

Upholds Anti-Red Teacher Ban In New York

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Fund To Train Seminarians



COLUMBIAN GUILD memberships are being received throughout the Diocese of Rochester, and proceeds will be turned over to His Excellency Bishop Kearney for training young men in the Priesthood. Sponsored by Central Chapter, Knights of Columbus, the Guild is receiving dollar memberships from men and women. Diocesan Chairman Raymond L. Nary of Rochester is pointing to Guild's message in hands of Clarence M. Lofink (center), Rochester council chairman, and of Francis J. Thomas, Rochester council treasurer. (Courier Staff Photo)

Courier Circulation Ahead 15%

A 15 per cent increase over last year in reports so far made in the Catholic Courier circulation campaign is reported this week by E. Miller Grapenstetter.



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circulation manager. This increase is based on reports from approximately 20 per cent of the parishes in the diocese. Adoption of the 100 per cent coverage plan for the first time in their parishes was announced this week by three Rochester area pastors: The Rev. Joseph A. Balcerak, pastor of St. Stanislaus, Rochester; the Rt. Rev. Mgr. George W. Eckl, pastor of St. Andrew's, Rochester; and the Rev. Raymond J. Epling, pastor of St. Theodore's, Gates.

Navy Raises Age Limit For Chaplains

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — To meet increased need for chaplains, the Navy Department announced here that it is raising the age limit for civilian clergymen who wish to volunteer as Navy Reserve chaplains. Since World War II the age limit for an initial appointment to the Naval Reserve has been 34 years. This will now be increased to 35, with clergymen between the ages of 34 and 39 eligible for commission in the rank of lieutenant, junior grade. A limited number of the older appointments may be commissioned at the outset as lieutenants, senior grade.

Knights Report \$1,500 In Bishop Seminary Fund

More than \$1,500 in memberships in the Columbian Guild, an organization in the Diocese of Rochester to raise a Bishop's Fund for the education of young men for the priesthood, has been reported, according to Raymond L. Nary, diocesan chairman.

A progress report will be made to Supreme Knight John E. Swift at the Rochester Council Knights of Columbus Communion Breakfast, Sunday, Mar. 9, at Hotel Seneca following Mass at St. Joseph's Church at 7:30 a.m.

THE BISHOP'S FUND is a project of Central New York Chapter Knights of Columbus, the funds to be turned over to His Excellency Bishop Kearney of Rochester and to Bishop Walter A. Foery of Syracuse.

In the Rochester diocese, the Columbian Guild is conducting the campaign through K. of C. councils in the area. Membership in the Guild is open to men, women and children, and the number of memberships is unlimited. Chairman Nary said.

CLARENCE M. LOFINK, Rochester Council chairman, reported one member has enrolled for 100 Columbian Guild memberships. Goal is \$3,000 and the money raised in this diocese will be turned over to Bishop Kearney in May.

Participating in the Columbian Guild campaign are these K. of C. councils in the Rochester diocese area: Rochester, Canandaigua, Geneva, Auburn, Waterloo, Corning, Newark, Palmyra, Waverly, Danville and a group of knights in Elmira, Nary said.

Enrollment Losses In Men's Colleges Far Below Forecast

(N.C.W.C. News Service) An expected spectacular drop in 1951-52 university and college registration of men students, which one Catholic educator estimated a year ago would range from 23 to 43 per cent, has not materialized.

U. S. Office of Education figures for fall registration indicate a drop of less than 11 per cent in enrollment of men, despite demands of the military for man power to fight in Korea and full world-wide needs of the expanding Defense establishment.

A STATISTICAL study by N. C.W.C. of the Office of Education figures shows that 122,717 men were enrolled in Catholic colleges and universities this fall, nearly 9 per cent of the overall male enrollment. A total of 63,950 women were attending Catholic universities and colleges, slightly more than 9 per cent of the entire female enrollment.

THE OFFICE of Education reported that total enrollment slid 7.8 per cent below that for the previous year, and women's registration dropped 1.3.

Veteran registration was down 32 per cent compared to the 1950 fall figure, due undoubtedly to the exhaustion of GI Bill benefits by many veterans. This fall there was 383,747 GI students, while at the veteran peak in 1947 approximately 1,122,000 were enrolled.

FOR THE second year in a row "independent theological schools" were the only institutions reporting an increase in registration, according to the Office of Education. These are schools which are "independent in administration" and "offer programs specializing in religion and theology."

THE N.C.W.C. News Service analysis disclosed that 152,529 students were attending 77 Catholic institutions classified as universities and colleges for men. Of the student total 31,295 were women. The 127 Women's Catholic Institutions surveyed had a total enrollment of 38,278, with 1,483 lucky men students among this number.

At their February meeting last year the Conference of Presidents of the National Catholic Educational Association heard a forecast of an enrollment drop for all men's colleges and universities of between 815,000 and 1,200,000 full-time students. This prediction agreed with that of many other educators at the time. However, the Office of Education reported the actual enrollment drop in fall enrollment was 170,587.

Pontiff Honors Georgia Negro

AUGUSTA, Ga. — (NC) — Edgar L. Matthews, outstanding Negro Catholic layman of Georgia, was formally presented here by Bishop Francis E. Hyland, Auxiliary of Savannah-Atlanta, with the "Pro-Ecclesia et Pontifice" Medal recently awarded him by Pope Plus XII for services to the Church.

Pontiff Marks Anniversary, 76th Year



Card. Spellman

Vatican City — (NC) — Yellow and white Papal flags flew from all buildings in Vatican City on Sunday, March 2, to mark the 76th birthday and the thirteenth anniversary of the election of His Holiness Pope Plus XII. The Holy Father was born Eugenio Pacelli in Rome on March 2, 1876, and elected Supreme Pontiff on March 2, 1959, his 63rd birthday. He was crowned as Pope on March 12, 1959.

In accordance with custom, the official observance of the Pope's anniversary will take place on the day of his coronation, March 12.

School Religious Training Defended

New York — (NC) — Efforts by groups to eliminate religious training from schools were condemned by His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, as leading to totalitarianism.

Addressing a luncheon marking the golden anniversary of the Catholic Big Sisters of Manhattan at the Waldorf-Astoria, the Cardinal, who was guest of honor, said "our children are all children of God and not exclusively children or puppets of the state."

He warned that totalitarianism creeps in to the same extent that religion is excluded from the lives of children.

Court Dismisses Jersey Bible Case; Feinberg Law OK

Washington — (NC) — An attack on two New Jersey statutes, requiring Bible reading in every public school each day and permitting the recitation of the Lord's Prayer, were dismissed here Monday (Mar. 3) by the United States Supreme Court.

At the same time, the highest tribunal upheld the constitutionality of New York State's anti-communist teacher law, popularly known as the Feinberg Law, which is designed to bar subversive persons from working in the state school system.

Crucifix Urged In Protestant Churches

East St. Louis Ill. — (RNS) — Methodist Bishop Ivan Leo Holt, president of the Metropolitan Church Federation of Greater St. Louis, deplored what he termed the "lecturing hall atmosphere in many Protestant churches and said he strongly favored display of the crucifix in all churches.

"People should be able to find God when they go to church," he said, "and such symbols as the crucifix vividly place God in the minds of worshippers."

All Religious Study Banned In Tito Schools

London — (NC) — According to Belgrade dispatches received here, religious instruction has been banned in all primary and secondary schools throughout Yugoslavia. At the same time, the theological faculties at the universities of Zagreb, Ljubljana and Belgrade have also been ordered closed.

In justification of these measures, a government spokesman in Belgrade, cited the constitution of the Federation of Yugoslav Peoples Republics, which provides for separation of Church and State.

While the spokesman declared that religion could still be taught in churches, provided the teachings "contain no political propaganda against the people's authorities and the existing social system in Yugoslavia," it is recalled here that the teaching of catechism even in churches is meeting with ever-increasing restrictions.

Detroit Jews Aid Catholic University

Detroit — (RNS) — A gift of \$750 was made to the University of Detroit by 75 Detroit Jews.

The gift, said to be the first such contribution ever received by a Catholic university, was presented by Leonard Simons, chairman of Michigan's Brotherhood Week observance. He said it represented a tribute to the university's 75th anniversary.

Mr. Simons said the gift also was made in honor of Leo M. Eutzel, one of Detroit's best known Jews.

Voice of the People Chinese Orphans Outsmart Reds In Chaplain's Arrest

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Mother Gives Birth To Eighth Caesarian Child

Cleveland — (NC) — "I've always hoped for a large family and I'm deeply grateful that God has given me the children."

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