

Suit Protests Free Light, Water To Catholic School

Akron, O. — (RNS) — A suit by the city's public schools since 1942 to prevent suburban Cuyahoga Falls from continuing to supply electricity and water without charge to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic school was filed in Common Pleas Court here by Claude B. Cleverdon, a resident of the suburb and one-time candidate for its mayorality.

Cuyahoga Falls' municipally-owned utility systems have been supplying free electricity and water to the Catholic parochial school as well as to the communi-

In his petition, Mr. Cleverdon, an active member of the Summit County Property Owners Association, charged the provision of free light and water service to St. Joseph's school "is an abuse of corporate powers and a misappropriation of funds and is in violation of the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Ohio."

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HOW BIG IS YOUR HEART? Big enough for SISTER TECLA? This poor girl has started her two years training with the Basilian Sisters at Zella, Lebanon. Each year it costs \$150. Won't you take her to your heart by sending her this sum each year? You will secure a lasting remembrance in her grateful prayers.

ROYALTY IN RAGS

Christ's priests are truly a kingly line in their own right. One would never believe it if he saw many of the poor priests in the Holy Land as they go about their many ministrations to their people in ragged cassocks. The good bishops there beg for \$25 they need to provide a new cassock for one.



PUT GOD IN YOUR WILL. YOU'RE SURE TO BE IN HIS.



ALWAYS THE SICK
There are always the poor and the sick. But those devoted Sisters of the Perpetual Help at Harissa, Lebanon, must be angels of mercy every day to the sick poor. At present they must treat them in the corridor and the parlor of the convent. We must add to this a dispensary costing \$1,000. Your \$1 means much. \$75 buys a medical kit. Dressings for a day, \$3.

ANTHONY asks us to find a friend who will help him with the \$100 it costs for each year of the six of his training for the priesthood at the Greek Seminary in Rome. Adopt him and you'll never regret this wonderful charity. You will be one with him in his prayers and future labors for Christ.

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The memory of Our Lady will never fail in the desert wastes of JORDAN after we have finished Her new FATEMA SHERINE. The chapel will ever proclaim Mary's honor to the entire surrounding area. It will stand always as a witness of the love of those whose miles raised it up. Did you send Her yours? \$10 buys a brick. With your gift ask for "Bill of the Morning."



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The crib in your parish church still keeps your mind on Bethlehem and the Holy Babe. But there is another Crib which is on our mind daily throughout the year. It is the one in Beirut where those wonderful Daughters of Charity give loving care to these dear little foundlings. The Sisters were forced to build a larger hospital. Won't you send them your gift? Much needed layettes cost \$5. \$10 will keep a lot for a month.

With each new day there are new needs for our thousands of homeless REFUGEES from the Holy Land. Won't you help us feed, clothe and shelter these poor souls now in their sixth year of misery, sickness and despair? For every gift of \$10 or more for them we offer a ROSARY made from OLIVE SEEDS grown in the GARDEN OF OLIVES. The refugees made the rosaries. Send used clothes to 52-15 Flushing Ave., Maspeth, N.Y.

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THE ADORATION OF THE MAGI by the master of the Lucia Legend (Flemish, about 1500 A. D.), loaned by Duveen Brothers, Inc., New York, to the Corning Museum of Glass for its Christmas Exhibition "Venite Adoremus." (Photo by Corning Museum of Glass).

'Venite Adoremus' Exhibit At Corning Glass Museum Features Religious Art

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, the Corning Museum of Glass is featuring an exhibit of religious art which centers around Christ's birth and infancy. Entitled "Venite Adoremus," this exhibition continues until January 31st.

The display comprises over thirty items: paintings, drawings, sculptures, enamels, tapestries, embroideries, and manuscripts, dating from about the fourteenth to the seventeenth century. Among the list of artists noted are such famous names as Cosimo Rosselli, Dosso Dossi, Garofalo, Filippino Lippi, Lucas van Valkenborch, Andrea della Robbia, Loaners of these and the other pieces on exhibition are some of the nation's most outstanding galleries, art dealers, and private collectors.

The Museum has not chosen these art treasures, however, merely because so many of them are by famous artists. The show has a different purpose: It is to illustrate what a fruitful theme of artistic inspiration the Christmas story has been to men of many times and many lands.

IN THIS ATTEMPT, the Museum was successful. The Holy Family, while remaining clearly the Holy Family, has become the Holy (Italian) Family in Italian works, the Holy (Flemish) Family in Flemish works, the Holy (French) family in French works, and so forth.

One of the finest Italian products for instance, is the 16th century drawing of the Flight to Egypt by Lello Orsi da Novellara. It shows Joseph riding ahead on one donkey, and looking back at Mary and the Child on a second donkey. The figures are classically drawn, according to the Italian Renaissance style. But the donkeys are so truly the sleepy-eyed Italian donkeys, that Mary is very appropriately represented with the little whip of an Italian donkey-driver in her right hand.

On the other hand, the Flemish Adoration of the Magi by the Master of the Lucia Legend, looks upon the scene through the eyes of a man from the Netherlands. The Madonna is Flemish, the Child is Flemish, the scene is conceived in a courtly style, and the attention to detail is true to the tradition of goldsmith-like precision which characterized this early sixteenth-century school of Belgian artists. The accompanying illustration gives only a hint of these attractive qualities.

Flemish art of a later period but still characteristically Flemish is Van Valkenborch's Flight into Egypt, in which Mary, Joseph and the Child are shown passing through a typical busy seventeenth-century village in Flanders.

THE OTHER works exhibited, the della Robbia, Madonna and Child, the French enamels of the Limoges School, the rustic German embroidery, the Venetian paintings and Tenebrist paintings, and the rest all serve to bear out the show's thesis: the Christmas Story and all it involves is a theme capable of an indefinite number of tender and thoughtful variations, in paint, stone, enamel, and needlework.

To serve as a musical accompaniment, the Museum has provided a series of recordings in chant, classical polyphonic music, and medieval Christmas carols. Thus the total effect of the "Venite Adoremus" exhibition is to create a mood of reverence. It is an inspiring expression of the Christmastide spirit.

The Museum of Glass, like the Corning Glass Center in which it is housed, is open daily except Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

POPE TELLS EDUCATORS

Training Of Young Girls 'Sacred, Delicate Mission'

Vatican City — The Christian training of young girls was described by His Holiness Pope Pius XII as "a sacred, delicate mission" which calls for psychological understanding and sound pedagogical methods.

The Holy Father spoke at an audience to a group of nuns and representatives of youth groups belonging to Italian Catholic Action. Telling them that they should look upon young girls as "the hope of the Fatherland and the Church," he spoke in simple and eloquent terms of the characteristics of girlhood which he said, demand of them "an illuminating and generous love" with perfected modern pedagogical methods.

"YOU CANNOT be unaware," he declared, "of the characteristics of girlhood — its anxieties, desires, hesitations, and preferences. Girls have a love of action, a liveliness of emotions, the restlessness of an intelligence which is still developing. They love games, have a thirst for affection. Their imagination is lively; they thrive on illusions and dreams; they have a spontaneity of and instinct for imitation. Girlhood develops precious religious and moral energies."

The Pope told his hearers that "CATHOLIC WOMEN educators should not lag behind. The rapid evolution of the present-day condition of life makes the task more complex and delicate. It would be all too easy to slide into a comfortable rut and by-pass the necessary advanced methods. Do not permit girls to put aside anything which can make the truth they possess, the virtues they enjoy, not only apparent, but attractive to all."

Inquiry Explodes Allegation Catholics Favored By Federal Security Officers

By J. J. GILBERT

Washington — (NC) — Some startling — and rather fantastic — allegations have just been exploded here by an inquiry. The matter is of importance because it had been charged by at least one secular press writer that these allegations were injecting the vicious religious issue into investigations being made into Communist and subversive activities in this country.

Some time ago, Joseph C. Harsch, writing in the Christian Science Monitor, said that "enough information has been gathered by Protestant circles to make it clear" that Senator Joseph McCarthy's investigating activities "have had the incidental effect, whether accidental or intentional, of increasing the proportion of Roman Catholics to Protestants in the public service."

THE GIST OF Mr. Harsch's explanation is this: Government officials, seeking to protect their departments and bureaus from Senator McCarthy's "attacks," have increasingly resorted to the practice of employing Catholics as security and personnel officers. "The sequel is that the proportion of Roman Catholics included in dismissals is low and the proportion of Protestants high."

Mr. Harsch said "inquiries by this reporter have failed to find a single Roman Catholic among officials dismissed from the State Department. A Protestant compilation of dismissals from the Foreign Operations Administration indicates that 80 per cent of all dismissals are Protestants and that many of the 20 per cent of dismissed Roman Catholics were subsequently reabsorbed into the service."

This "compilation" does not apparently allow for any Jews having been dismissed.

THIS WRITER went to personnel and security officers here. They told him that it is almost impossible to determine the "religious preference" of government employees, certainly in any considerable number. Standard form 57 (the government application blank for employment) does not contain this information, and the government offices are forbidden to ask about it.

In some personal and security officers, the writer did not know the religious affiliation of his closest assistants. In one, the deputy did not know the "religious preference" of his chief. One security officer thought one assistant was a Jew and another a Catholic. Both turned out to be Protestants when this writer made inquiry.

Robert W. S. McLeod, head of the Bureau of Security, Consular Affairs and Personnel of the State Department, one of the government agencies mentioned by Mr. Harsch, is himself a Protestant. Some time ago a secular magazine spoke of "McCarran, McCarthy and McLeod," and intimated that the Pope "is in the saddle" in Washington. But actually, Mr. McLeod is a lay leader of the Methodist Church. His security officer, the man actively in charge of such matters, is named Flinn, but Flinn is a Protestant.

Thomas Naughton, Assistant Director of the Foreign Operations Administration in Charge of the Office of Personnel, Security and Integrity, was away from the office, but one of his assistants said he honestly did not know his chief's "religious preference."

REGARDING THE change that not one Catholic could be found among officials dismissed from the State Department, security officers said they did not see how anyone could tell whether an official was a Catholic or not, unless he knew independently of the records. They themselves do not know the "religious preference" in any security case handled, except accidentally. A person may volunteer the information, close associates may reveal the information without being asked, or the man's associations and affiliations may pretty well establish his beliefs. But the security officers do not actually seek this information and are not concerned with it, they affirm.

The persons who were laid off in the Foreign Operations Administration were dismissed because Congress cut the appropriation for this work by about \$15,000,000. Former Governor Stassen, head of FOA, was given 120 days by Congress to get administration working within the new budget. All dismissals were the responsibility of Mr. Stassen. He even devised a widely publicized intelligence test to help him in making the reductions in force. The security office of FOA had nothing to do with it.

WITH REGARD to the charge that Catholics predominated among those re-hired, an official of FOA said cases like the following were typical: One employee let go was a divorced woman and his assistant in FOA have held their positions since 1948. Their appointments, it was pointed out, could not have been for the purpose of "appeasing" Senator McCarthy.

Some security officers expressed the private belief that the only way a story such as that about the FOA could have got started was through a disgruntled government employe.

Some security officers expressed doubt that Catholics are in a majority among themselves. There is no central place to check on such officers. Other security officers, some of them Protestants, said they would not be surprised if Catholics were in a majority among them, because Catholics have been promoted in law enforcement in this country, and you have to have trained personnel for security posts.

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