

'When Schools Are Crowded' U.S. Vitality Amazes Rome

The "amazing vitality" of American Catholics has won a glowing tribute from the Vatican.

Cardinal Pizzardo, the Church's top "superintendent of schools," voiced Rome's warm approval of the rapidly expanding Catholic school system in the United States.

He cited this year's 700,000 increase in enrollments and the new record total of 5,300,000 in the nation's Catholic schools.

This, he said, is "ample evidence that the Catholics of the United States are fully aware of the importance of good schools."

"When our schools are crowded, we can be sure that our people realize their duty of giving children a thorough training in moral and religious principles as their best guide in life," the Vatican Cardinal stated.

He also added two new goals for the faithful of the country to achieve.

He asked for "generous help" to provide Latin American nations with urgently needed priests. The Cardinal urged youngsters to volunteer—"like the Apostles who left all they held dear to follow our Lord"—to serve priests in the depleted clergy ranks of South and Central America.

Cardinal Pizzardo's second goal is aimed directly at the laity—to link their activities with the Church's international programs. "So American Catholics can play their part in putting into effect the general directives of the whole Church."

He specifically cited the growing need for "Christian principles" in intellectual and educational circles and in the world of labor, both fields where Communists are concentrating their strongest efforts.

The Cardinal, who is Prefect of the Vatican Congregation of Seminaries and Universities, made his comments following a report by Archbishop Karl Alter about the Church in this country. The report is made annually by the nation's bishops. Archbishop Alter is chairman of their National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Ceylon

Widow - Premier Convent Taught

Colombo — (NC) — Ceylon's new Prime Minister is a woman who was educated at a convent here. But her party favors nationalization of all private, including Catholic, schools.

Sirima Bandaranaike, widow of Prime Minister S.W.R.D. Bandaranaike, who was assassinated last September 20, is a Buddhist. She is a Buddhist. She is a Buddhist.

Mrs. Bandaranaike was installed as Premier following the victory in Ceylon's legislative elections of the Sri Lanka Freedom party, which she heads. She is believed to be the first woman Premier of a modern parliamentary government.

DURING THE election Mrs. Bandaranaike had the support of communists and Trotskyites but she had stated she will limit her cabinet to members of her own party.

She will also serve as Foreign Minister and Defense Minister. The Sri Lanka Freedom party ruled Ceylon for four years before losing to the conservative United National party of former Premier Dudley Senanayake in the March 19 elections.

His government, however, was defeated shortly afterwards when it presented its program to Parliament. Parliament was then dissolved and the new elections called for July, which resulted in the naming of Mrs. Bandaranaike as Premier.

During the election campaign Archbishop Thomas Coorey, O.M.I., of Colombo warned against ideologies that foster nationalization of denominational schools and receiving government financial aid.

In an address at Holy Family School in Dehiwala in June, Archbishop Coorey said that it is largely because of Catholic schools that literacy has spread and an educated class capable of winning independence for Ceylon has been formed.

An Asian island nation of

Protestants Have It Good In Spain

Protestants in Spain have more churches and clergymen than Catholics here.

This fact was stated by Spanish Foreign Minister Fernando Castella y Silva in the British House of Commons. He replied to a question about the "Protestant problem in Spain" raised by Selwyn Lloyd, England's Foreign Secretary.

The Spanish diplomat said his country counts 15,000 Protestants in a total population of over 30,000,000 who are virtually all Catholic.

There are in Spain 118 Protestant churches and 117 ministers — an average of 1 for every 250 members.

"Catholics don't have anywhere near that number proportionately," the diplomat said.

Nation Asked To Pray Oct. 5

Newport — (NC) — President Eisenhower has proclaimed October 5 a day of national prayer.

In a proclamation issued at the summer White House the President said: "In this time of testing we shall ever place our trust in the keeping of God's commandments; knowing that He who has brought us here requires justice and mercy in return."

"As we lift our thankful hearts to Him we will so cherish the values of the faith that we will be able to meet the challenges of the future with confidence and courage."

Nixon Says In Chicago

President Needs Faith In God

By RICHARD CORBETT
Special to the Courier Journal

Vice President Richard Nixon, on the eve of his nomination as presidential candidate of the Republican Party, said America's chief executive must be a man who has "faith in God."

He stressed, however, that this year's campaign "will not be another 1928" of religious bias at the ballot boxes of the nation.

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Protestant Youth Pray For Unity

Lausanne — European first Youth Assembly, meeting this week in Switzerland under auspices of the World Council of (Protestant) Churches, promised "faithful intercession" for the forthcoming Vatican Council for religious unity.

The Protestant promise brought a prompt reply from Catholics praising the Assembly's work.

The promise was made in a telegram to this city's Catholic Bishop Francis Chappelle who welcomed the young delegates to Lausanne.

Catholic observers attending the eleven-day sessions in Lausanne issued their statement in the closing day of the Assembly.

"We are deeply convinced," the statement said, "that all the humble and sincere efforts made here for the reconciliation of Christians are the work of the Holy Spirit."

The statement said the numerous contacts the Catholic observers made "with brothers imbued with the love of Christ have overjoyed us" and "we hope that such contacts can be renewed."

The Catholic observers attended the sessions at the suggestion of Bishop Chappelle, who said in a previously published statement that although the Catholic Church does not belong to the World Council of Churches, it "fosters that all humble and sincere efforts aiming to reconcile Christians are the work of the Holy Spirit."

The Catholic visitors said that "in communion with non-Catholic churches and movements, we have prayed fervently for the spiritual success of this ecumenical assembly," which was attended also by Eastern Orthodox representatives.

They went on to express the wish that "our Orthodox, Anglican and Protestant brethren pray with us for the preparation of the Ecumenical Council," proclaimed by Pope John XXIII.

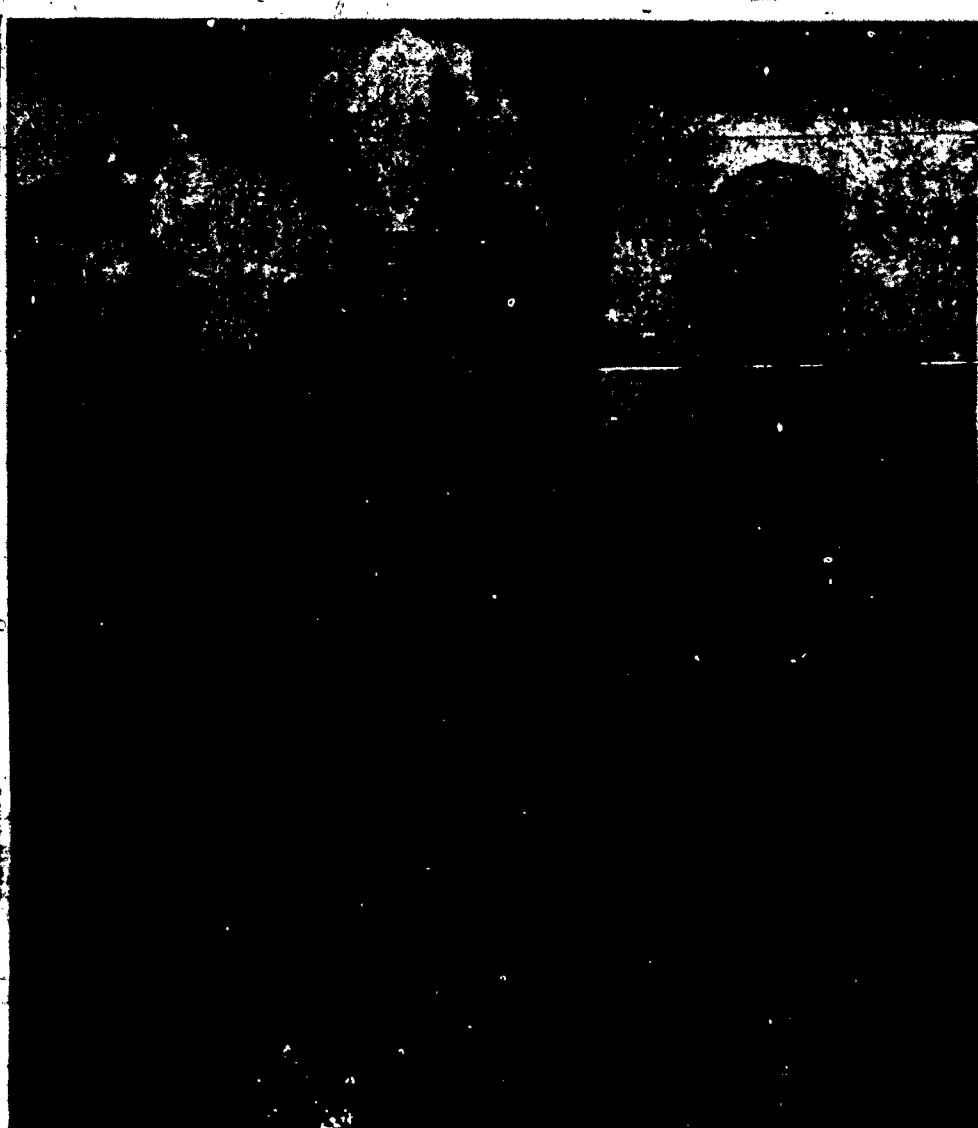
"On our part," they added, "we will continue to pray the work commenced here will penetrate into the parishes and bear fruit at the Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches at New Delhi, India, in 1961."

Among the Catholic observers at the youth assembly here was another group representing the Mass. Bishop Casey gave the benediction at the assembly, which was held in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

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Monk Doctor Ordained At Elmira

The Benedictine monastery at Elmira had its fifth member made a priest in rites in the Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapel Monday morning. Bishop Kearney ordained Nebraskan Dr. Martin Boler, an army medical corpsman with service in Korea, Japan and Okinawa. The new priest will continue his studies at Catholic University, Washington. Dom Damascus Wiazan, prior of the Elmira monastery, assisted the Bishop in the ceremony.

Noted Layman

J.P. Boylan Funeral Held

Funeral Mass for John P. Boylan, distinguished Catholic layman and dean of independent telephone company executives in America, was offered in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Friday, July 22.

Mr. Boylan, a trustee of the Cathedral for the past 13 years and widely known for his activities in Catholic lay circles, died at his home, 485 Seneca Parkway, July 16, 1960. He was 64.

Bishop Kearney presided at the pontifical Requiem celebrated by Bishop Casey and gave the benediction following the funeral.

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In the community, Mr. Boylan was a devoted leader. He devoted himself to a wide range of charitable and civic activities. He was a member or director of nearly 25 professional, civic and private organizations at one time or another.

He was a lifelong baseball enthusiast and was a director for the Rochester Baseball Club for more than 30 years.

John Patrick Boylan was born in Cleveland, Dec. 19, 1895. His parents were Irish immigrants who had met in this country. His father was foreman of the captain's crew on the steamship Great Eastern which took the first successful transatlantic cable in 1860.

After graduating from Cleveland parochial school, he took a commercial course at St. Ignace College, later to become John Carroll University.

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IN A SPECIAL statement for Courier Journal readers, the Vice President said the major issue facing the nation "is the security and survival of the United States of America. That involves all the related issues — national defense, foreign policy and, of course, all aspects of the cold war."

In the increasingly critical struggle with the Russians in the bid to expand its power, Nixon said "our greatest advantage is in the moral and spiritual area. We believe there is more to life than simply better homes and good food and better clothing. We believe man has a spiritual destiny."

"Therefore, I think any president of the United States who is going to lead the free world and our country in this great struggle with atheistic Communism must be a man who has a basic belief in God and stands for religious beliefs," Nixon stated.

He added, "May I say in this connection that our opponents in the Democratic Party all share the belief I have, a basic belief in God. So this is no issue as far as I am concerned."

The Vice President made his statements in a steam-bath press conference in the Sheraton-Blackstone Hotel, convention headquarters.

I was working with Herbert Klein, Nixon's press secretary, and was able to catch the Vice President for a split moment for his statement for the Courier Journal.

He earlier had made it clear he wants no bigotry to cloud the campaign because of Democratic nominee Kennedy's Catholic faith. "Nothing would be more damaging to the campaign free of religious bias."

VICE PRESIDENT NIXON

"Security and survival"

Mr. Nixon said, "My own view is that the country has moved pretty far along the way toward better understanding in the years since 1928."

On the crowded convention floor Monday evening, I cornered New York's former Governor Thomas E. Dewey just after Edward R. Murrow interviewed him on CBS television. Dewey, himself twice the Republican standard bearer, said, "Nixon knows more about the sensitive area of government relations in the world than any man who might be nominated."

My own personal reaction to both the Los Angeles and Chicago conventions is that both parties have nominated superb candidates. Both men have called for a campaign which will face the issues confronting our nation in this dangerous nuclear age. Both parties want a campaign free of religious bias.

Jailed Prelate's Brother Plans China Visit

Cumberland, Md. — (RNS) — Judge William C. Walsh confirmed here that he had received permission from Chinese Communist authorities to visit his brother, Maryland Bishop James E. Walsh, now serving a 10-year prison term in Red China for alleged "subversive activities."

He said he planned to leave for the mainland in the near future. He said he would be in the mainland for a period of about two weeks.

(A Hong Kong Radio broadcast said earlier that the American consulate in the British colony had announced Judge Walsh had been given permission by the Peking government to visit his brother, and would receive his entry visa from a representative of the government.)

JUDGE WALSH, former attorney general of Maryland, said he would be allowed to remain in the Chinese mainland from Aug. 1 for two weeks. His brother, 60, was living in Shanghai at the time of his sentencing last March. The last remaining foreign Catholic priest in Communist China, he had been held on unspecified charges since Oct. 19, 1956.

The judge disclosed he had requested the American Red Cross on April 13 to see if it could arrange for him to see his brother and received a reply the next day saying it would see what it could do.

In May, the American organization got in touch with the Chinese Red Cross asking it to assist in the matter. On July 3, the Chinese group sent a reply saying it would see what could be done. Finally came the announcement that the Chinese authorities had agreed to Judge Walsh's going to China.

Judge Walsh said his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Walsh, would accompany him on the visit. He said he had a special passport validated for entry into Red China which had been issued by the State Department some time ago.

The judge stressed that the State Department had nothing to do with arranging his trip, and that his trip was a purely personal matter.

Also being allowed to enter Red China, the Hong Kong Radio reported, is Mrs. Mary E. Walsh, a V.A. army civilian employee who was stationed by a Chinese court to life imprisonment.

"On a previous visit, Mrs. Downey was allowed to see her son three times a week during the two weeks she was in China," Judge Walsh said. "I assume I'll be allowed the same visiting privileges, but I do not know that for a fact."

He said he had not had a chance to see his brother since his sentencing in 1956.

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Negro Lad Likely Saint

Vatican City — (RNS) — A youth condemned to death for refusing to renounce Catholicism may become Africa's first modern Negro saint.

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