



Pope Greets U. S. Priest-Author

Vatican City — (NC) — Received in special audience by His Holiness Pope Pius XII is Father Oesterreicher of Seton Hall University, N. J., Director of the Institute of Jewish-Christian Studies. During the audience, Father Oesterreicher presented the Pope with a copy of the Institute's Yearbook, *The Bridge*. During their conversation, the Holy Father told of his knowledge and interest in the work of the New Jersey Institute which studies the relations between Jews and Christians.

Pope Pius XII

Aid To Cripples Called 'Apostolic'

Castel Gandolfo—(RNS)—Pope Pius XII told a group of American doctors and medical assistants who treat and care for the physically handicapped that their work is "truly Apostolic" and deserves the wholehearted support of the community.

The visitors were received in audience at the papal summer residence here after attending the recent congress of the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples held in London, England.

"Man is born into society," the Pope said, "as a vital member to make his contribution, each according to his powers, to the advancement of the common good. Some—their number is not small—are heavily handicapped by various physical disabilities which most often come upon and thus the possible field of their activity is severely narrowed.

"But it would be a grave mistake, as well as a sad lack of Christian charity, for society simply to discount their contribution.

"On the contrary, it is for the community to show special interest in developing their limited abilities, and, as far as possible, placing them where, with dignity and unshaken self-confidence, they may gain a livelihood and share the joys of normal human life."

The Pontiff said "the service you render is one that touches every human heart," and he asked "that God may continue to bless and prosper your work."

Six Weeks In Europe



This is the first in a series of articles describing a six week's tour of Europe just completed by the Courier Journal's assistant editor. This first article describes shrines visited in England.

By REV. HENRY ATWELL

Cunard's famed "Queen Elizabeth" cut through calm Atlantic waters in five days to deposit us at the Southampton docks, London's seaport, ready to "see the world in forty days."

Sightseeing London included the traditional tourist stops at the Royal Palace to see the colorful changing of the guard, St. Paul's (Anglican) Cathedral, and at the Tower of London, ancient prison where kings, queens, saints and criminals have waited for the executioner's axe; also the Houses of Parliament, long and low along the Thames with their soaring "Big Ben" Tower ringing out the passing hours; and Westminster Abbey, once a Benedictine monastery, now a noisy museum, with the tomb of St. Edward still standing, stripped of its decorations, behind the Anglican altar.

We knelt amid the bustling, curious throngs to pray at the spot where England's saintly king lay buried.

Only a few blocks away from the abbey is London's Catholic Cathedral still quite incomplete despite nearly a century of construction work.

TUCKED AWAY off the beaten path and near the boarded-up ruins of war wrecked buildings was London's little known Church of St. Ethelreda. The present day church dates from the 13th century and has served as Catholic parish, a nobleman's

palace, a Spanish embassy chapel, an orphanage, a Welsh Episcopalian church, and since 1874 has been back in Catholic ownership again.

Despite the exquisite architecture and its post-war reconstruction, St. Ethelreda's claim to fame is actually in its cellar.

Experts have studied the basement chapel with its nine-foot thick walls and state that the chapel is actually an ancient church, the cathedral of

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Fifty One Win Degrees At Nazareth

Summertime commencement rites at Rochester's Nazareth College saw degrees conferred on 49 Sister-students and 2 laywomen last Monday at the twenty-seventh annual summer graduation on the women's college campus.

Candidates were presented by Sister Rose Angela, Nazareth dean and the degrees were conferred by Rev. Mother M. Helene, college president.

Monsignor Charles V. Boyle, diocesan superintendent of schools, gave the commencement address. Monsignor Boyle reminded the graduates that their education was found not only in school but in those who would come under their care and guidance and in the Church.

ROCHESTER DIOCESE Sisters receiving Master of Arts Degrees were Sister Elaine Theresa, S.S.J. and Sister M. Delphine, S.S.J.

St. Joseph Sisters Anne Virginia, M. Austin, Mary Elizabeth, Helen Arne, Helen Therese, Margaret Joseph and M. St. John received Master of Science degrees in Education.

Other recipients of Master of Science degrees were Miss Carol C. Higgerty, Miss Ann Masciarelli and Sister M. Beatrice, S.S.N.D.

Sisters of St. Joseph of the Rochester Diocese receiving Bachelor of Science degrees in Education include Sisters Agnes James, Mary Alice, Ann Conception, Anne Francis, Anne Martin, Bernadette Marie, Clare Joseph, Edward Lorraine, Jean Catherine, Joseph Anne, M. Julia, Margaret, Timothy, Marie Regina, M. Noel and William Mary.

Bachelor of Science degrees were also earned by Sister Mary Ambrose, S.S.J., Sister Anne Francis, O.S.F., Sister Charlotte, S.S.N.D., Mother Mary Gabriel, O.S.U., Sister M. Magdallina, S.S.N.D. and Sister M. Vincent, R.S.M.

Local St. Joseph Sisters receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees were Sisters Clare Francis, Cora Marie, Joseph Francis, Josephine Clare, Mary Philip, M. St. Andrew, M. St. Peter, Teresa Gerard and Mary Xavier.

OTHER RECIPIENTS of Bachelor of Arts degrees were Sister M. Alexander, O.S.F., Sister M. Damian, R.S.M., Sister Marie Assumpta, S.S.J., Sister M. St. Bernadette, O.S.F. and Sister M. Michel, R.S.M.

Degrees of Bachelor of Science were earned by Sister DePazzi, R.D.C., Sister Joseph Marie, S.S.N.D., Sister Mary Mercy, R.S.M., and Sister Monica Marie, C.S.J.

Named Outstanding American Indian

Plummer, Idaho—(NC)—Joseph R. Garry, a well-known Catholic layman here, has been named the outstanding American Indian of 1957.

He will receive the award at the American Indian Exposition at Amarok, Okla., which will run from August 19 to 24.

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Tokyo—Just released from a Red China prison, Jesuit Father Charles McCarthy, second from left, tells fellow missionaries how Communists tried to "brain-warp" him. Visitors to Red China will receive same treatment, he warned. Listening are Father Russell Horton, S.J., at left, Father Walter Brennan, S.J. and Father Robert Arrowsmith, S.J. (NC Photo)

Freed China Priest Tells Of Reds' 'Brain-Warp' Try

San Francisco—(RNS)—A Jesuit priest, returning home after four years' imprisonment in China, said here that "brain-warping" is a better word than "brain-washing" for what the Communists do to their captives.

"They are primarily interested in distorting the truth in the victim's mind," Father Charles J. McCarthy said when he arrived aboard the liner President Hoover from Hong Kong. The 45-year-old native San Franciscan was released by the Chinese at Shanghai on June 14.

"I've dreamed of this day," Father McCarthy said as he stood quietly surveying the famous San Francisco skyline as the liner slipped through the Golden Gate.

The priest said he had been ten years in China, the last four of them as a prisoner. After a rest at home he hopes to go back to the Orient and continue his work among the Chinese.

FATHER MCCARTHY said his arrest and trial was based on the charge that he "gave harmful guidance" to students at the Jesuit seminary at Zikawei, where he taught.

He said the trial took place 20 months after his arrest and was "a mere formality." The defense attorney defended him on the grounds that he was born in America and educated in America, and therefore didn't know any better and should be given clemency.

"I was in five different prisons in Shanghai," Father McCarthy said, adding that he was interrogated "at least 200 times, sometimes as long as seven hours at a stretch."

He asserted that he did not undergo any physical violence although the prisons were atrociously crowded and the quantity of food "extremely small."

"We slept on the floor," he said. "We ate on the floor. We had to sit down all day, except for 20 minutes after meals. We couldn't stand up without asking the guard for permission."

Father McCarthy said he was in one cell with as many as 15

Holy Day Thursday

Thursday, August 15, is the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. All Catholics are obliged to assist at Mass.

Consult parish bulletins for time of Masses. Many parishes schedule noon time, late afternoon, or evening Masses in addition to regular morning Masses.

The vigil (day before) is no longer a day of fast or abstinence, following a recent change in church law by Pope Pius XII. Meat and meals may be eaten on Wednesday as on any other ordinary day.

Leper Pilgrims Pray At Fatima

Fatima—(NC)—Five hundred victims of Hansen's disease—leprosy—accompanied by nurses and members of their families made the first official pilgrimage of people suffering from the disease to the shrine of Our Lady here.

The group was purposely made as large as possible to demonstrate that Hansen's disease is not so contagious that it is unsafe for lepers to mix with other people for a short time.

The pilgrims came from the Rovisco Pais leprosarium, near Coimbra, Portugal, and were led by Archbishop Ernesto Sousa de Oliveira, Bishop of Coimbra.

Communist Catechism

Vatican City—(NC)—Excerpts from a "Marxist catechism" which uses traditional catechetical methods to teach atheism have been published by the Vicariate of Rome.

The communist booklet asserts that the church pretends to be interested only in heavenly goods while it accumulates riches on earth and "sells" front seats in paradise to the weak-minded.

The "Information Bulletin of the Vicariate of Rome" printed excerpts from a booklet published by communists in Italy which contains 50 articles, all treating of religious matters.

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ACTU Secretary

Rackets Exploit Million Workers, Senate Told

Washington—(NC)—Youthful looking John McNiff, executive secretary of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, told members of the Senate Rackets Investigating Committee that "crooked management and crooked unionism" have foisted economic slavery on "almost a million Puerto Rican and Negro workers in New York City."

He also cited a group of local unions which, he said, were "hoodlum-controlled."

"Honest unionism shall cease to exist in New York City," McNiff warned the Committee if "widespread racketeering and fantastic exploitation of low-paid workers is allowed to continue."

He pointed to collusion between crooked management and crooked unionism which "negates any grievance which acts to protect the employee, makes collective bargaining, contract negotiation and ratification a joke and, in short, obliterates the whole purpose behind American democratic trade unionism."

Mr. McNiff, who was graduated from Fordham University last June and is now a student in the university's law school, said labor-management collusion comes about when an employer wants to ward off unionization by a group genuinely interested in protecting workers.

He said a contract between employer and union racketeer is signed for a wage scale "a few cents above the legal minimum of \$1 an hour." Also, this contract provides no sick leave, little or no vacation pay, no welfare benefits, no seniority and "a promise—always fulfilled—of no enforcement."

WORKERS WHO PROTEST are fired, he continued. No union meetings are held, workers cannot see a copy of the contract and union elections are unknown.

Mr. McNiff then said his opinion was that "any contract establishing a rate of pay from \$40 to \$45 for a 40-hour week is immoral." He added that a "union that contracts for such a wage does not deserve to exist, much less collect dues."

He said the "social effect" of this collusion has been felt by New York City taxpayers. Much criticism has been leveled at the Puerto Rican and Negro workers because they allegedly "overblow" city welfare rolls.

"This situation is costing the city over \$25,000,000 a year in welfare payments alone."

Mr. McNiff said the "economic slavery" of the workers can only be ended with support of the powerful Teamsters Union. He said that when workers resist a crooked union and try to estab-



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lish a genuine one, a call to the Teamsters by the racketeers can start trucks rolling away with the production or manufacturing machines to a new site where the employer finds "friendly" unions to dominate and intimidate a new crop of unskilled and unlettered workers.

"With the emergence of James Hoffa (a top Teamsters official) and John O'Rourke (head of Teamsters Joint Council 16, New York City) as leaders of the teamster unions in Metropolitan New York, the Puerto Rican and Negro workers will be extremely hard pressed ever to gain honest democratic trade unionism," Mr. McNiff said.

The ACTU was organized in 1927 to help working men and women learn and put into practice Christian social principles based on papal encyclicals. Among its activities is a number of labor schools, many of them now taught by Spanish-speaking persons to aid Puerto Ricans.

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Girls Enjoy Summer Camp 'High Above Conesus Waters'



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