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Princeton — (RNS) — Graduates of the Princeton Theological Seminary were told here that only one kind of religion counts today and "that is the kind which is radical enough to engage in this world's basic troubles."

If religion cannot do that, said Dr. Samuel H. Miller, dean of Harvard Divinity School, "then it can do nothing which merits God's concern or the world's respect."

St. Anthony Rites Set

Lisbon — (NC) — A special celebration in honor of St. Anthony of Padua who was born in Lisbon, will take place here June 13 with a Mass and blessing of the sea.

Priests from all churches in Portugal dedicated to St. Anthony will take part in a procession from Cascais to suburban Estoril, a distance of approximately two miles. Soldiers of the historic 19th Infantry Regiment of Cascais will accompany the priests and a statue of St. Anthony in the procession.

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Labor Chiefs Endorse Catholic Aid Plea

Washington — (RNS) — The leadership of organized labor is supporting the stand of the Roman Catholic hierarchy on the question of federal aid to private and parochial school systems.

Leaders of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations "think there is merit" in the proposal calling for long-term federal loans for construction of private school buildings that will be used for the instruction of science, mathematics, foreign languages and vocational education.

The announcement of the labor stand was made at a hearing of the House Education and Labor subcommittee by Andrew J. Biemiller, chief lobbyist for the AFL-CIO.

Biemiller said construction loans were regarded as "a logical extension of what is already being done" under the provisions of the National Defense Education Act of 1958.

Miss Sherman Elected To Head Nurses

Hornell — The Hornell Chapter of the National Council of Catholic Nurses was reorganized Saturday at a meeting which followed a luncheon in the Knights of Columbus hall on River St. sponsored by the St. Anthony Deanery of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

MISS JUDY Sherman was elected president of the group which has a potential membership of 100 Hornell and area nurses. Mrs. Joseph Godbout was elected vice president; Mrs. Paul Quartz, secretary and Mrs. Robert Kubiak, treasurer. The Rev. William H. Hickey, chaplain of St. James Mercy Hospital, is spiritual director.

The newly reorganized group will place emphasis on spiritual activities during the coming year. Days of Reflection, Communion breakfast and First Saturday luncheons are among the projects of the future.

The Hornell Chapter will join with others throughout the middle Atlantic states at a regional convention next October in Rochester.

Worship of a Fraction

Nationalism Said World's Religion

Albion — (RNS) — Nationalism is the prevailing religion of the world today and one of the historical scandals of civilization, Dr. Arnold J. Toynbee, noted British historian and philosopher, asserted in a baccalaureate address at Albion College (Methodist).

The other scandal, he said, is class division, especially when based on racial differences.

"We may call ourselves Christians, Muslims, Buddhists, Communists and so on, but what we are really worshipping is the collective power of some fraction of the human race," Dr. Toynbee declared. "Nationalism is the common religion of ship of 90 per cent of the world's most people of the world on both sides of the Iron Curtain."

"The religion of nationalism is an offense against both God and man. . . it is the worship of men instead of God. In other words, it is idolatry. But the worship of one's own nation is also an offense against the human race. It draws a line between one fraction of the human race and all the rest. When we worship our own nation we are treating the rest of the human race as if it were not fully human."

Stressing that religion has the authority over the whole of human life, Dr. Toynbee said that although we may try to "fence off a part" and call it "public life," this will not exempt the so-called "public life" from being subject to religion. And he warned that "if one repudiates the authority of one of the better religions over the private life, we call 'public life,' then one of the worse religions of the Christian Church. Dr. Toynbee said some "have been readier than others to surrender public affairs to Caesar."

"If we concede that Caesar is not under God's jurisdiction," he said, "I am thinking here."

Throngs Attend Warsaw Corpus Christi Rites

Warsaw — (RNS) — A crowd of more than 100,000 faithful lined streets around St. Ann's church here for about three hours to witness the traditional Corpus Christi procession and hear a sermon by Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński, Primate of Poland.

Speaking from an altar erected outside the church, the cardinal told the huge congregation that he publicly forgave "my enemies who ignorantly twist the instruction of the Holy See and dare to curtail our religious rights."

"I FORGIVE them with all my heart for they know not what they are doing," he said, urging the faithful to pray for the "enemies of the Church."

Cardinal Wyszyński was referring to attempts by Polish Communist authorities to use a Vatican statement in an effort to curb religious ceremonies in the country.

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'Inequities' Charged in School Aid Plan

Washington — (NC) — A spokesman for the U.S. Catholic Bishops has urged Congress to end "inequities" in the 1958 National Defense Education Act by granting more aid to private schools.

Msgr. Frederick G. Hochwalt, director of the National Catholic Welfare Conference Education Department, suggested that the NDEA be amended to provide long-term loans for school construction — including private schools.

"The demand for space in private schools is acute," he told a House education subcommittee (June 6). "Something must be done, and here is a good opportunity."

Msgr. Hochwalt testified on

proposals to extend and revise the 1958 NDEA, a post-Sputnik program of Federal aid to education under which private education receives some assistance, but not as much as that given public education.

HE MADE FOUR recommendations for major changes in existing programs under the act:

- 1) Permit students who finance their college education on Federal loans to "repay" up to half the loans by teaching in private schools. At present this forgiveness feature is extended to those who elect to teach in public schools, but not those who teach in private schools.
2) Give equal encouragement to personnel of both public and private schools to attend NDEA instructional institutes. Both public and private school personnel may now attend such institutes, but only those from public schools receive Federal stipends while doing so.
3) Give students in all schools "the same benefits of equipment and teaching materials in science, mathematics, languages and any other subjects deemed critical to the national defense by Congress." Msgr. Hochwalt suggested that private schools receive grants — as public schools now do — to help buy teaching equipment and to remodel teaching facilities.
4) Permit private school students to receive guidance and counseling assistance now available to public school students only under the NDEA.

The NCWC spokesman noted in his prepared statement that aid would be dealt with in the NDEA revision.

The Senate Education Subcommittee has completed hearings on the Defense Education Act, but, according to Sen. Morse, will not have a bill ready for the full committee for perhaps a week or 10 days.

In the House, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell of New York, chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee, has said he would back increased aid to private schools under the NDEA.

Msgr. Hochwalt said the argument that the public schools must come first is "hardly satisfactory to a large segment of American education, which has needs as vital and great as the public schools."

Msgr. Hochwalt pointed out that nearly 15 per cent of all U.S. grade school children and 8.8 per cent of high school pupils are in Catholic schools.

"Assistance for these schools can and must be made possible in some fashion under the NDEA or similar provisions," he declared.

"There is ample ingenuity among our lawmakers to devise ways and means of assistance. The loans and grants needed for the private schools can certainly be justified by our need for universal excellence and the continuing needs of national defense."



Gifts For The Queen

Windsor — (NC) — Queen Elizabeth II receives a tennis racket for Prince Charles and other gifts for Princess Anne and Prince Andrew from Philip Hinds (right), captain of Beaumont College, a Jesuit institution for boys near the royal estate of Windsor Castle. The occasion marked the first time in modern times that a reigning British sovereign visited a Catholic school. The college is celebrating its centenary this year.

Air Force Publishes Book On Chaplains

Washington — (RNS) — The most definitive study of the chaplaincy corps of the U.S. Air Force, covering the period from the "Flying Jennies" of 1917 to 1947 when the Army Air Corps became an independent branch of the armed forces, has been published here.

The book is the first definitive study of the ministry which clergymen of all faiths rendered to early airmen who risked life and limb every time they stepped into their flying machines.

IT ALSO tells of the role chaplains played in helping to sustain the morale of fliers in World War II who went out day after day on dangerous missions from which thousands never returned.

Chaplain (Maj) Daniel R. Jorgenson (Methodist) spent more than two years compiling the volume. He is now at work on the second volume, which will cover the period from 1947, when a separate Air Force chaplaincy was established, through 1960.

Purpose of the history, as Gen. Thomas D. White, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, says in his foreword, is to show "how through the years chaplains of all faiths ministered to our service people in some of the

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