

Holy Father Broadcasts Appeal To U.S. Children

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presented a 15-minute program with St. Vincent Ferrer's choir. The Mutual Network gave 10 minutes to the Pope's address, which was transcribed by the Pope on January 25 for broadcast Ash Wednesday.

"Perhaps you will give up some sweets and pleasures, so you can fill the mite-boxes more quickly," the Pope told U.S. school children. "For even you will do without some comfort and added duty you expect to have, so that a suffering child may have at least one friend."

"I am sure all the Holy Father would beg you to pray, to pray for those lonely children and orphaned children."

LIST OF THE Pope's address follows:
"Yes, it is the voice of the Holy Father that you are hearing. Our



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SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—(AP)—As a reward for 20 years of service as housekeeper at Our Lady of Lourdes rectory, here, Miss Margaret E. Carter, has been named the first woman to receive the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice decoration by His Holiness Pope Pius XII. It has been bestowed. A native of Marlton, N.J., Miss Carter came to this city in 1919 and for 20 years made her home with a friend, Mrs. Elizabeth Crawford. When Mrs. Crawford died in 1939, Miss Carter accepted an invitation to serve as housekeeper at the rectory.

By responding generously, as you did in former years, to the appeal of your devoted pastors and bishops. They know what has been happening in many parts of Europe and Asia. They rear the children weeping, and they long to stop their tears. They see them dying before their time; those that can be saved, they see, will be orphans of that earthly love your mothers and fathers lavish on you. How dreary the earth appears to them! How the dread future prepares to allure them to sin, to hate, to despair!

Now don't you hear the hidden voice and clear, speaking to your heart: my child, my child, why do you neglect me? Who are you, Lord, you ask, and the voice replies: I am Jesus whom thou art neglecting in the tortured, abandoned, defenseless children of the world. Oh, once you realize that, if you love Him, you will certainly hurry to help them. Of that we are sure.

BUT HOW, you ask. Go to your dear mothers and the Sisters who with infinite patience give their lives to teach you how to become holy Catholics and loyal citizens of your country, and they will tell you how in your own little way you can swell the Bishops' Fund for Children.

Perhaps you will give up some sweets and pleasures, so you can fill the mite-boxes more quickly; or even you will do without some comfort and added duty you expect to have, so that a suffering child may have at least a warm dress. The season of Lent will soon be coming and its spirit of penance in memory of Christ's passion will urge you to be generous.

BUT ABOVE all, We would beg of you to pray, to pray for those needy children and orphaned babies. Can you go to daily Mass during Lent and offer the Holy Sacrifice for them? How many of you will go to Holy Communion each day? Then, when Jesus is your own personal guest within you, you will tell Him how much you love the children throughout the world, especially the innocent child-victims of cruel war, and for your eager love He will send them aid. If you do this, know that you will also be consulting Our paternal heart, that is so heavily oppressed by sorrow and anxiety for the little ones of Christ.

To Convent



Mary Beth Watson, of Akron, Ohio, secretary in the office of General Thomas W. Chapman, Chief, Maintenance Division, Air Materiel Command, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, since 1943. Renowned among her fellow workers as a devout Catholic, Miss Watson, who is niece of General F. R. Updegrave, Commandant of General Headquarters, Wiesbaden Military Post, in Germany, will soon enter the Order of the Sisters of Charity, Mount St. Joseph-on-the-Ohio, Cincinnati.

CATHOLIC HEADLINES ON WHAM 12:10 Sunday

by Rev. Richard Torrey

Faithful Warned On Alleged Visions

Holy Office Official Discredits Affair At Necedah

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all know the extreme care used in connection with all curses reported from Lourdes.

MONSIGNOR Ottaviani continues: "Let none accuse us then of being enemies of the supernatural if we undertake to put the faithful on guard against uncontrolled assertions concerning alleged supernatural events which are spreading to some extent everywhere in our days and causing the danger of seeing a true miracle discredited."

For that matter, Monsignor Ottaviani says, Jesus Christ Himself gave the same warning, saying: "... false christi and false prophets will arise, and will show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect" (Matt. 24:24).

From the earliest times in the Church's history, Monsignor Ottaviani says, the same has happened. For instance, as mentioned in Acts 8:9: "Now a man named Simon had previously been practicing sorcery in that city and astounding the people of Samaria, claiming to be someone great."

Therefore, the Monsignor adds, it is the duty of the Magisterium of the Church to judge the facts concerning such events and alleged revelations of divine origin and it is the duty of the Church's good children to submit to this judgment.

"WE HAVE BEEN watching for years an intensification of the popular hankering for the

wonderful even in matters of religion," Monsignor Ottaviani says. "Swarms of the faithful run to a place of presumed visions and alleged wonders, setting, on the other hand, the Church, with its Sacraments, preaching and instruction. Persons ignorant of the first words of the Creed make themselves ardent apostles of religiosity," and sometimes there are some who do not hesitate to criticize the Pope, the Bishops and the clergy for not participating in their frenzied enthusiasm.

"No one would dare, by himself, to build a house, to make a suit or a pair of shoes, or cure himself of illness," the Monsignor continues. "Yet, when a matter of religious life is concerned, all authority is rejected, all faith in it denied, and it is even distorted and openly disobeyed."

THE CHURCH is the guardian and interpreter of true religion and, in man, religious sentiment must be guided by reason, nourished by grace and governed by the Church, Monsignor Ottaviani says. The teaching of the Church has never been equivocal in this matter, he adds. Whoever would circumvent the teaching of the Church, preferring events of dubious interpretation to the Word of God, loves the world more than God, he says.

A good Christian knows from his catechism that true religion consists in true faith and in the

revelation which concluded with the death of the last Apostle and was entrusted to the Church as its interpreter and custodian, the Assessor of the Holy Office writes. Even more, he points out, the good Christian knows that in the saints themselves sanctity does not consist of preternatural gifts of visions and the prophecies and wonders, but in the heroic exercise of virtue.

He admits that events of this kind may be the result of natural religious intensity, but he says they are not Christian and that they give a fearful assistance to all those who wish at all costs to discover in Christianity, itself and Catholicism above all, infill traditions and remnants of superstition and paganism."

Monsignor Ottaviani reminds the faithful that they have all they need for the true religious life from the hand of Christ: faith, revelation, grace and guidance.

"Nothing else necessary to our salvation can be revealed... We have, if we want to take advantage of it, everything," Monsignor Ottaviani says.

Contrasting today with the times 50 years ago, when positivism and exaggerated science regarded all belief in the supernatural and miracles as remnants of superstition from the Dark Ages, Monsignor Ottaviani wonders who then could have

imagined that the Church today would have to restrain "impressive explosions of an instinctive religious sentiment?"

FIFTY YEARS ago, he writes, one of the most frequent and solemn themes of the Church's apologetics was the defense of miracles, against positivists. And today, he adds, the Church must curb excesses in an opposite direction.

Monsignor Ottaviani concludes his article by saying that we have the Scriptures, tradition, the Supreme Shepherd and a hundred other shepherds nearby us, and asks: "Why present the spectacle of fatuousness or insane over-excitement to him who fights and despises us?"



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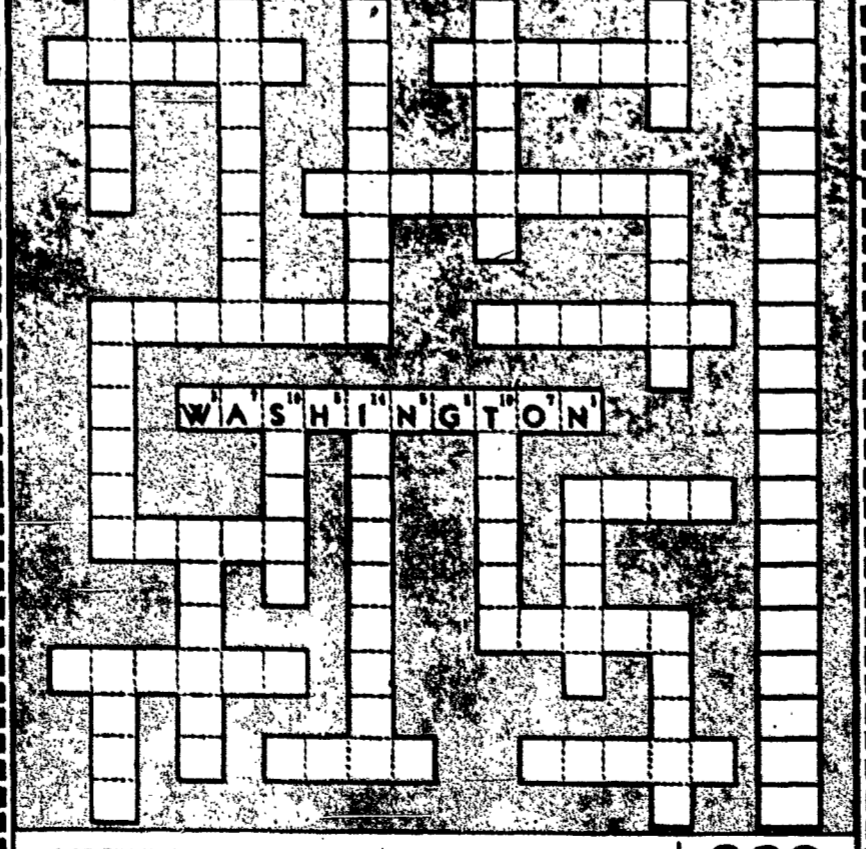
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