

Holy Father Appeals For Employer-Worker Unity

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Abp. Beran Plea Read To Czechs

Prague—(RNS)—In a sermon smuggled out of his closely-guarded palace and read in several churches here, Archbishop Joseph Beran of Prague denied Communist charges that he is a traitor to his country and called upon (Czechoslovak Catholics to remain true to the Catholic church.

One of the churches in which the sermon was read was St. Vitus Cathedral from which Archbishop Beran was forced to withdraw to his palace after Communist hecklers had prevented him from finishing a sermon on Sunday, June 19.

Only he who betrays God betrays his people and nation," Archbishop Beran declared. He asked Catholics to pray that the Virgin Mary and her Immaculate Heart will bring peace and calm to the whole world.

"WE ARE SO small and powerless in the midst of raving Satanism," the Archbishop said, "but by our very lack of power we can contribute more to pacify the offended majesty of God and to avert all evils from our nation."

Written in commemoration of the Feast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary, the Archbishop's sermon asserted that Catholics should beseech the Mother of God with special confidence on this occasion so that the nation might "return to God like a prodigal son returning to his father."

TAKING HIS text from St. Paul's message to the persecuted Corinthians, Archbishop Beran said that "the more the power and force of the Lord exalts the weaker and poorer are those who are to perform the Lord's work. That is the way we must judge mankind's history."

The Communist-controlled press meanwhile repeated its warnings against clericalism who "agitate against the State in the name of religion."

Another development in the Church-State conflict was the government's announcement that it plans to shift ten church holidays, including Good Friday, from working days to Sundays, "in the economic interests of the State."

The government announcement said that "if economic interests permit," the State might later restore the holidays to their original weekday dates.

ON GUARD
Ingrid Bergman
The Judge
Her Lawyer
By REV. F. J. FLYNN

Actress Ingrid Bergman's scandalous desertion of her husband for a marriage with film director Roberto Rossellini is given appropriate censure in the following piece by Bob Considine, ace journalist of the International News Service:

Yes! I can't wait to see that fat rear roll down the cheek of the Reno or Las Vegas, or Florida, or Mexico judge, when the terrible plight of Ingrid Bergman is laid before him.

He won't be able to bear the whole story, I'll bet. After all, a jurist can't take just so much—as Judge Medina has been saying to the Communists in court of late. But it'll surely turn out that he, Medina, can take it better than will the judge who cuts the stolen bonds that have attached Ingrid to her mate for all these years.

I CAN SEE him now when Ingrid's lawyer, wearing the black tie that is de rigeur for occasions when words of utter grief are to be spoken, starts the tale of his client's unutterable woe.

"This crass fellow, my client's
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Classroom Study And Conduct Problems Challenge Teachers Of Modern Youngsters



SR. JEANNE PATRICIA "Parents helpful"
SR. EDWARDINE "Use psychology"
SR. BRIGID "Competition helps"
SR. JOMANNA "Radio and television"
SR. EDWARDINE "Boys like discipline"

How to capture a youngster's roving interest and keep it confined to the schoolroom in these distracting times is the biggest problem of a teacher, a group of Rochester's teaching Sisters told the Courier-Journal.

Back on the job after a ten-week "vacation," the Sisters were interviewed as representatives of the 500 nun-teachers who educate the 30,000 pupils of the diocese's far-flung Catholic school system.

Sister M. Edwardine, O.S.F., eighth grade teacher at Our Lady of Good Counsel School, Rochester, put it this way: "The biggest problem we face is lack of concentration on the part of the children. Attention wanders because they have so many interests, such active social life, such varied recreation."

With 15 years of teaching experience behind her and 33 examples of modern youth before her, Sister Edwardine also had a word to say about the school behavior of today's youngsters.

"Discipline as understood in former years, is lacking in the children," the Sister noted. "Previously, authority was the only requirement to insure obedience in the classroom. Now, discipline is a problem of psychology involving explanations of a teacher's demands. It's a real challenge to the teacher's abilities," said Sister Edwardine who is a member of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis, of Allegheny.

The Sisters all had a word of praise for the parents whose active cooperation makes their task more pleasant.

"Parents are very helpful and understanding," Sister Jeannette Patricia, S.S.J., Blessed Sacrament School kindergarten teacher, said. Sister Jeannette Patricia has the difficult task of conditioning 30 five-year-olds to the strange atmosphere of school and getting them to work together.

"Problem children are the few who are withdrawn and indifferent to the activity about them," she explained. "These are difficult to bring around, but most of the children enjoy school life."

The Sister of St. Joseph also drew attention to the "problem of the veil." "The religious habit is awe-inspiring to these little youngsters, most of whom have never seen a real, live nun up close before."

Strategy of Sister M. Brigida, R.S.M., who teaches a combination first and second grade at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, Rochester, can be appreciated by Sisters with the same predicament, handling the overflow from two grades in a Catholic school.

Sister Brigida has to divide her attention on two groups of lively youngsters whose powers of concentration are limited, anyway, and who can't be ex-

pected to do much work unaided. "The babies" (first graders) require the most attention, of course," Sister Brigida said. "You can't give them work to do and turn your back on them."

"I can not see the competition between the two groups to advantage. You know the sort of thing—'Sit up, you never saw a second grader look over like that, or see how the second grader looks at the first grader?'"

Americans Believe in God But Cannot Tell Reason Why

New York—(NC)—Although 95 per cent of the American people "think that they believe in God," a majority do not realize that "we can prove the existence of God by arguments of sound reason" (The Rev. Lt. Col.) William J. Casby, U. S. Air Force chaplain, declared on the Catholic Hour program. It is produced by the National Council of Catholic Men and carried by the National Broadcasting Company.

"If you ask many of them for the basis of that belief," Father Casby said, "you find that it rests on feeling or sentiment. They have felt a need for somebody bigger than themselves—somebody to console and strengthen them when life's storms threaten to overcome them."

"And on the basis of this purely personal, subjective yearning they accept the existence of God as a fact. He is the great Common Denominator, the Supreme Excerpt."

Father Casby declared that those who base their religion on feelings alone cause unbelievers to proclaim that religion rests on sentiment and lacks a rational foundation.

He added: "Because some believers are at times unable to give an account of the faith that is in them, unbelievers never find a way to their God."

Sr. Rose Angela Named Nazareth College Dean

Resignation of Sister Teresa Marie, dean of Nazareth College since its founding in 1924, was announced today by the board of trustees on the eve of the college's Sept. 14 reopening.

She will be succeeded by Sister Rose Angela, former registrar.

Sister Pauline New Nazareth Academy Head

Nearly 1,300 students at Nazareth Academy, Rochester High School for girls, greeted a new principal at the school's reopening Wednesday morning.

She is Sister M. Pauline, who has been supervisor of studies and teacher of mathematics at the school for the last 10 years. She succeeds Sister M. Hubertine, principal for nine years, who is relinquishing her duties for reasons of health.

Both Sister Pauline and Sister Hubertine are known to hundreds of alumni of the old Cathedral High School and Rochester Catholic High School, predecessor of the present Aquinas Institute. Sister Pauline taught mathematics, while Sister Hubertine taught English and history. Sister Pauline also taught at Aquinas for several years.

LIEGE BISHOP RECOGNIZES APPARITIONS

Official recognition of "eight apparitions of the Holy Virgin" in the village of Banneux during January and February, 1831, has been given by Roman Catholic Bishop Louis Kerzhof of Liege, Belgium.

IN A PASTORAL letter, Bishop Kerzhof said:

"Twice in 1842 and then again in 1947, we have recognized, though with some reservations, the reality of the apparitions of Banneux. Today, after two years of prayer and observation, we believe it our duty that we can and must recognize, without reserve, these real facts, that is, the eight apparitions of the Holy Virgin to Mariette Beco."

Japan Ex-Soldier In Swiss Seminary

Tokyo—(NC)—Brother Augustine Kozaki of the Mariolat Brothers' community is leaving this month for Switzerland to make his theological studies at the international seminary of the Society of Mary, Brother Kozaki served as a soldier during the last war.

When he returns to Japan, he will be a brother of the Brothers of the Society of Mary.

Brother Kozaki was a member of the Japanese Imperial Army during the last war. He served in the Philippines and was captured by the Americans. He was held in a prison camp in the Philippines for two years.

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Pope Cites Economic Program In Talk To German Catholics, Bids Poles 'Stand By Church'

Vatican—(RNS)—Pope Pius XII has appealed to Poland's 16,000,000 Catholics to stand fast against attacks on the Catholic Church by the Communist-dominated Warsaw government. His appeal was made in a letter to Adam Cardinal Sapieha, Archbishop of Cracow, on the 10th anniversary of the German invasion of Poland.

The Pontiff declared that although the war ended four years ago, the Church in Poland has not yet regained those freedoms that are "the sacred rights of all peoples" and that such has occurred all the more where "the cause of the common good is subject to harsh climates and is struck by the tribulation of dire afflictions."

"THIS IS THE STATE of affairs," Pope Pius asserted. "It has not yet occurred. Catholics everywhere have been oppressed, religious instruction in schools has been curtailed, the free growth of institutions entrusted to the clergy or to religious women has been prevented, and we ourselves (the Pope), the Bishops and the priests are the targets of contempt."

Pope Pius also charged that "the publication of Catholic writings is being more and more impeded by increasing censorship, religious workers are denied to those detained in jail and to the sick, the exchange of correspondence and ordinary business between the Apostolic See and the Bishops and the faithful is being prevented, while the material necessities of Catholics are being increasingly daily more difficult."

In his letter, Pope Pius expressed the conviction that the clergy will continue to have faith in the future of Catholicism in Poland and that Poland will never break away from the Catholic Church despite the violence and persistence of anti-Catholic attacks.

"ONE THING Poland is unable to conceive to desert Jesus Christ and His Church," the Pontiff declared. "This is your faith, this is your badge of nobility, to act strenuously to suffer with fortitude to hope inflexibly, to accomplish great things."

The Pope told the Catholics of Poland that despite the difficulties they are encountering, they should "not let fear trouble your minds."

"As in the past, so in the future, the way of the wicked shall perish, and their devious practices will be disappointed," he wrote. "He who reviews his history of Poland, which abounds with great glories and great afflictions, see your land watered as by a torrent with tears and blood and other vicissitudes. On one side a chain of suffering and on the other the peaks of victories of religion, literature and the peaceful arts."

IN THE OPENING part of his letter, Pope Pius recalled the effort he said he had made to avert war, listing his public utterances and the steps he took in 1938 to prevent the catastrophe. He also recalled that at the end of the war he granted special powers to the Polish bishops to enable them to help the faithful as fully and promptly as possible.

Pope Pius concluded his letter by invoking the intercession of the Virgin Mary, the Queen of Poland, and of the Polish saints, and imparting the Apostolic Benediction to the Polish bishops, priests, and faithful.

PONTIFF HOPES HOLY YEAR BRINGS PEACE

Vatican—(RNS)—Pope Pius XII has expressed his hopes that the Holy Year of 1950 may bring peace throughout the world in a radio address to the faithful of the Pope's birthplace of Constanza, Italy, on Sept. 6.

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Jesuit School Enrolls Negroes In Washington

Washington—(NC)—For the first time in the history of the 128-year-old Gonzaga High School, operated by the Society of the Holy Spirit, two Negro youth entered the school as the freshmen began classes this week. The two are Maurice Anderson, 14, and Richard W. Anderson, 14. They were among five Negroes who took entrance examinations last May, and the Rev. William P. Graham, S.J., school superior, said the school has never had a policy against the admission of Negroes.

The two students are from the District of Columbia and are the first Negroes to enroll in the school since its founding in 1854.

Priest Radio Speaker Raps 'No Time for God' Person

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