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### Staly Votes Right

In more than one sense Italy has voted right. Her men and women went to the polls on last Sunday and Monday fully conscious of their serious obligation to give their y a stable government based on Christian principles, and guaranteeing liberty to all citizens for the years to come. They have voted right! They have put far from their beloved land the danger that pagen Communism threatened to introduce. They have realised their power and their obligation to use that power for the right. They have seen in Communist lying and machinations a cause that is entirely. wrong. They have ruled out the wrong, they have voted in the right!"

Italy has voted for the right as against the left. The conservative type of government that will protect Italy Communism; that will pladge a continuation of freedom to all and a united front against the power that would misuse from institutions to analyze the voters, to deprive them of their right to vote, of their dignity as free men.

Italy has voted for the right as against the wrong, for the true as against the false, for the Western type of diviliza-tion and culture as against the Communistic patter which has long since enalayed Russia and strives mightly to onsleve the world. Lies and decelt, false promises, threats, have have tended to keep honest voters away from the polls. But has prevailed! Good friends at home and abroad have raised their voices in warning, and have been heard.

### Repressing Communism

The time for putting down subversive attempts to stroy the American Government is now! Toleration is distroy the American Government is now! Toleration is right and proper for men and for doctrines that seek the good of our country, even when we differ with the plans to the plans of the purpose the aministion of every liberty God has given to His children.

The United States Government should make haste to protect itself and its citizens and its liberties against those mies within whose one hope and ambition is to substitute r American liberty the form of service aubmission that is today the curve of Russia.

Protect us against all who would misuse American freedom of speech to abolish all but their own freedom of speech, Protect us against those who would use the right of free assembly, to destroy all right of assembly save that which they supervise and control. Protect us against all deny to free men the right and power to practice freely the faith that is in their souls, who would setitute for American Freedom of Religion the farcical and lying religious freedom which strives so determinedly to sublaw all religion in Russia.

Repressing Communism! Let it be now! Let it be a desermined and active plan to outlaw and repress every snemy Millerty who dayes to misuse American freedom to destroy it. Congress owes it to America to silence Communistic attacks on American principles and laws as it would any other form of treason.

# Contenary of the Christian Brothers

All America Joins with the Archdiocese of New York in celebrating the centenary of the Christian Brothers in our country. What a contribution these hely men have made to our Church and to our country in one hundred years of devoted teaching service! Dedicated meny men of God, holy men, they have answered God's call to bring the fullest blessings of religious and secular sducation to millions of pupils.

May God continue to bless our country with their ministrational Every member of their Congregation is a power for good to our future citizens, in the building of Christian gentlemen who can give a reason for the faith that is in them. Christian schools manned by our Christian Brothers under the guaranteed liberties of the American system, make unnecessary any appeal to the Supreme Court poutlaw ineffective attempts to inject a modicum of God's teaching into Godless schools. Christian Americans rejoice in the true Americanism and stordy Christianity of the schools of the Christian Brothers.

# Has Already Been Judged

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, will come to convict the world of judgment; to convince the world that the devil has already been judged and has been found wanting.
"The Prince of this world has already been judged."
Alt manner of hes, every form of error, every misjudge ment of what is right and what is wrong, have been the equipment of the Prince of this World as he seeks the ruin of maskind, Paganism, unfaith, heresy, have been raised up by him against the teaching of God. Now the Son of God has come to save man to deliver him from error, to give him God's teachings in an infallible way. The Holy Ghost comes to dwell in the Church of Christ, to confirm His teachings, to assure man of their truth, to preserve unsulled the purity of His moral doctrines.

No mes after the coming of the Holy Ghost need onger be in doubt concerning the evil of the devil's teachings, the supersonnence of the teachings of Christ. The Prince of this world has already been judged; he has been

frince of this world has already been judged; he has been found wanting he has been found an impostor. God's Church under the protection of the Holy Spirit stands always for the right; is ready always to give men the true divine teaching in faith and in morals.

Literary member of the Church rejoice in the interestion within the Church rejoice in the interestion within within the Church the Holy Spirit! He abides when the Church is hear to one holy. Catholic: He is its secret, the incomplete protection against all error, its remains that I will never fall from the perfection in Church counsel I.

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remains God has triumphed over the limited at last prevailed, God is in His heaven: test with the world!

# An Appeal For Europe

My Dear Feople:



At the time of the nation-wide collection for the Bishops' Fund for European and Eastern Relief, I felf it watair to make an appeal here in our elective. We had just finished our succeasint College Campaign which had retarded many parish collections at that time. Consequently, we have lost the advantage of much of the national advertising on behalf of this appeal.

However, most of you realize that the Catholie Blahops of America have set up a well organized program of relief in Europe and the East, which is supervised directly by the Church authorities in these places. In this way the assistance which you give goes only where it should.

We have received a most touching fetter from His Holiness, Pope Plus XII expressing his gratitude for this help, an begging that we do not abandon this great work of charity. I was very proud of my people last year when the report of the collection was published. Our diocesan charity placed us very high in the list of contributors, and a great blessing will come to us if we maintain that place-

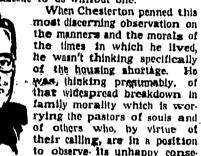
May I ask therefore, that on next Sunday you bear in mind and heart the millions bereft of Nome, hereft of the necessities of life, many of them actually dying of starvation. The "cup of water" which we give them in the name of Jesus is no figure of speech. Your generosity will mean the difference between life and death for many, between hope and despuir for all. Please give generously to this appeal so that our docese may meet its responsibility in this

great Christian charity. Your devoted Shepherd in Christ, -I-JAMES E. KEARNEY.

Bishop of Rochester.

# 4r.HigginsSays:

A Home Needs A House "We live in a time when it is harder for a free man to make a home than it was for a medieval ascetic to do without one."



rying the pastors of souls and others who, by virtue of their calling, are in a position. to observe its unhappy conse-Fr. Higgins quences in the fulfillment of their daily round of professional duties-social workers, psychiatrists, etc.

CHESTERTON WAS thinking, too, of those special obstacles to Christian family which, if not directly caused by the Industrial Revolution, have been occasioned in part by the change-over from the simplicity of rural living to the complexity of modern urpanism. He was suggesting-and those of us who are gleries ought to take his words to heart in all humility—that the married couple of the present day and age, for whatever combination of religious, economic, and sociological reasons, is called upon to practice a degree of personal heroism such as the twelfth or thirteenth-contury monk was seldom called upon to prac-

All of this is by way of leading up, however indirectly, to a discussion of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner housing bill which, let us hope and pray, will have been passed by the Senate before this column appears in print.

THE T-E-W BILL, in spite of the almost unprecedented measure of bipartisan political support which has railled behind it in an election year, is being doggedly opposed by am portant segments of the real estate industry and by certain self-appointed defenders of the faith-or the superstition-of "free enterprise."

The charge is made that it authorizes the continuation of low-cost public housing for lowincome familles. Your eighth-grade nephew at least if he attends a school which follows the curriculum and uses the readers of Catholic University's Commission on American Citizenship-can tell you that such a charge is nonsense. He can probably also tell you why it's nonsense in the light of Christian social

YOUR NEPHEW knows af only by the logic of the Faith in which the parochial school instructs him-that the government not only has: the right but the inescapable obligation to support the cause of Christian family living to the

extent of its legitimate powers. And how? Among other ways, by encouraging private enterprise, through reasonable incentives, to provide decent housing for our citizens and, if necessary, by actually subsidizing the building of dwellings for those poor unfortunates for whom private enterprise is either unable or unwilling to provide accommodations. If this is "socialism." then the Popes and the Bishops of the United States. are socialists and so are Senators Ellender, Wagner, and Taft.

RIDICULOUS? Of course it's ridiculous. But if the Talt-Ellender-Wagner bill is defeated. it will be, defeated largely because of such 'ridiculous' name-calling.

Some "ridiculous" things can be taken calraly and with an easy-going amile. But those of us who really mean in when we say that the family is the basic unit of society, and that marriage is a sacrament instituted by Christ Himself, haven't any right to smile indulgently at the antics of vested interests who would make if even "harder for a free man to make a home and to find a house in which to make that home.

WE OWN IT to the Christian family to be "socialists," if that means siding with the Encyclical on Christian Marriage when it says that legislators "In making the laws and in disposing of public funds must do their utmost to relieve the needs of the poor, considering auch a task as one of the most important of their administrative duties."

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"A Cup in His Name"



**Another Talk** With Stalin?

ONE OF THE mirages which the presidential campaign will conjure up is a conference between the United States and Soviet Russia for the avowed purpose of settling the problems which now threaten world peace.

It is almost certain that Mr. Wallace will counsel his fellow Americans to talk things over with Josef Stalln on the theory that we most certainly can do business with the Krem-

Some Americans will grasp at this suggestion like men drowning in the stormy sea of a potential atomic war, the draft, an armaments race, higher taxes and all other disagreeable things that go to make up modern delense and warfare.

THE ASTUTE CHIEF of the Washington Bureau of the New York Times, Arthur Krock. mulled over these possibilities the other day and decided to get an overall answer which would have some ring of authority.

He found his various confacts fairly satu of such a conference and reported the following summary of responses from those in position to talk policy on a high level:

'I The basic difficulty between the United States and Soviet Russia has not arisen because of a failure to confer. The United States has been more than generous in meeting that regulrement and, in conference after conference, has made numerous arrangements with Mossow to bring shout recovery and enduring peace in the post war world. But these arrangements agreed on at Yalta, Potsdam, Moscow London and Berlin -have not been adhered to by the Russian authorities

"2 Meanwhile the Soviet Government has proceeded to bring about a whotly new situation. and thus has posed the real problem that besets international affairs today. This departure from the normal relationship of governments now constitutes the major threat. It takes form in pro-Soviet afth columns working ceaselessly in other states to effect Russian control of their foreign policy and minority dictation of their domestic forms according to the Soviet

"I Unless this ceaseless activity, directed from Moscow, is abated, no Soviet American conference can come to an agreement covering the general operations of the Cominform and the fifth column in many countries. Since no such agreements are possible, as the record and all current proofs make abundantly clear, there is nothing to be gained in the terms of peaceful adjustment by such conferences. They would merely distract the non-Soviet conferees from proceeding with other measures to confine and disperse the peril. Also they would tend further to confuse and discourage sincere laborers for peace everywhere and give new opportunities, for the fifth columns, assisted both by honest and designing publicists outside Russia; to strengthen the drive for world-Communism."

IN WASHINGTON government officials have prepared a balance sheet of previous agreements reached with the Russians. Against these agreements are the number and detail of violations—on the part of the Reds. The sheet serves a very useful purpose of discouraging those vehement proponents of a "let's sit-downand-talk-it-over" school. All the conferences in the world cannot re-

store peace unless these conferences are backed by a will toward that end | Up to the present time, such a will is either missing or very much curtailed as far as Soviet Russia is concerned. Two Presidents Roosevelt and Truman have attempted to play diplomatic poker with Russia at the conference table and the records indicate that both have failed

The failure cannot entirely be charged to them. A large share of the blame must, of necessity, fall on the shoulders of the Russians. In the past we have taken them at their word and their word proved worthless.

How often have we been told of agreements reached over the conference table and sealed with vodka at a midnight Kremlin dinner only. to find those agreements tossed into discard when put to practical use

IN THE SOVIET dictionary there is one word which carries weight and that word is

Nearly every visitor to the Kremlin has come home with a Stalin anecdote which demonstrates the Reds' admiration for force of a military rather than a moral nature

This force permeates every fibre of Russian life. Yet you certainly cannot do business with men who worship force. Lasting peace never can be built on such a foundation.

A diplomatic vacuum results when men of good will try to talk with men of ill will Even Henry Wallace and his varicolored cohorts must concede that

# Ar. Gillis Says: Questions For Supreme Court

In this space two weeks ago I made some attempt to indicate a few of the practical problems that will confront teachers in public schools if they take the recent Supreme Court decision at its face value. The reader may rewould the teacher answer if

member that I asked what a pupil, reading the Declaration of Independence, asked, "Who is the 'Creator' mentioned in the text where it says Man is endowed by his Creator with certain inalienable rights'?" The teacher, I took occasion to say, must either

Fr. Gillia confess that she is not permitted to speak of God, or must disobey the ruling of the Supreme . But that is only one example of the fix in

which the Court has put the teacher. Let's

have a few more: "Now we shall stand, children, and sing 'My Country 'tis of thee,' " says teacher. So the children go to it with right good will. But what happens when they come to

"Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee I sing. Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might. Great God, our King!"

I know, of course, that most children sing without thinking of the words that come out of their mouths. When they utter the ecstatic expression, "My heart with rapture thrills like that above," they don't realize that they are singing about heaven, the Beatific Vision. eternal contemplation of the Face of God. Perhaps the Supreme Court would decide that so long as they don't recognize the religion in the song, they may sing it in the public schools.

BUT WHAT IF some bright child among them should say. "Teacher, what does it mean when it says that God is the author of liberty?" The dear good child will not know-and perhaps the dear good teacher also will not realize -that the innocent little question opens up not only a deep question of political philosophy but of theology. But if the leagher happens to be a well-informed Catholic, she will know that the question "whence comes liberty" was threshed out in an epoch-making debate between St. Robert Bellarmine, a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church, and King James of England.

The king held that God gave all powers necessary for the state into the hands of the king, and that the king, in turn, passed on to the people some of the prerogatives he had himself received direct from God. The cardinal opposed that view. He held that God gives power first to the people and that they in turn bestow some of their power upon their king.

IN THE DAYS of James of England such a doctrine was called "papistical," and rejected with scorn by the adherents of the king. It won out nevertheless, and found its way into the Declaration of Independence. And that's what the Rev. Mr. Samuel F. Smith had in mind when he called God "Author of liberty." and prayed (by the way is prayer permissible?) "Protect us by Thy might, Great God our King."

By the way, though it may be a "give away" as to my age, I met the Rev. Mr. Smith and have kept the memory of seeing and hearing him as one of the joys of my early childhood. He had no idea, like that of the present day Supreme Courty that the public schoolroom is no place to speak or to sing about God, about Divine Providence, about His intervention in the welfare of a nation about the Divine help and guidance given to "our fathers." Rev. Mr Smith would have been shocked, as would the much respected Moses Merrill, headmaster of the Boston Latin School, who used to read to us from the Bible and preach a sermon from the text chosen, at least once a week.

AS WITH SINGING "America," so with reading and expounding almost any one of the poets shall we say Lord Tennyson?. What will the high school teacher do if he or she must not explain the religious theme of "In Memoriam." or the constant references to Catholic faith and Catholic practice in "The Idylls of the King"?

And what will the teacher do when Shakespeare refers to purgatory, or when, as in "Hamlet," he makes a hundred references which mean nothing unless the student is told about the Catholic religion?

MUST THE SCHOOLS leave out all reference to Dante, "The central man of all the ages"? Dante, we are told, is "St. Thomas Aguinas set to verse" Well, then, who was St. Thomas Aquinas? For that matter who was the other Thomas, "the doubting Thomas " Or the third Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury? And what is an archbishop and what is meant by "Canterbury"? What and why was the Canterbury pilgrimage? If students are not told these things, they are not getting an education. Or take King David and the Psalms. Or

the Golden Rule. Or the Sermon on the Mount. Or the word Calvary. Since the newspapers are now filled with references to Palestine, will the teacher in the classroom make no explanation as to why Jerusalem is called the Holy

WHY PILE UP the instances " It makes no difference whether you read or sing or act, you can make no sense of anything unless you bring in religion. To say that religion may be mentioned but not inculcated is bosh. A smart boy or girl can tell in the twinkling of an eye whether the teacher believes or disbelieves what he is explaining. In either case he is inculcating something-faith if he believes. atheism or agnosticism if he doesn't believe. The children will catch on.

So the first objection to the Supreme Court decision in the McCollum case is that it is silly and impossible.

# Quotable Quotes

"A happy home can not be established upon the mere sensate in man. There must be added a rational plan and the idealism of love."-Rev. Michael J. Miller, O.S.M.

"The people as a whole of a vanquished country should not be made to suffer for the crimes of guilty politicians."-Rev. Edmund A. Walsh, S.J.

Just Between Us-

# Older Than Royal Houses

THE BOMBING of Monte Cassino gave all of us quite a jolt. We Catholics felt pretty much alike.

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time, it just had to be done What must have folted many non-Catholic was the realization of how long Monte Cassino had been serving our Church.

We tend to take the Catholie Church for granted, you know. It stands in each community with its Sunday and week-day services, not much different outwardly from all the other churches in town, and then one day we read that a Catholic monastery has been bombed - a monastery founded more than 1400 years ago! Again we've bumped our

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noses on the fact that the Catholic Church Is different, just when we might have succeeded in convincing ourselves that all churches are pretty

WE CAN'T call Monte Cassino mereny a Christian monaslety you see, it was a Catholic monastery, founded by St. Benedict, one of the last Romans of the old Empire. Then, while the Germans were still busy praying to their Nordic gods and the British and Celts were still trimming their idols with mistletoe, the Catholic monks of Monte Cassino be-

# Japanese Aids 3,000 Baptisms

Kobe, Japan -(NC)- For almost 50 years Mary Nakahàma, 63, has been cooking, sowing and doing laundry work, all without salary, as a contribution to the work of the Sisters of the Infant Jesus. But she finds time for an apostolate of her own-visiting the sick in hospitals. She has been credited with bringing into the Faith more than 3,800 persons.

gain arising with each new dawn to sing the praises of God from their Psalters, to consecrate each new day to the service of their Lord in prayer: and work.

By Father

Ginder

How do we know it was a Catholic monastery? Because it recognized the Pope as head of the Church and, of course, the Pope has always been a Catholic. WE WENT to the trouble of

looking up who was Pope when St. Benedict founded Monte Cassino, and we found that it was Felix III. He was a saint, and the fifty fourth Pope to rule the Catholic Church. In other words, the Catholic Church was already ancient in the year 329 A.D.

Our present Holy Father. Pius XII, is the 260th successor of St. Peter in his office of Chief Bishop. The first Pope Pius occupied the Chair of St. Peter for the nine years between 158 and 167!

It's no wonder that the great non-Catholic historian could write, "The proudest royal houses are but of yesterday, when compared with the line of the Supreme Pontiffs."

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