

# Clergy, Fined in School Poll Tax Issue, To Challenge Law

Two Protestant ministers and two Catholic priests, convicted of refusing to pay a head tax for municipal schools, announced they will appeal their case to higher Canadian courts to test the validity of the Province of British Columbia poll tax act.

The priests are the Rev. G. E. McKinnon, pastor, and Christopher Vermoulen, assistant pastor, of St. Mary's Church, which operates a parochial school. The Protestant ministers are Dr. J. C. Clarke of the Anglican church, and Dr. G. G. Cleaver of the United Church.

and dental services, which are given to public school students and for which the defendants are taxed. Father McKinnon and the other defendants refused to pay the head tax on the ground that they already have been giving direct support to public education. Both Father McKinnon and Father Vermoulen teach in their parish school and even provide and drive a bus for their students.

Hailed into Small Debts Court, the two Catholic priests and two Protestant clergymen were tried before Magistrate E. Anderson. The defense of the two priests was conducted by Attorney E. It has been announced that the conviction will be appealed to the New Westminster County Court as a means of paving the way for a constitutional test of the statute.

# Another Church Is 'Liquidated'



Hegruin Marianum, Catholic Church in Budapest, Hungary, is shown in the process of being razed to make place for a bronze monument to the glory of Communist Russia's Marshall Josef Stalin, their Godless leader. (NC Photos)

# Vatican, Yugoslavia Relations Up To Tito, Says Paper

Vatican City — (Radio, NC) — Whether questions concerning relations between the Holy See and Yugoslavia can be solved or will remain unsolved does not depend today, nor did it in the past, on the Holy See.

This was the comment of Os servatore Romano on remarks attributed to General Tito during a mass interview with European and American journalists who asked him about his views on future Vatican-Yugoslav relations.

# Toledo Cathedral Officials Relieved On Gift Of Stone

Toledo, O. — (RNS) — A huge burden — about 3,000 pounds, in fact — has rolled off the shoulders of officials of Queen of the Holy Rosary Cathedral here.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS  
**Hospital Works With A.A.**  
First Religious Institution To Cooperate

St. Louis — (NC) — St. Thomas Hospital of Akron, first religious institution to have opened its doors to Alcoholics Anonymous, has hospitalized 4,000 A.A. patients in the 112 years it has operated in this field, according to an article in Hospital Progress journal of the Catholic Hospital Association.

"This was in 1939, just about the time we were trying to pull out of the depression," Sister Ignatia writes. "Hospital beds were at a premium without any prospect of adding to our bed capacity. There was very little enthusiasm around the hospital about admitting people who were imbibing too freely. However prompted by the grace of God we very cautiously admitted one patient with the diagnosis of acute gastritis, on the care of Dr. Bell."

New Orleans — (NC) — There is a shortage of teaching priests, Sisters and Brothers. Mayor Beza, blamed the shortage of teaching Religious on parental "indifference, if not resistance," to their children's entering the religious life.

Huntington, Ind. — (NC) — Protestants and Catholics alike should be interested in a campaign to put Christ back into Christmas, Bishop John F. Noll of Fort Wayne states in an article published in the Fort Wayne edition of Our Sunday Visitor, which he founded and edits.

Bishop Noll Asks 'Christ In Christmas'

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