

# Annual Clothing Drive Begins Sunday

Several thousand volunteers from parish organizations of men and women have completed arrangements to process the tons of usable clothing expected this coming week at more than 140 parish collection centers throughout the Diocese.

In preparation for the Catholic Bishops' thirteenth annual Thanksgiving Clothing Collection to begin this Sunday, a special appeal of Bishop Kearney was read last Sunday at all Masses in parish churches. In his letter Bishop Kearney asked Catho-

lics to continue their excellent record of charity because "Christ in His poor still pleads with us for help." Full text, page four.

Pastors will announce on Sunday location and hours of their own collection centers which will sort, pack, and ship the donations of usable clothing to the Bronx processing plant of Catholic Relief Services, the overseas relief agency of the bishops of the United States.

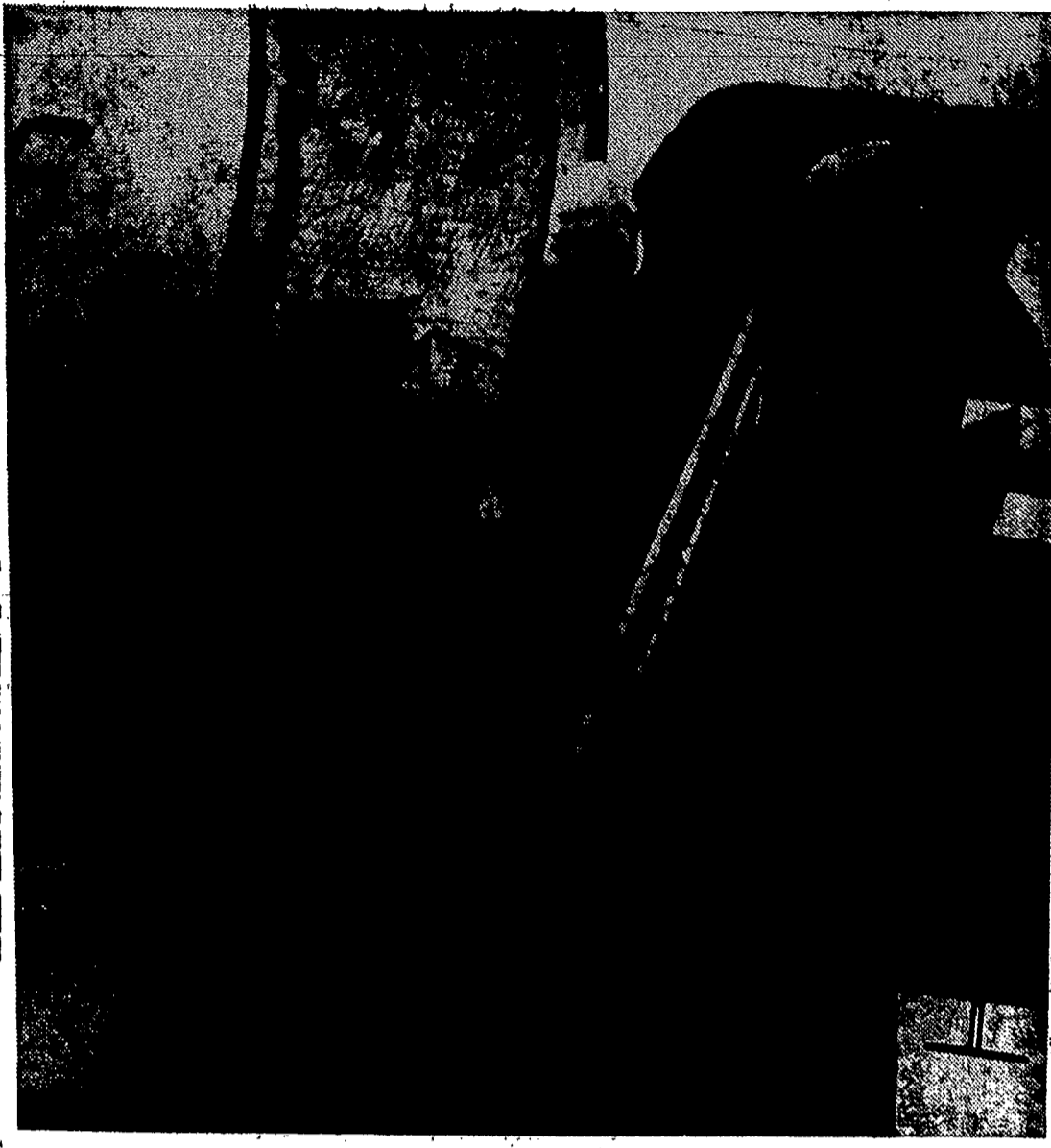
Each parish bears the expense of shipment to the Bronx address. There a staff of 300 will prepare

the sorted clothing to be baled, wrapped in heavy waterproof paper, tied with additional metal straps, and finally stencilled with the port of destination.

Urgently needed, according to Father E. Leo McMannus, diocesan director of the collection, are blankets, bed coverings, and men's work clothing and shoes. "But any practical garment in wearable condition for a man or woman," he said, "and any pair of practical shoes in good repair can be used, so great is the need. Clothing for infants and children is, of course, of great value."

Last year 143 parishes of the Rochester diocese contributed a record total of 222 tons of usable clothing, bedding and shoes. Sacred Heart Cathedral, with 21 tons donated, established a record for individual parish contributions. In the 12 previous Thanksgiving collections the Rochester diocese has contributed a total of nearly 1,500 tons of clothing.

Assisting in the promotion of the diocesan campaign are nine priests as area directors and Miss Sophie Cudillo of the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.



## Cardinal at Quantico

Father Leo Ward of the Rochester Diocese peers out of doorway as Cardinal Spellman gets Marine greeting from Lt. Gen. E. W. Snedeker at Quantico, Virginia, for 186th anniversary rites of the U.S. Marine Corps. The Cardinal said Mass and blessed chapel windows during his Nov. 5 visit. Father Ward is senior chaplain at Quantico and holds the rank of Lieutenant Commander. (US Marine Corps Photo)

## To Face Perils, Problems

### Youth Needs Bravery

Buffalo — (RNS) — Young people live in an age of "perils and problems" and they must face them bravely, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy told the National Council of Catholic Youth at its sixth convention here.

"Never before have the per-

ils that confront us been so great as those we face in the decades of the 1960's when most of you will be reaching maturity," he declared.

He spoke at a dinner where he received the Pro Deo et Juventute (for God and Youth) gold medal as a salute from the Catholic Youth of America. Approximately 7,750 persons attended, estimated as the largest sit-down dinner crowd ever served in the U.S.

Mr. Kennedy detailed a somewhat shameful record of U.S. soldiers in the Korean War, saying that one of three U.S. Army prisoners collaborated with the enemy and one of every ten became informers.

"Those who have made a careful analysis of our poor record in the Korean War have come to the unanimous conclusion that the explanation was that in many instances our men had no belief in anything; nothing to sustain them in belief in God, in religion, in their families," he said. "They had no understanding of, nor feeling for, the principles for which the United States stands."

Noting a decline in the moral tone of U.S. civilians, he cited the television quiz show scandals and recalled that a magazine poll disclosed that three out of four Americans questioned said they would have accepted the prepared answers and prize money.

Quoting Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev that this country is "stumbling and dying" and would "fall from within," Mr. Kennedy said:

"President Kennedy has said we will pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship to assure the survival and the success of liberty. It will take courage; it will take stamina; it will take determination. But we can do it. I am confident that we will."

Earlier at the convention, TV star Ed Sullivan received a special award for his outstanding contributions to public entertainment and was cited for "his great interest in youth of the country as shown in his professional life and as a family man."

Gold Eagle of the Cross Awards for contributions to public entertainment went to youthful favorites, Miss Annette Funicello, recording star and Hollywood actress, and Dwayne Hickman, the Dobie Gillis of TV renown.

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## U.S. Bishops Told

# Super-Anti-Red Groups Aid Communist Cause

## U.S. Bishops Hear Reports Of Progress

America's Catholic bishops said they were pleased with the progress of the Church in this country in good condition and indicated that the condition will continue to get better.

Reports made by prelates who head the numerous departments of the bishops' coordinating agency, the National Catholic Welfare Conference (NCWC), followed a solemn Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

"Greatest challenge" to the U.S. Catholic Church during the past year was the federal aid to education issue which threatened to by-pass children in parochial schools.

Biggest news in the reports, according to commentators, is a warning that ultra-conservative anti-Communist organizations "unwittingly" play into Communist strategy. Many Catholics are known to be active in such organizations. The warning is reported in an extensive article elsewhere on this page.

OTHER REPORTS cited these highlights of Church progress in the United States:

Catholic newspapers and magazines have a record high circulation of 27,560,781 — to make the Church the largest publisher in the nation.

Catholic relief agencies aided Cuban refugees at an average of 800 a week with the number in the thousands at the crest of the refugee tide.

U.S. priests and nuns in Latin American missions now total 2,100 with 50 laymen serving as Papal Volunteers, and more enrolled in training programs.

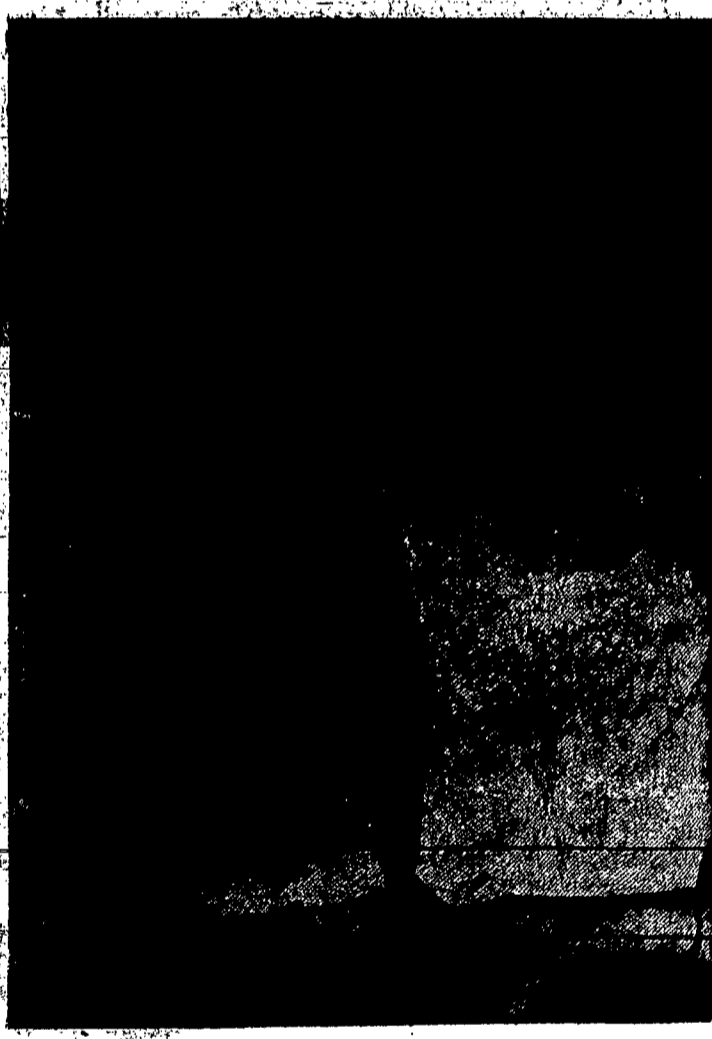
Foreign students in this country, 7200 of them registered as Catholics in secular colleges, were contacted by NCWC officials to put them in touch with local clergy and lay people.

Extensive study was made of the Church-State relationship to clarify First Amendment applications in granting federal aid to private agencies in education or charity.

New programs were developed to contact Catholic seamen in port cities — a growing problem as automation shortens ship time in port and puts thousands at sea for Sundays.

Military build-up of the nation's armed forces has created an "urgent need" for more priest chaplains — 250 more for the Army, 64 for the Navy and 82 for the Air Force.

The National Council of Catholic Men counts 9,092 affiliated organizations and the National Council of Catholic Women has 13,582 affiliates.



## Korean Holy Family

Cleveland — (RNS) — These three Korean-dressed dolls, representing the Holy Family, are on display in the folk art corner of the main Cleveland Public Library. The dolls were made and dressed by South Korean nuns. The taller dolls — Joseph and Mary are 25 1/2 inches high. That's Claudia Maxin, a library visitor, looking at the dolls.

## Daily Holy Hour For Lay People

A new diocesan step in devotion to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament was announced this week.

Bishop Kearney, in a statement dated Nov. 3, has officially established the "Eucharistic Legion" in the Rochester Diocese.

Members of the Legion are lay people who pledge themselves to spend one hour each day in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Eucharistic Legion is the lay branch of the Sacramental Union of Daily Adoration which promotes the daily holy hour among priests and seminarians.

Rev. Bartholomew O'Brien of St. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira, is diocesan as well as national director of both the Union and the Legion. Bishop Kearney previously established the Sacramental Union in the

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Currently proliferating ultra-patriotic, panicky anti-Communist organizations "divide and confuse Americans," the nation's Catholic bishops were told this week.

The warning did not mention any group by name but was directed at an estimated twenty such groups which are active in the John Birch Society.

These groups which stress the danger of domestic subversion may unwittingly be aiding the Communist cause," said the warning to prelates.

Milwaukee Archbishop William Cousins voiced his warning in a report to the American bishops who met this week in Washington. He said "various U.S. anti-Communist organizations" aid Kremlin strategy by driving a wedge of suspicion and fear between Americans and "divert attention from critical Communist gains in Asia, Africa and Latin America."

Members of these far right groups label as communist or pro-communist, legitimate political positions which differ from their own viewpoint. Archbishop Cousins stated.

He also said they "harass and persecute" fellow-citizens and, in some cases, actually "use tactics and methods borrowed from the Communist party."

The Milwaukee prelate voiced his warning in the report of the Social Action Department, one of the agencies of the National Catholic Welfare Conference of the U.S. bishops.

ATTORNEY GENERAL Robert Kennedy echoed the archbishop's statement by blasting the Birch Society, the National Indignation Convention and other right-wing organizations as "a tremendous danger" to the nation.

He said such groups "undermine confidence in our government" by their methods which "sow the seeds of suspicion and distrust by making false or irresponsible charges."

Partners with the Birch Society in virulent anti-Communist activity are the Minutemen, many of whose members arm themselves and train for "guerrilla" warfare in the event of Communist invasion, and other groups many with only regional or local membership.

The new super-patriotic anti-Communism is pushed in many magazines and newspapers, some under Catholic auspices. Probably best known is the bi-weekly National Review edited by a Catholic, William F. Buckley, son of a millionaire oil man.

Birch Society Council member Father Richard Ginder, editor of the nationally circulated Our Sunday Visitor, also gives the ultra-conservative cause editorial backing.

Spokesmen for the cause include radio commentators Fulton Lewis Jr., Clarence Manion and Daniel Smoot.

Comments of the ultra-conservatives will be interesting following Archbishop Cousins' statement

Does his attitude indicate the

## Left, Right; Red, Blue

Roses are red, violets are blue — so we learned in childhood.

Today red means communist and blue means anti-communist. Communists and their companions are said to be left-wing; conservatives and advocates of a return to a less-complex world are listed as right-wing.

Right-wingers label people they believe "lean left" as "com-symp."s

Pope John in his encyclical Mater et Magistra said "the Church asks the cooperation especially of the laity" in finding a middle course which will include both progress and freedom.

Catholic Church is shifting to a soft attack on Communism — similar to the recently announced easing up of Kremlin pressure against religion?

Quite the contrary! The archbishop made it clear American Catholics are still officially committed to an all-out opposition to Communism. In his opinion the present day self-styled anti-Communist groups aid the Communists by confusing Americans. These groups sound alarms which divide Americans precisely at a time when the nation needs to be united to half a growing Communist menace — not inside this country but in the nations of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

As evidence that the threat is external, the following may be cited: the Castro regime in Cuba and the recently installed government leaders in Brazil and Ecuador who "lean left."

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## Citizens' Duty End Race Bias

New York — (RNS) — Msgr. Francis J. Lally, editor of The Pilot, official weekly newspaper of the Boston archdiocese, called here for a people's program "in which every citizen will find himself involved" to fight apathy toward discrimination against minority groups.

The priest-editor made this plea in a sermon at the second annual Civil Rights Mass sponsored by the New York City St. Thomas More Society, an association of Catholic professional men and women. The Mass was celebrated by Father Harold A. Salmon, faculty member of Cardinal Hayes High School, the Bronx, N.Y.

Reviewing the dramatic efforts of "sit-in" demonstrators and "Freedom Riders" seen this year in southern states, Msgr. Lally cautioned against condemning this action unless the critics provide more effective means of fighting discrimination.

MANY PEOPLE wonder these days what is gained by the kind of "sit-ins" which have cropped up in various parts of the American scene or the "Freedom Riders" who have traveled from north to south to make a demonstration of their feelings on civil rights, he observed.

The gain by such actions, he maintained, is that the American public "is made aware in

a telling fashion of the wide gap that exists between the demands of the law and the practice of large portions of our people."

Msgr. Lally warned that "if we wish to deny incidents of this kind, let us be very certain that we are ourselves prepared to set in motion the machinery which can replace them."

The Boston editor went on to say that the fight against discrimination in America has been waged too long by lawyers, preachers, legislators, social workers and sociologists.

"It is time now, and far past time, when we must take this burden of concern out of the realm of the scholar and the research person, away from the professional and public official and return it to the mass of Americans in whose hands alone must rest the final solution," he declared.

Asserting that the American public has not yet been alerted sufficiently to the "malignant nature" of discrimination, Msgr. Lally urged that a program against the "mountain of apathy" surrounding racial and religious prejudice be put into action.

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