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and robes, costing \$180. Perhaps
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Just a dollar for the day.
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Bishop Haim of Galilee offers
us that he needs seventy yards
of altar linen for poor chapels in
the Holy Land. Won't you give ten
dollars and enough to provide altar
linen for one chapel?

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Every week we must send food
packages for the starving people
abroad. People do feed these star-
ving ones. Ten dollars will pro-
vide a food package.

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Those humble peasants at Bar-
naba, Egypt, will bless you forever.
If you can give them a picture of
Our Lord and Our Lady for their
humble chapel, recently built by
American friends. They will cost
forty dollars.

HELPLESS AT CHRISTMAS

Two groups are helpless at Christ-
mas, orphans and lepers. Please do
send a mite for ORPHANS' BREAD
and the DAMIEN LEPPER FUND,
and assure homeless children and
whitened lepers of some Christmas
joy.

THEY ARE LADIES

A group of nursing Sisters, called
the Ladies of Nazareth, go about
the Holy Land, caring for our sick
and needy poor, who cannot afford
a doctor. Only fifty dollars will
provide them with a medical kit.
Will you be one to join them on
their errands of mercy?

OUR NEEDIEST

Soon we shall be lifting our need-
iest cases at Christmas. Won't you
please help them with your offering?
For heart jumps a best when com-
ing, so send us a stringless gift, to use
here most needed.

Send all communications to
Catholic Near East Welfare Association
80 Lexington Ave. at 46th St. New York 17, N. Y.

A CARDINAL VISITOR

The wide red and white by
His Eminence Samuel Cardinal
Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago,
was the main attraction to this
state, today at Marquette House.
Catholic social center which he
dedicated there. The Sisters of
Charity of St. Vincent de Paul are
in charge. Chicago Daily News
photo. (NC Photos)



Church Nazi Stand Justified, Pope Says

Munich (NC) — The attitude of the German Catholic
Hierarchy, clergy and laity during the Nazi regime as well
as the motives that prompted the Holy See in 1933 to negoti-
ate a Concordat with the then
German government have been
fully justified by subsequent
events, says His Holiness Pius
XII in a letter acknowledging
the receipt of two books
which contain documentary ma-
terial on the resistance of the
Church in Germany to both Naz-
ism and Communism.

The two books were "Crux
and Seraphim" by Bishop Jo-
hannes Neuhäuser, Auxiliary of
Munich and Freising, and "The
German Clergy in the Course
of Three Revolutions 1918-1933
1945" by Magr. Alois Natterer
of Munich.

In his letter, addressed to Mon-
signor Natterer, the Pope de-
clared that the two books fur-
nish a justification of the clergy,
its attitude and actions in these
25 years with regard to their own
faithful as well as to the Ger-
man people as a whole.

EX-RED WINS CLERGY AID

Washington (NC) — A Bush-
op, an official of the National
Catholic Welfare Conference and
several Catholic laymen were
cited here by Eric Johnston,
president of the Motion Picture
Association of America, to sup-
port his action before the
House Committee on Un-American
Activities that one of his
associates, once a Communist,
had completely renounced his
sympathies with that group.

Johnston was asked if he knew
whether Edward T. Choytitz, who
was in charge of the Motion Picture
Association's program on visual
education, had ever been a mem-
ber of the Communist Party. He
answered that Choytitz had joined
the Young Communist League in
1932, at the age of 18, had
gone to Russia and become
thoroughly disillusioned, and had
broken definitely with the Com-
munist Party at the time of the Hil-
lary Clinton case in 1933.

He showed that Choytitz had
subsequently been attacked in
the Daily Worker for leading
anti-Communist forces in the C.
I. O. Then Mr. Johnston intro-
duced testimonials to Mr. Choytitz
from Bishop Karl J. Alter of Toledo, the Rev. John
F. Cronin, S.S., assistant direc-
tor of the Social Action Depart-
ment, N. C. W. C., C. I. O. Sec-
retary Treasurer James B. Carey,
William Hard, writer and radio
commentator, and several others.

Bolshian Envoy at Rome

Rome (RNS) — Dr. Nestor
Guindio, newly appointed ambas-
sador to the Vatican from Bo-
livia, has arrived in Rome and
is expected shortly to present his
credentials to Pope Pius XII.

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Civil Rights Report Urges Program To Meet Totalitarian Challenges

Washington (NC) — The most immediate threat to the
right to freedom of opinion and expression in the United
States arises from efforts "to deal with those few people in
our midst who would destroy de-
mocracy, namely, communists
and fascists, according to the re-
port of the President's Commis-
sion on Civil Rights, just pub-
lished here.

The report urges a broad pro-
gram of education and legisla-
tion to enable the nation to
"move forward toward a nobler
social order in which there will
be equal opportunity for all."

Among recommendations to
achieve this goal, the report
urges abolition of restrictive cov-
enants based on racial discrimi-
nation, general abandonment of
segregation, and elimination of
discrimination in the matter of
employment based on race, color
or creed. The committee cites
moral, economic and interna-
tional reasons for continued progress
in the effort to secure full recog-
nition of civil rights among all
groups.

THREE CATHOLICS served on
President Truman's committee of
15 members, appointed in Decem-
ber of last year: Bishop Francis
J. Haas of Grand Rapids, James
B. Carey, labor leader, and Fran-
cis P. Matthews, past Supreme
Knight of the Knights of Colum-
bus.

The report observes that while
communism and fascism may
employ different objectives, they
employ an "identity of means,"
and both often use the words and
symbols of democracy "to mask
their totalitarian tactics."

In discussing how to deal with
these groups and individuals
whose aims are contrary to de-
mocratic life, and yet to preserve
the broad basis of civil rights,
the report quotes the words of
Jefferson in his first inaugural
address: "to stand undisturbed
as monuments of the safety with
which errors of opinion may be
tolerated where reason is left
free to combat it."

EXPRESSING THE view that
public excitement about com-

munism has now "been far be-
yond the stature of the issue
of civil rights," the report
urges the nation to "take
action to meet the challenge of
totalitarianism."

"It is not enough to say that
we will not tolerate... it is
essential that we make it a prac-
tice to attack every person or
group with whom they disagree
as 'communists' have thereby se-
cured a false sense of security."
At the same time we can-
not let the use of abuses deter us
from the legitimate exposure of
real communists and real fascists.
Moreover, the same real must be
shown in defending our democra-
cy against one group as against
the other."

Concerning loyalty investiga-
tions of Federal employees, the
report states that the "Federal
Government must maintain a loy-
alty program which adequately
protects the civil rights of its
employees" and "sets an example
for the rest of the country."

POINTING OUT that twice be-
fore in critical periods of the na-
tion's history, it has been found
"necessary to review the state
of its civil rights," the members
of the commission express their
"profound conviction that we
have come to a time for a third
re-examination of the situation,
and a sustained drive ahead,
based upon reasons 'of con-
science, of self-interest, and of
survival in a threatening world.'"

Reviewing the whole field of
civil rights, the committee found
times "when the difference be-
tween what we preach about civil
rights and what we practice is
shockingly illustrated by individ-
ual outrages," and that "there
are certain continuing quiet, on-
reparable damage to our beliefs."

In conclusion the committee
recommends strengthening of
federal and state machinery for
protection of civil rights, legisla-
tion strengthening "the right to
safety and security of the per-
son," abolition of poll taxes and
practices interfering with free-
dom of election, legislation to end
discrimination in the armed
forces, and legislation to
"strengthen the right to equality
of opportunity," such as equal
justice in the matter of federal
grants-in-aid, enactment of a fed-
eral Fair Employment Practice
Act, fair educational practice
laws, extension of the franchise
to people of the District of Co-
lumbia and elimination of all
discriminative practices within
the District, and "a long term
campaign of public education to
inform the people of the civil

DIVORCE LAW CHANGE ASKED

Portland (RNS) — Four
changes in existing marriage and
divorce laws were urged at the
Northwest Catholic Regional Con-
ference here by Circuit Judge
Donald E. Long of Portland's
Court of Domestic Relations.

Judge Long proposed "a cool-
ing-off period of 90 days between
filing of the divorce complaint
and the trying of the case; a
statement in the pleading that
there has been an effort at re-
conciliation, with adequate out-
side help; uniform divorce laws
among the states, and uniform
marriage laws."

Suggesting that a better edu-
cation job be done in planning
for marriage, he recommended
that theological and law schools
offer a required course on fam-
ily counseling.

Judge Ralph Foley of the Spo-
kan, Wash., Superior Court, as-
serted that the present genera-
tion is spending too much time
trying to improve the machinery
by which more efficient di-
vorces may be granted, and is
doing "nothing to prevent the
break up of homes."

Excommunication Follows Clash

San Jose, Costa Rica — Mil-
itants of the National Republican
Party who invaded the parish
church of San Joaquin de Flores,
near this city, insulted the pas-
tor and wounded several persons,
one of whom died later, have
been excommunicated by Arch-
bishop Victor Sanabria of San
Jose. He issued an official state-
ment which determined the re-
sponsibility for violation of the
church, insults to the priest and
the spilling of blood.

"Owing to the seriousness of
the crime committed—of which
no other example exists in our
country in the course of the
present century—we declared the
perpetrators excommunicated
against all and each of those
who took part directly and readi-
ly in the perpetration of the
crime," the statement of the
Archbishop says. The statement
points out that the provisions set
forth in Canon 2329 apply to the
particular circumstances of the
of the case.

German Mail Allows Religious Journals

Frankfurt (NC) — Religious
articles and publications are in-
cluded among the material which
may now be transmitted through
international or internal German
mails, in pursuance of the policy
of helping the German people to-
ward their moral and intellectual
reconstruction, it was announced
here by the U. S. Military Gov-
ernment.

No indication is forthcoming,
however, with regard to the fa-
cilitation of travel for German
nationals who would find it
profitable in various ways to visit
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