

Abp. O'Hara

Corruption Of Youth Seen Satan's Aim

Gallup, N. M. (NC) — Satan's present campaign against the Catholic Church "concentrates its efforts on the corruption of youth," Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia declared here.

Preaching the sermon at the dedication of the new \$500,000 Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, the Archbishop told the people of the Diocese of Gallup that the edifice "points the way for you to meet this onslaught against the faith and morals of your children."

Missioner Gave Shirt Off Back

New York — (NC) — Scheduled to arrive here this month is Father Louis Ravallo, a Salesian Missioner who has been known to literally give the shirt off his back to a needy man. As he tells the story, however, he was talked into it.

The incident happened last year, when he and Bishop Oreste Marengo, S.D.B., of Dibrugarh, India, were visiting remote Salesian missions in the diocese. In one village they noticed a poor man shivering from cold, so Bishop Marengo took off his jacket and gave it to the man.

Encouraged by this generous act, the chief of the village told the missioners that he needed a shirt. Bishop Marengo turned to Father Ravallo, said: "This time it's up to you. I can't give him this shirt, because I borrowed it from the assistant priest as my parishioner."

So, not to be outdone in generosity, Father Ravallo took off his shirt and gave it to the chief.

The current "attack on the moral fibre of our children is one phase" of Satan's present-day campaign, Archbishop O'Hara declared. "Official investigation," he said, "has shown that sales of publications intended for children amount to almost a billion dollars a year, and much of this material is of a degrading character, calculated to inflame passion and lead to cruelty and violence."

"There has been a corresponding decline in standards of public entertainment in films, in radio, and in television. Certainly if Satan wants to destroy our civilization he has chosen an apt means to accomplish his purpose."

"Similarly, there is evidence of a 'common pattern' in attempts made all over the world to hamper or destroy Catholic schools. In England, in South Africa, in Belgium, in the Belgian Congo, in France, the campaign is in the open. In the lands behind the Iron Curtain the destruction has already been accomplished in various parts of the New World the campaign breaks out in violence from time to time; at the present moment its focal center is in the Argentine Republic."

"THE RAPID rise in Catholic school enrollment since the end of World War II has prompted a revival of bigotry in our own land. In 1945 we enrolled in our Catholic elementary schools 50 per cent of our Catholic children; this year we have reached 62 per cent of our potential."

"There is now talk of revising the Supreme Court decision in the Oregon School Case that the child is not the creature of the State. There is under way a campaign to license private schools, and thus give to each State Department of Public Instruction a year-by-year power of life or death over our educational institutions."

Escapee From Reds Going To Sampson

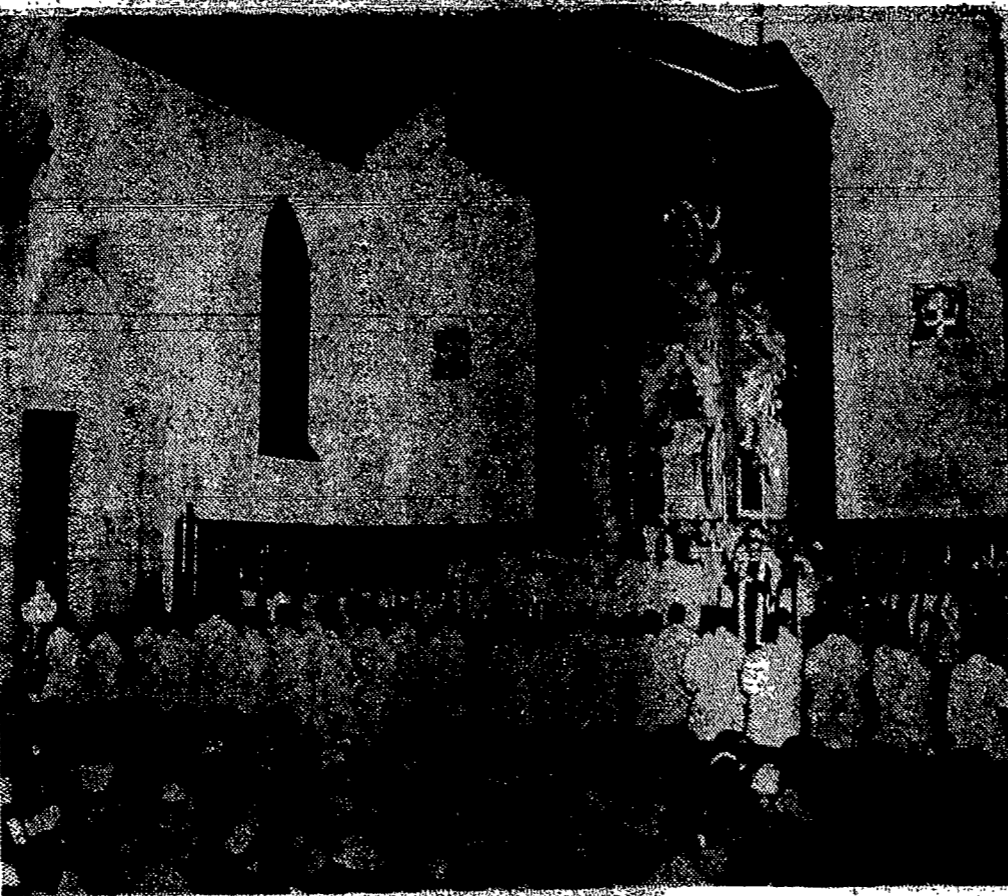
New York — (NC) — Jerzy Jazwinski, 24, former Polish Air Force pilot who escaped from communism by flying his MIG to Denmark and freedom in 1953, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and will take his basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, Greenville, N. C.

Mr. Jazwinski said that he planned to make a career in the U.S. Air Force. He is a native of Warsaw and was forced to join the communist army in Poland.

"I was granted permission to live in this country by Congress, the young pilot was married last April 30 to Maria Ciesko of Garden City, Long Island, in St. Patrick's Cathedral."

Mr. Jazwinski had tried his hand in radio work, but decided that flying was more to his liking.

Cardinal Spellman Ordains Jesuits



New York — Seventy-five priests joined Cardinal Spellman in raising their hands over 32 newly ordained Jesuits during ceremonies in the chapel at Fordham University here. Cardinal Spellman was the ordaining prelate. Among the new Jesuits ordained by the Cardinal are two from the Diocese of Rochester: the Rev. Frederick J. Kelly from St. Theodore's parish, Gates, and the Rev. James J. Rudick from St. Cecilia parish in Elmira.

Polish Reds Mishandle Packages From Abroad

Berlin — (NC) — Delivery in Red Poland of parcels from abroad is so inefficient that even the communist press is printing protests.

In Trybuna Ludu, Warsaw daily of the Communist Party, one letter to the editor stated:

"Many people who receive parcels from abroad are quite justified in complaining about the practices of the Warsaw Customs Office. Parcels are held up there for months on end. I personally waited almost two months for two parcels with medicine for my sick child, one sent from Switzerland, the other from France. Yet they had been admitted so that they might be received in time by the sick person."

"THE SITUATION in provincial towns is even worse. There are many complaints concerning both the negligence in delivery and the state in which the parcels are received by the addressee."

English Convert Priest Dies

London — (NC) — Father William Edwin Orchard, one of the most distinguished converts to the Church in England in modern times, has died in retirement at his home near Stroud in the west of England at the age of 78.

A popular Protestant minister in Mayfair in London, he created a sensation when he became a Catholic 23 years ago.

He was one of the greatest evangelical preachers of his day, attracting overwhelming crowds to hear him in London, and was one of the most authoritative theological writers outside Catholicism. In his sincerity he turned more and more towards the Church, began to say "Mass," hear "confessions" and give "absolutions."

Conditional ordination was given because his original orders had been obtained from a schismatic Eastern source and were possibly invalid.

Regent Emeritus Washington - (NC) - Father Edmund A. Walsh, S. J., founder and regent of the Georgetown School of Foreign Service, has been named regent emeritus of the school, according to Father Edward B. Summa, S. J., university president.

Refugees Ill-Treated On Red Ship

Salon — (NC) — Hunger, thirst and death rode on the Polish ship, Kilinsky, used by the communist Vietnamese to carry refugees, Vietnamese government sources charged here.

Two thousand refugees protested to the International Commission, on their arrival in Tourane, April 25, against ill-treatment suffered on the ship. For two days they were given no food, they drank and were short of even drinking water. Seven persons died on the four-day voyage; it is reported.

THE VIETMINH offered to carry refugees on the Polish ship after the International Commission had uncovered large obstruction of refugee departure in Thanh-Hoa and Vinh provinces. The Vietnamese and French authorities agreed, with misgivings. The Vietminh would not permit refugees to leave their area on French or American ships, even if these waited outside the three-mile limit to receive the people from landing craft.

Members of the International Commission did not travel on the Kilinsky.

THE SHIP made four voyages from Samson, in central Vietnam. On March 20 it brought 1,737 refugees and on April 11 it brought 3,687 to Saigon. On April 25 it brought 2,000 refugees and on May 20, 3,515 to Tourane.

Refugees had to pay for their passage and food. They were kept in the hold of the ship and not allowed on deck, it is charged.

In giving permits for departure on the Kilinsky, the Vietminh followed their practice of holding back some members of families usually able-bodied men. Many families have thus been separated illegally.

The Vietminh "planted" agents among the refugees allowed on the Kilinsky, according to government officials here.

Senate Probes Youth Delinquency Linked To Movies

Los Angeles — (NC) — There are disturbing indications that increasing immorality on the screen is directly connected to rising juvenile delinquency, William H. Moorhead, motion picture editor of The Tidings, Los Angeles archdiocese newspaper, told Kefauver Senate subcommittee in juvenile delinquency.

"Criminal violence, brutality, sadism and other psychopathic disorders have been increasingly at a high pitch of sexual curiosity and imitativeness."

MR. MOORHEAD declared that even when crime is validly presented with taste and restraint imitative behaviour often results. He cited the case in which a man, since executed, committed a violent crime against a tot after viewing a similar crime in the movie "Johnny Belinda" when it was shown in Biola Park, Calif.

"Could there be any doubt that films and TV shows giving forth much more shocking and sensational details, such as we noticed recently, must have a demoralizing consequences among inchoate offenders, even to an extent, upon normally impressionable people," the movie editor said.

MR. MOORHEAD pointed out that drive-in theaters, once regarded primarily as family theaters, have lately booked bad or condemned films. This change of policy tallies in some cases with appalling conditions of behavior among youthful patrons, he said.

Many films, including "Son of Sinbad," "Not as a Stranger," "The Seven Year Itch," "Five Against the House," "Big House USA," "Kiss Me Deadly," and others violate the production code in letter or spirit, Mr. Moorhead said.

He suggested to the Senate subcommittee that "unless Hollywood's code of self-control prevails, legislation to guarantee cleaner entertainment in this country may soon be demanded by the public."

Los Angeles Center For Pornography

Los Angeles — (RNS) — This city is the nation's number one center for the nude photo, pornographic film business, with New York and easy second, the Senate Judiciary subcommittee investigating juvenile delinquency was told at its closing session here.

Senator Estes Kefauver, D-Tenn., who conducted the three-day hearings, was harsh in his comments on pornographic literature and pictures.

He said scores of letters had been received from all parts of the country complaining that this material reached children.

"Psychiatrists called before the subcommittee testified that a direct relationship between pornography and juvenile delinquency existed," he said.

Theater Cancels 'Sinbad' Movie

Wheeling, W. Va. — (NC) — The West-Virginia Register newspaper of the Wheeling diocese, commented: "Thomas F. Callan, manager of the Victoria Theater, for withdrawing from its scheduled run the film 'Son of Sinbad,' condemned by the National Legion of Decency.

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