

Balancing The Books

Barbarism in School

By REV. JOHN S. KENNEDY
Mr. Mortimer Smith is scathingly critical of the state of public school education in our country at the present time.



Fr. Kennedy

True, he is only a layman—that is to say, he holds no doctorate of philosophy in education. But even so, he boldly insists on having his say in a crackling little book called And Madly Teach.

This hot-off-the-press has an introduction by Bernard Idings Bell, an Episcopal canon, who pays his own respects to American education in a considerably longer work entitled Crises in Education. No one will fall asleep over either book.

MR. SMITH heretically believes that public school education "has not turned out to be the panacea Horace Mann so optimistically envisioned one hundred years ago."

THE DEWEY idea of intelligence is that of "animal intelligence, limiting human thought to its function as organic response to the stimuli of the environment."

ment, scolding the very notion of intellectual and moral standards. It maintains, in short, that there is no inner meaning, no sovereign purpose in life, hence education can have none.

ESPECIALLY IS Mr. Smith concerned about the totalitarian character of educational theory and practice in the United States just now.

THE SCOPE of Canon Bell's book, "Crises in Education" is wider. It surveys American education on all levels from the home to the graduate school.

AND MADLY TEACH by Mortimer Smith, 197 pages, Henry Regnery Co. \$2.00

CRISIS IN EDUCATION by Bernard Idings Bell, 237 pages, with index, Whittlesey House, \$3.00

Niemöller Favors Russia In German Crisis

Welsbaden, Germany (RNS) — Surprised Germans are still commenting on a statement by Pastor Niemöller to the effect that most Germans would prefer their country to be unified under the Communists than to have the present East-West split.

IN HIS original statement, Pastor Niemöller asserted that the majority of Germans would not fight for the preservation of the Western German Federation.

With the establishment of the Western German Federation, begun in Bonn and born in Washington, he said, "Germany has lost her former position as the strongest Protestant power on the continent, for the Federation is today a Catholic state."

Catholic Books Head '48 Sellers

New York (NC) — Newsweek magazine has pointed out that 1948's best seller, a work by a Trappist monk, was still the most popular book in 1949. It calls the work "a phenomenon in American publishing history."

Irene Dunne Plans Rome Pilgrimage

Hollywood (RNS) — Movie actress Irene Dunne is the first of the film colony's stars to announce plans for visiting Rome during the Holy Year of 1950.

MADONNA OF THE ROSARIES



The Madonna of the Rosaries by Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio. This seventeenth-century masterpiece, one of 10 paintings included in the art treasure loaned by the Austrian Government, is on exhibition at the National Gallery of Art, Washington.

Russia Holds War Prisoners

(Continued from Page 1) of the crowd before the Soviet embassy here, told me that he compiled a list of 312 deaths known to him. But the Russians took the list from him before he left.

Furthermore, Russia fought Japan barely a week. It is incredible that 9,951 Japanese could qualify as war criminals in that period when the total of Japanese war criminals in all other areas is under 3,000.

For 25 minutes the massively built Soviet general, in full uniform, tried to block questions, but was overruled by the firm-wired American, William J. Sebald, who is chairman of the council as the United States member.

Italian Laymen Plan Drive To Convert Reds

Rome (RNS) — Plans have been announced here by Italian Catholic Action leaders for a drive to convert Communists and other non-believers to the Catholic faith.

IN ADDITION to members of Catholic Action units, the drive will be supported by laymen and women belonging to the Italian Communist and other anti-Catholic parties.

According to Catholic Action officials here, the drive will feature large public meetings, lectures, displays, pamphlet distribution, and other propaganda aimed at "winning converts," especially among those who are actively hostile to the Catholic Church.

Paris Has Catholic Radio-Film Magazine

Paris (RNS) — La Vie Catholique, illustrated weekly published here, has announced plans for a new Catholic radio and cinema magazine to be launched in January.

ALL of these activities are directed by the term "Catholicism" in the broadest sense of the word. Consequently, it may not be said that "Catholicism" is itself a thing. Actually, it is a "being."

A Look at Labor Watch the Term Workers

Events of the past several years have proved that most workers are in favor of the "new" government. The aim of the "old" government will be to make it be so.

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