

**BOOK SHELF**

**Maryknoll Golden Book**

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**THE MARYKNOLL GOLDEN BOOK: An Anthology of Mission Literature**, ed. by Albert J. Nevins, M.M. Book Treasures, N.Y., '56, 444 pages. At Catholic bookstores.

**SING, MORNING STAR**, by Jane Oliver. Putman's '56, \$20 pp. The Golden Book is something more than an anthology of mission-stories—it is a "mixed bag" of bravery and fun and serious thought; stories, reports, "profiles," verses from all over the wide, wide world.

Japan—Right now the crucial new light on our "world problem" how to go with God these days amid human confusion.

"Priests Among Bandits" by Mark Tennien is good, and a Guatemala story by George Crook, a covered wagon tale of two, some big snake stories, some chilling and beautiful reports by a Japanese Catholic scientist on the Nagasaki bombing. . . .

**Sing, Morning Star** by Jane Oliver is a new novel on the life, love, and wars of an old school friend of yours—Malcolm, the son of that good trusting King Duncan whom Macbeth so eloquently murdered. Malcolm married a saint the future Saint Margaret of Scotland and the story therefore tells the life romance holiness and prophetic visions of the saint-Queen.

The author is a Scot, a good writer, bent on being the Walter Scott of today. She writes carefully, well-documented history, has a prejudice or two but her forte is story, everydayness, terror the clash of personalities, so all is well for the novelist.

And **THE IMITATION OF CHRIST**, Book IV, remains the perfect prayer book and great conversation for Holy Week. At all Catholic bookstores.

**'In God We Trust' Urged For Official U.S. Motto**

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — A House judiciary subcommittee unanimously approved a resolution to make "In God We Trust" the official motto of the United States. The resolution, sponsored by Rep. Charles E. Bennett (D-Fla.), is expected to reach the floor of the House for action shortly.

The Florida lawmaker told the subcommittee that "E Pluribus Unum" (which means "Out of Many, One," a reference to the union of the 48 states) has often been considered the national motto but was never so designated. In recent years, he said, "In God We Trust" also has been regarded as a national motto.

"I think that as a Christian nation it would be better if we select the one referring to Almighty God," he declared.

**'Always Leave 'Em Laughing'**

**Hub Essy, Once Night Club Entertainer Now Brother Harvey At Maryknoll**

Maryknoll, N. Y. — (NC) — Among the first missionaries that Christ sent out to preach His Gospel were fishermen, tax-collectors, carpenters, and farmers. In the ranks of those that still follow His word are men from all walks of life.

One with an unusual background is Brother Harvey, who, before donning the cassock of a Maryknoll Brother, used to "always leave 'em laughing" as a one-man comedy act.

Known then as Hub Essy, Brother Harvey, from Akron, O., toured the night club circuit all over the country. He capitalized on his resemblance to Hollywood star, Jerry Colonna in both mannerisms and looks — eyes and all.

**HUB ESSY** first got the idea of becoming a Colonna carbon-copy while serving in the Air Force in Panama. He grew a handlebar mustache and buddies immediately began calling him "Jerry."

"After all the other mustaches like Hitler and Stalin and those guys flopped I knew it was time for one to make good," jokes the Brother.

He worked up an act that also included impersonations of W. C. Fields, Edward G. Robinson, Lionel Barrymore, George Givot, Stepin Fetchit, Lew Lehr, Ned Sparks, and the Mad Russian.

**ON HIS RETURN** to the States, Essy was stationed at David-Monthan Field, Tucson, Ariz. During a furlough, he went to Hollywood and visited Colonna. The Hollywood star was so impressed with the resemblance that he offered Essy a job as his stand-in when he got out of the Air Force.

Essy later received a letter with an autographed picture from Colonna inscribed "To the man who looks more like Colonna than Colonna."

After six years of Air Force service, Hub received his discharge and began one night stands in his quest for stardom. He turned down the Colonna stand-in job for he thought it too dull.

"One of my particular tricks would be to try to play the same town as Colonna at the same time. This would cause plenty of confusion and give Colonna plenty of headaches," he adds.

**DESPITE CONSTANT** traveling and nightclub engagements, Essy always managed to keep



**LOOKING FOR COLONNA!** — No, this isn't the famed comedian Jerry Colonna clowning at you on the left. It's just Brother Harvey of Maryknoll (right) as he appeared in his old vaudeville days as a one-man comedy act with the billing "A carbon copy of Colonna." The busy and personable Brother gave up the one-night stands, the publicity, and an offer from Hollywood, to devote his life to work in the foreign missions. (NC PHOTO)

his religious obligations his prime concern in life. He was an active member of the Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus in Akron, and the Ohio Catholic War Veterans.

While waiting for an appointment in a booking agency in Detroit, Essy made his first contact with Maryknoll. An Irish woman who ran the agency always had copies of the Maryknoll magazine in her office. On the first page that Hub saw was a plea for Maryknoll Brothers to work in the mission fields of the world.

**Catholic Camps Directory Issued**

Washington (NC) — The publication of the National Catholic Camping Association's 1956 Directory of Catholic Camps was announced here by Joseph O'Donnell, executive secretary of the NCCA and editor of the directory.

The new directory lists some 300 camps for boys and girls in 43 states. It gives accurate, up-to-date information on the dates, fees, locations and activities of the camps.

Individual copies of the new directory may be obtained by writing directly to the National Catholic Camping Association, 1312 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington 5, D. C.

**'Unfair To Make Catholics Support Two Schools'**

Louisville, Ky. — (NC) — Jackson Martindell, president of the American Institute of Management, which published in February a management audit of the Roman Catholic Church, told an audience here that American Catholics are taking "lying down" the non-support of Catholic schools from tax funds.

He made the remark in a question period after an address at Bellarmine College. A non-Catholic, Mr. Martindell said he thought it was "unfair" for Catholics to be required to contribute to two sets of schools, only one of which their children might be using.

"The greatest danger that can come to America," he declared, "is that we all should have to go to the same school."

He stated it was of profound benefit to a democracy to have available non-public as well as public schools.

**Masses Offered in Public School**

Bridgeport, Conn. — (RNS) — The Bridgeport Board of Education has given permission for two Roman Catholic Masses to be celebrated in a public school auditorium here every Sunday, beginning March 11.

Priests of the St. Augustine's cathedral parish will use the school premises as a place of worship for parishioners who live some distance from the cathedral.

The Bridgeport Diocese owns land near the school, but has not yet built a church on it.

**Non-Catholic Given Papal Honor**

Sydney, Australia — (NC) — An outstanding non-Catholic scholar has been made a knight commander of the Order of St. Gregory by His Holiness Pope Pius XII.

He is professor Arthur Dale Trendall of the Australian National University, Canberra. An internationally known authority on classical archeology, Dr. Trendall was formerly dean of the faculty of arts at Sydney University.

**'We Do All Right'**

**Archbishop O'Hara Rejects Federal Aid To Catholic Schools**

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia told a meeting of Catholic teachers here that Catholic schools should not seek federal

money for construction or operating purposes.

**ADDRESSING THE** annual Teachers Institute of the Archdiocese of Washington, the prelate said: "I am happy to echo the sentiment of Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston and Bishop Albert S. Fletcher of Little Rock who have recently asserted that they would not accept one cent of tax money for the construction or operation of their schools."

The Archbishop said that American Catholics, without state aid, are making more progress in education every year.

At the end of the second world war in 1945, he noted, Catholic elementary schools were enrolling only 50 per cent of the children who had been baptized in the Catholic Church during the eight-year period which provided the children then of school age. But in the 1954-55 period, Catholic schools were enrolling 62 per cent of those who had been baptized, and for the present year the percentage may reach 65 per cent, he said.

**AT THE SAME** time, Catholic colleges are now educating 20 per cent of all students who attend private institutions of higher learning, Archbishop O'Hara said.

He also observed that a recent report by the Pennsylvania State Department of Education shows that nearly twice as many Catholic high school graduates seek college training as public high school diploma winners.

Approximately 40 per cent of those who graduate from private high schools are going on to some college-level training, while only 22 per cent of public high school graduates do so, the archbishop asserted.

"We are doing all right—with

the help of God," he said.

**"WHEN WE LOOK** at some of the public educational palaces that are costing the state three times what we pay for comparable facilities and when we realize that most of these are financed through bond issues that will add 50 to 60 per cent more to their cost, we thank God that we are building them with the offerings of the poor and not with tax money."

"Saint Teresa used to say," Archbishop O'Hara concluded, "that Teresa and two ducats were nothing but that God, Teresa, and two ducats were everything. We accept the responsibilities placed on us by the Holy Ghost and we thank God for the opportunity to work in His vineyard."

**Archdiocese Reports Record Vocations**

Philadelphia — (NC) — The Archdiocese of Philadelphia had a record total of 601 vocations to the religious life last year, 89 more than the previous year's record of 512.

Of the 601 vocations, 319 were to the sisterhood, and 282 were to the priesthood or brotherhood. The report on vocations was announced by Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia, as the diocese opened its annual observance of Vocation Week.

The record number of vocations in any one school, 72, was reported by West Catholic Girls High School which is taught by Sisters of several Orders. There were 826 girls in the schools' graduating class last year.



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