with columns, "The Liturgical Moment," in which he has discussed current books and writers.

SCOUT RALLY
HERE SUNDAY
Fifty-four units of Catholic Boy Scouts will convene at Edgemoor Park at 3 p. m. Sunday for the first Diocesan Boy Scout rally in the history of the Rochester Diocese.

Representing 41 parishes in the diocese, the 1,500 troops will be formally presented to His Excellency Bishop Kearney by the Rev. Frederick J. Gehring, former Lt. Colonel, U.S.N., the noted "Quadrangle" writer.

David H. Brady, chairman of activities for the commission, will preside.

HIGHLIGHTING the proceedings will be the singing of the Ad Altare Dei Cross for service of scouts on the altar, and addresses by Bishop Kearney and the Rev. Frederick J. Gehring.

Following the opening procession and the presentation by the Rev. Walter E. Kearney, diocesan chaplain, the new scouts will be inducted and the Bishop will bless the colors. The various units will be presented by Louis A. Lange.

Introductions by George L. Todd, president of Ontario Catholic Scout Executives and Council Lay Chairman, will follow the presentation.

Richard J. Todd, acting as master of ceremonies, will be the master of the program which will be provided by various parochial school bands directed by Frank H. McElvaine.

Among the units participating will be St. Rocher's troops of Ontario County, a George County Council, Auburn, St. Stephen's, a group of the Rochester Diocese, and a group of the Rochester Diocese. Also participating will be the St. Joseph's of the Lake Church, Watkins, and the St. Joseph's of the Lake Church, Watkins.

The Bishop's Annual Seminary Letter will be read at all the Masses in the diocese this Sunday to stress the need for an increase of generosity to meet the rising expense of maintaining these necessary diocesan schools.

Bishop Kearney's letter explains the seriousness of the collection for this year by citing the high cost of repairs and the increasing expense of labor, materials and food that can be met only by an unusually generous response from every parish in the diocese. Praising the people for their enthusiastic donations to the Seminary collections all through the years, the Bishop urges that the members of every parish be exceptionally generous in their contributions to maintain the work of training students for the priesthood.

According to a financial report released by the Chancery this week, the Seminary Collection of 1946 amounted to \$63,202.43. Highlight of the summary was the donation of Blessed Sacraments, Churches, Rochester, which totaled \$33,100. Thirteen other parishes contributed over \$1,000 apiece. Special gifts and legacies amounting to \$25,332.39 were contributed directly to the seminaries for general and specific uses in addition to the diocesan collection fund.

Cardinal to Head
Actors' Shrine Rites
Los Angeles, (NC) — Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, will officiate at the cornerstone laying ceremonies for the Shrine of St. Genesius at the Charles Schwab estate at Loretto, Pa., October 4. It has been announced here by the Rev. Walter Plummer, chaplain, and Pat O'Brien, secretary and treasurer, of the Shrine.

Besides Mr. O'Brien, other officers are Maurice O'Brien, vice-president; George Back, secretary-treasurer; and Henry O'Neill, chairman of the board. Laying of the cornerstone will be held in conjunction with the centenary of the Franciscan Third Order Regular Fathers at St. Francis College in Loretto, Pa., also being observed. The shrine is the national shrine of the Shrine of St. Genesius, the patron of actors.