

Scranton Bishop Consecration Set At Shrine

Washington (NC) - Msgr. Jerome D. Hannan will be solemnly consecrated Bishop of Scranton in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, here, September 21.

His Excellency Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, will be the consecrator.

Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington and Bishop Henry T. Kowalski, Auxiliary of Scranton, will be the co-consecrators.

BISHOP JOHN F. Dearden of Pittsburgh will preach the sermon.

The solemn installation of the new Ordinary of the Scranton diocese is expected to take place in St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, on September 30, the Feast of St. Jerome, with Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia officiating.

The newly consecrated Bishop will first return to Pittsburgh to offer a Solemn Pontifical Mass on September 24 in St. Paul's Cathedral, of which he was once administrator.

Bishop-Designate Hannan, who has been a member of the faculty of the Catholic University of America since 1949, and its vice-rector since 1951, was a founder of the Jurist in 1941 and was its editor until the end of 1953.

The Jurist is a quarterly publication of the Catholic University school of canon law.

RKO Fights Censor Laws In Boston

Boston, Mass. (NC) - RKO Radio Pictures has challenged the constitutionality of censorship laws in three suits filed here after Boston banned the producer's condemned movie, "French Line."

In all three cases the complaint, use recent Supreme Court movie decisions as a basis for arguing that the censor laws are too vague and indefinite.

Attorneys for the film producing firm indicated that the suits are ultimately to be carried to the Supreme Court, which should we win them, the censorship laws of this state could be wiped out.

The first suit attacks the constitutionality of the "Sundry laws" which exist throughout the State of Massachusetts; the second suit is directed against the Mayor of Lynn, Mass., who forced withdrawal of "French Line" and the third is directed against Boston's censorship board which includes Boston's mayor and police commissioner.

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Witnesses Testify Reds Crush Churches In Hungary

Cleveland, O. (RNS) - Clergymen who escaped from Communist-controlled Hungary and found refuge in the United States told a Congressional subcommittee here how "all churches" in Hungary were either silenced or crushed in a methodical campaign by the Communist regime.

Their testimony was given before a special hearing of the House Subcommittee on Communist Aggression headed by Rep. Alvin M. Bentley (R-Mich.) which earlier had conducted similar hearings in New York and Washington, D. C.

The stories told by the churchmen were in sharp contrast to a statement made at the World Council of Churches' Second Assembly in Evanston, Ill., by Bishop Albert Berceky of the Hungarian Reformed Church that there is "full freedom of worship" in Hungary.

Congressman Bentley's invitation to Bishop Berceky and other members of the Hungarian delegation to the Assembly to appear before his group was rejected by the bishop as "unworthy of reply."

ONE OF THE witnesses before the Bentley subcommittee was a former bishop of the Unitarian Church in Hungary, the Rev. Alexander St. Ivanyi, now pastor of a Unitarian church at Lancaster, Mass.

Christianity has "gone underground" in Hungary because "there is no religious freedom today" in that Communist country, he said.

"We have secret services," Mr. St. Ivanyi said. "The true heads of the Churches have been removed. All Churches are subservient to the State."

"We have learned from refugees arriving from Hungary, and from other channels, that Roman Catholic monasteries have been closed, seminaries have been suppressed, ministers and rabbis are in prison, and no church is allowed to publish anything without the permission of the state minister of religion."

Mr. St. Ivanyi also said that for a time he was the only leader of a Church to be a member of the Hungarian Parliament and that during this period he often served as spokesman for all the Churches - Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Reformed and Unitarian.

He said that the Protestant and Catholic Churches in Hungary were united in trying to keep control of their religious schools and that Protestant, Catholic and Jewish leaders all recognized that any Communist system of education was based upon teaching children the supremacy of the State and destroying the natural affection children have for their parents.

The clergyman said he had protested to Marshal Voroshilov, now president of the Soviet Union but then head of the Russian occupation forces in Hungary, against the Communist efforts to take over all education of children in the country.

He said the Marshal threatened him that, unless church leaders fell in line, the entire population of Hungary would be deported to Asia.

When he protested that this would be in violation of the Yalta Agreement, Mr. St. Ivanyi said, Marshal Voroshilov replied that "in Hungary, I am Yalta."

Msgr. Stephen Kerrier, former Catholic seminary rector at Kalocsa, Hungary, and close friend of imprisoned Josef Cardinal Mindszenty, told the subcommittee that the first step in the Communist suppression of the Catholic Church was a "rigged land reform" through which all property was confiscated "to make the Church poor."

Although the land reform was represented in Communist propaganda as a campaign to "restore the land to the peasants," he said, the land actually was nationalized and held by the government.

Then in rapid order came suppression of the Catholic press and all religious organizations "right down to Boy Scouts troops" affiliated with churches, Msgr. Kerrier said.

THE COMMUNISTS met with firm opposition from all Hungarian Churches when they sought to confiscate religious schools, the churchman said, but this opposition then was used by the Communists as the basis for charges on which they justified the imprisonment of church leaders, including Cardinal Mindszenty.

"Orders of priests and nuns were disbanded and the members sent to concentration camps, and by that time there were too few leaders left to make an effective protest."

The final step, Msgr. Kerrier said, and one that is still going on, was to "divide the clergy from the clergy and the clergy from the bishops."

A parade of other witnesses testified that the Communists used fear, torture and rape to crush Hungary's churches as long ago as 1947, the Red Army was preparing for war with America.

Newspapers Curb Ads For Movies

St. Paul, Minn. (NC) - The Dispatch-Pioneer Press here has announced that its local daily newspapers will initiate a "mild" form of censorship of its advertisements - particularly of movies.

A spokesman said that the advertising staff will form its own "board of review" and reject advertisements that are "over the line" of decency either in text or pictures.

"We hope the theatres themselves will take care of this problem but we intend to look at every piece of copy that comes through and reject those which we believe to be unduly suggestive or bordering on obscenity," a spokesman said.

The action followed complaints from readers over the viciousness of the advertisement film, "French Line."

Labor Relations Role Urged On Catholics

Washington (NC) - Catholics in the ranks of labor and management were called upon to set a "shining example" in the labor relations field by Archbishop Francis A. O'Boyle, episcopal chairman of the Social Action Department, N.C.W.C.

IN A LABOR Day statement, published in the Voice of St. Jude, Archbishop O'Boyle asked ever-increasing numbers of Catholics to devote themselves unselfishly to the cause of social justice as Pope Pius XII personally requested.

Archbishop O'Boyle said, the future of labor-management relations in the U.S. seems to be improving, he added, there is "a great deal of room for improvement."

"Some employers are still blindly opposed to union and collective bargaining," he said. "Some legislators are unrighteous in the subject of labor and general social legislation. Some labor officials are guilty of shady practices."

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN of the N.C.W.C. Administrative Board said, however, that the current labor-management relations "tend to be in the right direction" and expressed the hope that "increasingly as time goes on this widespread pattern of collective bargaining will take on the character of labor-management cooperation, by separate companies and by entire industries in the interest of the general welfare."

He called upon American Catholics to "take stock" of their contribution toward Christian social justice requested by the Holy Father.

Receive, my child, the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, to which you are affixed with Him by the three vows, as by so many nails. Wear it openly on your breast, as a sure defense against all the attacks of the enemy, and especially endeavor to carry it faithfully in your heart by loving it tenderly and humbly with sweet devotion, continually living and dying in the love of the Cross with Jesus in glory.

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Sister Francis Mary Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Rossi, Holy Cross parish. Sister Eileen Regina Reynolds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds, Holy Rosary parish.

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Sister Claire Joseph Frawley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Frawley, St. Mary's parish, Elmira.

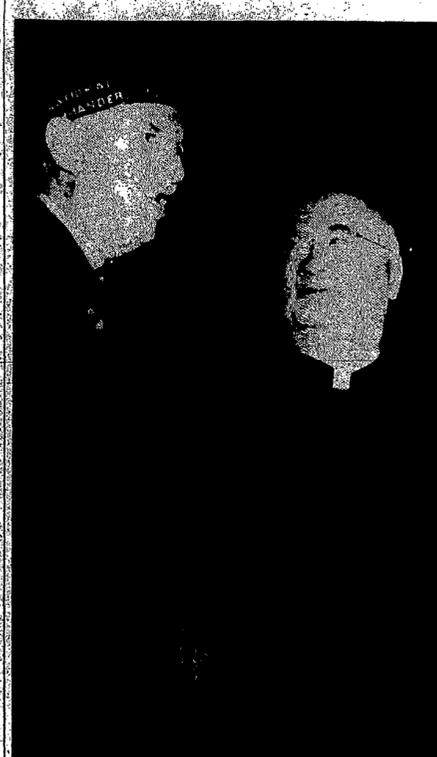
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'Peaceful Co-Existence' With Reds 'Illusion,' Cardinal Tells Legionnaires



Washington, D. C. - His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, is welcomed at the American Legion's annual convention here by Archbishop J. Connelley of Milwaukee, center. In the background are the war veterans, Cardinal Spellman, urged American Legion members to be guided by the prospect of peaceful co-existence with the Communist world. (RNS Photo)

11 Sisters Of St. Joseph Pronounce Their Final Vows

Eleven novices pronounced final vows as Sisters of Saint Joseph last Saturday in Nazareth Convent Chapel. The ceremony of final profession marked the completion of six years of novitiate training.

Her Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Casey, presided over the ceremony and received in turn the offering of each novice as she vowed perpetual poverty, chastity and obedience in the congregation of The Sisters of Saint Joseph, and promised to practice, through the grace of God, the most cordial charity toward my neighbor in the exercise of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy as required by our institute.

After a special prayer asking for the newly professed Sisters, God help in observing the vows just made, the Bishop blessed the profession crosses. As he handed to each Sister the brass-bound crucifix which she wears as a symbol of her espousals to Christ, his words were those used by the bishops on like occasions through the centuries:

Receive, my child, the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, to which you are affixed with Him by the three vows, as by so many nails. Wear it openly on your breast, as a sure defense against all the attacks of the enemy, and especially endeavor to carry it faithfully in your heart by loving it tenderly and humbly with sweet devotion, continually living and dying in the love of the Cross with Jesus in glory.

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Washington (NC) - "Americans must not be lulled into sleep by indifference nor be beguiled by the prospect of peaceful co-existence with communists," His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, told the national convention of the American Legion here.

AGAINST THE background of a huge American flag, the Cardinal spoke to thousands of legionnaires at the National Guard Armory here and was greeted with a standing, applauding ovation. The address was twice interrupted with thunderous applause when His Eminence called for a program of "preparation for preservation" and a third time when he called peaceful co-existence an "illusion."

Cardinal Spellman's speech directly followed an address by President Eisenhower who pledged the maintenance of a strong military reserve in defense against communism. On the speaker's platform, the President stepped aside to shake Cardinal Spellman's hand and both exchanged greetings.

In his address to convention delegates the Cardinal warned that "the danger of another Pearl Harbor embracing the whole American people is definitely possible and possibly imminent."

REMINING LEGIONNAIRES that there is no guarantee that America will continue to enjoy its present power and dominance and noting signs of "alarming deterioration in things of the spirit" in America, His Eminence called for an intensification of the nation's religious life.

"How," Cardinal Spellman asked, "can there be peaceful co-existence between two parties if one of them is continually clawing at the throat of the other, continually besetting, continually committing acts which are designed to destroy life in the other party?"

"How does one peacefully co-exist with men who mouth words of peace while waging treacherous war; men who wear the trappings of civilization while they indulge in the techniques of barbarism? It is ignorance of a faith which prompts the illusion that free men can peacefully co-exist with communists."

"We Americans," His Eminence continued, "need to remember as we have never remembered before in our national life how definite a sentence of death has been passed upon us by the very power with whom we have been asked peacefully to co-exist. We need to remember as we have never remembered before how fatal it would be to succumb to the temptation to place any trust in those evil leaders who have risen to their world position by reason of lies, duplicity and treason."

"NO GUARANTEE has ever been given to America that it shall continue to enjoy the dominance it now has as a nation. America came to its mighty and majestic greatness and achieved her present high destiny through a conscious dedication of our

Washington (NC) - Nearly four million pupils will be entered in Catholic grade and high schools and almost 33 million will be enrolled in all the schools and colleges in the nation in 1954-55, it is predicted in a report issued by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare here.

SLIGHTLY OVER 29 million pupils will be enrolled in public elementary and high schools. This figure, with that of the non-public grade and high schools and other types of educational institutions, brings this year's prospective students to 29 per cent of the country's population.

The figure for Catholic grade and high schools in 1953-54, 3,938,912. This number was arrived at by taking certain percentages of the total given by the department for non-public elementary and secondary schools.

A Health, Education and Welfare spokesman said about 94 per cent of the non-public elementary school pupils will be in Catholic schools, and 83 per cent of the non-public secondary students will also be in Catholic schools. Figures were not available, he said, on Catholic colleges.

BUT THE HIGHEST peaks in school and college enrollments are yet to come, the report said. By 1959-60 the enrollment in elementary and secondary schools and in colleges and universities will rise to approximately 44 million.

The report also showed that the grand total expenditure for public and non-public schools kindergarten through college for the 1954-55 year is estimated at 13 billion, 700 million dollars.

Blessing Of Graves at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

On Sunday afternoon, September 12 at 1:30 o'clock, His Excellency Bishop Kerrier will conduct the annual ceremony of the Blessing of the Graves at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Rochester. The faithful are invited to attend and pray for their departed dead.