

New Turkish Premier Promises Faith Freedom

Ankara — (RNS) — Premier Cemal Gursel, head of the new Turkish government, stressed that his regime stands firmly for "complete religious freedom for all sects and religious bodies without any privileges for any denomination."

He made the statement in a speech at Erzurum, eastern Turkey, which was reported here by the Ankara Radio. An estimated 98 per cent of the Turkish population is Moslem, but there is complete Church-State separation.

Premier Gursel's statement was reported to have created considerable interest throughout the Middle East. Many commentators stressed that full implementation of his policy was bound to create difficulties in Turkey, because many of the people belong to sects which are strongly opposed to equal rights for all religions.

The new Turkish ruler replaced Premier Adnan Menderes who was ousted on May 27 when the armed forces seized power and thus ended a ten-year regime which, it was charged, had become increasingly dictatorial. The new government was recognized by the United States government with a State Department statement which said "we expect our close and friendly relations with Turkey to continue as in the past."

Tax Aid Said Needed For School Survival

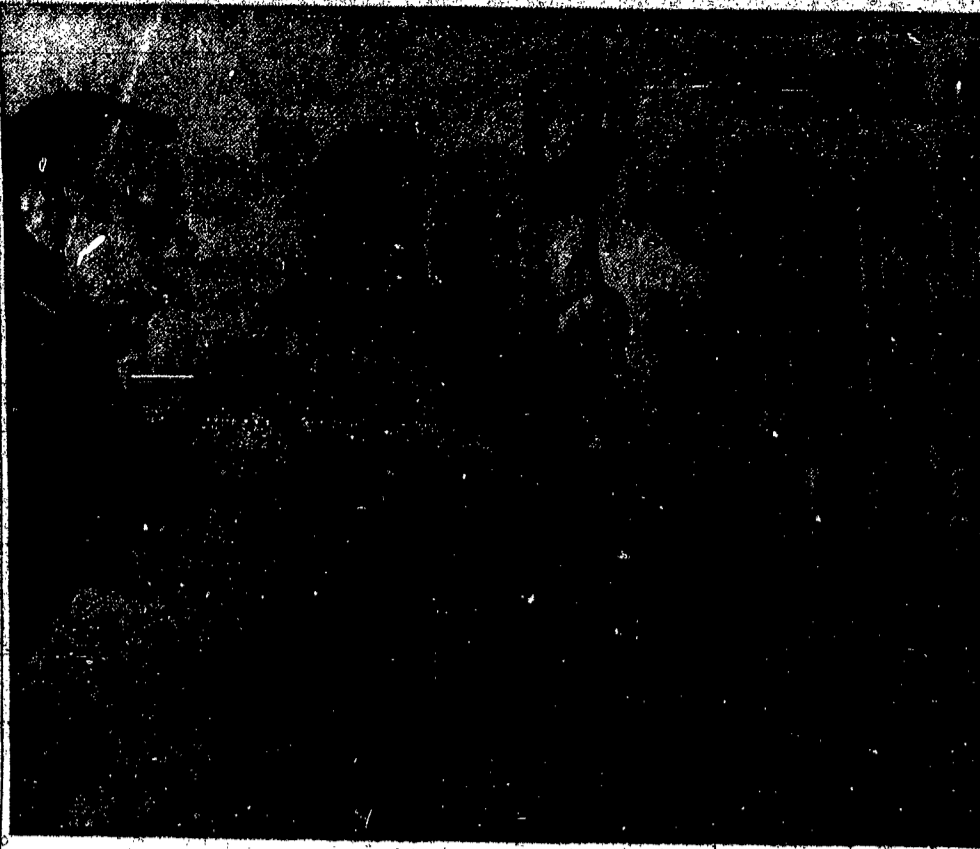
Oklahoma City — (NC) — Some Catholic elementary schools here may drop their early grades unless they get tax aid, the superintendent of Oklahoma Catholic schools said here.

Father Ernest A. Flusche, superintendent of schools in the Oklahoma City and Tulsa dioceses, said in an interview that Catholics should demand from the government "what is rightfully ours."

He said, "The assistance, he said, would require only a change in interpretation of the Federal Constitution, rather than a change in the Constitution itself."

Father Flusche said "suitable tax arrangements" for schools have been made in England, Scotland and some provinces of Canada.

If some Oklahoma Catholic grade schools are forced to drop portions of their educational course, they should drop the first six grades, Father Flusche said.



Where Saint Was Shipwrecked

Valletta, Malta — (RNS) — Luigi Cardinal Draglia, Vice-regent of Rome and a member of the Roman Curia (center), celebrated Mass on the site of St. Paul's shipwreck on the Mediterranean island of Malta. On the altar is an silver incense burner of St. Paul's arm. American-born Archbishop Cardinal Muench, former Papal Nuncio to Germany, presided as Papal Legate over ceremonies climaxing a six-months celebration commemorating the 19th centenary of the shipwreck of St. Paul, the Church's foremost missionary.

Malta, Frontline Fortress

Valletta — (RNS) — An estimated 150,000 persons — just about half the population of this British-held island — heard a broadcast by Pope John XXIII at the conclusion of celebrations here commemorating the 19th anniversary of St. Paul's shipwreck off the Malta Coast.

The Pope's message came after a solemn procession to the public square from St. Paul's Cathedral led by American-born Archbishop Cardinal Muench, who served as Papal Legate at four-day ceremonies that climaxed observations in honor of the great Apostle which began last February.

Declaring that the Catholic faith had made Malta "a frontline fortress of Christianity in the changing history of the Mediterranean," Pope John hailed the celebration as a glowing tribute to its strength and glory.

"The celebrations today," he said, "have taken the shape of a Bishop of the Catholic Faith, declared before the people of Malta, why seek to be worthy disciples of the ancient good people who welcomed the shipwrecked Apostle."

Prayer For Peace, Mercy Opens Republican Chicago Convention

Chicago — (NC) — Delegates to the Republican national convention heard a plea for Divine aid in the nation's search for peace, as they opened their sessions here.

Auxiliary Bishop Raymond P. Hillinger of Chicago prayed for God for "help in our search for peace . . . tranquility of order among nations and among ourselves."

The prelate delivered the invocation at the convention shortly after Thruston B. Morton, chairman of the Republican National Committee, opened the first session.

Text of the Bishop's invocation follows:

O LORD, WHO HEART SAID: "Ask and you shall receive; seek and you shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you," we pray to Thee this day.

We seek Thy help in our search for peace — tranquility of order among nations and among ourselves.

We seek Thy divine wisdom and counsel, in order for us in a manner acceptable to Thy Will, made known to us in the Ten Commandments.

We knock at the door of Thy boundless treasury of love and mercy in the hope that we may continue to share in the countless blessings which we now enjoy as Americans. We believe, we hope, we trust in Thee and we love Thee with all our hearts.

Come Holy Ghost instruct the hearts of the faithful and enlighten in them the fire of Thy love.

Send forth Thy spirit and they shall be created, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Ghost, didst instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant us, by the same Holy Spirit, to love and to relish what is right and just and a constant enjoyment of His comforts, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

J.P. Boylan Funeral Held

Mr. Boylan served as director of Highland Hospital, and as treasurer of the Rochester Convention & Publicity Bureau. At his death he was a member of its board of governors and also a trustee of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

He joined the Chamber in 1927, became a trustee in 1929, later a first vice president, a director in 1931 and in 1935 was elected the Chamber's 48th president. He also served on many Chamber committees.

He was a director of the Rochester Institute of Technology, the Automobile Club of Rochester, which he served as president in 1942, Rochester Gas & Electric Corp., and a trustee to the board of directors of the advisory committee of Lincoln Rochester Trust Co.

He was a director of the old Lincoln Alliance Bank and Trust Co. for many years before it became Lincoln Rochester.

He is survived by three children: a daughter, Mary E. Boylan, in television and stage work in New York City; two sons, Alfred G. Boylan of Pittsford, attorney, and Dr. John W. Boylan of Snyder, a Buffalo suburb, instructor at the University of Buffalo Medical School, and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Farrell Bros. Funeral Home.

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Drowned Man Revived By Jesuit 'Mouth' Aid

St. Charles, La. — (NC) — A Jesuit priest who recently learned the mouth-to-mouth method of artificial respiration was credited with saving the life of a drowning man in nearby Bayou.

Father Duval Hilbert, S.J., director of Our Lady of the Lake retreat house here, was fishing in the bayou when a boat carrying two men sank. One man swam to shore, but the other was unable to swim and sank.

Father Flusche said "equivalent happen, stripped off his clothes and dove in. He located the drowning man's body on the bottom and later learned that first dive into the muddy water and pulled him to shore.

THE JESUIT priest immediately applied the mouth-to-mouth respiration he had read scribbled as good.

At St. Patrick's 'Medal' Faith Scored As Silly

New York — (RNS) — Religious medals can become "silly or even occasions of sin" when not used or understood properly, more than 1,500 worshippers at St. Patrick's Cathedral were told here.

The Rev. John J. Foley, C.S.C., of North Dartmouth, Mass., censured a "popular practice of placing the divine worship due to God in things, in creatures, in man, in women, your automobile, as a prayer to God to protect them."

"TOO MANY people, Catholic and Non-Catholic," he said, "are being converted to a faith and piety shown in wearing them. We then are putting our faith and piety and trust where it belongs, namely in God."

"It is about time we shake off some of the heinous superstitions and the rest," the visiting clergyman said. He mentioned "people and automobiles weighted down with medals, and good luck charms" and listed St. Christopher medals, statuettes of the Blessed Virgin and "Jesus' first baby shoes" as considered by themselves.

"The Church blesses medals, scapulars, rosaries, pocket watches, statuettes, even your automobile, as a prayer to God to protect them," he said. "The articles themselves do not help us, but God does — for the faith and piety shown in wearing them. We then are putting our faith and piety and trust where it belongs, namely in God."

"The safest way to be sure of God's help and protection over the body and soul always is to keep yourself in God's grace," he told the worshippers. "Then you won't have to fear you won't be living in utter and irresponsible ignorance that poses as genuine worship of God."

Marian Week At Berkshire Shrine

This year marks the 7th annual Marian Week at the Mercy Shrine on the monastery grounds of the Marian Fathers, Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Services will be held from August 21st through August 28th. The famed Pilgrim Virgin State of Fatima will again be present at the field altar throughout the week. The Berkshire hills form an impressive and Lourdes-like background for the scene.

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