

Start First Community Auckland, N. Z.—(NC)—The Very Rev. Paul Cleri, O.Carm., Carmelite prior from Melbourne,

Australia, has arrived here to establish the first Carmelite community in New Zealand. The Fathers will have charge of the parish in Meadowbank.

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By REV. F. J. FLYNN

(Continued from page 1) dispute between the Melishes and the Episcopalian Bishop who has ordered their removal, that is the Rabbi's own business. If he feels that he should defend publicly the pro-Soviet sympathies of the younger Melish clergyman, that, too, is the Rabbi's business.

Neither is it surprising that Rabbi Wise openly criticizes the Catholic Church. What is surprising is that he, a noted leader of American Jewry, would make an irresponsible and false accusation against any organization.

Even American Jews must be disturbed to hear Dr. Wise attack the Catholic Church in the accents of the Daily Worker and the Moscow radio.

His charge that the Catholic Church is seeking to promote war against the Soviet Union is nothing but a repetition of the current Moscow propaganda which accuses the Vatican and the Pope of working hand in glove with American capitalists to launch a war of aggression against Russia.

IN HIS REPORTED remarks Rabbi Wise fails to give the evidence in any for his insinuation against the Catholic Church.

He does say that he stands "horrified before the grim prospect of war with the Soviet Union. So does the Catholic Church and Dr. Wise can hardly be unaware of the fact.

He can hardly be unaware of the record of Pope Pius XII and the Catholic Bishops in working for the cause of international peace long before the United Nations organization was ever dreamed of the Papal Peace Plan was before the world as a definite and practical blueprint for international order among nations.

POSSIBLY RABBI Wise has his unjust allegation against the Church's current efforts to rally the moral indignation of the world against the barbarous persecution which Catholics and Protestants and even Jews are now suffering in the Soviet-dominated countries.

Does Dr. Wise deny that the Church has as much right to defend the persecuted Catholics of Europe as he has to defend the "not so defendable" in Moscow?

When Jews were suffering under the tyranny of Hitler, Rabbi Wise's voice was eloquent in protest as it should have been. An attack upon those who believe we can not do business with Stalin comes as a bitter taste from one who has helped and very recently that he would not do business with Hitler.

Surely Rabbi Wise is not suggesting that Catholics be less courageous in defending their persecuted brethren than he has been in defending his persecuted brethren.

Rabbi Wise campaigned actively to rally the moral energies of America against Hitler. He did not consider it unbecoming to denounce Nazism. Why, then, does he object to the Church's comparative condemnation of Communism? Does he suggest that at a hour the Church should take a stand against the tyranny of Stalin which would be any less courageous than the stand of the Jewish clergy against the tyrants of Hitler?

RABBI WISE'S false insinuation against the Church can only be a cause of pain to all far minded Americans including Jews and Protestants as well as Catholics.

In the interest of the peace Americans have a right to expect that Rabbi Wise will yet raise his voice in defense of persecuted Catholics as he once did in defense of persecuted Jews.

Youth Mass Offered in Paris Movie Hall

Paris (NC)—The largest movie house in Europe, the Gaumont Palace here, was transformed on a recent Sunday into a modern cathedral for a Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Andrea Leclere, Auxiliary of Paris.

The Mass was attended by pupils of all the Parisian public high schools brought there by their chaplains for a collective manifestation of piety.

At the Communion the priests passed through all the aisles of the auditorium to distribute the Blessed Sacrament. After the religious ceremony a film depicting the life of Father de Foucauld was shown.

FOR WAR RELIEF SERVICES



At the French Embassy in Washington, Ambassador Henri Bonnet, on behalf of the Government of France confers the Legion of Honor decoration upon Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle (left) of Washington and Monsignor Howard J. Carroll, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. The Archbishop was made an Officer of the Legion and Monsignor a Chevalier. The honors were bestowed in recognition of "the competence and devotion" shown in rendering help to war sufferers. Archbishop O'Boyle was Executive Director of War Relief Services—National Catholic Welfare Conference from 1943-1947. (NC Photos)

Mercy High School Issues Student Guide on Conduct

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The original Mercy Modes, compiled by Sister M. Irmira, Sister M. Maureen and the Rev. John T. Callahan, all of Mercy's staff, and the Rev. W. Oscar Regan, O.S.A., of Aquinas Institute and Francis, a Mercy alumnus.

TEN THOUSAND copies of the manual are available in the school book store at ten cents a copy.

The introduction to "The Young Catholic Student" reveals the spirit of courtesy which it aims to inculcate. "A real lady or gentleman is one who reverences and respects the Christ in himself and in everyone with whom he or she comes in contact."

Beginning with a credo for the "loyal Catholic student" the booklet covers all teen behavior topics, arranged in an easily referred to fashion.

Conduct in the classroom, in the church and in the office, as well as on the bus and on the street are outlined. Advice on tipping, personal correspondence and telephone conversation are also included.

ETIQUETTE FOR meals both ordinary and extraordinary is considered with details on use of silver, table topics and correct procedure for passing food. This section contains the admonition: "In asking if one will have a second helping of food always say: 'Will you have some?' or 'May I help you to some?' instead of 'Will you have some more?'"

On the street, the teen-aged Catholic lady of gentleman is advised: "Unless you are intimate

ly acquainted, it is better form to say, 'Good morning, Mr. Smith,' or 'Good evening, Mary, than 'Hello.'"

TIPS FOR social events include the information that "a boy should thank his partner for the dance. She replies, 'I enjoyed it, too' or 'You are welcome,' or 'Apply smiles.'"

Another pointer notes: "Drinking is out of place at a dance, and any Catholic who drinks has no place at a polite party, but is a discredit to his religion."

Grooming, personal appearance are also given consideration in this handbook for young people. "The Young Catholic Student" is copyrighted by Our Lady of Mercy High School.

Bishop Asks Americans To Return To Faith of Irish

A rallying call to Catholic Americans to return to "the pioneering faith so characteristic of early Irish believers" was issued by His Excellency Bishop Kearney at the annual Mass in honor of St. Patrick's feast day in St. Patrick's Church.

"We would be remiss in our duty if we were not grateful to early Irish settlers in America for their work in strengthening the Church. Through the centuries, they have demonstrated their faith in the spirit, so vitally needed today in our modern world," the Bishop said.

Attending the Mass were members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Knights of Equity.

IN THE EVENING, the Bishop addressed more than 600 diners at a banquet sponsored by the Knights of Equity at the Pavers Hotel. He said that America in recent years had made the error of "selling short" its national heroes and called attention to the loyalty and affection accorded Irish heroes by the Irish people. "Their intense pride in Ireland springs from this source," the Bishop said.

Decrying the "debunking spirit" which has taken root in America, he said: "We've lost something and lost it because we failed to preserve the spirit of devotion to country. We should build again, especially in our young people, the great virtue of patriotism."

Mayor Samuel B. Dicker paid tribute to the civic spirit and accomplishments of the city's Irish. Harry B. Crowley was toastmaster. William T. Nolan, was head of the dinner committee.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians held a dancing party in the Sheraton Hotel with an entertainment featuring Irish dances by a group of young people recently come to this country from Ireland.

Mass arrangements at St. Patrick's were in charge of the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, pastor.

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