

Back Claim School Aid

(RNS)—The Catholic Educational Association of the Buffalo Diocese has filed a claim for back school aid...

The convention's action came shortly after the Buffalo Diocese Catholic Educational Association had challenged the major political parties to state their position on the school aid issue...

Holy Apostles Unit Hosts Yuletide Fete Regular meeting and Christmas party of Holy Apostles Catholic Educational Association...

Dr. Bapst, Noted Educator Ordained In Buffalo at 71

Rev. Dr. Robert T. Bapst, who completed his studies for the Holy Priesthood at St. Bernard's Seminary after having given up his position two years ago as Buffalo public schools superintendent...

His Excellency, the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., administrator of the Diocese of Buffalo and Archbishop designate of Philadelphia, privately ordained the noted educator in the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament...

FATHER BAPST will be 72 on Jan. 2, 1952. He entered St. Bernard's here on Jan. 11, 1950 to complete his studies for the priesthood of the Diocese of Buffalo...

When he entered it was "in fulfillment of a long-standing desire which had to be abandoned earlier in life" seminary officials said.

Father Bapst was known to have been for many years a student of Catholic philosophy and theology pursued on his own initiative, the Rt. Rev. Magr. Wilfrid T. Craugh, St. Bernard's seminary rector, said when the former school superintendent entered.

A NATIVE of Buffalo, Dr. Bapst was graduated from Canisius College in 1900, received his doctorate of philosophy from St. Louis University in 1908 and an honorary LL.D. degree from Niagara University in 1937. He had been a teacher in English and mathematics for 45 years, serving at Canisius High School, Canisius College and in the Buffalo school system. He was Superintendent of all Buffalo Schools from 1935 to 1950.



Father Bapst

His seminary work was accelerated taking less than the two years, because he holds several scholastic degrees.

He gave the Commencement Address at Nazareth College in ceremonies on the old campus on Augustine St. on June 12, 1936.

Church Construction Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Churches and religious institutions are feeling the pinch of government controls over building construction much more seriously than private construction as a whole, but less than commercial stores and business buildings, a report by the Department of Commerce indicates.

New India Perils Goa's Catholic Culture

Ernakulam, India.—(NC)—Predominantly Catholic Goa has justifiable concern over the fate of its Catholic character if it should join India.

This opinion was expressed here by M. F. R. D'Cruz, writing in the Malabar Herald, Catholic weekly of South India. Goans have a Catholic background and do not want to endanger their Catholic culture, the writer said.

SUPPORTING His assertion that Goa's Catholic tradition would be imperiled, the writer made these points: The policies pursued by both the central and the state governments in India are openly and hiddenly anti-Catholic.

The educational policy of the various state governments has been savagely anti-Catholic. Some state governments have openly encouraged contraceptive methods through grants to birth-control clinics.

THE PLANNING Commission of the Indian Government recommended family planning in its recent report. Another matter on which Catholic sentiment is running high, the article says, is the question of Mass wine. Catholic priests in India need a license for Mass wine. This is regarded in Goa as interference with religion.

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Christ In Christmas And In Your Heart

By MARY E. FITZGERALD Executive Director—Catholic Family Service

This one makes forty—replies, no less, to our plea—"Do you want a Daughter for Christmas?" Shamefacedly we apologize for our thoughts about our Catholic fathers and mothers. I guess we just didn't know how big your hearts really are, until we tried an appeal in the Catholic Courier journal.

What to do? Which of all these one people will we select for this bright girl, who is looking eagerly forward to a home, she may call her own. We will go much farther than the usual home study, made on Adoption Applications.

After a certain point, we will leave our decision in the sweet Hands of Our Blessed Mother and Her Divine Son. Professionalism gives way—now and then—thank God—to Divine Guidance.

And what of the other thirty-nine? Well—since you have proved your generosity to us—we will make several suggestions so that you, each of you, may do your share toward putting Christ in Christmas and in your heart.

YOU MAY APPLY for another child in Adoption or you may meet our special need for Foster Homes, a Christ-like gift for Christmas and for the 364 other days of the year. Do you remember the Littlest Angel and how precious his gift was to the Christ Child? Yours is an opportunity to lay a Choice Offering at His Sacred Feet as you kneel before the Christmas Crib.

But since you have already started to plan on a Christmas for an eight year old, we are concerned about your disappointment. It won't be quite the same as seeing her on Christmas morning—but your Christ in Christmas will be the more generous if you do it this way. Catholic Family Service or any other Agency in our Community or yours, I think, will give you the privilege of making it a real Christmas for some little girl or boy. Speaking for ourselves, we hope you will let us hear from you.

It may be a Foster Child or a little one in a family where there is not any extra money for Christmas this year. However, hope you will not confine us to eight year olds. There are many other children who need a "personalized" Christmas, including the tiny tots and many teenagers, and even some of those "old" children in the twilight of their lives.

CHRIST IN Christmas applies here also—so if you do follow this plan—please do include a tiny Christmas Crib—even a brightly colored paper one will do—or a little statue of the Christ Child or a Holy Family.

Soviet Youth Asked To Fight Religion London (RNS)—Soviet young people were called upon "to fight religion" by the Russian youth organ Young Bolshevik.

The article said that "victory for Communism will come only after the struggle against all the religious traditions of the world has been won."

"Under our Communist conditions," the article said, "religion continues to play a reactionary part. It clings to all that is old and false, and being a most viable conservative ideology it impedes the overcoming of other remnants of the past."

The Communist education of the youth and workers, the article added, "is therefore in dissolubly connected with exposing and overcoming religious morality."

Don Ricaldone Turin, Italy (NC)—Don Pietro Ricaldone, superior general of the Salesian Society since 1932, died here (November 25) surrounded by many members of his religious community. He was 81 years old.

Death Claims 2 In Coming Area

Cornig — Leonard B. Thom, 22, died Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1951, in Bath Memorial Hospital, as a result of injuries received in an accident on Dec. 1. He was born in Painted Post, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thom and had spent his entire life in that place. He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

In addition to his parents he is survived by three brothers, Clarence Jr., Alvin and Howard, all of Painted Post; one sister, Mrs. Percy Woods of Elmira; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services were held from the family home Friday at 8:15 a.m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

CORNING—Enrico Giovesanto, 74, died Friday, Dec. 7, 1951. He was born in Italy and had been a resident of Corning for several years.

Survivors included two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Caruso of Corning and Mrs. Matteo Giardina of Pittsfield, Mass.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the A. W. Bellier and Son Funeral Home Monday at 8:30 a.m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Ireland's Priests Work In Scotland

London (NC) With Irish aid Scotland has just enough priests for her 730,000 Catholics, Archbishop Gordon Gray of St. Andrews and Edinburgh told a Catholic Truth Society rally in Glasgow. The priesthood that has increased in the past 100 years from 130 to over 1,000 is barely sufficient for the country's needs.

Nevertheless, there is real danger of spiritual starvation, not perhaps for the Catholics just at present, but for the other 4,000,000 people in Scotland.

"Can we, like our brethren in Ireland, glory in the thought that our greatest national export is priests and nuns?" the Archbishop asked. "I am afraid not, for, in fact, we are not producing enough for home consumption."

ESCAPE RED PRIEST-PURGE



Two masked Ukrainian priests tell interviewers of their experiences in Russia under what they described as a Soviet campaign to eliminate the Catholic clergy of the Ukraine. The two priests spoke at the convention of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth League in New York and were identified by league officials only as Father X and Y. They said they wore masks to prevent Red reprisals against their families. Listening is the Rev. Stephen Chrepta, of Stamford, Connecticut.

9-Room Nursery Suite Open In St. James Mercy Hospital

Hornell—St. James Mercy Hospital's new nine-room nursery suite is now in use. The suite, of 20-infant capacity, is constructed and equipped according to New York State Public Health regulations.

It is a part of the newly-re-modeled maternity department which has been moved to the portion of the hospital formerly known as "South Wing." Until recently, maternity patients were housed on the first floor of the original hospital.

In the nursery suite are two large "normal baby" nurseries with eight cubicles in each. Glass partitions and entire individual equipment for each cubicle safeguard infants against contamination.

A third nursery is equipped for premature babies. It contains four incubators and piped-in oxygen. Another smaller nursery, of two-cubicle capacity, is reserved for isolation. It has its own workroom and sterilizing equipment.

INFANTS ARE admitted to the suite through a newly-equipped doctors' examining room. A large workroom, formula and sterilizing rooms complete the suite.

Visitors may see infants through a large window in the workroom. A small placard in a corner of the window says, "Babies are shown at 3:45 and 7:45 p.m."

One of the nurseries is decorated in pale pink and aqua and the other in yellow and pastel blue. The large workroom at the entrance to the nurseries is done in pale green and gray. In the near future all windows of the nursery will have venetian blinds.

THE NEW labor and delivery room suite consists of two labor rooms and two delivery rooms, one containing all-new equipment; a doctors' lounge, and utility and storage rooms.

Centrally located in the maternity wing is a newly-equipped nurses' station and a "father's room." The "father's" or waiting room, is furnished in large-leather chairs and contains reading material and card tables.

Several of the patients' rooms in the maternity wing have now been redecorated. Sister Theresa Mary, obstetrical supervisor, anticipates the redecoration will be completed in the near future.

The enlarging of the maternity wing has required assignment of additional nurses to the department.

Released Time Wilmington, Del.—(RNS)—Reversal of the State Board of Education's recently-imposed ban on the released-time religious instruction program was asked by the Delaware Conference on Children and Youth.

Sheehan's Christmas Hints



- Knit Lingerie: Kayser nylon tricot gowns, Sizes 38 to 42, 10.30; Kayser nylon tricot permanent pleated trim slip, Sizes 32 to 42, 7.95; Carter's Gal Briggan gowns, pastel shades, 4.50 and 4.98; Carter's Gal Briggan pajamas, Pastel shades, 4.98; Carter's nylon tricot gowns, 9.95 To 29.95; Carter's nylon tricot slips, tailored and lacy, 7.95 To 9.98; Carter's nylon tricot panties, lace-trimmed, 3.98; Nu-Eve Hollywood rayon tricot briefs, 1.15; Carter's rayon tricot gowns, Sizes 34 to 42, 3.98; Sizes 44 to 46, 4.98; Large dimensional nylon tricot slips, Sizes 32 to 42, 6.98; Sizes 44 to 48, 7.95; Street Floor; Teen Wear: Rayon, Cotton or Wool Jersey Blouses, 2.98 To 5.98; Raincoats, lined or unlined, 10.95 To \$21.; Debwoad fleece coats, pure wools, 39.95; Flannel pajamas, 3.15 To 3.98; Cotton pajamas, 3.89; Muk-Luks, slipper socks, wool uppers, chamois soles, 3.25; Skirts in corduroy, velveteen, gabardine, wool, 4.98 To 8.98; Jeans, western and regulation styles, 2.98; Corduroy weskits, 4.98; Matching corduroy skirts, 8.98; Blue Swan cotton knit panties, 69c; White cotton bras, 30AA to 36, 1.00 and 1.35; Second Floor; Children: Wool knit jacket, bonnet and bootie sets, 2.98 To 6.50; Nylon 3-piece jacket, bonnet and bootie sets, 3.98; Holgate pull tops, 1.25 To \$3.; Haines cotton sleepers, size 0-4, 2-piece, 1.89; 3-piece, 2.96; Sizes 5-6, one-piece, 1.89; Size 8, one-piece, 2.49; Barbetta dresses in rayon and dotted swiss for the 9 to 18 mo. old baby, 1.98; Toddler dresses in rayon and Everglaze, Sizes 1 to 3, 1.98; Wool coat sweaters in delicate shades, Sizes 3 to 6x, 3.98; Wool coat and legging sets, Sizes 3 to 6x, 24.98; Rayon tricot pajamas, tailored or lacy, Sizes 4 to 8, 3.37; Plaid pure wool pram robes, 36"x50", 10.97; Second Floor.

BURT'S, A Christmas Wonderland For Dad and Lad

Advertisement for Burt's Arrow White Shirts and Arrow Dart shirts. Includes text: 'TOP GIFT ON EVERY MAN'S LIST ARROW WHITE SHIRTS ARROW DART \$3.95' and an illustration of a man in a suit.

Advertisement for Burt's pajamas. Includes text: 'MAKE MINE pajamas WELDON FIRST NIGHTERS Perfect pajama for lounge wear. A band trouser styled broadcloth pant. As illustrated at left. \$5.95 MIDDIE AND COAT STYLES These well tailored pajamas by Weldon are made of Fruit of the Loom fabric at 3.95, and extra fine quality broadcloth at 5.00. from \$3.95 YES! We have Mr. Longs for the tall fellows and Mr. Bigs for the extra heavy men. BURT'S, INC. NUNN-BUSH and EDGERTON SHOES 157-159 N. MAIN ST.'

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