

Revival Of Ku Klux Klan Charged In Florida Violence

(NC)—The "Revival" of the Ku Klux Klan in Florida is being charged in a report that it is the duty of the state to recognize the new outbreak of an outbreak of violence. On this occasion the report says the warning it is given prior to World War II is a warning calling attention to the fact that every type of prejudice is contagious in character; that any outbreak of prejudice against one group is an immediate warning and threat to every other minority group.

THE RECENT happenings in Miami—the bombing of Negro housing projects, followed by similar violence directed at Jewish synagogues and Catholic churches, have all the earmarks of the notorious "KKK."

(Bill Hendrix of Tallahassee, head of the Ku Klux Klan in Florida, said the Klan is not responsible for the outbreaks of terrorism.

"If we caught one of our men doing it we'd be the first to have him prosecuted," Mr. Hendrix asserted. "That's not in our program, and it's just what our opponents want us to do.")

THE INTER-RACIAL Council officers said that "today, all Americans should be united in their determination that the infamous Klan and other groups who resort to threats and violence be eradicated from the American scene."

"It is true that in the last five years, great progress has been made in the North, in the South and in all parts of the country in the direction of inter-racial justice—improved relations and cooperation by Americans of varied backgrounds for the common good," they went on. "Today, then, all Americans should redouble their efforts to accelerate these gains and to work for the expansion and perfection of our democracy."

Police Guard Churches After Miami Bomb Scare

Miami, Fla.—(NC)—Police guards were stationed at Miami's Catholic churches every night after an attempted dynamiting of St. Peter and Paul Church here.

Two days before Christmas Joseph Fedrowitz, sexton of St. Peter and Paul, opened the church for early Sunday Mass and found a home-made dynamite bomb three feet from the main door. He threw the bomb into a nearby athletic field. Police said the fuse had smoldered a few seconds but the bomb could not have exploded because the fuse was not attached properly to the dynamite stick.

REV. Robert P. Brennan, pastor, reported that Christmas services were more heavily attended than ever before despite the bombing attempt. He said the church was especially crowded for Midnight Mass. Father Brennan declared that neither he nor his fellow priests and parishioners were particularly worried about possible repetition of the bombing incident.

However, since the bomb attempt Safety Director William G. Kimbrough of nearby Coral Gables reported receiving this phone warning:

"We just want to let you know we've got plenty of dynamite left. We have no preference as to what kind of church it is. We intend to go on bombing the churches."

PREVIOUS to the bomb attempt Mr. Kimbrough received an earlier phone warning that "we plan to celebrate Christmas by bombing a Catholic church." Following this call police made a careful search of Coral Gables' only Catholic church, Little Flower, but found no explosives.

Police Chief Walter E. Headley of Miami said the bomb left at St. Peter and Paul was similar in design and manufacture to those used in the recent dynamiting of Jewish synagogues here.

Teacher Ban Hits Catholics In Scotland

London—(NC)—A Catholic cannot become a teacher in the Scots county of Cathness, it has been revealed.

Col. Ian McEvedy, Cathness director of education, announced this when he told the county education committee that he was making an applicant for the post of domestic science teacher at Wick High School whether she was a Protestant or a Catholic. The rule is contained in the education committee's minutes, he pointed out. The applicant was from Ireland.

A member of the committee, James Mulraine, objected to this, saying that if there were Catholic pupils there should be Catholic teachers.

Councillor J. Abrach Mackay said the school was a Protestant one and they should try to avoid appointing a Catholic. The committee deferred its decision.

GIFT FOR FLOOD VICTIMS



Only American among six kindergarten children in Rome by Catholic Action to carry Christmas greetings to the Holy Father, four-and-a-half-year-old Hugh Feilmore, of Washington, D. C., who speaks fluent Italian, is shown as he was received by the Pope. He brought with him a toy lamb for one of the child sufferers of the Po River floods. Hugh's father is an attaché at the U. S. Embassy in Rome. Wide World radiophoto.

Pontiff Addresses World's Prisoners

Vatican City—(NC)—His Holiness Pope Pius XII told prisoners throughout the world that he relies on the offering of their sufferings as a "most efficient" way to secure true peace from God.

The Pope addressed himself in Italian to the world's prisoners, especially those in Red dungeons. In a special broadcast over Vatican Radio.

"OH, IF IT were given to you to see how much your immolation pleases the eyes of God," the Pope told all prisoners, "how most efficient it is for the salvation of all and how much the Vicar of Christ relies upon your sufferings to obtain from God genuine peace and true health for the world in these very sad times."

To both those detained in penal institutions and the victims of Red injustice the Pope offered a Christmas message of hope and faith. He told criminals "For you no less than for other men, Christ came to bring a more noble and more intimate liberation." To victims of communist persecution he quoted a United Nations Command delegate as asked about missionaries and other foreign civilians taken prisoners by the communists, the North Korean delegate, Major Gen. Le Sang Jo reportedly said that possibly foreign civilians were taken into custody during hostilities.

IT IS A matter of public knowledge that all the missionaries taken by the communists were actually arrested after the fighting ceased in their areas and North Koreans had set up their administration.

For instance Eilaboh Patrick J. Byrne, M.M. Apostolic Delegate to Korea, was arrested 14 days after Seoul had fallen to the North Korean forces. When Major Thomas Quinan, Prefect Apostolic of Chuncheon, a Columbian Father, was arrested in his See city, North Koreans had been in complete possession of the town for several days.

THE REV. JOSEPH Cadara, of the Paris Foreign Mission Society, was arrested at Taekjon around August 15, although the town had been captured by the communists about July 25.

In each locality the local inhabitants saw the missionaries' painful fate of "those who in not a few countries suffer in-

Archbishop McIntyre Of Los Angeles

Thomas Jefferson Idea Of Church-State Separation 'Misunderstood', Says Prelate

Los Angeles — (NC) — The phrase "separation of church and state" in this country is almost equally "misunderstood, misapplied and misappropriated," as the distortion of the word "democracy" by Soviet propaganda, Archbishop J. Francis A. McIntyre of Los Angeles declared in a radio address here.

The Archbishop recalled that the phrase "separation of church and state" is a figure of speech which Thomas Jefferson used in a letter to a group of Baptists in 1802. Speaking over radio station KPWL, Archbishop McIntyre said:

"FROM A STUDY of the writings of Jefferson and Madison and others of the period of the Continental Congress, it is obvious that by separation of church and state, Jefferson and his fellow statesmen meant simply and solely that there should be no established state religion. That meant that each citizen should be free to practice religion as his conscience dictates;

that there would be no monopoly by any one group.

The Archbishop said that the reason for this viewpoint was because in some European countries there were established religions and that in 10 of the 11 colonies there was an established religion. He added: "It might be mentioned that in none of the colonies was the established religion the Catholic Religion." He said it was obvious that Jefferson and his contemporaries were trying to avoid the establishment of a state religion when this country was formed.

"CURRENTLY THERE is another interpretation of the use of this expression, 'separation of church and state,'" Archbishop McIntyre said. "It is that the government, Federal, state or local, should be prohibited from extending to religion the services usually rendered by government to the individual or groups of individuals. The adherents of this view would exterminate the idea of the existence of God or of the

sanction by which evil is punished and good rewarded. They believe in the isolation of all things spiritual and religious. They are real materialists."

The Archbishop said it is the function of the state to supply to the people health services, fire protection, water supply and other public services. He said when the state grants transportation for school children, it should be granted to all school children, regardless of whether they attend public or non-public schools.

"THESE CHILDREN should not be disenfranchised from a state-supplied service because they choose to attend a so-called religious school," he said. "Giving a child a ride on a bus cannot be construed as union of church and state. It is absurd to twist the mind of Jefferson and the Founding Fathers to construe that such a bus ride would be the establishment of a state religion."

U. S. Boy Enjoys Papal Audience; So Does Pontiff

Vatican City—(NC)—Of all Americans received in Christmas week audiences by His Holiness Pope Pius XII probably none enjoyed their visits more — or gave the Supreme Pontiff more enjoyment—than 4½-year-old Hugh Feilmore, son of Edward Feilmore of the U. S. Embassy staff in Rome and his wife.

Hugh is a member of the United States' division of Catholic Action, and speaks much better Italian than English. He was one of six children delegated to wish His Holiness a merry Christmas.

After reciting a little speech for the Pope, Hugh gave him a toy for a child victim of the Italian floods and then asked why the Pope didn't wear white shoes instead of red, since he wore white dress shoes. Later Hugh offered technical criticism of a toy rocking horse offered by another child for the flood victims, saying his own was better and some day he would bring it over to show the Pope what he meant.

As one of the chaperones interrupted Hugh to make way for the next child the Pope, who reportedly enjoyed the episode immensely, remarked that Hugh was a "most friendly and most interesting bambino."

Speaking to those led astray early in life, the Pope said: "Intoxicated prematurely by the perversion of modern society and placed in circumstances opposed to proper education, you are perhaps more victims than criminals."

"Let your condition be a severe warning to those who, more than you, are really guilty: those of the press, the theater, the associations, and sometimes even the schools, which for purposes of greedy gain if not exactly of the premeditated corruption of childhood have trampled on the holy innocence of the young and piled up immense moral ruin."

The Pope noted the particularly painful fate of "those who in not a few countries suffer in-

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