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Aquinas And Nazareth Teenagers

SOCIAL MANNERS are the goal of the fifteen-week course of dancing lessons currently offered freshmen students of Aquinas Institute and Nazareth Academy each Wednesday afternoon at the Academy Gymnasium. The classes, conducted by Jack McDonnell of the Ensign-McDonnell Dancing School, also provide the youngsters an opportunity to meet each other, school officials stated. (Courier-Journal - Paul Contestable Photo).

Federal Aid Urged For All Schools

Philadelphia — (RNS) — Parochial schools throughout the country should share in whatever State and Federal aids the public schools receive, the Rev. Joseph T. Tinnelly, C.M., dean at St. John's University Law School, Brooklyn, N. Y., declared here.

He delivered the keynote address at the 55th annual convention of the National Catholic Educational Association, attended by more than 10,000 delegates.

They represented the Catholic school system of the United States in which from parish grade school through university nearly five million students are enrolled.

FATHER TINNELLY pointed out that in a number of states the church-related school may share in bus transportation, textbooks, lunch or other subsidies or grants that the public schools receive.

"Such are manifestly designed for the health and welfare of youth, regardless of the school attended," he said.

Father Tinnelly added: "The state which imposes taxation for secular education should provide that education to all without question of religion. Let America see the need and the justice of this, and we may depend upon our beloved country to find a means of aiding Catholic parents without sacrificing either religious principles or constitutional safeguards."

Holy Father's Easter Message

'Christ Is Key To World Peace'



NO MORE DOUBTS — Conversion to the Catholic Faith of George Jean Nathan and his actress wife Julie Haydon (both shown here), was revealed this week following the noted drama critic's death in New York. Known as the "Iconoclast" of the American theater, Nathan for most of his life was a professed hedonist and skeptic about the hereafter, but since his conversion last October he had been a weekly Communicant and spent much of his time developing arguments to convince "doubters." (AP Photo).

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Pius XII, in his annual Easter message, declared that the most useful "good works" Christians everywhere can do for the world today is to promote with all their resources "the firm restoration of a just peace."

He said that "individuals and peoples, nations and states, institutions and groups, are invited by the King of Peace to press on with confidence in this difficult and urgent task for the glory of God."

Garbed entirely in white, the 82-year-old Pontiff delivered his message from the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica before a crowd of 250,000 persons, about half of whom were foreign tourists or pilgrims. At the end of his talk, thousands of doves were released into the golden sunshine that bathed the great square.

The Pontiff stressed that the achievement of peace calls for utilizing "all the immense store of intelligence and prudence, and, where necessary, of unflinching constancy, at the disposal of the Christian world, together with the cooperation of all others who honestly love peace."

APPARENTLY REFERRING to the proposed East-West summit talks, with the broad hint that the Soviet Union was responsible for the tension and uneasiness in the world, the Pope continued:

"Sincerely in willing peace, promptness in the complete discharge of all reasonable sacrifices which it demands, honesty in discussing its problems, ought of their nature to scatter the shadows of distrust. But if—which God forbid—that should not happen, it would finally be known to whom should be attributed the responsibility for the existing disharmony."

Apart from this statement, Pope Pius omitted any allusions to present-day political events. Much shorter than usual, his Easter message, for the first time in three years, made no mention of the threat of nuclear weapons.

IN THE MAIN, the Pope's talk delivered in Italian, was an eloquent exhortation to Christians "to seek out Christ, the Light of the World and the liberator of men from the darkness of error and the fetters of sin." Hailing the splendor of the Resurrection, he said:

"From every part of the world, there turn to Him with ardent hope and longing all those who live and believe in the light; those who feel their spirit weighed down with the anguish of doubt and uncertainty; those who are weary of endless wandering amid conflicting doctrines; those who have gone astray, among the unsubstantial shadows of the world; those depressed by their own and others' misdeeds."

Declaring that only through Christ will man "have fullness and perfection of life," the Pope (Continued on Page 2)

Dansville Pastor's Requiem Offered

Dansville — Solemn Funeral Mass for Father Edward M. Scheid was offered Wednesday morning by Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey in St. Mary's Church here.

Father Scheid, over 20 years pastor of St. Mary's parish, died Holy Saturday morning, April 5, 1958, after a long illness.

"Gentleness and meekness, charity and peace" were cited as the outstanding characteristics of the 66 year old priest.

Monsignor John M. Ball, for over 50 years a personal friend of the late pastor, gave the eulogy after the funeral Mass.

"Father Scheid's mission in the priesthood was a mission of peace," Monsignor Ball said. "All (Text of eulogy, page 6)

his priestly ministrations were directed, regulated and pervaded by the spirit of peace."

"His gentleness instilled a love for prayer" in the hearts of children and adults alike, said Monsignor Ball.

During his more than 20 years as pastor of St. Mary's, Father Scheid supervised construction of a new convent, renovation of the church and rectory, and extensive improvements in the parochial school. A parish hall was also rededicated.

He would have marked the fortieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this June 8. He was ordained in old St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rochester, in 1918.

AFTER ORDINATION he was named assistant pastor at Holy Family Church, Rochester, where he served nine years. He was transferred in 1927 to St. Peter and Paul Church, Rochester.

In 1931 he was assigned as pastor to St. Januarius Church, Naples, and St. Matthias Church, Atlanta, a post he held for five years.

He was named to St. Mary's, Dansville, Nov. 13, 1936.

He served as chaplain of the Knights of Columbus for over 20 years, as also for the K of C Fourth Degree Assembly. For many years he also was a member of the board of directors of Clara Barton Chapter No. 1 of the American Red Cross, and a member of the St. Boniface Society.

Born in Rochester May 17, 1892, he attended St. Michael's parochial school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries.

He is survived by a brother, Joseph, of Rochester and several nieces and nephews.

Priests of the Diocese chanted office of the dead Tuesday evening in the Dansville church where Father Scheid's body lay in state. Parishioners earlier in



FATHER SCHEID the evening recited the Rosary for their pastor who served them for 21 years.

BISHOP CASEY was assisted at the 10:30 a.m. funeral Mass Wednesday morning (April 9) by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John E. Mahey, assistant priest. (Continued on Page 6)

Georgetown Given Agnostic's Papers

Washington — (NC) — A collection of papers of the famous 19th century American lawyer and agnostic, Robert G. Ingersoll, has been donated to Georgetown University here.

The collection, valued at an estimated \$50,000, was given to the Jesuit institution by Isaac D. Levy, Philadelphia attorney and civic leader.

ACCEPTING THE gift Jesuit Father Edward B. Bunn, president of the university, said the collection has "tremendous historical value." He said the papers have been placed in the university archives where they will be available for scholarly research.

The collection includes more than 200 items totaling some 90,000 words. It was accumulated by Mr. Levy during 40 years.

Ingersoll was born in 1833 and died in 1899. A noted trial lawyer, and lecturer he achieved national prominence at the 1876 Republican national convention when he rebuked James G. Blaine as candidate for the presidency.

Though the nomination went to Rutherford B. Hayes, Ingersoll's speech in which he termed Blaine a "plumbed knight," made him famous all over the country.

AS A POPULAR and controversial lecturer, Ingersoll conducted 19th century America by fre-

The Francis Fund Not Approved

The Advocate, official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Newark and the Diocese of Trenton, has published a warning concerning an organization called "The Francis Fund," with an address in Short Hills, N. J., which is in the Newark archdiocese.

The warning read: "It has come to the attention of the Advocate that an organization known as The Francis Fund, with a Short Hills, N. J., address, is mailing letters to individuals throughout the country asking for donations. The Francis Fund has no official approval from the authorities in the Archdiocese of Newark."

Bishop Hunt Talks To Non-Catholics

Salt Lake City, Utah — (NC) — Bishop Duane C. Hunt of Salt Lake City will travel to the northern reaches of this state to give a series of six public lectures on the Catholic Church.

He will appear in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Logan, for five nights "to present the truths of the Catholic religion publicly so that interested non-Catholics may have accurate information on Catholic beliefs."



Theresa suffers Passion ecstasy.

Theresa Neumann Again Suffers Stigmata Agonies

Komersreuth, Germany — (NC) — Theresa Neumann, famed German stigmatic, again suffered the agonies of the Crucifixion here on Good Friday for several hours.

As in past years, crowds of the faithful streamed into this Bavarian village despite heavy rains. Some 3,000 visitors, among them many priests and Americans, filed past the stigmatic's bed while she was in a trance.

Father Joseph Naber, the village pastor, explained the spiritual significance of her visions.

Many people noticed the blood flowing freely from the eyes and head wounds of Theresa Neumann, who will be 60 years old April 9.

Had 10 Children After Warning Of 'No More'

Boston Mother Of Twelve, 3 Priests And One Nun, Hailed On 90th Birthday

Boston — (RNS) — Three Redemptorist priests will offer Masses of Thanksgiving simultaneously at three altars on April 12 in commemoration of the 90th birthday of their Irish-born mother, hailed by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing as "the Madonna of Boston."

She is Mrs. Mary Agnes Scannell of West Roxbury, who was warned after her second child was born against having more children but eventually became the mother of 13. ONE OF HER daughters is also...

Show Critic's Death Reveals Conversion

George Nathan And Actress Wife, Julie Haydon, Joined Church Last Year

New York — (NC) — George Jean Nathan, 76, dean of American drama critics who died (April 8) after a long illness, had been a Catholic since last October.

His conversion, kept a secret until after his death, was announced by officials of the chancery office, New York archdiocese.

The famous author, editor and critic, long an associate of the late H. L. Mencken, was received into the Church on October 9, 1957, by Father Charles J. McManus, director of the information center at St. Patrick's cathedral here.

MR. NATHAN received instruction and was baptized at his apartment in the Royalton Hotel. Godparents were Walter and Jean Kerr. Mr. Kerr, formerly a faculty member at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., is drama critic of the New York Herald Tribune. Mrs. Kerr is a playwright and is author of the bestselling collection of essays, "Please Don't Eat the Daisies."

On November 27, 1957, his wife, actress Julie Haydon, also entered the Church. She, too, was baptized by Father McManus, with the Kerrs acting as Godparents.

As a Catholic Mr. Nathan was a weekly communicant. During his last illness he spent his time developing arguments for the faith to convince those he called "the doubters."

Requiem Mass for Mr. Nathan was offered in St. Patrick's Cathedral here by Msgr. Charles B. McGinley, pastor of Holy Child parish in Philadelphia, a life-long friend of the Nathan family. Father McManus served as deacon. Burial was in New York's Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

Mr. Nathan died in his apartment after an illness of years. Mrs. Nathan and a physician were at the bedside.

FOR MORE THAN 50 years Mr. Nathan was regarded as one of the most severe and influential of American drama critics. Born in 1882 at Fort Wayne, Ind., and raised in Cleveland, he studied at Cornell University and the University of Bologna, Italy.

(Mr. Nathan's parents, the former Elizabeth Nirdlinger of

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J. EDGAR HOOVER'S

own story:

Communism in America Today and How to Fight It

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