

Count O'Brien at Bonaventure
St. Bonaventure — (NC) —
Count Anthony O'Brien-Thomand,
author of the widely-quoted
"Archbishop Stepinac, The Man
and His Case," has been appointed
to the faculty of the social
science department at St. Bonaventure
College here.

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Milwaukee — (NC) — Personal
ity development and character
formation is the aim of the
March selection of the Catholic
Literary Foundation, a study by
the noted Dominican scholar, the
Rev. Robert E. Brennan, entitled
"The Image of His Maker."

Hull Cites 'Desperate Need' for Religion

(Following are excerpts from the memoirs of Cordell Hull, wartime Secretary of State. Taken from the copyrighted articles of the North American Newspaper Alliance and based on the forthcoming work to be published by the Macmillan Company, New York, this material is reproduced here with special permission obtained by N. C. W. C. News Service.)

"We have a desperate need for more religion and morality as the background for Government," Cordell Hull, wartime Secretary of State, writes in the concluding section of his memoirs, summing up his views concerning domestic and international problems.

"The religious and moral foundations for thought and conduct," he continues, "require strengthening here, as well as throughout the world. There is no higher civilizing influence than religious and moral concepts. Corruption and tyranny can be driven out of Government only when these concepts give men the faculty to recognize such evils and the strength to eliminate them."

Characterizing the world today as facing "the supreme crisis of all ages," Mr. Hull observes that the only alternative to cooperation among nations for law, justice and peace is "a constant race in armaments — including atomic armaments — and other disruptive practices that will bring the nations participating in them on either side to a common ruin, the equivalent of universal suicide."

"We have progressed greatly in science and invention,"

he observes, "but on the other hand there has been a striking deterioration of the whole political international structure, with threats of destruction of the entire international economic structure."

After declaring that "the United Nations deserves and must have the unwavering support of the American people," and remarking that we as a people are "too prone to condemn other nations and rulers, to apply epithets, to caricature, to ridicule," Mr. Hull warns that these expressions, based on the knowledge of foreign governments and peoples and "hamper the conduct of foreign relations."

Nothing that certain minority elements in this country have offended particularly in this regard, Mr. Hull writes.

"These interfering minorities are most generally composed of or influenced by left wing or reactionary extremists and also by persons who have immigrated in recent years and are chronic agitators and advocates of ideas calculated to undermine both our political and our economic structure."

"ON MANY CRITICAL occasions, when the international relations of our Government require the most delicate and careful handling, supported by a unanimous and aggressive public opinion, some of these groups scatter poison or otherwise play havoc with them."

Concerning the Soviet Union, Mr. Hull comments that "we follow in respect to her policy a

Social Action



Rev. Donald A. McGowan, director of hospitals for the Archdiocese of Boston, has been named an assistant director of the Department of Social Action, National Catholic Welfare Conference, assigned to matters of health and hospitals. Louis F. Buckley, economist of the Social Security Board, Cleveland, has been elected president of the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems. (No Photos.)

policy of patience, combined with firmness, inspired by calm strength, and rooted in an unswerving determination that, so far as lies in our power, mankind shall at long last attain a just and peaceful world order."

"In dealing with the Soviet Union," he writes, "we must never waver in this determination, or give any evidence of weakness, or cease to insist that, although she is entitled to freedom from intervention in her domestic affairs by any other nation, her government has no right to force Communism on other nations or to intervene in their domestic affairs in any other way."

"DURING HIS YEARS as Secretary of State, Mr. Hull observes, "we repeatedly emphasized to the Soviet Government that its idea of penetrating into other countries by promoting within them subversive movements designed to supplant their established forms of government with Communist systems like its own, while at the same time claiming for the Soviet Union immunity from such intervention, was a hopelessly unsound and hazardous theory of international relations."

"It may be," Mr. Hull concludes, "that our efforts will fall and the leaders of Soviet Russia will fall into the same tragic error that has brought their doom to so many ancient and modern masters of power states. If that utter calamity should come to pass, let it not be said that the United States had neglected any honorable means to avert it."

"While keeping ourselves strong to face any eventuality, let us work unceasingly toward the end that the leaders of the Russian people and we may ultimately come to see eye to eye on the values of human freedom and on the preconditions of enduring peace based on justice and fair dealing."

Hungary Press Scores Bishops For Pastoral

By DEZSOE JANOS

Budapest — (NC) — Bitter attacks have been launched in secular newspapers against a number of Hungarian Bishops for views they express in pastorals issued in connection with the forthcoming centenary celebrations of the Hungarian fight for independence in 1848.

(Previous dispatches from Hungary related that spokesmen of the communist-dominated Hungarian independence — in 1848 as well as today.)

Here follow excerpts from the pastorals that have aroused press criticism:

Bishop Andrew Hamvus of the Diocese of Csanad, founded in 1035 by St. Stephen: "We are entitled to proclaim the ideas of the 1848 struggle for independence and how they were but God and His eternal laws. Do not let us cease, therefore, in praying to our Blessed Lady of Hungary and beseeching Heaven not to permit the Hungarian people to fall into despair, to desert God, to be seduced by glittering promises, or to deviate from the Church, the faithful Mother for 1,000 years, but rather to make this people cling to its soil, banish dissension... and patiently await the passing of the storms..."

Bishop Golan Papp of the Diocese of Győr: "This year we remember the great ideals of liberty, equality and fraternity. How often these ideals were jeered at and how they were but meaningless words. It is our feast-day and work-day duty to fill these words with real meaning, with spirit, work and justice. Holy freedom, true equality — not that others should lead an easy life and you should live in misery. In this spirit we want to celebrate the centenary of 1848."

Bishop Joseph Pelery of the Diocese of Vác: "It serves us right that the storms of trial and humiliation burst upon us, because thus we are able to appreciate all the more our spiritual treasures — living faith, peace, religious education, freedom, helpful love and our sweet Church that transmits all these treasures to us."

HOW REASSURING it is to be able to rely on our strong Church amidst the present uncertainties, after so many disappointments, how good it is to look up to the head of the Church, Pope Pius XII, the eternal rock... The password has always been: For Christ or against Christ. In the hour of trial, we really feel that we are the disciples of the Crucified Christ."

Bishop Alexander Kovacs of Szombathely: "Genuine fraternity becomes a reality through Christ's death on the Cross, and the ideal of equality becomes realized in the King of the Eucharist. Pious two radiate the holy ideal of freedom which is unexploitable and indivisible."

Bishop Stephen Madarasz of Kassa: "On the occasion of the centenary of 1848 we remember the victims among Hungarian Catholics with true appreciation and enthusiasm. They have sacrificed their work, their fortunes, freedom, and often their very lives for their country."

Religion Banned In Public Schools

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required to do other work within the school.

IT IS ESTIMATED that about 2,000,000 public school students across the nation are presently enrolled in programs similar to that sponsored by the Campaign Council.

The majority opinion made repeated references to the Everson or New Jersey School Transportation case decided last February, in which payments by the State of New Jersey to the parents of parochial school pupils for bus transportation were declared to be constitutional by the Supreme Court.

In a separate opinion, Justice Felix Frankfurter declared the Campaign plan unconstitutional but intimated that other re-lease-time plans might be found acceptable by the high court. He wrote, however, that "was the court's duty to enforce a complete separation between church and state."

IN ANOTHER opinion, Justice Robert H. Jackson also held the Campaign plan unconstitutional but questioned the Court jurisdiction in the case and expressed fear, that if everything is removed from America's public school curricula which might be objectionable to the 256 separate religious bodies in the country, "we will leave public education in shreds."

"The fact is," he warned, "that, for good or for ill, nearly everything in our culture world transmitting, everything which gives meaning to life, is saturated with religious influences, derived from paganism, Judaism, Christianity — both Catholic and Protestant — and other faiths accepted by a large part of the world's peoples. One can hardly respect a system of education that would leave the student wholly ignorant of the currents of religious thought that move the world society for a part in which he is being prepared."

Cistercian Abbot Blessed
London — (NC) — For the first time in 400 years a Cistercian Abbot, the 65-year-old Right Rev. Dom Columban Mulvihy O.C.S.B., was solemnly blessed in Scotland this week at the second anniversary of the opening of the Cistercian Abbey at Nurraw, Haddington, 20 miles east of Edinburgh.

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Buffalo — (RNS) — Nearly 2,000 stores, offices and plants will give employees time off Good Friday to attend church services. At the request of Protestant and Roman Catholic leaders, many business places will close during the three-hour period of Christ's Passion.
Business places that agree to participate are given posters for display purposes. The posters bear the inscription, "Attend Church Good Friday—A Worshipping Community—We will close 12 to 3 p. m., Good Friday."
Rural Life Committee
La Crosse, Wis. — (NC) — Nineteen special committees have been named here to supervise plans and arrangements for the 1948 National Catholic Rural Life Conference, to be held in La Crosse from October 15 to 20.

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Christ, the First Priest, was St. Joseph's foster Son. Was't you make another priest in the Near East your adopted son on St. Joseph's feast, March 19? Six hundred dollars will train a missionary. Even a dollar monthly to the CHRYSOSIOMIS, our Student Support Club, helps much.

CHRIST STILL WALKS IN HIS LAND
Yes, Our Blessed Lord still walks there, in spite of all the tragedy in the Holy Land. He preaches the Gospel to His poor through his missionary priests and Sisters.
Here is one example: Mother St. Superior of the Ladies of Nazareth, writes this about herself and four other Sisters. In one year, always on foot, they have visited and cured 1410 sick poor!
"But even though our expenses are little — the clothes on our backs, the little food we eat — medicines and food for the very poor in those hill towns of Palestine, so loved by Our Lord, do cost much.
"With conditions as they are now, in this blessed Land of the Savior, we cannot get a penny here. Yet, if we are to continue preaching Christ's merciful kindness to these poor — I was sick and you visited me — we must have the most! We know our kind American friends will stand by us!"

FOUR POOR PRIESTS
In the so-called "Valley of the Christians," in the diocese of Bishop Joseph Kalas of Tripoli, Lebanon, four poor missionary priests are very destitute. On the Bishop's feast day, St. Joseph's feast, won't you send something for them? Even one Mass offering will help.

RMIC
St. Patrick's bell is still kept in Ireland, and you sanctuary bell, given for fifty dollars, can herald Christ's coming at Mass in a humble Near East chapel!

INDULGENCE
Members gain a plenary indulgence on March 19. Are you one? Individual perpetual membership in our Mass association is twenty dollars. This is a stringless gift for our neediest cases.

STILL ASKING
For those dear missionary priests of Palestine we must keep begging. A package containing enough cloth for two cassocks costs nineteen dollars, a food package ten dollars. Please do what you can.

10,000 ORPHANS
This in Egypt alone, and we beg three dollars to purchase the little white garment in which we clothe them. Write for a picture of these "galabeyas."

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That mite for "ORPHAN'S BREAD," those dollar monthly dues for the SALT LANS, Lebanon Club, for the MONICA GUILD, our Near East Altar Sodality, that deposit in MARY'S BANK, for our nuns — these are monthly needs and we're deeply grateful to all who join.

CHALICE AND CORPORAL
In the Near East the chalice rests on a very special linen corporal, containing relics of the martyrs. A special chalice costs fifty dollars, and the linen corporal ten. Both are much needed.

PICTURE OF JESUS
Twenty dollars will provide a picture of Our Suffering Savior to a poor chapel. In these days when we commemorate how much He did for us.
Send all communications to
Catholic Near East Welfare Association
400 Lexington Ave., at 44th St. New York 17, N. Y.