

Senate Hears Reds Menace Guatemala

Washington — (NC) — A warning against the Communist menace in Guatemala was sounded in the United States Senate by one of its most influential leaders.

"Let us not forget that this is not in Europe," said Senator Alexander Wiley of Wisconsin. "This is not over in Korea. This is right at our own back door. The situation in Guatemala is truly challenging. For that reason, I felt that it was my duty, as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, to bring this matter to the attention of the Senate."

SENATOR WILEY said "the actions of the present leaders of the government of Guatemala have been cause for deepest concern to this country and to other nations of the hemisphere and the free world."

We should not be diverted by the smokescreen thrown up by the Guatemalan leaders — the contention that the United States is only interested in unfair treatment inflicted on American enterprises — the Senator said. "The source of our concern is that Guatemala has become a serious beachhead for international Communism in this hemisphere."

In articles written last year for the N.C.W.C. News Service, Jaime Fonseca, editor of Noticias Catolicas, said that Red penetration of all phases of Guatemalan life is so thorough that it constitutes a direct threat to the security of the rest of the Americas. Senator Wiley emphasized that what exists in Guatemala "is international Communism." "Make no mistake," he told his colleagues. "There is no Communism but the communism which takes orders from the despots of the Kremlin in Moscow."

SAYING HE wanted to prove by a series of clear facts the interlocking interrelationship between Guatemalan Communism and Moscow Communism, Senator Wiley gave 22 questions and answers.

In this way, he brought out that Communists "occupy key positions in radio, press, agrarian administration and the social security system" of Guatemala; that the leaders of the Guatemala Communist party "have visited Moscow, some of them frequently."

Also the Communist party in Guatemala "saluted the Communist Union as its inspiration and as a beacon for the workers of the world;" the central Comin-

form organization "openly adopted the Guatemalan Communist party under its new name of Guatemalan Labor Party;" "the government's official radio and newspaper have disseminated pro-Communist, anti-United States propaganda for years."

"Communist propaganda films, accusing the United States of engaging in 'bacteriological warfare' have been exhibited in government buildings" in Guatemala; high government officials in Guatemala took part in a program in a government school building "to celebrate the Communist victory over American imperialism in Korea."

"I wish to reemphasize now," Senator Wiley continued, "that it is not just the United States alone which views the developments in Guatemala with deepest apprehension. It is the hemisphere as a whole and the free world as a whole."

Archdiocese Plans Marian Year School

Boston, Mass. — (NC) — In honor of the Marian Year, construction of a new high school to be named the Marian Central High School will begin in August.

Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston, has announced. The new school, which will accommodate 800 students, will be built in nearby Framingham and will serve that and surrounding areas. The school will be co-educational and will be staffed by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Completion of the \$1,250,000 building will bring the number of archdiocesan high schools to 11. The Boston archdiocese also has six colleges, 184 parochial elementary schools, 62 parochial high schools, and 33 private schools with a total enrollment of 135,295.

New Counsellor

Dublin — (NC) — Msgr. Cajetan Allibrandi has arrived here from Istanbul to take up duties as Counsellor at the Apostolic Nunciature. He was met by the Nuncio, Archbishop Gerald P. O'Hara, Bishop of Savannah, Atlanta.

Anti-Red PW's Attend Sunday Mass

Indian Village, Korea — (NC)

Four Indian priests who came here December 11 as chaplains to Catholics among Korean and Chinese anti-Communist prisoners of war have congregations totaling 900 for their five Sunday Masses inside the prisoners' compounds.

Holy Communions received at these Masses each Sunday are estimated at about 425. The priests speak neither Korean nor Chinese, but hear confessions with questionnaires in English-Korean and English-Chinese.

Some of the men attending Mass are catechumens, that is, they are preparing for Baptism. The four priests, headed by Msgr. Joseph Lobo, Vicar General of Bombay archdiocese, include two Jesuits. They celebrated their first Masses for the prisoners a few days before Christmas. They will continue their work as long as the prisoners remain with the Indian custodial forces.

They say Mass inside the prisoners' compounds on weekdays also, as circumstances permit. Monsignor Lobo celebrates one Mass every Sunday in the Indian camp, where Indian Catholics number about 75.

Interviewed by this correspondent, the priests said they were very well pleased with the cooperation given by the Indian authorities and with the prisoners' response to their ministrations.

Trappists Boast Farming Library

Oka, Que. — (NC) — The Agricultural Institute of Oka, directed by the Trappists, has a specialized agricultural library rated as one of the finest in Canada. There are 33,000 volumes in addition to some 70,000 bulletins from all parts of Canada, the United States and other world countries.

There are 300 agricultural and scientific periodicals from 52 countries. More than 30,000 works of universities and experimental stations in Canada and the United States have been carefully indexed.

SON OF ST. PATRICK



New York — His Eminence James Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Archbishop of Los Angeles, is shown receiving honorary membership in the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick from John S. Burke, president, at a dinner here. Looking on is His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, whom Cardinal McIntyre accompanied here from the West Coast. Cardinal Spellman had just returned here after spending Christmas and the New Year visiting American servicemen in the Far East.

'Bleeding Statuette' Still Draws Crowds

Entrevaux, France — (NC) — The "bleeding statuette" of St. Anne here, although it has not "bled" since it was sealed under a glass bell shortly after it was reported to have dripped human blood, continues to attract large crowds.

So large are they, in fact, that the inn where the statuette is being exhibited can no longer do business. All day long its dining room is packed with visitors, most of whom are cripples or invalids seeking a miracle.

THERE HAS AS yet been no pronouncement concerning the statuette by religious authorities. Bishop Cosme Jorcin of Digne is still conducting his investigation.

Widely commented upon in the French press, an unusual explanation of the mystery has been offered by an article in La Croix, Paris Catholic daily.

According to La Croix, it was a custom in certain countries a few centuries ago — about the time the statuette is judged to have been made — to make religious statues into which were built small vein-like metal tubes.

These would be filled with blood by the persons who bought the statues to show their gratitude for receiving gifts they had prayed for. This custom was particularly prevalent in the Austrian Tyrol, where the statuette of St. Anne is believed to have been made.

Action Urged Against Reds In Caribbean

Washington — (NC) — Ignoring the threat of Communism in the Caribbean area would be "blind folly" equal to the loss of Nationalist China, a Senate committee counsel warned here.

"The time has come for constructive, carefully considered legal measures — individually and in concert — by every nation which wants to protect itself from the international Communist conspiracy," Julius N. Cahn said in an address to the Washington Club of University of Notre Dame Alumni.

THE COUNSEL for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, recently returned from a 10-nation tour in the Caribbean area, warned that "you see everywhere" Communist infiltration through newspapers, "study groups" and radio broadcasts, more than 200,000 Communist Party members and many more "fellow travelers and dupes."

Citing ten instances of Red menace to Caribbean countries, he stressed anti-Church activity. He said that "in this phase, in most Latin American countries, the Reds have tended thus far to act rather cautiously; they have feared at this stage to violate overtly the deep religious sensibilities of what is, after all, a devout Catholic continent. But in many places, the Communists' mask has already dropped and the Communists have shown their implacable hostility to religion."

HE SAID that in Guatemala, "the strongest hot-bed of Communism," the entry of additional priests is blocked "by every conceivable obstacle."

Contraband arms are a great danger and there is increased Communist traffic in smuggled weapons, Mr. Cahn said. He stated that he had asked the Papal Nuncio to Bogota, Archbishop Paul Bertoli, "what, in his judgment, was one of the most alarming aspects of the Communist danger." He replied in two words: "Contraband arms."

With the contraband arms, Mr. Cahn said, lessons in Asiatic guerrilla warfare are being taught to Communists in Latin America.

Farley Urges Political Action, Scores Corruption By Some

New York — (NC) — Politics is as clean as you make it, former Postmaster General James A. Farley declared here, urging Catholic voters and young people to bring Catholic principles into the political arena.

He called upon would-be politicians to enter "the most dangerous as well as the most noble worldly careers" with "a deep and abiding faith in the teachings of the Catholic Church." At the same time he scored those Catholic politicians who have brought Catholics "a heavy sense of shame."

"Unhappily Catholics in power have been prone to abuse their trust, if not more so than their non-Catholic brethren," Mr. Farley told the St. Paul Guild of New York. "We cannot evade the facts. We should not bury our heads to the truth after the manner of the ostrich hiding in the sand."

"In recent scandals involving men in public life the identification of Catholics among the betrayers of trust came so often as to bring us a heavy sense of shame."

Scoring the Catholic politician Coring the Catholic politician who practices one code of conduct in private life and another in public life, Mr. Farley said, "One cannot be a good Catholic on Sunday and a bad Catholic during the week."

"We would be something less than honest," he said, "if we did not recognize that many of the most notorious machines in America have been built by Catholic and operated by Catholics." He called on young Catholics entering politics to "not only avoid the evils of power but any suspicion of the evils. He urged voters to be "zealous in doing out power... and exacting in our demands on those in power, so that they will not fail us."

MR. FARLEY SAID "THE GREAT and crying need of our country" is more good young men and women to make at least part time careers in politics.

"We must not shrug off our responsibility by washing our hands of politics as a dirty business," he said. Politics is not a dirty business unless we allow it to become so. It is rather a most serious business which has need of the most high-minded and the most generous hearted among us."

St. Patrick Sons Honor Cardinal

New York — (NC) — An honorary membership in the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick was conferred on His Eminence James Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Archbishop of Los Angeles, at a meeting in the Hotel Astor here.

Cardinal McIntyre was the 20th person to be granted honorary membership in the 170 year-old organization. A small group of Irishmen who had fought in Washington's Army organized the Friendly Sons.

John F. Brosnan, former president of the society, said in nominating Cardinal McIntyre: "Honorary membership is our most precious gift. We do well to cherish it and to bestow it only occasionally, when some man's achievements and character are such as to make the gift the spontaneous outpouring of our admiration and our affection."



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