

## Mother Of Eight Answers Foe Of Parochial Schools

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Catholic and non-Catholic friends is that there are not enough Catholic schools to meet all the demands, despite a great Catholic building program in this area.

"YOUR ERROR" that concerns me the most, however, is that which represents your ignorance of the attitude of the Catholic Bishops towards the public schools. . . .

"You . . . include by direct inference the Catholic Bishops among those who 'don't want good public schools; and accuse them of denying sufficient salaries to public school teachers. This grievous misrepresentation is hardly excusable. As an outstanding newspaper writer you should know that just a few months ago at the national con-

vention of the National Catholic Educational Association in Kansas City, the traditional Catholic cooperation and support of the public schools were expressed by Msgr. Frederick G. Hochwalt, secretary general of the association.

"Monsignor Hochwalt summarized the Catholic position towards the public schools in the same way that I and my children were taught in Catholic schools. . . . To that statement I subscribe with all my heart."

One of Mrs. O'Donnell's sons is a seminarian. During World War II she served as a volunteer with the Red Cross. For many years she has been a collector for the Community Chest drive, and she is a past president of the Providence Hospital Board.

## French Bishop, Who Shared Buchenwald Horrors, Dies

Paris (NC) — Bishop Gabrielle Piguet of Clermont-Ferrand, who was among thousands of patriotic Frenchmen deported to the Buchenwald concentration camp in Germany during the war, died at his residence at the age of 65. His death, which came unexpectedly, was due to a pulmonary disorder.

A NATIVE OF Macon, in the Autun Diocese, Bishop Piguet won national-wide admiration for his courageous conduct during the Nazi occupation. He was arrested by the Gestapo on Pentecost Sunday, 1944, for sheltering groups of priests and religious fleeing from persecution. He was taken into custody while celebrating a Pontifical High Mass and was not even permitted to do his ecclesiastical vestments before being shipped off to Buchenwald.

Among Bishop Piguet's fellow inmates in the notorious concentration camp was Leon Blum, ex-Premier of France and one of the nation's leading Socialist intellectuals. When the camp was evacuated following the arrival of invading American armies, the Bishop was the companion of Leon Blum and his wife when a column of prisoners crossed the Tiral mountains on foot to find refuge in Italy.

Recalling his experiences later, Bishop Piguet disclosed that during the march the trio came upon a hamlet in the woods where a wood carver had set up a workshop. There the socialist statesman bought a little statue of the Virgin Mary which he presented to the Bishop on behalf of his wife and himself, saying: "Keep it as a souvenir of us."

Bishop Piguet eventually reached Rome, where he was received in audience by Pope Plus XII, who praised the French prelate for the spiritual comfort and consolation he had sought to bring his fellow-inmates at Buchenwald. On his return to Clermont-Ferrand, Bishop Piguet was given an enthusiastic welcome by crowds of faithful who escorted him to the cathedral for a service of thanksgiving.

### Iowa Democrats Ask Bus For Parochial Pupils

Des Moines, Ia. (RNS) — A plan recommending the extension of public school bus service to parochial school students was included in the platform adopted by Iowa Democrats at their state convention here.

No statement on the controversial question had been expected in the party declaration, but the platform was adopted without debate and without a dissenting vote.

The platform section dealing with education contained the following paragraph:

"For the promotion of the safety of our children on the highways, we recommend that the bus service system provided by the State of Iowa shall be extended to include all school children."

## Polish Reds Plan Atheist School Increase

London (NC) — Plans are under way to expand the number of atheistic schools in communist-dominated Poland, according to a report received here.

The report said that seven new elementary schools will be opened in Warsaw on September 1, when the new scholastic year begins. The schools will be sponsored by the so-called Society of Friends of Children, a communist organization commonly referred to as the TPD.

ALSO DUE TO be opened in the Polish capital, the report stated, is a TPD school combining elementary and junior high grades. In another school already established, the number of classrooms will be increased.

At present the TPD has 30 schools in Warsaw, with an enrollment of about 14,000. Besides the usual school program, highly tinged with Marxist ideology and atheism, the schools sponsor extra-curricular programs designed to foster atheism.

ALTHOUGH BACKED by the communist regime, the TPD schools are officially "private" institutions and thus are exempt from a pre-war law making religious instruction in schools compulsory. The government has not dared repeal the law, but it evades it by supporting the TPD institutions.

These schools have been strongly criticized by the Polish hierarchy, which has warned Catholic parents against enrolling their children in them.

## Czech Reds Require New Religious Study Application

Vienna (RNS) — Czechoslovak Minister of Education, Zdenek Nejedly, has announced that parents wishing to have their children attend religious instruction classes must file a special application with the Communist authorities.

The announcement came shortly after Mr. Nejedly had served notice, in a speech bitterly attacking the Roman Catholic Church, that only "Marian and Leninism will be taught to youth."

"STARTING NEXT year, it will no longer be possible for children to attend religious classes without notice," he said. "Their parents will be required to file an application with the headmaster's office."

The education minister's action, coupled with the current violent attacks on the Church, is interpreted here as a sign of the Czech government's concern over the increasing attendance at churches and religious instruction classes in schools.

REFERRING TO the schools, Mr. Nejedly said that "we must treasure our children."

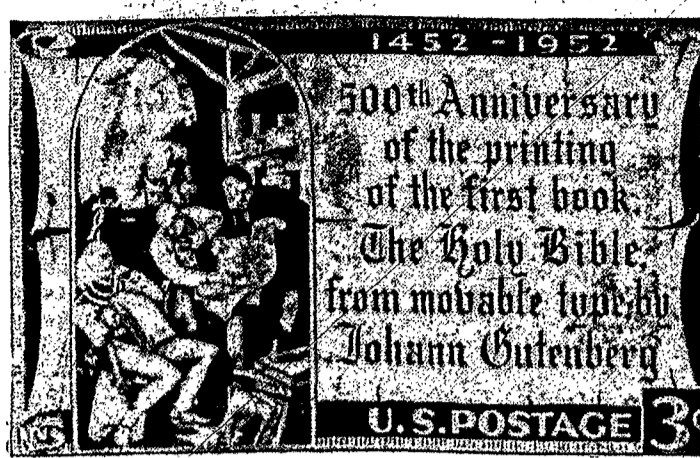
"They must be educated in the Communist spirit," he said, "and taken care of spiritually while they are still young, while their mind resembles a clean blackboard on which all can be written, and when the child is grateful for each piece of attention."

The Communist official stressed that "kindergartens are my special pride."

"We take the child at the age of three," he said, "lead it by the hand until the age of six, and then turn him over to the care of the teacher in primary schools. In this way the child is given a firm basis for a good life, dedicated to Socialism."

Mr. Nejedly made it clear that he thought the chief virtue of the Communist regime is that it protects youth from "the snares of the Vatican."

## GUTENBERG BIBLE STAMP



Commemorating the 500th anniversary of the printing of the first book, the Holy Bible, from movable type, by Johann Gutenberg, Catholic inventor of printing, a new 3-cent United States postage stamp will be released on September 30, during the nation-wide celebration of Bible Week. The design of the stamp, pictured above, features a reproduction of a painting in the New York Public Library showing Gutenberg in his print shop at Mainz, Germany. (NC Photos).

## Gen. Eisenhower Once Catholic College Coach

San Antonio, Texas (NC) — Dwight D. Eisenhower to be the Republican candidate for the presidency recalls that he at one time served as football coach of a Catholic college here.

While holding the rank of Captain, General Eisenhower was stationed at Fort Sam Houston here. A former football player at West Point and interested in athletics, the future General obtained permission of Army authorities to coach the gridiron team of St. Louis College, which is now known as St. Mary's University.

Shortly after General Eisenhower was sent to Europe to command the American troops there in World War II, the Battler, student publication at St. Mary's, carried an article recounting his service as a coach.

A copy of the paper was sent to Mrs. Eisenhower. She replied that it recalled "happy days," and that she was sending the paper to the General in Europe.

## A Feastday Remembrance

We send out birthday greetings— Wishes at Christmas or Easter— And we also send out wishes— On the Feast Day of Christ's bride.

We send her sincerest prayers, The Spouse of Him above, Wishing her all His blessings— His compassionate, unaltering Love. May she feel His Love unfold her.

In a very special way Love — her beginning and end— Her purpose in every day, Her life, her heart, her all, Her vocation's daily price, A love-giving always— Growing by sacrifice, His Love—and also, hers, Joined together they are one, And peace reigns alone— In the heart of Christ's dear nun, A peace the world can't know— A secret of the Bearer— May your God's chosen nun, Always be His sharer. — M. G.

## Stalin On Czech Coins

Toledo, O. (NC) — Czechoslovakia has two silver coins. On one side is the lion, the national symbol, on the other is a foreign potentate, Joseph Stalin.

This was disclosed here by the Rev. Alexis Machacek, American Benedictine, who said he obtained the coins during his residence in his native Czechoslovakia from 1946 to 1950.

He was one of seven American Benedictines who went to the 700-year-old monastery at Broumov after the end of World War II, when the Sudetenland changed back from Germany to Czechoslovakia, and only three German monks were left. He was ordered to leave in 1950.

## First Multiple Sclerosis Clinic Tribute To Convert Doctor, Franciscan Nuns

Tacoma, Wash. (NC) — A histamine treatment was started, she recovered quickly and then "clamored to help in the clinic." Soon she was spending from eight to 14 hours a day directing secretarial and other clinical duties.

It will crown more than five years of selfless work by Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis and a convert doctor to conquer one of man's most dreaded diseases—until recently considered incurable by many doctors.

Dr. Hinton D. Jonez gave up his long-established practice here and devoted his entire time without compensation for five years to establishing the initial experimental clinic. He told the story in his recently-issued book, "My Fight to Conquer Multiple Sclerosis," published by Julian Messner, Inc., in New York City.

More than 2000 victims of multiple sclerosis from all parts of the United States and many foreign countries have been treated at the experimental clinic, which developed techniques bringing new hope to victims of the crippling disease.

The clinic, under Dr. Jonez' direction, pioneered in widespread use of histamines and of cure used by Indians in the Amazon for poisoning their blowguns—darts to free victims of their symptoms. It braved outbursts of criticism and suspicion, like other great pioneering projects.

SPECTACULAR success has been reported as a result of the clinic's treatments for multiple sclerosis. Bedfast cases have progressed to wheelchairs. Wheelchair patients have resumed walking. Paralyzed nerves that caused illness have been revitalized and sight restored.

Statistics disclosing that 800,000 persons suffer from this disease of the central system—more than from polio—show the vital importance of this development. The Journal of the American Medical Association credited Dr. Jonez for "using a combination of methods—in the widest concentrated attack on the symptoms of this disease."

Dr. Jonez, as he told Miriam Zeller Gross in his book, conceived the idea of starting an experimental clinic after Sister Celine Magdalin asked to tell her how to administer histamine to multiple sclerosis patients at St. Joseph Hospital.

"Like a flash the thought came to me, here is the big chance I've wanted and I said, 'Sister Celine, if the Sisters of Saint Francis will provide space for a multiple sclerosis clinic, I'll provide the medication and direct the care of the patients.' One of the initial patients was Sister Margaret Angelina, who had multiple sclerosis for 25 years before physicians diagnosed it—after she herself already had discovered what her ailment was. Bedfast when the

scrubbing floors with vigor.

"THE OUTGOING" internees plorable mess. A new group of internees would arrive that day, had left the quarters in a deplorable state. Sister Valeria had not been able to find anybody to do the cleaning. So there she was, scrubbing and polishing as if her very life depended on it.

"Can't put young men into unsanitary quarters," she said tersely.

When offers were made by various groups to establish the clinic on a more substantial financial basis, Dr. Jonez decided that he would have been wholly lacking in moral courage had he not been a party to any agreement, no matter how flimsy, which divorced the clinic from the hospital and the Sisters of St. Francis.

"I COULD NOT forget the wholehearted manner in which the Sisters had ministered to our people," he wrote. "They had plucked the loss of hospital certification and had faced losing their nurses' training school and the assignment of internees. Had the clinic been unsuccessful, the Sisters would have borne the brunt of that failure."

And he recalled a letter written by the Franciscan Sisters to him which said:

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