Mitchell Tells Unions

U.S. Farm Workers Most Depressed

San Francisco — (NC) — Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell asked organized labor's help here in behalf of "the most depressed area of American labor" — the nation's farm workers.

He spoke before the third biennial convention of the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations. His plea came less than 48 hours after he had ordered closed — because of poor living conditions — a camp for Mexican field hands (braceros) near San Jose, 50 miles south of here.

"I DO NOT believe that American agriculture has to depend on poverty to satisfy its labor needs," he said. "I can't for the life of me understand the complacency among farm growers about the conditions they depend on to provide them with labor."

Secretary Mitchell first made the remarks off the record at a "gang dinner" held at the San Francisco Press and Union League Club. He later made them publicly before 900 delegates at the AFL-CIO convention, reading from a transcription of a tape recording of his press club comments.

The battle to improve farm labor conditions, the Secretary said, "is a struggle for decency in which every American has a share . . . and a responsibility."

In labor-management relations "there can be no double standard for government intervention," he said.

"And yet there is a field in which such double standards are demanded by some Americans," he continued. "I am speaking about farm labor. Agricultural interests have traditionally besieged the government to act on their behalf whenever agricultural problems became too difficult for the industry itself to solve.

Congress To Hear School Aid Plea

Washington — (NC) — The Senate Majority Leader's comment that he looks for "meaningful action" on Federal aid to education next session is widely seen here as a signal that the postponed struggle on Federal aid will begin in January.

Sen. Lyndon Johnson of Texas said adjournment period will give Congress time to study aid proposals before the legislators come back to pick up where they left off early in the morning of September 15.

The Texan announced that he is drafting an aid bill himself. It would provide, he said, that the Federal government guarantee loans, made by colleges and universities to needy students. It would authorize about $100 worth of such guarantees annually.

Mr. Johnson's planned bill, like the two leading education measures pending in Congress, is a departure from the education support plans announced when Congress convened last January.

At that time, the various leading proposals concentrated on permanent support of public school construction and on teachers' salaries both to be financed by substantial Federal grants.

A CATHOLIC stand on such proposals was presented to Congressional committees in a statement by Archbishop Albert G. Meyer of Chicago in the name of the Department of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

The Archbishop said that if Federal money is to be spent to help education, it should be temporary and distributed only for specific purposes in areas of proven need. Permanent support, he said, "might well carry in its wake Federal control."

The NCWC department, said the Chicago prelate, opposes aid for teachers' salaries on the ground that such a program, by its very nature, would be permanent.

"Furthermore," he added, "it would give to school maintenance and custodial employees, to firemen, policemen and other civil servants an equal claim on the Federal government."

As for treatment of private, nonprofit schools, Archbishop Meyer said that "Congress cannot in justice be indifferent to parents of . . . nonpublic school children" who, he said, carry heavy financial burdens for education.

The Archbishop proposed that if Federal aid legislation is deemed necessary, it include government loans to aid construction by private, nonprofit schools, arguing that this is not a new program, nor outside the framework of existing laws as interpreted by the courts.

New Catholic Encyclopedia

Washington—(RNS)—At a contract signing ceremony for a new Catholic Encyclopedia are (left to right) Archbishop Patrick O'Boyle of Washington, D.C.; Msgr. William J. McDonald, rector of the Catholic University of America; and Curtis G. Benjamin, president of the McGraw-Hill Book Company of New York. The new work, to be prepared under the direction of a board of editors appointed by the university, will replace the well-known Catholic Encyclopedia which first appeared 51 years ago.

Tibet Monks Seek U.S. Home

New York — (RNS) — Reporting on a personal interview he had with the Dalai Lama in India, a Catholic Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference official said here that the Tibetan god-king is "most anxious" to have 3,000 of his younger followers resettled in the United States.

Armando E. Sonaggere of Fairview, N.J., CRS program director in India, said he told the Dalai Lama that this would only be possible if Congress passed special legislation. The exiled spiritual leader expressed the hope that such action would be taken, Mr. Sonaggere said.

THE WELFARE official reported the Dalai Lama was greatly concerned should any of his young resistance fighters, aged 16 to 27, return to Tibet where the Chinese Communists are now in power.

Of the estimated other 9,000-11,000 Tibetan refugees in India, the Dalai Lama said he was not sure what would be done with them. However, he said he hoped to be able to resettle some 1,500 Tibetans at Buxa Camp, India, where a seminary for young monks is being planned.

He also said he would like to see 500 of his older Lamas resettled in Dalhousie. Some of these are learned scholars, the Dalai Lama noted, and could be used to teach Buddhist philosophy and Sanskrit or to give lectures in some of the Indian colleges.

Mr. Sonaggere, who returned to the U.S. after spending two years in India, said he asked the Dalai Lama if he thought the Tibetans could be resettled as individual or family groups. He said the god-king "thought this would be next to impossible" and completely unsatisfactory to his people as they were accustomed to living in a close-knit religious society."

Pope Sees Peace Hope In Nikita's U.S. Visit

Castelgandolfo — (RNS) — Pope John XXIII, in an obvious reference to Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev's visit to the United States, welcomed "the meetings of representative personalities taking place these days."

Addressing a general audience at the papal summer residence here, the Pontiff said "we must look to these meetings with interest," and "pray to Our Lord that they may tend to reach something really useful for the human, earthly and social order."

"All who call themselves Christians," the Pope added, "ought to multiply prayers so that all human harmonies may agree with the superior harmonies of the Spirit, exalted by the angels before the grotto of Bethlehem when they proclaimed 'Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of goodwill.'"

Use Leisure To Enrich Faith, Pope Advises

Castelgandolfo—(RNS)—Pope John XXIII, in a special letter, warned that the progressive development of automation could represent a serious danger to man's spiritual life.

The Pontiff advised that more leisure should favor religious instruction and more abundant practice of the Faith. He said the greatest duty of all in these times is to animate our Christian civilization with the spirit of faith and safeguard its human values, which may be destroyed without a powerful breath of spirituality."

Gov. General Begins Term With Prayer

Ottawa — (NC) — The new Governor General of Canada began his tenure in office with a prayer.

In an address following his formal installation (Sept. 15), Maj. Gen. George P. Vanier declared:

"MY FIRST WORDS are a prayer. May Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and mercy bless the sacred mission which has been entrusted to me by Her Majesty the Queen, and help me fulfill it in all humility. In exchange for His strength I offer Him my weakness.

"May He give peace to this beloved land of ours, and to those who live in it the grace of mutual understanding, respect and love."

Gen. Vanier is the first Catholic and French Canadian to become representative of Queen Elizabeth in Canada. He is the second native son of Canada to hold the post of Governor General, succeeding Vincent Massey.

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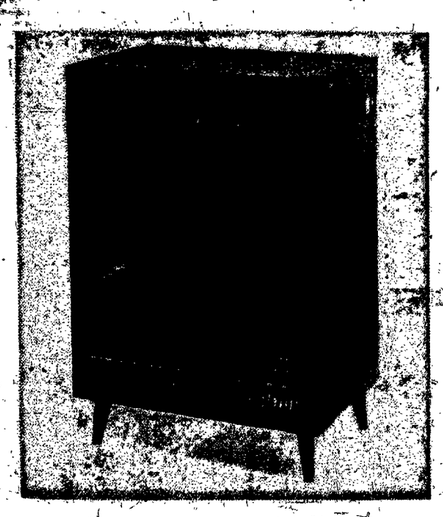

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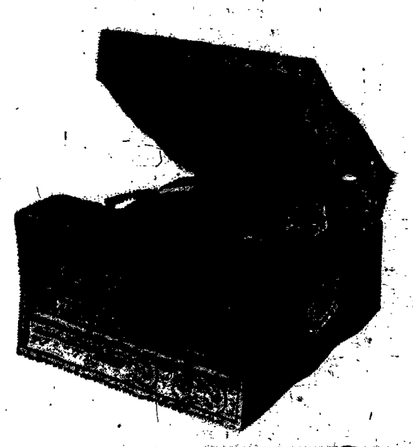

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