

## \$10,000 for Seals Orphans To Be Aided By Diocesan Pupils

By MARY M. GABRY

This is an early Christmas story — but it just won't wait! Thousands of little orphans in the Catholic foreign missions will get a real present this Christmas — \$10,000 raised by the children of the Rochester Diocesan Catholic schools.



How did a group of mere school children raise that kind of money? Here's how: They gave up countless hours of their free, out-of-school time and went about ringing doorbells to sell Christmas seals — 1,000,000 of them. The one-cent seals, depicting the Nativity scene in the stable, were provided by the Holy Childhood Association, an agency of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Selling Holy Childhood seals isn't anything new to Catholic school children, or to their generous relatives and neighbors. This goes on every year, and the proceeds in former years have helped foreign missionaries. But this is a banner year, according to the Very Rev. Magr. John S. Randall, diocesan director of the Propagation Office.

Earlier this month, Monsignor Randall appealed to the youngsters for a special effort because "the world situation is growing alarmingly worse." He told them that the advance of the Red Army in the East has caused the abandonment of many children by parents fleeing the Communists.

Evidence of how seriously this appeal was taken is the fact that this year's total, 1,000,000 seals, is an all-time high for Rochester Diocese schools.

Leading the Diocese in the sale of Holy Childhood seals are the children of Holy Family School, Rochester, whose total figure to date is \$3,875. St. Andrew's pupils rate the second place spot with \$1,200 sales. Almost shoulder to shoulder are St. Mary's, Elmira, with 44,000, St. Charles Borromeo and St. Peter and Paul's, Rochester, with 42,500 and 40,175 respectively.

## Bp. Flannelly To Be Consecrated Dec. 16

New York — Most Rev. Joseph Francis Flannelly will be solemnly consecrated titular bishop of Metelis and auxiliary of New York by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, on Thursday, Dec. 16 in St. Patrick's Cathedral here.

Arrangements of the hierarchy to attend will be His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Keane, Bishop of Rochester.

The third priest to serve as administrator of the Cathedral since it was completed sixty-nine years ago, the new bishop will be the first of his churchly rank to serve in that post at St. Patrick's. Preceding him were Monsignor William Quinn, V.G., the first administrator, who served six years; and Monsignor Michael J. Lavelle, V.G., who served for fifty-two years until his death in 1939.

FOUR Archbishops and forty-five bishops will march in the pontifical procession and take seats in the sanctuary of the Cathedral during the consecration ceremonies, at which Cardinal Spellman will be assisted by Most Rev. Joseph P. Donahue, V.G., and Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, Bishops Auxiliary of New York as co-consecrators.

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor Philip J. Furlong, Ph.D., pastor of St. Elizabeth's Church, Manhattan, a longtime friend of the new bishop will preach the sermon at the consecration.

Bishop-elect Flannelly's consecration to the hierarchy will bring to four the number of bishops serving as auxiliaries to the New York Archbishop, three of whom will have been consecrated in the Cathedral by Cardinal Spellman since the new bishop became Administrator in 1939.



BISHOP FLANNELLY

## Movie Pledge Slated Sunday

Here is the full text of the Legion of Decency Pledge to be given at all Masses in the Diocese of Rochester Sunday, Dec. 16.

**PLEDGE OF THE LEGION OF DECENCY**

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

I condemn indecent and immoral pictures and those which glorify crime or criminals. I promise to unite with all who protest against them.

I acknowledge my obligation to form a right conscience about pictures that are dangerous to my moral life.

As a member of the Legion of Decency, I pledge myself to see only good pictures.

I promise, further, to stay away altogether from places of amusement which make a practice of showing pictures that can be an occasion of sin.

I promise to refrain from purchasing and reading anything which violates the Code of the National Organization for Decent Literature, and

I promise not to enter places where such literature continues to be sold.

Gifts appropriate for all the people on your shopping list are available at William S. Thorne, Jewellers, 63 Snow from a large selection of diamonds, watches, brooches, compacts, 318 East Main—Adv.

St. Francis  
His contribution to Christmas is contained in a special pre-Christmas feature, "The Young in Heart," On Page 4

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## Reds Boring Into Schools, Survey Says

Washington (NC) — One of the most fertile fields for communist activities is education and many communists and fellow travelers have bored into the American school system where they constitute a "deadly danger," the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities asserts.

The charge is made in a question-and-answer type pamphlet entitled "100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Education." It is the third in a series of such pamphlets which the committee has issued.

**BESIDES ACTIVE** teaching in public schools, private schools and church schools from kindergartens to colleges, communists run some schools outright," the pamphlet asserts.

"The communists have always found the teaching group the easiest touch of all the professional classes for actual party zealots and fellow travelers."

**ESTIMATING** that 800 American communists have been trained at the Moscow school, the report states they have returned to the United States where they are "the high officers of a secret army now being drilled to overthrow our government."

The committee declares that "one of the Communist Party's most powerful devices for catching youth is that of using 'big name' agents to spark a campus rally or meeting which has as its real purpose the planting of party propaganda." The group also says that in some cases teachers slip propaganda into classroom work and texts and lead "gullible students" into Red-sponsored campus activities.

The Lenin school in Moscow is the highest echelon of communist training, the pamphlet states.

## TO OVERSEA MISSION POSTS



Bound for widely separated mission fields, to bring the word of God to orphans and others, are six priests shown above. Partly contributing toward their expenses and the gifts they will take are proceeds from Christmas seals being sold through the Holy Childhood Association by school pupils of Rochester and other dioceses throughout the nation. In the upper photo three Oblates of Mary Immaculate are the first of six enroute to the Japanese island of Shikoku. In the lower group are three priests of the Society of Africa Missions ready to leave for Liberia. (NC Photos.)

## Urban Trend Termed 'Menace' to Church

Detroit (NC) — The progress of the Catholic Church in the United States is being slowed by an unbalanced Catholic population — 88 per cent in cities and only 12 per cent in small towns and rural areas.

Magr. Luigi G. Ligutti of Des Moines, executive secretary of the National Catholic Rural Life conference, made this point in the First Friday club here. He submitted these figures:

**IN THE 78,177** small towns with a population of 2,500 or less in this country there are only 9,641 Catholic churches and only 5,216 resident priests. More than 68,000 towns have no Catholic churches.

The Catholic Church stands in 33rd place in rural strength among 38 denominations with more than 100,000 members.

There are 140,359 Protestant churches in rural America compared to 9,641 Catholic churches.

While 16 per cent of our entire population lives on farms, only 5 per cent of the Catholics are on farms.

**ADMITTING** that there are many baptisms in city parishes, Magr. Ligutti emphasized that there are fewer fourth and fifth babies in families than ever before and that it is only the fourth baby that counts in repopulating the population, as it takes an average of 3.6 children per family to maintain the population.

The purpose of the National Catholic Rural Life conference is to keep Catholics on the farm and to induce others to move to the country, Magr. Ligutti explained.

"It seeks to improve their spiritual and material life. His report has audience to assist its efforts and to promote decentralization."

## Child Kept From 'Non-Religious' Public School

Greenfield, Ill. (NC) — A mother and father who have been arrested here for keeping their seven-year-old daughter out of public school have declared that their reason for the action was that the school offered no religious instruction. They say they will fight their case to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The couple, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Levison, hold that, despite an Illinois law requiring children to attend school, the U. S. Constitution gives them the right to educate their children in their own way. The Levisons are Seventh Day Adventists.

The denunciation, however, actively supported Mr. Vashit McCollum of Champaign, Ill., in her successful fight to have released-time religious education outlawed on public school premises.

## Primate Dares Regime to Bare Hungarian Church-State Facts

By REV. JOSEPH SULLIVAN (NOWO Correspondent)

Rome (By Radio) — His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary, has challenged the communist regime to give the case of the Church a chance before public opinion. The Cardinal's challenge was contained in a pastoral, the full text of which has become available here.

## St. Monica Jubilee Lists Bishop Foery

The Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, Bishop of Syracuse, will preach the sermon at the Golden Jubilee Pontifical High Mass at St. Monica's Church Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

The Mass will be celebrated by the Most Rev. James E. Keane, Bishop of Rochester. In marking the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Street parish. (Historical sketch on Page 11.)

**FOLLOWING** the Mass Bishop Keane will be the principal speaker at a jubilee dinner in the parish hall. The Very Rev. Magr. Gerald C. Lambert, pastor of St. Monica's, will preside. Invited guests will include the clergy of Rochester and Monroe County, religious who are now teaching or who have taught at St. Monica's school, seminarians and representative laymen.

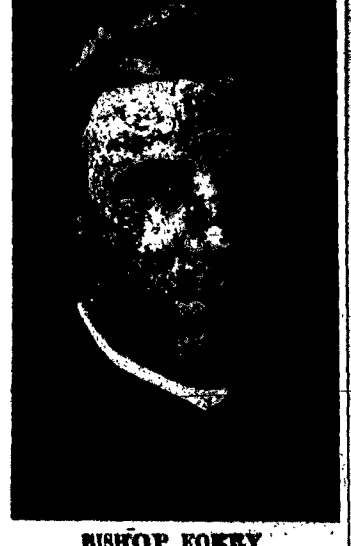
Among the clergy will be all former assistants at St. Monica's, as well as boys from the parish who have entered the priesthood.

Also invited are church trustees, ushers, auditors, members of the Altar Society, the church choir and the Legion of Mary, officers of the Holy Name Society, the Rosary Society, the Monicans, the Sodality, the Caelellian Choir and representatives of the Boy Scout troop and Cub Pack.

**THE FIVE** surviving members of the school's first graduation class — the class of 1902 — as well as the members of the families of the Rt. Rev. Magr. John P. Brophy and the Rt. Rev. Magr. William F. Bergan also have been invited.

Assistant priest at the jubilee Mass on Sunday will be the Rt. Rev. Magr. William M. Hart, P.A., V.G. Monsignor Lambert will be deacon and the Very Rev. Magr. James C. McAniff, Chancellor of the diocese, will be sub-deacon.

Dignities of honor will be the Rt. Rev. Magr. Joseph S. Cam (Continued on Page 11)



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MONSIGNOR LAMBERT

## 'RED' CHARGES PROTESTED BY METHODISTS

New York (NC) The Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church has vehemently denied that communism infiltrated our Protestant churches and that any of their "responsibility" leaders follow the party line.

The Bishops' statement came in answer to a report of the House Committee on Un-American Activities entitled "100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Religion," which made the infiltration charge.

**"WE WHO KNOW** the church know these charges to be false," the Bishops said. "We deplore any statement from any source which declares a great Christian community representing millions of faithful Christians and loyal Americans."

"As the bishops of the church, we seek to practice Christian charity and to exemplify the grace of patience, but we cannot and will not remain silent when confronted by practices at once un-American and a threat to a free church in a free society."

**THE STATEMENT** asks that no commissions be appointed to investigate Negro education and present recommendations providing for a program which will bring up the colored educational level of the public school system to a par with that of the white school.

"We are confident" the petition asserted, "that no outside power can upset segregation standards of the state as long as these are a part of the state's legal foundation and accepted by general custom and practice provided there is an aggressive and harmonious effort to adjust and eliminate inequities and discriminations."

## Bishop Orders Seminarians To Get Summer Factory Jobs

Vienna (CIP) — Every Seminarian in the Austrian Diocese of Innsbruck, Feldkirch must spend at least two months of his summer vacation working in a factory. Bishop Paul Rusch has ordered only war veterans are exempt. The work may be done in one or two month periods or in two one-month periods.

This new rule makes sure that in the future all priests of the diocese will have some first hand experience with the problems of manual labor. In the past several Bishops in Austria and other countries have recommended to their seminarians such work in their vacations but Innsbruck is the first diocese to require a mere recommendation by a definite rule.

**THE STATEMENT**, as issued by the Chancery reads as follows: "It is hereby made a rule that all students of theology in this diocese must spend at least two months in industrial labor while they are seminarians."

"All others will be obliged to spend two months during their summer vacations as laborers in some industrial plant. It is permissible to divide the two-month period between two years, so that it will be necessary to spend only four weeks at a time in industrial labor."

## Jews Denounce IRGUN LEADER AS 'FASCIST'

New York (NC) Dr. Albert Einstein, Prof. Sidney Hook and 19 other scholars and teachers, most of them Jews, joined in an open letter to the New York Times to denounce the Freedom Party of Israel led by Menachem Begin as closely akin to Nazi and fascist parties in its methods. Mr. Begin is now visiting the United States to solicit support for his party.

The Freedom Party, the joint letter read, was formed out of the membership of the former Irgun, a "terrorist, right-wing, chauvinist organization in Palestine" which the signers held responsible for what they called "the massacre" of 240 men, women and children in the Arab village of Deir Yassin.

**ADDED** to the growing protest against Mr. Begin, this country was the statement of a spokesman for Philip Murray, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, announcing that Murray had not authorized the use of his name as a member of an advertised "reproach" committee of 1,000 for Mr. Begin.

It is inconceivable that those who oppose fascism throughout the world, if correctly informed as to Mr. Begin's political record and perspectives, could add their names and support to the movement he represents," the letter to The Times said. "The American public must be informed."

**THE LETTER** said that while Mr. Begin's party now speaks of freedom and democracy, "until recently they openly preached the doctrine of the fascist state."

The letter deplored that the "top leadership of American Zionism has refused to campaign against Begin's efforts, or even to expose to its own constituents the changes in Israel from support to Begin."

## Colored Catholics Convene in Georgia

Augusta, Ga. (RNS) — More than 200 delegates attended the convention of the state Colored Catholic Laymen's Association here.

Speakers at the sessions stressed the growing recognition of the role being played by the Catholic lay movement among Negroes in building interracial good will. Special greetings to the Negro laymen were received from Bishop Gerald P. O'Hara of Savannah-Atlanta, who is serving as regent of the Apostolic Nunciature in Romania.

## Bp. McVinney Terms Labor Slowdown 'Unforgivable'

Providence, R. I. (RNS) — Bishop Russell J. McVinney criticized as "an unforgivable sin" the slowdown in the Rhode Island building trades. The head of the Providence diocese, who recently told the state AFL convention that some of its members had rolled dice while employed on Catholic building projects, declared before the state CIO convention that the actions of the building trades unions hurts all labor.

**"THEIR** irreparable condition reflects on all of you, on all labor," he said in a major address before 300 CIO delegates.

Bishop McVinney charged that the man who does the job on a hospital, an orphanage or an old folks' home is "stealing from the poor, the needy, the sick and the infirm." I think that is an unforgivable sin," he added.

Clinging to a trade, he said that Rhode Island bickickers now lay only 400 bricks a day where their predecessors laid 1,500 or 1,000 daily.

"And it isn't because he isn't as strong as his father," Bishop McVinney said. "It is because there are too many drones and lazy loafers on the job that don't want to do more than that, and if another man gives an honest day's work he is spoiling the job."

## Protestant Group Criticizes High Court School Decision

Pittsburgh (NC) — The National Reform Association, an 85-year-old Protestant organization which seeks to "promote Christianity in our national life" has asked the U. S. Supreme Court to reconsider its McCollum case decision of the American Catholic Bishops.

This decision, which outlawed the use of public school machinery in the teaching of religion, would "if carried to its logical conclusion bar God and religion from the entire public life of the nation," the association declared.

"FROM this beginning and throughout our entire history," their resolution stated, "an enemy has been at work seeking to undermine these religious foundations upon which our forefathers established this nation. That enemy is secularism. It aims and is at work assiduously to uproot and destroy those religious foundations and establish this nation upon purely secular foundations."

The National Reform Association pledged its energies to "a critical appraisal of the Court's decision in this case, to showing up and giving widest publicity to its errors and fallacies with a view to securing a reversal of the decision."

## Jeruit College Last in Szechow To Flee Reds

Shanghai (NC) — Of the 20 higher schools to suspend classes at Szechow during the threat of the communist armies, the last to close its doors was St. Aloysius College, conducted by Catholic missionaries.

A general exodus of students to the north took place during November, the railroad stations being described as black with students, sleeping on floors and hungry. Southbound trains were so full that some students tied themselves to the outside of coaches for the 200-mile trip to Nanking.

Since the "Red" advanced, some have returned to Szechow, saying that there was neither food nor lodging for them in Nanking.

Express your sympathy with Flowers: Call Main 1288, Szechow and Providence 1511, Szechow, where you can buy a variety of Daily necessities in all quantities including necessities. (Adv.)