Mother Answers Dr. Conant

Cites Hero Son In Korea War Is Catholic School Graduate

Los Angeles —(NC)— One American mother in Los Angeles has an answer for President James B. Conant of Harvard University, who thinks independent schools are harmful to democracy. Her answer is the Silver Star—twice awarded to her Marine son who died a hero on a Korean battlefield. He was 1st Lt. Charles Dunne, an American educated in non-public schools.

His mother, Mrs. Frank Dunne of Transfiguration Parish here, gives no long argument to refute Dr. Conant. She is simply a mother who has spent many years of her life raising her four children. Her oldest son, John, recently participated in atomic energy work for the government; her daughter is Sister Jean Marie, an Immaculate Heart Sister in Palm Springs; another son is Brother Kevin, a Franciscan in Santa Barbar — and her son Charles is a hero.

HE DIED FOUR months after arriving in Korea with the First Marine Division. But in those 120 days he won two Silver Stars. The first one was for action as a forward artillery observer when, though wounded, he refused medical aid and remained at his post to direct Marine fire on enemy mortars which were destroyed.

The second Silver Star came when he voluntarily took command of an adjoining platoon whose leader had been killed. He reorganized the platoon, resupplied it with ammunition and led it in a counterattack which shattered the enemy assault.

ALTHOUGH he saved the marine platoon from being overrun, he himself was killed in this action.

"I think this disproves Dr. Conant's statement that private schools are undemocratic," said Mrs. Dunne. "My son attended private schools and he was democratic enough to give his life to save other men."

Lt. Dunne attended Holy Name Parochial School, Loyola University and the University of Southern California. He leaves his wife, Molly Anne, and a daughter, Donelda, 7, who attends St. Malachy's parochial school here.

Noted Jurist Raps Conant Attack On Private Schools

LOS ANGELES—(NC)—One of the nation's leading authorities on American jurisprudence has taken sharp issue with Dr. James B. Conant, Harvard University president, who regards private schools as harmful to "democratic unity."

He is Dr. Edward S. Corwin, professor emeritus at Princeton University, who expressed his views on the Conant attack on private schools in a message to The Tidings, weekly of the Los Angeles archdiocese.

"I deplore President Conant's statement," said the Princeton educator. "I regard it as playing directly into the hands of forces making for totalitarianism in this country."

Professor Corwin recently made a notable analysis of the Supreme Court decision in the McCollum released time case which drew widespread attention for its support of the released time program.

U. S. Taxes Aid Tito Propaganda

Chicago — (NC) — An executive committee session of the Serbian National Defense Council of America has been called by Louis Popovich, secretary, to draw up a formal protest against the use of American taxpayers' money to "[illegible] Tito and his communist regime in Yugoslavia."

Mr. Popovich pointed out that more than [illegible] of [illegible] Agency funds has been allocated for [illegible] [illegible] schools for distribution in Yugoslavia.

[illegible] Yugoslavia [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] of persons still fighting for democracy in Yugoslavia."

Bid Made To Halt Loss Of Faith Among Negroes

St. Louis, Mo. — (NC) — A Migrant Negro Catholic Clearing House has been set up here to assist Negro Catholics who migrate from the South to the North and who, in the past, have been lost to the Church because of lack of welcome and immediate contact.

The project was established at the Midwest Clergy Conference on Negro Welfare which met in St. Louis at the invitation of Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter.

ESSENCE OF the plan, it was stated, will be a series of postcard mailings to Negro churches in the South. When a Negro individual or family migrates to the North or West, the pastor will be expected to fill and mail the postcard which will give basic information, such as the name of the migrant or migrants, probable address at the point of destination, and the signature and parish of the pastor.

Distribution of the postcards will be made through the provincials of the clergy religious orders which have the responsibility for many Negro parishes in the South — the Josephite Fathers, the Holy Ghost Fathers, and the Society of the Divine Word. All three of the orders were represented at the sessions here.

FOR THE present, it was announced, the headquarters of the Clearing House will be Box 156, Robertson, Mo., and the St. Louis committee will take care of the distribution in the North when the cards come in. Priests in key cities will be appointed to distribute the postcards or the information in their areas. The key cities named at the Conference were, besides St. Louis: Chicago, Kansas City, Detroit, Milwaukee, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis.

The Conference recognized the larger aspects of the problem affecting migrating Negro Catholics, such as the desirability of reclaiming the large numbers of Negro Catholics who have emigrated in the past and who are now lost by the Church because contact was not made with them, and the fact that there is migration within cities.

Pope Urges Bank Workers To Live Faith

Vatican City—(NC)— Several thousand employees of the Bank of Italy and government workers heard an admonition from His Holiness Pope Pius XII to practice that Faith openly and courageously and not let it remain "in the catacomb of your private life."

The government employees were received in audience by the Holy Father after the conclusion of their annual Easter retreat and Communion. The Pope told them that "today it is more urgent, perhaps, than ever" that they should give public demonstration of their Faith.

"EXERCISE YOUR Faith, therefore," he urged his hearers, "revitalize and live it, even in public, spread it abroad with open word and courageous example to your children and to all with whom you come in contact."

The Pope warned the workers against "the fear of fallacious public opinion, and the natural greed which is within you," that might cause them "to lose freedom of judgment and deliberation."

"IN OUR HEART," the Pontiff said, "there is a hope which We wish were turned to certainty. If all men thirsted today for the Word of God and ran after Jesus to hear Him, it would not be difficult, perhaps, God willing, to witness a new and mysterious and more splendid multiplication of the loaves."

In the course of his talk, Pope Pius wished a blessing on "every intelligent, honest effort" in the field of national economy which "makes possible new progress toward filling the need of all those who live by daily labor, so that they would be enabled to provide for the needs of their families and for a fitting and Christian education of their children."

RCAF Officer Ordained Priest

Ottawa —(NC)— J. Thomas Farrell, a former Royal Canadian Air Force Officer who was shot down over Germany in August, 1944, and officially listed as missing and believed dead, has been ordained a priest here.

Archbishop Alexander Vachon of Ottawa officiated at the ordination in St. George's Church.

For one year after he had been shot down, Flying Officer Farrell had been a prisoner of war in the Stalag Luft I. He was liberated in August, 1945.

Joneses — These are days when nobody has more trouble keeping up with the Joneses than Mr. Jones. —O. A. Battista.

Negro Chosen 'Catholic Mother Of Year'

A negro mother of nine children, two of them serving in the U. S. armed forces, has been selected the Catholic Mother of 1952 by the National Catholic Conference on Family Life. Mrs. Maceo A. Thomas, 48, born and educated in Maryland, is shown with her husband and family on the occasion of the marriage of her daughter, Rhea, in 1949. They are members of St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Harlem, N. Y., where they are active in Catholic community life. (NC Photos).

— The Truth —

Hungarian Reds Begin Ouster Of Order Priests In Parishes

Vienna — (NC) — The Hungarian communist regime has launched a new drive against priests of religious orders who were ousted from their monasteries through a decree in late 1950.

After the "dissolution" of almost all monasteries in Hungary by the communist regime, the priests offered themselves to Bishops for work in parishes. The regime is now moving to drive them from parish work.

NOTICE OF THIS move came in a letter sent to order priests in the Esztergom archdiocese, the See of His Eminence Josef Cardinal Mindszenty, which is now being administered by Bishop Andrew Hamvas of Csanad.

The letter was allegedly signed by Bishop Hamvas. It told the Religious that they could no longer engage in pastoral work in the archdiocese.

"I regret to inform you" the letter said, "that I am compelled, by the order of the State Office for Church Affairs, to relieve you of your present duties. If you wish to continue in your priestly functions you will have to find an Ordinary who is in a position to employ you. In the Archdiocese of Esztergom this is not the case nor will you be allowed to say Holy Mass, except in an unofficial capacity and outside the usual hours . . ."

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— The Lies —

Red Legation In Washington Issues Propaganda Leaflet

Washington, D. C. —(NC)— The Hungarian legation in Washington, D. C., has issued a booklet in which it paints a rosy picture of Church conditions in that land. It cites the Hungarian constitution which "assures liberty of conscience for its citizens as well as the free exercise of their religion."

The booklet, entitled "The Accord Between the Hungarian Church and State," attempts to show that this freedom exists because the regime has allocated money for the churches. Yet it admits far-reaching state interference in Church affairs, saying that "the government appoints the religious administrative personnel as well as the lower clergy."

The booklet tries to show that there is "freedom" of education and the press in communist Hungary by listing Catholic schools and publications. Among schools listed are "seminaries attached to each diocese."

However, recent reports indicate that the regime has already closed some diocesan seminaries and is moving to impose its own curriculum of studies on the rest.

The booklet glosses over the facts that the regime "nationalized" the Catholic parochial schools which comprised about half the country's private schools. Heading the list of

Church Belongs To Christ, Says Prelate

Boston—(NC)—The Catholic belongs totally and exclusively to Christ and is not a political organization, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston told the 30th annual convention of the Newman Clubs of New England at Emmanuel College here.

His declaration, aimed at anti-Catholic principles, contained a warning that conditions which befall the Church in communist dominated countries can happen here and easily might if certain tendencies abroad in the land go unrebuked and undisciplined.

THE PRELATE said that to talk of the Church in terms of democracy, socialism, fascism or any other "ism" is as pointless as it would be to talk of Jesus Christ in these terms. The Catholic Church, he went on, is not a democracy for it is not a political organization, not a cultural society, not a debating forum and it is not a religious or philosophical parliament.

"I make no difference between Christ and His Church, it is all one," the archbishop declared. "Christ did not come as a result of a Plebiscite but by the sovereign mandate of His Father. He did not come as a result of resolutions adopted by men, however high-minded they were.

"The Church is not the property of princes, prelates, nor the property of the people totally. She belongs to Jesus Christ in that sense and in that sense only.

"Strictly spiritual, the Church belongs totally to Jesus Christ," he said.

Mrs. Luce Named To Lay Committee

Kansas City, Mo. — (NC) — Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce and 26 other prominent Catholics have been named to the newly-organized Lay Committee of the National Center of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Aims of the lay committee are to encourage the laity to write for current publications, to speak at public CCD meetings and to make personal contacts.

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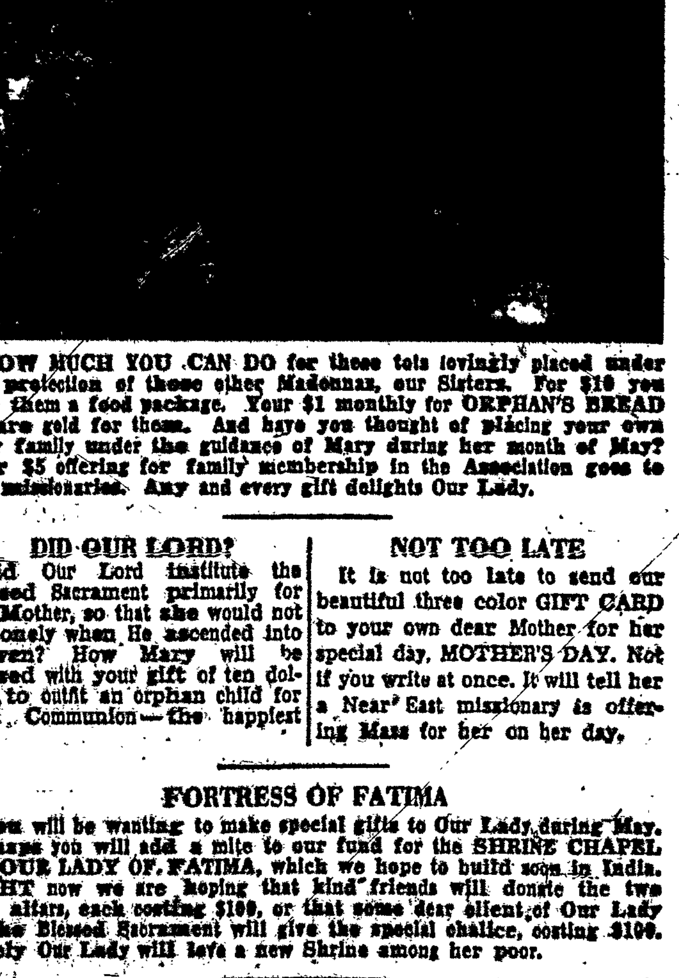

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GOD'S WANT AD

Father Dunn sends us the story of his kindergarten for refugee children at Dbaye in Lebanon: "I started with 75 just a month ago. Today I have 200, all homeless kiddies. Won't you ask our Near East friends to help me feed and shelter them?" We know you will help them.

GEORGE YOURS?

From far off Jerusalem comes the plea that someone adopt a young man named George in St. Anne's Seminary and make his way to the priesthood possible. He has just five years more and he will need $500, which may be paid in any amounts. Can you adopt George?

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