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Chicago Cardinal Orders New Drive Against Newstand 'Filth'

Chicago — (NC) — In a sternly worded address, His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, laid down a mandate to 1700 delegates at the annual meeting of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women...

THE CARDINAL said he wanted in every parish a committee which will go into communities and neighborhood drug stores, book stores, lunch rooms, variety stores and places of that kind to talk with their proprietors asking them to cooperate with us and not to corrupt the youth of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The prelate told the women they would be surprised to find that in the best neighborhoods these dirty things are being sold — these little dirty things, you can't conceive how a mind could get them out.

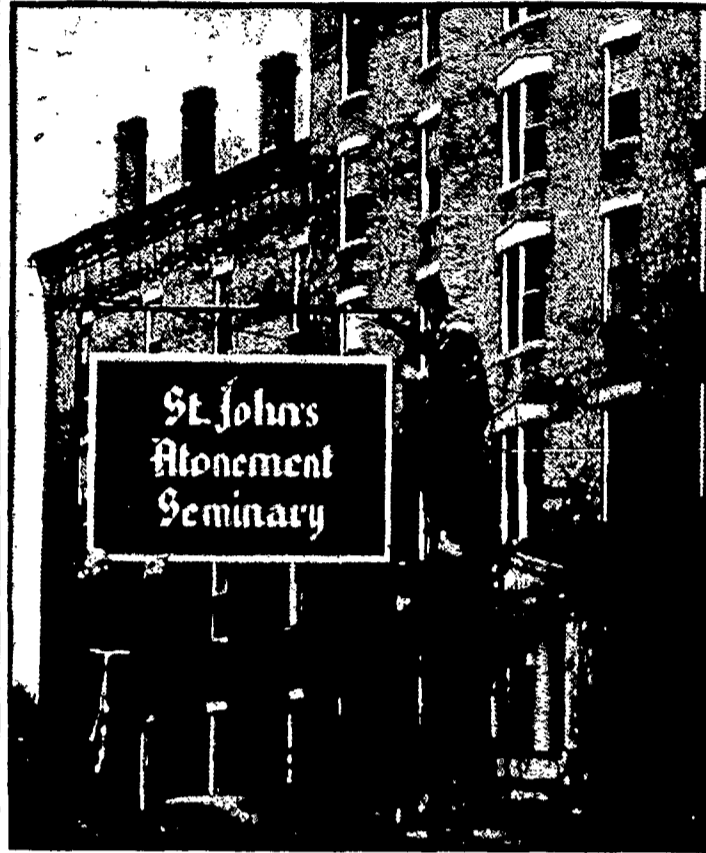
Cardinal Stritch said that most of the comics "are offensive not only because they are obscene, but worse than obscene" he said most of them cater to actual degradation, while others magnify and glorify crime.

"We have made a survey on that score," the Cardinal said. "After all there is a certain curiosity in youth and that curiosity frequently leads youth astray. Now it is just untenable how dirty and degrading these things are. I am not referring merely to the type of printed matter which exhibits a woman in a bathing suit or something, I am referring to the dirty filth of the worst sort which cannot be taken into the mind without corrupting that mind. And this is not being sold in secret places — it is being sold in public places in all of your neighborhoods."

The Cardinal said that without trying to minimize the evil being done by publishers, printers, distributors and wholesalers of the objectionable material, the best analysis is the retailer who releases this flood of filth on the public and he does not have to sell them.

HE EMPHASIZED that "with all the fine promises that the publishers give, there is little hope of influencing any of them" as he called upon the women to aim their campaign mainly at the retailer of the publications. "Are we going to stand as Americans, conscious of our duties in a democracy and let people make some dirty money and corrupt our youth by straying in the path of this youth these occasions of sin?" the Cardinal concluded.

NOW IT'S A SEMINARY



Rev. David F. Gannon S.A., Guardian, supervises as St. John's Atoneement Seminary sign is erected to mark the change from Cook Academy in Montour Falls. Brother Roger McEneaney S.A. is on the ladder held by Brother Patrick Galligan S.A.

Friars Launch \$250,000 Repair Work on Seminary

Montour Falls—More than \$250,000 will be spent to renovate and modernize the recently acquired Cook Academy building here, the Franciscan Friars of the Atoneement, purchasers of the building, announced this week.

Buddhist Helps Nuns' Clinic

Yangchow, Kiangsu, China. — (NC) — On land donated for the purpose by a non-Catholic Chinese doctor, a new medical clinic is being opened here by two nuns, Hospital Sisters of St. Francis, whose headquarters are in Springfield, Ill.

A devout Buddhist, a Dr. Liou Yung-chun offered the land to be used for charitable work among the poor, in respect for the memory of his father who died 30 years ago.

The Sisters pioneering in the new work here were formerly on the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Taiwan, before that Shantung capital fell to Communist armies. They bring to their task wide experience in Chinese medical problems.

Bishop Oxnam Again Attacking Christ!

Methodist Bishop Bromley Oxnam continues to make headlines with his severe attacks against the Catholic Church. In his latest utterances he repeats his charge that the Catholic Church is a "totalitarian" institution.

THE CATHOLIC Church, according to Bishop Oxnam, tends to condition its membership for dictatorship. A man who must take his religious thought from an authoritarian hierarchy "is likely to be so conditioned that he may be willing to take his political thought from a dictator, or to accept economic thought from a party," Bishop Oxnam states.

Pointing his attack particularly at the Catholic Bishops, the New York Methodist leader says that "the Roman Catholic hierarchy is in the strange and indefensible position of damning Stalin and of blessing Franco at the same time."

THE OBVIOUS intent of Bishop Oxnam's attack is to discredit the Catholic hierarchy and to drive a wedge between them and the rank-and-file Catholics.

But if the Methodist leader hopes to achieve his apparent ambition he must find some way to drive a wedge between them and the rank-and-file Catholics.

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Truman Win Forecasts Realignment

Washington — (NC) — President Truman's smashing victory at the polls may mark the dawn of a new epoch in political history.

There is reason to believe that, unwittingly perhaps, President Truman has set up a new political party — in fact it is not in name.

MR. TRUMAN'S election was in a very real sense a personal triumph — and a great one. His margin of victory was not as great that accorded his predecessor on several occasions, but his victory itself was at least as great as any Franklin D. Roosevelt achieved.

Besides, he apparently stands freer of obligations to persons and groups than any successful candidate has for a long time. "He did it all himself," is what they have been saying here of Mr. Truman's achievement.

MORE IMPORTANT to observers than the fact Mr. Truman won in the manner in which he won. He triumphed without the backing of those "far-to-the-left" voters who had supported Franklin D. Roosevelt, but who left Mr. Truman for Mr. Wallace.

He won over a handicap Mr. Roosevelt never had, a serious split in what had been considered a basic strength of the Democratic Party — the "solid South." And, he downed the Republicans in what was their most hopeful year in a quarter of a century.

There used to be an expression "There are just more Republicans than there are Democrats." The Republicans fostered this idea, and it flourished in the days when the G.O.P. more often than not was in control of the Government.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT cast doubt upon this slogan by his successive victories at the polls, but it is generally conceded that he didn't win with just Democrats alone, but through a coalition of Democrats and others — some of them considerably more radical than the Democrats.

President Truman defeated the Republicans without extreme radicals and without the extreme conservatives. He apparently brought together enough voters of the "center" and "left-of-center" persuasion to beat down the Republican challenge, while fending off the side attacks of two opponents.

Moreover, President Truman piled up a total of 304 electoral votes without carrying New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey or Michigan with their large blocks of votes. Franklin D. Roosevelt carried all of these states against Governor Dewey in 1944.

THERE IS evidence that Mr. Truman's victory gave powerful impetus to a further shift of the electoral power from the coastline to the center portion of the country, with a combination of workers and farmers that will be extremely potent politically if it can be maintained.

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Red Bid for China Rule Hits Peak

Shanghai — (NC) — Communism's long struggle to control China's millions is now approaching its climax. Today the Chinese Reds are nearer to the government than they have ever been since they founded their party in a secret meeting in Shanghai 27 years ago.

THE COMMUNIST party is still far less than one per cent of the total population of China. But as a result of thorough organization, iron-handed methods, shrewd tactics and Russian helpfulness, they have now almost succeeded in getting a strangle hold on this weakened country.

As far as is generally known, Soviet Russia has not given supplies of its own to the Chinese Reds. But the Russians so maneuvered their delayed withdrawal from Manchuria in 1946 that the Reds acquired most of that region as a vast base and obtained a large quantity of Japanese arms.

Furthermore, Russian advisory assistance to the Reds is as certain as its corollary, namely, the Reds' strict adherence to the Moscow line. Most recent proof that communism in China is a sector of Moscow's front line came when the Chinese Reds went out of their way to endorse the Cominform pronouncements on Tito.

Military gains may not alone bring the communists into power. The last barriers may collapse in an economic breakdown. This is one of the Reds' objectives.

If Nanking is threatened, the Nationalist government may withdraw to Hangchow or Canton. That would leave most of China in communist hands.

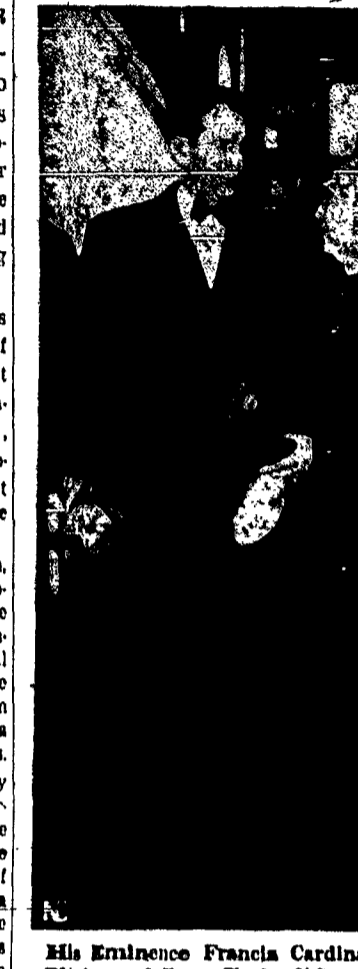
THE VICTORS would then have to face formidable problems. They are short of party members skilled in national or even big-city administration. They would have to grapple with the economic problems that they themselves have created. They would need foreign recognition.

For these reasons a communist government in China might be much milder during its first months or year than local communist regimes have been in the north. After some preliminary "liquidations" by imprisonment, confiscation and execution, a Red government might refrain from directly molesting the Church — until it was ready. When that day would come, the bloody persecutions of last winter would be renewed on a nationwide scale.

Communism in China, as elsewhere, has proved that it is essentially hostile to religion, and only expediency will restrain it from open attack at any time.

A communist rise to national power might also result in an eventual split within the Reds' ranks, if some Moscow directive is too sharply at variance with Chinese interests.

Cardinal Welcomes DPs To U. S.



His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, and Tom Clark, U.S. attorney general, pictured aboard the U.S. Army Transport General Black in New York, where they greeted the 813 Displaced Persons, vanguard of some 200,000 to be admitted to the United States. Mr. Clark represented President Truman. Ship's Captain M. D. Hoffman is shown with the Cardinal and cabinet member. (NC Photos)

World Chaos Said Moscow Veto Aim

London — (NC) — Some of the more solemn British papers are beginning to speak of the current United Nations performance at Paris as the "Follies of Chailiot, not perhaps quite of the same character as the better known Bangers, but nevertheless definitely within the category of the farcical. The event that has stolen the show from the rest of the activities is the inability to reach a decision on the Berlin issue.

THE MAJOR ERROR in appraising recent U. N. events, particularly the Soviet veto, is the unrealistic optimism of those who expected a solution of the Berlin issue. If anything can be asserted with unequivocal certitude, it is that the Soviet Union will not agree to any settlement.

This is the most apparent of all the realities of our time. Berlin is simply a part of the whole strategy of confusion and disorder that is being worked out as a line only in Burma, in Malaya, in China, in France, and in Korea.

I HAVE HAD occasion to meet Douglas Hyde, former editor of the Daily Worker, communist daily in London, and a recent Catholic convert, and have been deeply impressed by his views on these events, and especially the aims of the Soviet Union in the present pulling and tugging.

Mr. Hyde's analysis of the motivation behind all this makes good sense. The Soviet Union has not the remotest idea of war, but it has the slightest glimmer of the immediate future.

Everything points to a permanent effect to force all of us to build up armaments, to spend our money on armaments, to have our lives and our property in a state of constant peril, to create an insufferable burden that the capitalist system simply cannot stand. The effects of armament are already being felt in Great Britain. In other countries they are being felt as well, as a consequence. Nothing more effective could be conceived to prevent real reconstruction.

This appears to be the only interpretation that really fits the facts. Those who see the Soviet Union as a union having a full-dress war within a few months have not taken into account the tactics as revealed at Chailiot during the Berlin crisis. This is the perfect example of Soviet technique. No more eloquent lesson could be provided in the procedure of the Soviet Union in avoiding the solution of problems.

WE MAY well expect these dilatory tactics to continue indefinitely. The rest of the session of the General Assembly, scheduled to end about December 10, will unquestionably be a repetition of the same thing. There will be no settlement of Berlin. There will be no settlement of anything. It behooves us all to proceed on this premise and do the things that must be done, without a settlement. No settlement does not mean a war, certainly. But no settlement means that it is high time that the effort now being poured into seeking such a settlement be directed elsewhere.

The events at Chailiot demonstrate that there are two things for the Western World to do: keep the Berlin airlift functioning in every possible way; the Western World to the end that it may rapidly become an Atlantic Union.

We have assumed that the Soviet Union was merely touchy, sensitive and suspicious. The Soviet veto told the world that Moscow is not in the least suspicious but utterly uninterested in any settlements. Very few things wanted in the process of stimulating chaos and disorder everywhere. Events from now on in the world and an open recognition of this simple fact of life.

First Displaced Persons Group Arrives in New York

New York — (NC) — Eight hundred and thirteen displaced persons, among them 523 Catholics, who arrived on the U. S. Army Transport General Black which brought from Germany the first of 205,000 homeless persons to be admitted under the new Displaced Persons Act, are now beginning to rebuild their shattered lives in 19 different States.

Hungarian Girls Stage 'Walk-Out'

BUDAPEST — (RNS) — One hundred and fifty girls attending a school in Zalagerazsgy formerly conducted by Catholics, staged a "walk-out" in protest against plans for forming study groups in which, apparently, Communist principles were to be taught. The school is located in a parish belonging to the diocese of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary.

ACCORDING to reports here, the girls staged a "walk out" in protest against plans for forming study groups in which, apparently, Communist principles were to be taught. The school is located in a parish belonging to the diocese of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary.

The walk-out occurred when the head mistress sent home a girl named Maria Beledi, who was charged with being the ring leader of a demonstration against the proposed study groups. Subsequently, ten other girls were branded as leaders of the revolt and ordered barred from all schools in the country.

Nazareth Girls Aid Religious Teaching of Deaf Children



The Rev. John B. Gallagher, C.S.S., chaplain for the deaf in the diocese, shown teaching manual spelling to Betty Anne Regan and Joan Warthington of Nazareth College. Several college students are assisting him in religious instruction for nearly 75 deaf Catholic children.

Several students of Nazareth College are now engaging in a new apostolate helping to bring the knowledge of God to deaf children by use of the manual alphabet.

They are assisting the Rev. John B. Gallagher, C.S.S., in weekly religious instruction classes for pupils of the Rochester School for the Deaf.

Father Gallagher, newly assigned chaplain for the deaf in the diocese, has taken over the work of the Rev. William A. Doherty, C.S.S., R. Redemptorist priest who, during the 14 years he was stationed at St. Joseph's Church, made a great deal of progress in bringing religion to the deaf and hard-of-hearing. He has been transferred to a post in North Carolina.

Seven volunteers from the Catholic Action Group of Nazareth College sociology class recently visited Buffalo's St. Mary's School for the Deaf, where Father Gallagher is chaplain. They were impressed at the patience and individual attention necessary to instruct children deprived of hearing and speech. Making the trip were the Misses Eileen Thane, Joanne

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