

English Bishop Lauds Catholic Schools In U. S.

London — (NC) — The standing and quality of Catholic universities in the United States are very impressive, a British prelate said here on his return from the United States.

Bishop Cyril C. Cowderoy of Southwark completed a 15,000-mile tour of 20 U.S. dioceses from New York to San Francisco. The purpose of his visit was to obtain funds to help rebuild bombed-out Southwark Cathedral.

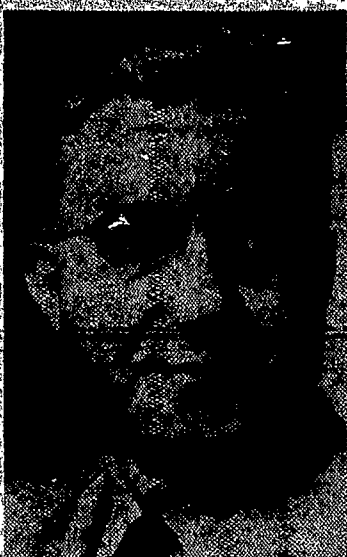
Bishop Cowderoy's diocese includes the city of Rochester, England, where St. John Fisher Church was recently completed supported by funds from the Rochester, N. Y. diocese.

Canon Bernard Bogan, administrator of Southwark Cathedral, who traveled with the bishop, said the results of the tour had been "very successful." He said that one of the most generous contributors was a Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston.

AMONG THE dioceses visited by Bishop Cowderoy and Canon Bogan was the Diocese of Savannah-Atlanta, whose Bishop is Archbishop Gerald P. O'Hara, Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain.

The Diocese of Southwark includes all of London, south of the Thames River, and the counties of Kent, Surrey, and Sussex in southeastern England.

Chaplain



Washington, D. C. — Chaplain (Col.) Conslantine E. Zielinski, O.F.M. Conv., now stationed at Wiesbaden, Germany, has been named Catholic chaplain for the new Air Force Academy, Denver, Colo. Father Zielinski, a member of the St. Bonaventure Province of the Franciscan Fathers, was born in Florida, N. Y. He attended St. Hyacinth's Seminary, Canby, Mass., and St. Francis Seminary, Cracow, Poland, as well as Warsaw University. He entered the service in 1949 as Deputy Air Chaplain after having served as Superior of the Franciscan Mission Band at Hartland, Wis. The Catholic priest holds the Legion of Merit for distinguished service in World War II. (RNS Photo.)

Catholic Schools Seen Critical Issue In Coming British Election

London — (NC) — With a general election to follow the retirement of Sir Winston Churchill, British Catholics are preparing plans to fight a sudden crisis threatening religious education in this country.

The emergency aftermath of a High Court decision disclosing a loophole in the education laws, is expected to be discussed at the annual meeting of the Hierarchy here.

Amendment of the law to ensure that all Catholic children can attend Catholic schools under the state's free education plan may well become a main issue when parliamentary electioneering starts probably in May.

The weakness in the law — which allows local education authorities almost a free hand in selecting schools for Catholic children — was discovered in a case brought by Thomas Watt against the Kesteven, Lincolnshire, county council. The authorities had refused to pay tuition fees for his two sons at Catholic schools. The boys had passed examinations entitling them to free grammar school education, but as there was no Catholic school in "the district" they were offered places in an Anglican grammar school.

MR. WATT RESIGNED to accept this offer and sent the boys to Catholic boarding schools outside the council's administrative area. At the same time, he asked authorities to pay the tuition fees. The schools were recognized

ones. The fees were not excessive — in fact they were lower than those at the Kesteven Anglican school — and Mr. Watt asked only for such fees, not the costs of having to pay for his sons' support away from home. The council refused his claim and the matter was taken to court.

The Catholic Education Council, regarding this as a test case to check the phrasing of an essential clause in the 1944 Education Act, stepped in and backed the father so that he could take the case to the High Court in London. He lost, took it on the Court of Appeal and was again defeated.

The law as it exists states that "so far as is compatible with the provision of efficient instruction and training and the avoidance of unreasonable public expenditure pupils are to be educated in accordance with the wishes of their parents."

THE RESULT OF the Watt case is virtually to deprive this clause of any real power of protecting Catholic parents and to leave the education authorities freedom to decide to which school a child should go.

The Catholic Education Council had intended taking the matter further to the House of Lords, final court of appeal in Britain, but has now decided not to do so.

Another indication that the hierarchy is planning action is a statement made by His Eminence Cardinal Bernard Griffin, Archbishop of Westminster, in February that Catholic parents and electors should be ready to help when the Bishops "called for action" in this matter. His Eminence then said that the court decision had caused "considerable concern" and "quoted legal experts as saying that parents' rights in this respect were now 'meaningless.'"

Besides Father Eugene Dehner, the others in religious life are Father Lambert Dehner, O.S.B., also of St. Benedict's College; Father Philip Dehner, O.C.S.O., of the Trappist Monastery at Conyers; Frater Raymond Dehner, a student for the Trappist priesthood at Our Lady of Guadalupe Monastery, Lafayette, Ore.; and Sister Ada of the Eucharist of the Carmelite cloister in Hsinchu, Formosa.

\$100,000 To Hospital
Janesville, Wis. — (NC) — The Chevrolet and Fisher Body division of General Motors Corporation here have given \$100,000 to the new \$300,000 addition to Mercy hospital.

LITTLE GIRL WELCOMES BISHOP



Philadelphia — Auxiliary Bishop Fulton J. Sheen of New York is welcomed with flowers by a little Negro girl on his arrival at St. Ignatius Catholic Church here to preach (on Good Friday). Shown with him are the Rev. John T. Mitchell, pastor of the church (left); and the Rev. Andrew F. Beckers, assistant pastor. The girl is Carolyn Waddy. The parish has for some years been predominantly Negro. Bishop Sheen chose it, because of this missionary characteristic, in his role as national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. (RNS Photo.)

Archbishop O'Hara Hits Yalta Pact

Philadelphia — (RNS) — Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia denounced the decisions made at the Yalta conference and blamed the subsequent cold war and enslavement of "many" Church leaders.

In an Easter letter to Catholics of the Philadelphia Archdiocese, Archbishop O'Hara said: "Justice and charity were absent from that conference of 10 years ago."

"That is why the world today is an armed camp; that is why cardinals languish in jail, why bishops, priests and nuns have been imprisoned or put to death or work as slave laborers; and why hundreds of millions of God's children have been delivered into the hand of God's enemies."

The archbishop said that at Yalta, three men (Roosevelt, Churchill, Stalin) sat around a table and divided up a world that was not theirs.

"TWO BRAVE Americans, to cite only two, Bishop Byrne in Korea and Bishop Ford in China, died as prisoners because they would not leave the people for whom they had left all things," Archbishop O'Hara said.

"Following the example of their Divine Master, they help us to understand life. They went forth not with arms, not with bombs, but with the breastplate of justice and the buckler of charity."

Bishop Patrick J. Byrne, M.M., Apostolic Delegate to Korea, died in November, 1950, in a North Korean prison camp. He was a native of Washington, D. C. Bishop Francis X. Ford, a Maryknoll missionary from Brooklyn, N. Y., died in a Communist prison at Canton, China, in 1952.

Prelate Launches Vietnam Appeal

Sydney — (NC) — His Eminence Norman Cardinal Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, has launched an appeal for the Vietnamese refugees from communism, following his return from a 10-day visit to South Vietnam.

The Cardinal has called the plight of the 700,000 refugees "one of the saddest, yet most magnificent stands for freedom ever made."

Cardinal Gilroy said that the American contribution to relief work has been "stupendous." Catholic participation in this work has been through the War Relief Services — National Catholic Welfare Conference.

CARDINAL GILROY and his traveling companion, Archbishop Eric O'Brien of Canberra, traveled extensively through South Vietnam by air and auto during their visit. The purpose of the visit was to see first-hand the sufferings of the people and to encourage them in their battle for rehabilitation, the Cardinal said.

Their visit was made at the invitation of Bishop Peter Ngo Dinh Thuc, Vicar Apostolic of Vinh-Luong, who had been a fellow student of Cardinal Gilroy's at the Urban College in Rome.

Two Chinese Priests Sent To Labor Camps
Hong Kong — (NC) — Two names have been added to the long list of Chinese priests who have been sent to concentration camps by the communists. They are Father Louis Wang Jen-chang, S.J., and Father Sun Father Wang, S.J. Father Wang has been deported to the north, according to former chemistry professor at Aurora University in Shanghai, who was arrested in July, 1953.

Parents' Daily Example

Brings Vocation To 5 In One Family

Atchinson, Kans. — (NC) — Daily example rather than parental advice brought about a flowering of religious vocations in his family. Father Eugene Dehner, O.S.B., biology professor at St. Benedict's College here said.

Father Dehner has three brothers and a sister in a religious life. Recently, their 66-year-old father, a widower, made his solemn vows as a Trappist monk at Our Lady of the Holy Ghost Monastery, Conyers, Ga.

"My mother and father never talked up the priesthood and religious life at home," Father Dehner said. "They never put any pressure on us. We seemed to have made up our own minds, each one for himself, when the time came."

THE DEHNERS lived in Burlington, Ia. The late Mrs. Dehner was the Catholic Mother of 1943. The mother of eight children. One daughter, Mrs. John McNassar, has 11 children and resides in Portland, Ore. Two of the sons are married. Leo, who resides in Cody, Wyo., and has

six children, and Bernard, of Fort Madison, Ia., who has five children.

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Like Asks Churches To Mark U.N. Day

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — President Eisenhower has asked religious organizations to cooperate in appropriate observance. Meanwhile, the United States Committee for the United Nations (formerly the Committee for United Nations Day) disclosed here that churches throughout America will be asked to offer special prayers for the United Nations on Sunday, Oct. 23.

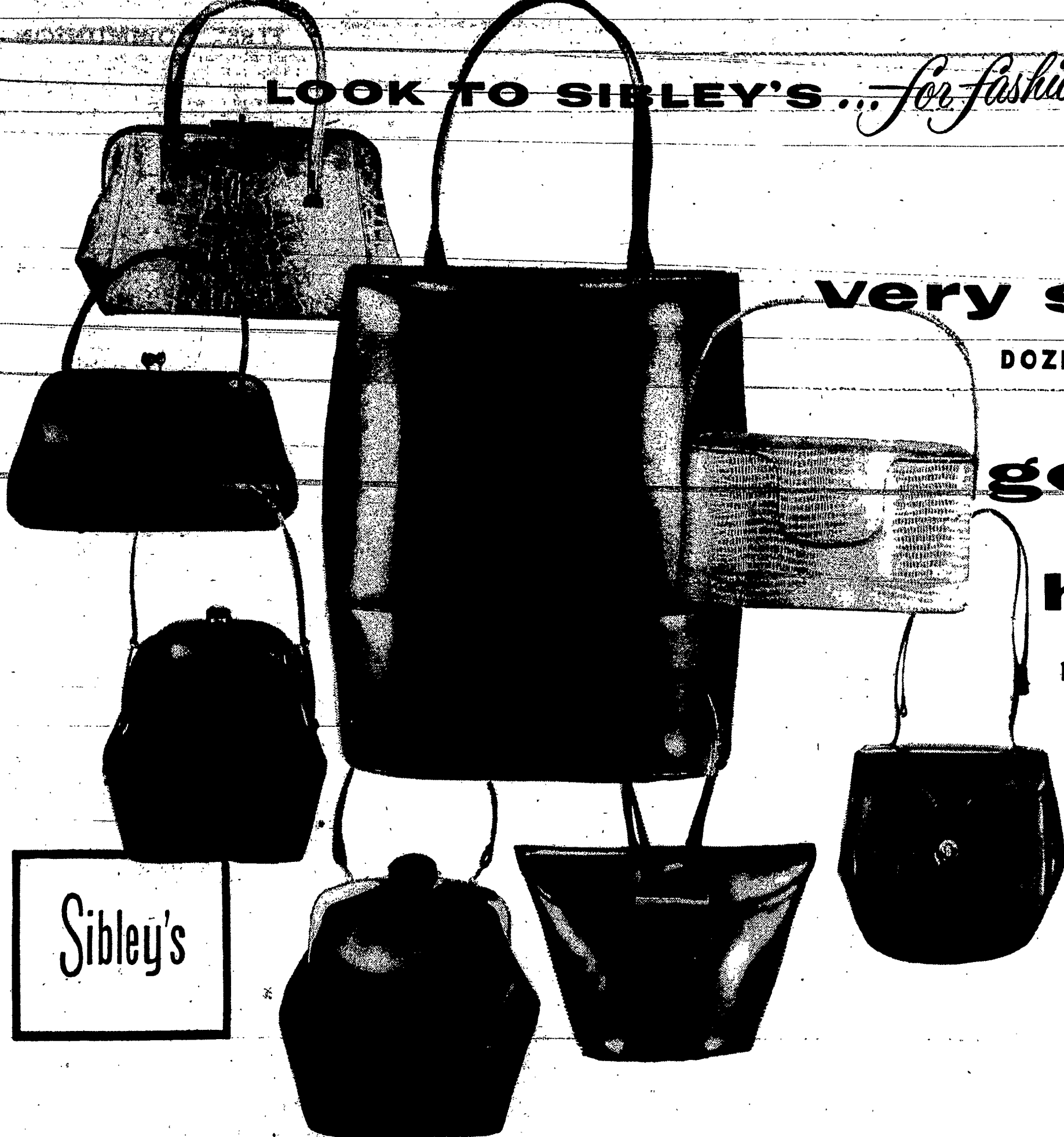
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Award Established

Louisville, Ky. — (NC) — Bellarmine College announced the establishment of an annual award known as "The Bellarmine Medal" to be presented to a person who has shown outstanding qualities in dealing with the problems, conflicts, and controversies of modern times.

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