



# ROCHESTER



### They Work For Us



**Mercy High Alumnae** greeted His Excellency Bishop Kearney at the Annual Communion Breakfast Sunday in Our Lady of Mercy High School, Rochester. Alumnae members shown here with the Bishop are all employees of the COURIER JOURNAL. Left to right, they are: Mary M. Carey, Alice Marie Evans, Ann Tierney, Shirley Engert and Dawn Healy.

### New Bishop Was Auburn Altar Boy



**BISHOP BYRNE**

Rochester (RNS) — American-born Monsignor Patrick J. Byrne of the Maryknoll Fathers has been named Apostolic Delegate to Korea and Titular Bishop of Casera by Pope Pius XII. It was announced here.

As a boy, the new Bishop lived for a time with an uncle in Auburn, N. Y., and there attended Holy Family School and served as an altar boy in the parish church. His parents were also Auburn residents at one time and cousins of the new Bishop still live there.

Byrne was the first Apostolic Delegate named to Korea. He served as Apostolic Delegate since 1947 but in his new post he will watch over the state of the Catholic Church in Korea and keep the Vatican informed of developments.

Born at Washington, D. C., in 1888, Bishop-elect Byrne was ordained at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore in 1915 and entered the Maryknoll order the same year. In 1923 he pioneered the opening of the Maryknoll mission in Korea and four years later was appointed Prefect Apostolic of Pong Yang, Korea. In 1927 Father Byrne was given a similar appointment at Kodo, Japan. Between his Korean and Japanese assignments, he served as assistant Superior General of the Maryknoll Society. He was named Apostolic Delegate to Korea in 1947. The Vatican has had a long experience in Japan during the war.

Attention Brides — Ask for a free booklet on planning your wedding. Call Blanchard Florist, 111 Lake Ave., Main 1986—Daily deliveries to all sections, including hospitals. (Adv.)

### Rank-and-File Italians Back New Atlantic Pact

Rome (NC) — The bulk of Italian opinion considers Italy's participation in the Atlantic Pact a perfectly normal, desirable step in the process of recovery from the war. This is evident from press comments, the opinions of private individuals and trained observers.

During preliminary discussion of the Pact the attitude of press and people was that of spectators. As the Italian parliamentary debate began, it was obvious that the people generally knew what was coming, knew the opposition would stage a show and wondered just how far they would go, what they would do.

RANK-AND-FILE citizens expected the demonstrations in the houses of parliament. The majority of Italians voted a year ago for the direction in which they want to travel, and the minority has constantly obstructed that road in every way possible.

But people here point out that obstruction is lessening and recovery steadily progressing. This they attribute mainly to Marshall Plan help. In the new Free General Italian Federation of Labor (UGIL) and in the National Civil Committee and the Christian Association of Workingmen (ACLI), both the latter of which have been strenuously supporting the Free Federation.

Information from a well-informed Milan businessman confirms this trend away from the communist-dominated General Italian Confederation of Labor (CGIL) to the new Free Federation formed after last summer's split in the internal elections. He stated workers are definitely changing their preference.

LABOR LEADERS, government officials and observers generally agree that the April retreatants (Continued on Page 6)

### Easter Sunday Radio Programs

- Solemn High Mass, St. Bernard's Seminary — 9 a.m. — WVET.
- CBS Church of the Air — 10:30 a.m. — WHEC, WRCU, WFBL.
- Solemn High Mass, St. Mary's Church, Auburn — 11 a.m. — WMBO.
- ABC Catholic Hour of Faith — 11:30 a.m. — WARC, WAGE.
- Courier Journal Program — 12:10 p.m. — WHAM.
- Elmira Catholic Hour — 12:15 p.m. — WENY.
- Mrs. Fulton J. Sheen, NBC Catholic Hour — 6 p.m. — WBN, Buffalo.
- "Greatest Story Ever Told" — 6:30 p.m. — WARC, WAGE.
- "Triumphant Hour," Easter Rosary Program — 8:30 p.m. — WVET, WMBO, WGVA.

# FREETHINKERS STOP PLEA

## Released Time Case Called Off

Albany, N. Y. — (RNS) — An action calling on the Court of Appeals to consider the constitutionality of the released time plan of religious instruction was withdrawn here by the Freethinkers of America.

Joseph Lewis, Freethinkers president, gained the consent of the Court of Appeals to the withdrawal, saying he had not been aware that a similar action was pending in a Brooklyn, N. Y. case. He added that his group would continue its fight against released time.

LEWIS' ATTORNEY said the Brooklyn case was "more factually" and that the petitioners in that case had children in school and were members of religious organizations.

Withdrawal of the case was allowed by Chief Judge John T. Loughran over the protests of Charles H. Tuttle who represented the Greater New York Coordinating Committee on Released Time, and John P. McGrath, corporation counsel of New York City. They held the only constitutionality of the released-time program and that the issue should be decided promptly.

A 52-man Russian delegation will comprise not only some of the "intellectuals" who recently spoke at the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City (for instance, the composer, Dmitri Shostakovich), but also two Church representatives.

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THE FACT that Father Plajhar, Czechoslovak Minister of Public Health is taking an active part in the delegation does not imply any official Catholic support since he was excommunicated last year for disobedience to the hierarchy.

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## Reds Posing as Church-Goers Lead Smear Drive on Clergy

### 'Peace' Rally Seeks Church Delegations

Paris (CIP) — The Communist and pro-Communist organizers of the world Congress for Peace, scheduled to open here April 20, have announced that "Church representatives" will be included among the delegates.

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### Bishop Kearney's Easter Greeting To The Diocese

My Dear Friends: On the eve of my departure for the Holy See, may I extend to all our readers my best wishes for a Happy Easter. May I at the same time solicit your generous prayers for a safe voyage and return to the diocese.

One of the most pleasant experiences of my visit will be the opportunity of informing His Holiness of the devotion of our people to him personally and to the Church whose chief Shepherd he is.

Your consistent generosity to his appeals for the unfortunate of the world and the annual increase in the Peter's Pence collection have already manifested this to His Holiness. I am sure he will be happy to learn from my own lips of your enthusiastic support of the various projects of the diocese which I shall present to him in my report.

Let me assure you that you shall all share in my prayers at the holy places in the Eternal City. I look forward especially to the opportunity of offering Mass for all of you at the shrine of the miraculous picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in the Church of St. Alphonsus Ligouri in Rome.

This devotion has been through and continues today such a beautiful influence for holiness in this diocese that I can think of no more fitting place for a Mass for all of you.

My God shower upon all of you His choicest Easter Blessings.

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,

+ James J. Kearney BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

### Missioners Report On Negro Converts

Baltimore (NC) — A total of 106,762 Baptisms have been administered and 41,564 converts have been received into the Church by members of the Society of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart, popularly known as the Josephite Fathers, in the 56-year history of the community, according to their annual report released at the Josephite Motherhouse here. The Josephites serve as missioners to the Negroes in the United States.



**Nazareth College** art students inspect mural painted on wall of tunnel connecting the college administration building and the St. John Fisher Dormitory. The mural, one of a series planned for the tunnel walls was painted by art department students. It depicts Father Jacques Fremin, Jesuit missionary, who in 1655 built a chapel and preached at the Indian village of Tolkakon, which is now Rochester Junction. Students in photo are (left to right): Margaret Colacino, Betty LaRow and Marilyn Metz. (Story on Page 7)

### Communists Plot to Split Polish Church

London (CIP) — Communists posing as Catholics and church-goers are leading agitation directed at "smearing" members of the Catholic clergy in Poland for remaining loyal to the Pope, and the hierarchy, according to a report received here from a CIP Correspondent.

The self-styled "Catholics" are taking an active part in the discussion of Church-State relations at meetings of Polish workers which have been called throughout Poland since March 14, when the Minister of Public Administration, Wladyslaw Wolski, announced the Communist policy of "splitting" the Catholic Church.

THE AGITATORS have succeeded in forcing the adoption of resolutions demanding the workers' attendance made compulsory, and demanding that the Catholic clergy change its policy by siding with the Communist regime.

The resolutions are passed and forwarded to the Government in the same way as Communist National Committee. In Hungary called for the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty as an "enemy" of the State.

The meetings are described as "carefully organized" with Polish Communists who pretend to be Catholics leading the discussions, and proposing the resolutions.

MANY OF THE discussions are held in factory meeting halls during rest periods, with the workers' attendance made compulsory. The agitators claim they want sermons from church pulpits to be religious, and not to concern education or any matters which are the concern of the State.

The fact that a wave of meetings have taken place throughout Poland since Minister Wolski's announcement of the Government's complaints against the Church, and that his remarks have been repeated by such Communist leaders as First Vice-Premier General Aleksander Zawadzki, bears out the report that Communist leaders decided at a secret meeting early in March to attempt to divide the unity and influence of the Catholic clergy, rather than attack religion directly.

### Missioners Jailed In Red Manchuria

Shanghai (NC) — Making matchboxes is the prison task assigned by the Chinese communists to Miss. Paul Eugenie Miller, 56, Prefect Apostolic of Taisihar in northern Manchuria. Monsignor Eugenie Miller, member of the Swiss Mission Society of Bethlehem, and 12 of his priests were sentenced last year by a communist court to prison terms varying from three to 12 years for "espionage."

ONE OF THE priests, the Rev. Ernst Hubelmann, has been released, according to reports reaching here, and is allowed to see his imprisoned colleagues once a month. Choose your own match from Thomas' Best Selection of matchboxes known brands. William S. Thomas, Jeweler, 218 E. Main St. Opposite East Ave.—Adv.

### Ontario Catholics Fear for Schools

Toronto (RNS) — Roman Catholic leaders in Ontario are said to be alarmed by reports that "drastic changes" affecting parochial schools will be recommended by the royal commission on education.

Several Catholic publications have expressed fear that the commission set up four years ago to study school conditions will not give Roman Catholic separate schools the relief that is desired.

ALTHOUGH commission members have not given the slightest hint of what will be in their report, the prediction is being made it will recommend that children complete primary education at the age of 12, after passing grade six, and then go into intermediate school, extending to grade ten. This plan would enable more attention to be given to adolescent pupils but Roman Catholic officials object that it will end the separate school type of education at the age of 12.