

Episcopal Parochial Schools Spread Throughout South

New Orleans, La. (RNS)—Episcopal parochial schools are spreading throughout the South and their rapid growth during the past few years is "the Church's answer to a too materialistic public school system."

So said the Rev. David C. Colony, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal church, Metairie, La., and newly-elected national president of the Episcopal Parish School Association.

DECLARING THAT public schools concentrate too heavily on the materialistic, he added that "they have gotten away from any subject that can't be turned into dollars and cents."

As a result of this over-emphasis on the materialistic aspects of life, he said people today have no emotional resources to fall back upon in times of crisis.

The growth of the new Episcopal parochial schools is illustrated in St. Martin's School, Mr. Colony said.

It was founded in February, 1947 with one teacher and 25 youngsters. Today, there are 26 teachers and more than 500 children registered for the fall term. St. Martin's was the first Episcopal school in Louisiana, according to Mr. Colony.

AS HOLY YEAR PILGRIMS GATHER IN ST. PETER'S SQUARE



Typical of the hundreds of thousands of Holy Year pilgrims pouring into Rome for

"The Great Pardon," are Hesterite Darricades (left), who at age 60 pedaled a 65-day trip on

her bicycle from her native village of Salles de Bearn, in the Pyrenees; a few Danish girls

wearing a Holy Year insignia (center) and two French pilgrims in native costume from

Brittany all photographed in St. Peter's Square. (NC Photos)

Bishop Condemns UE Misuse Of Elmira Letter

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The Bishop ...

THE BISHOP was ...

They explained developments in the local union situation that followed in the wake of receipt of the Bishop's letter by Mr. Roe.

PHOTOSTATIC COPIES were made and 1 E stewards at the Elmira GE works passed them out among the workers, the Bishop was informed.

Bishop White Denounces Pagan Immodesty In Dress

Spokane, Wash. (NC)—"If lack of modesty is a characteristic of a decadent civilization — as it is — then we have reason to grieve over the decadence of present-day civilization, and that, too, in our own country."

These words appear in a pastoral letter addressed to the faithful of his diocese by Bishop Charles D. White of Spokane.

Concerning the immodesty of dress which characterizes some homes and public places and which is shown in magazines and movies, Bishop White says that "a particularly deplorable fact is that many Catholics drift with the pagan current of disregard for Christian modesty."

Bishop White points out that Pope Pius XI, through an instruction of the Sacred Congregation of the Council in 1928, condemned "the indecent manner of dressing."

The instruction laid down specific rules whereby pastors, parents, and teachers should make every effort to develop a love for modesty, and should exclude from their schools, societies, and even from the churches "if the case should warrant," those who do not conform with Christian ideals in their manner of dressing.

Oblate Nuns Plan U. S. Foundation

Wilmington, Del. (RNS)—Mother General Jeanne de Sales of the Sisters of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales arrived here from the order's motherhouse in Troyes, France, for an "exploratory visit" in anticipation of founding a branch of the order in America.

Accompanied by her secretary, Sister Theresa Elizabeth, the Mother General conferred with the Very Rev. William D. Buckley, O.F.S., provincial superior of the Oblate order of priests in North America, before leaving for Oblate foundations in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and Childs, Md. She is scheduled later to fly to South America for a canonical visitation.

The Oblate order of nuns was founded in France in 1860, and has spread to Germany, England, South Africa, and South American countries. The Oblate order of priests was founded in 1875. Its first foundation in the United States was at Wilmington in 1903. Since then the order has grown rapidly with installations in several cities.

Baptisms in Red China Peiping, China (NC) The Rev. William McGoldrick, the only Columbian Father still in this city which has been under Red domination since the latter part of last year reports that he had 50 Baptisms at Easter.

Last Will and Testament Of Abp. McNicholas Read

Cincinnati (NC)—"I will meet in eternity I ask your constant prayers that God may have mercy on me."

This request begins one of the three documents which comprise the last will and testament of the late Archbishop John T. McNicholas, O.P., of Cincinnati. The documents were formally opened by Bishop George G. Rehning, Administrator of the Cincinnati Archdiocese. Two of them are addressed to the clergy, religious communities and laity of the Archdiocese. The third is the late Archbishop's will.

"AN ARCHBISHOP bound by the solemn vow of poverty, I have possessed nothing personally, therefore as an individual I have nothing to leave relatives, friends or institutions, the Archbishop wrote in the most recent of the three documents dated February 27, 1944. He wrote that everything he has possessed he has owned through the Archdiocese and that accordingly all these things belong to his successor as Archbishop of Cincinnati."

The Archbishop thanked the priests, Brothers, Sisters and faithful "for their unflinching cooperation." He asked "the forgiveness of the priests and all persons in the archdiocese." He asked "Even after my death may the echo of my voice be heard in your hearts."

Warns Reds Recruit In Salmon Industry Anchorage, Alaska (NC) The Rev. Jules Convent, S.I. missionary at St. Michael, Alaska has warned the Alaska Salmon Industry that concentration of Eskimos in Bristol Bay for summer canner work is attracting communist workers seeking new recruits.

In a comprehensive report on Eskimo employment in canneries, Father Convent asked the industry to fight against this recruiting.

"I believe it is in the power of your industry to stop these forces now," he said "and not to let the old story repeat itself in Alaska that the men of good will are unable or unwilling to get together and make the necessary sacrifices before it is too late."

Texas Catholic College Gets Gift

Amarillo (NC) Bishop Laurence J. Fitzsimon of Amarillo has announced that he has received a check for \$100,000 from Mrs. Katherine Y. Price of Greenwich, Conn. who was created a Papal Countess in 1936. The money is to be used to add a third floor to the new addition at Price College, here.

Mexico Plans First St. Patrick's Church Mexico City (RNS) Plans for the first St. Patrick's church in Mexico are under way here. The name was proposed by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez after a group of Irish American Passionist Fathers working here launched a project to build a church for English-speaking residents.

St. Patrick's church will be erected on a plot donated by a leading member of the American colony. It will have Catholic students of the American School of Mexico among its parishioners. Pastor of the church will be the Rev. Anthony J. Nealon, of New York, who has been working here with the Passionist priests to stimulate religious activity among English-speaking students.

Pope Names Teacher Patron

Vatican City (NC) His Holiness Pope Pius XII today issued an Apostolic brief on the 50th anniversary of the canonization of St. John Baptist de Saille. The Saint was the founder of the Congregation of the Brothers of Christian Schools. The Holy Father in his brief declared St. John the Patron Saint for all teachers of boys and young men.

THE LAST PRAYER of Archbishop McNicholas, written on a scrap pad a few days before his death has also been discovered. In it he wrote:

"O Blessed Mother, all the angels and saints in heaven, we humbly beseech you to ask Divine help that we may have true and complete sorrow for all our sins and that we may love God more and more until the last breath of our earthly life through Christ Our Life."

Rural Life Convention Set

Des Moines, Iowa (NC) Plans for the 28th annual convention of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference have been drawn up at an executive committee meeting here. The convention will be held October 13-18 at Belleville, Ill. The Rev. Joseph S. LeGrand of New Athens, Ill. will preside over the convention.

Baptists Opposed Buffalo, N.Y. (RNS) A meeting to organize the Christian Farmers' Union, NCRLE magazine, and new departments planned include one for the full time farmer, the suburban homesteader, the homemaker and youth.

Korean Ambassador Trip To Saint's Shrine Told

Tokyo, Japan (NC)—When Korea's Ambassador to the United States, Dr. John Chang, was serving as his country's representative at the United Nations conference in Paris in 1948, he found it impossible to present his case. Everybody seemed too busy to hear him.

"He therefore felt that he needed some special help. Being a devout Catholic he decided to make a pilgrimage to the shrine of the Little Flower at Lisieux."

ON THE TRAIN he met an Australian Prelate who was also a delegate to the U.N. Bishop Eric O'Brien, Auxiliary of Sydney, Australia, who was making

the same pilgrimage. Thanks to his contacts as an Australian delegate, the Bishop was able to obtain a hearing for Korea.

Dr. Chang, who just passed through Tokyo en route to Korea, feels that if he had not taken the pilgrimage to Lisieux, he would never have met the Bishop and would never have been able to get recognition for his country at the Paris conference.

DR. CHANG WAS graduated from Manhattan College in New York, in 1924. He served for several years as a member of the Korean National Assembly and as a member of the Korean Educational Council.

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