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ention f. Called is a very different field, Father-oplied his talents, his devotion, his spirit of dedithe minister to the man and women at Auburrn State the same to them bot as a storn critic of their minwith he is storm selon of the law, but as their friend true roady and super to assist in their return to manage, so their resonantement into society. Durtheir years is conductment he was a true and interested the after their release he continued his interest in them.

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The abeliance to be a londer in the work of the beauty as because Vice Chanceller and later Chanceller of the abelia work of dealing with all the priorin, with all the prioring with all the people of the Discone of Roches-ary Whee next, what interest he gave to this work's The the priority of the people of the Discone of Roches-The Service Service, the weary efforts to make all the time to make God's ways provail, marked in most as Chancellor. The material side of his The properties characterior. The parternal and of his properties as the monument alongwide the spiritual interaction of a generate in the beaut of his Bishop and interaction of a proper hence for his properties and properties is new properties in the beau-set of and be conceived and brought into exist-interactions has Circle Conter.

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in file excellent new textbook on labor econom-

postwar wage demander "As far as labor was concerned. the reconversion perfect brossent about conditions that forced unions to demand an increase in hourly wage rates. But be cause of an estrumely poor public relations program, the form failed to offeet the Imreaction that they were demanding 'night' wagen' when in reality they were doing nothing of the kind."

It is suggested that Dr. Fr. Migginit somewhat oversimplified the Deerwald has problem by placing so much emphasis on the neptitude of organized indor in the field of public relations. It is obvious, of course, tand to no one so painfully so as to intelligent inbor lenders themselves) that the trade union movement in the United States has a lot to leave about that twentleth-century art-the art of pub-lic relations-which as though to contradict the Scriptures, assumes that the meth shall be disinfigrited and that, accordingly, if you expect your horn to be tooted, you had jolly well better

toot it yourself. Labor, admittedly, has a lot to learn about putting its best foot forward when it slops be-fore the public. But public relations is some thing more for least than an art. If is nise 's big instness. It calls for a lot of money-more maney than the labor mavoment, an a rulo, is able to advance.

BY WAY OF Illustration, consider the probioni which faces the CIO as it tries to sell the public on the reasonableness of its recent announcement that, come the first of the year or maybe even sooner, it plans to usk for another round of wage increases. Dr. Bacrwald, if I understand his chapters on wages correctly. would probably be rather sympathetic to the CIO's position. But Dr. Baerwald docan't write the editorials for the New York Times or a dozen other influential newspapers that come to mind immediately; nor does he prepare the advertising copy for the NAM and similar organizations which can afferd to tell their side of the story to the public all over the country at several thousand dollars per page of newsprint. Really it's a pity that for doesn't, for ito scenns to know what he is talking about. Welf, he that as it may-and Dr. Baowald

has a point in his needling of the unions for their indifference to public opinion-what shout the recent decision of the CIO vice presidents to run the rannelat of public opinion ance more by demanding another increase in wages? Was it a wise decision?

It was and it waan't.

Theoretically, the CIO ought to have tied in its ware policy with prices. It ought to have addressed the American public and the Congress an tolloway We realize that prices and wages, are closely interrelated and, as for ourselves, we, the CIO, are anxious to atabilize the relafloughin between wages and prices at an equitable level, for the benefit of our own members and for the welfare of the nation as a whole. Therefore, If Amelican industry and or the American Congress can give us reasonable assurance that prices will be stabilized and that certain prices which are completely out of line will be rolled back, we will encourage our affiliten to refrain from asking for addit onal wage



#### By Dan See Patrick

THE KID'S timsoled world takes on an added glow under the magic spell of Christmas.

The old toys loss their glamor in the great expectation of things to come. Touched off by a hasty talk with a department store Santa Claus, the kid's imagination runs riot and conjures up some rather fantastic visions.

Thus far he has known nothing of the strife of the world into which he was born during the war years. Now and then he is told how fortunate he is to have food, clothing and shelter. But those words seem to have little effect on him.

Like all fortunate children born in America today, he has come to accept the necessities of life as foregone conclusions. He has never been hungry, cold, without clothes or without shelter.

UNFORTUNATELY the same does not hold true for most children of this war shattered A Lesson For Christmas

average child will follow exactly the course of life as outlined by the parents.

The same is true of these children. They, too, have an abiding faith that somehow their meager wants will be met. That is why even a crust of bread given them is repaid in prayerful thanks. For a time, at least their faith in a reluctant mankind will provau

BUT SUCH FAITH reaches a breaking point when there is nothing to sustain it.

Then watch the minds of these children They will not remain in a vacuum. Instead of faith you will find the seeds of hate and discontent. Then you will have a rising generation fast only on the theory that there is no love of char ity in the world.

From such seeds grow sars It was the lost generation of Germany's youth which propelled

## 9r.Gillis Says: Christmas But Not Christ!

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"Hamlet with Hamlet left out" has since Shakespeare's day, been taken as the no plus uitra of emplicess. But we have now arrived at a still better phrase to ex-

press complete vacuity; We nave Christmas without Christ. How did it come about? Very simply. It is the logical disourcome of what is taken-mis-

taken - for toleration. The current definition of "tolerance" might se "a virtue by which we agree with everybody, disagree with nobody, and look upon convictions as matters of no importance which are to be surreadered or at least suppressed, in the interest of peace, harmony, good will "

In the public schools of the City of New York an edict went forth forbidding the singing of Christmas carols which refer to the Birth of Christ Some persons -presumably teachers or parents were inconsiderate enough (shall we say bigoted enough?) to complain. It went so far that a "controversy developed over the ban " Now what could be more desirable than a controversy at Christmas time? Something had to be done to smooth things over.

FORTUNATELY, THE SAN had been issued by an assistant superintendent. So what do you suppose the top superintendent did? Reverse the edict? Put a ban on the ban? Dear me. no. To say "yes" when another man had said "no" would scarcely be tolerant. It would seem like contradicting the assistant. We must not contradict at Christmas time. So 'I quote The New York Sun which specializes on public school news)

Without directly referring to the controversy which has developed over the ban imposed by Assistant Superintendent Isaac Illidersee on the singing of Christmas carols which refer to the Nativity, Superintendent of Schools William Jansen today reiterated his policy that such matters are left to the "good judgment" of the principals, the teachers and the participants in Christmas exercises."

Adroit, ch what Impolite people would call "passing the buck." The directive could be understood as meaning that if anyone is to be put on the spot for permitting carols to the Christ Child to be sung in the schoolroom, it will be the principals, not the superintendents. Perhaps the principals passed the responsibility along to the teachers. Perhaps the teachers passed it down to the pupils.

THE STATEMENT issued by the superintendent is a little masterpiece of evasion It would have seemed impossible to authorize a relebration of Christmas without indicating what Christmas is really about But the superintendent is resourceful and ingenious. He said.

"We are approaching that happy season of the year when the minds of all men are filled with thoughts of brutherhood and of peace peace within themselves, peace within their homes peace within their community, their astion and the world. As teachers of the young we are again privileged to place before our children this joyous message and to bring, through out daily work, brightness and hope bits the lives of the school children of New York City."

THAT WASN'T all that the good peaceable man wrote. He goes on at length to speak about "the fulfillment of peace" and "good will" and "comradeship" He recommends "appropriate programs and exercises." In those programs he anticipates that "as alwavs, the principle of freedom of religious warship will be respected." He speaks of the "lighting of Christmas trees in public places." He says a word in favor of "campaigns for funds for the needy." He closes with "best wishes for a Merry Christmas." So you see it can be done. One may go on and on indefinitely to speak of Christmas and not mention Christ. After all Slakespeare could have left Hamiet out of Hamiet. Indeed there have been books written on religion without God. Some day a book may be written on man with no mention of man. "Toleration" is the mother of ingenuity.

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Signally handred by the Holy Father in his closing days, was able ship once to celebrate in Pontifical Vestments Many et a Fretonotary Apontolic, Dedicated as a close indriver of the Blahop, as Chancellor of the Diocese, The second state of the second second

and Desired fallers priests, to all whom he has served well, the Desnier Journal extends its deep sympathy. is his pelative soul rest in peacel

### The Fope's Appeal

The permut pressage from the Holy Father addressed to The permut pressage from the Bishops and Archbishops is the most desirable peace). From the two words with which it begins. It is a declaration Dereshdition that has kept peace away from the work the efforts of misguided men to prev upon the noor and the advantage of their wose, of the missive that has come will through leaving the ways of Christ and socking pence

The Balt Filther appeals to all to do their part in bring-the part in the world. Let those who have suffered loss the part the war look now indher to the general welfare The war now new rather to the penetic dense the reclaming of their own fortune. Let the poor the Babe of Bethlehem for confort in their need. The babe on their guard against the wicked ones of the on the misfortunes of the poor to lead them advestgieus destruction.

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increases at the present lime.

So much for theory. But what are the facts? The facts are that prices, so far as anyone can see, are not going to be stabilized in the near future either by American industry and or by the American Congress. Accordingly, the vice presidents of the Clo were forced, willy ally. to address the public as follows:

WE AGREE WITH those who say that it is extremely iniportant to establish a mealthier relationship between prices and wages. As a matter of fact, that's precisely why we have been advocating for soveral years the establishment of the Murray Plan of Industry Councils. an organized system of industrial democracy which would make it possible for organized labor and organized management, with the asalstance of the government, to work out jointly a balanced and equitable relationship among prices, wages, and profits. But we haven't oven able to get a hearing on the Industry been Council proposal. Forgive us, then, if we instat on being realistic. Since we haven't anything to say about prices anyhow (although admittelly we ought to have something to say about prices), and since prices will probably continue to go up in many instances whether We wet a wage increase or not, we intend to ask for a wage increase-period.

Tel those who disagree with this decision and who whink that the ClO shoulds't ask for a wage increase begin at once to advocate the Industry Council Plan. Lot them advocate, in the spirit of the social encyclicats and in the spirit of the pantoral letters of the American licinarchy, new kind of economic system in which organi-Ined labor will have accuetting to say about prices and can therefor to reasonably expected

and requested and, if you will, competied by satisfions within the industry Council system to quality its wage polloy by relating it to prices. Until such a system is cetablished, it is sugested that organized labor has no alternative. unfortunately, but to try to keep up with the cost of living by asking periodically for wage mereases.

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# Do You Remember?

25. Years Ago-Dec. 29, 1922 Rt. Rev. Msgr. Donais J. Curran, Vieze Gentend of Rochester Diocese and paster of Corpus, Christi Church, died. Bishop Thomas F. Hitkey celebrated Solemn Pontifical Mass of Requiem at the Internet services.

10 Years Ago-Dec. 23, 1937 An official mandato for Catholic Action granted by His Excellency Bisnop Resizes to Rochester Branch, Catholic Central Verein Vas announced by the branch's preditient, Edward P. Henerle

Cancellation of proposed showings of Dam-

5 Tears Ago-Der, 24, 1942 Donation of a set of pews to Our Lady of the Late Retreet House in Genova, by Fourth Dethe state of the second second

world on this Christmas

Thousands have been born without the bare necessities which every human being - even to the poorest -- has a right to expect. Caught in the backwash of war, these children present one of the real tragedies of our age as they wander across two continents in the eternal quest for something to cat.

These voungsters have never known a normal life as we understand it. Like nomads of the desert, they have been forced to migrate from place to place, foraging for food and shelter. Their voice is inarticulate as far as conferences are concerned. It never has reached the top-flight policy makers. It is rather one long moan - a cry from the unwanted, asking only that someone feed, clothe and shelter them.

FT IS PARTICULARE.Y fitting to turn the lights of Christmas on this youthful army of ouzensis.

Veritable brothers and sisters of the Christ Child in their poverty-stricken entrance into this world, these youngsters are destined to play an important role in the world of tornorrow.

How, you might ask, can this bedraggied lector influence the course of events? The answer is not quite as simple as the question. There is nothing as abiding as a child's faith in his parents. Until that faith is broken, the

Just Between Us

### Either God Or-

The Gospiels tell us that a man appeared one day in the Near East, over in Palestine.

and chaimed that He was -not Abraham; not Pharao, not a second Moses-

take off our halfs when He

talks, for the word of God

must be truth itself and His

commands must have more

force than those of any menuly

human power. But if Jesus was not Golf.

then He was crazy-out of His

mind, and nor more deserving

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Washingtons and Napoleons

that crop up from time to time

in our mental hospitals; for it

THERE CAN be no middle

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Madonna **By Murillo?** New York-(NC) - A mina-

ture painting on ivory of the Madonna and Christ, which may be by Murillo, has been presented to the Fordham University art collection by novelist Lancille Borden.

After receiving the painting from Mrs. Borden, the Rev. Robert L Gannon, president of Fordham University, removed the rear plate inscribed "Pius "IN, Benedicamus Dominum" Mill discovered a piece of purchment affixed to the back of the miniature.

The parchment was dated 1649, and was in authentic 17th Century script. Translated from the Spanish, it, read: "This sacred image was paints ed by Murilio in the year of our Lord, 1629." This date is rvidently a mistake as Murillo. born in 1618, would have been only 11 at the lines.

the world into a second war within a single generation. And it might well be hat the seeds of a future conflict are now being carried in the hearts, minds and empty stomachs of this new lost generation as they pursue their relentless search for the fundamentals of life

IF WE EVER are to learn a Christmas lesson it must come from the plight of these young sters.

Whatever the cost, we cannot turn them away and tell them that there is no room for them in the inn.

Whatever the cost, we cannot shut out their cries of hunger. In this Christmas season, those cries rise above the pealing bells and we know that all our caroling is somewhat hollow unless we first take steps to case the pains of these children

It is especially fitting that they should be in our thoughts at Christmas for Christmas primarily belongs to the children. It is their rightful heritage won in Bethlehem's stable and on the Judean hills nearly 2.000 years ago.

If the world, by its action, brings Christmas into the hearts of these starving youngsters and keeps it there throughout the whole year, then indeed, will we have taken a long step forward toward realizing the blessings of that peace of which the angelic choir sang on the first Christmas night

By Father

Ginder

+ + + We can't say, for instance, wound up in His being tortured to death. Had that been an imthat He was a shrewd, calculating impostor; for His life posture, it would have been the act of a madman, for only was spent in hard work and a diseased mind would adopt. poverty; it was crowded by the misunderstanding and hatred

a faise pose and stick with it at the ultimate cost of his life. of those around Him and it There are people who make the great and flogical mistake of putting Jesus in a class with mere men-who speak in the same breath of Aristotle, Jenus and Shakespears. In other words, they don't believe He was God. They won't go so far as to say that He was just pious fraud-no, they simply skiestep that issue as best they

can.

BUT DO the Gospels say Jesus was God? They de. They thunder it forth so clearly on every page that no man of good will can mistake the fact. They report that Jesus not only accepted adoration -divine honor - from those around Film, but that he acted as God and Rentified Himself with God in ways which

couldn't be mistaken. Jesus was no fool, no schizophrenics. He was God in the fiesh, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, true God and true man.

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But for some of us it still seems only honest to say that Christmas means Christ's Mass. We cherish a kind of Bagering supervisition that Jesus Christ should be named on his birthday

### **Calendar** of Saints

SUNDAY, Dec. 28-Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs. When the Three Wise Men did not return with word of the Saviour Whom they had gone to seek. Herod became enraged. In a futile plan to make certain of the death of the new-born King, Herod ordered that every male child two years old or younger in Bethlehem and its environs should be shin.

MONDAY, Dec. 29-St. Thomas of Canterbury, bishop-martyr. He was the son of Gil bet Beccet and became Lord High Chancellor of England. Protecting the right of the Church against encroachments of the state, he quarreled with the King and was banished from France. Upon his return in December. 1170. he was murdered in the Cathedral.

TUESDAY, Dec. St.-St. Sabinus, bishop. and companions, martyrs. During the persection under Diocletian in the fourth century, St. Sabinus, Bishop of Assisi, was apprehended, his hands were cut off and he died in prison.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 51-51. Silvester, poper fessor. A native of Rome, he succeeded St. Melchindes as Pope in 314. He was a young priest when the persecution under Diocletian was in progress. He governed the Church for 23 years, marked by cessation of the age-long persecutions.

THURSDAY, Jas. 1-Fearl of the Circumcision of Our Lord, or New Year's Day. The law of circumcision continued in force until the death of Christ. In accordance with it, the Saviour was circumcized.

FRIDAY, Jan. 2-St. Macarius the Younger, abbot. He abandoned his business and the world about 335 and consecrated himself to God. He took up his abode in the Nitria desert of Lower Egypt and was ordained to the priesthood. He became renowned for his gifts of prophecy and miracles.

SATURDAY, Jan. 3-St. Antheros, pope-man tyr. He was a Greek who served as Pope for one year, 235-9. He was put to death for refusing to surrender to the tyrant Maximus a volune in which were registered the acts of the THE STATE OF A STATE

