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Interviewed in Washington where they discussed Christian trade unions in post-war Europe are Gustav Tessier, secretary of the Christian Trade Union Movement in France with Rev. John S. Cronin, S. S., of N. C. W. C. Social Action Department. (NC Photos)

## Resignations May Kill Magazine Often Accused of Anti-Catholicism

The entire executive force of The Protestant, a monthly magazine that is unaffiliated with established Protestant church groups despite its name, resigned this week in protest against "one-man control" by the editor, Kenneth Leslie.

In a joint statement, the six resigning members said that The Protestant was "dead" and charged that Leslie's control had resulted in "tragic collapse" of the magazine.

Members of the group that resigned included Pierre Van Paasen, contributing editor; Rev. James M. Freeman, managing editor; Joseph Brainin, associate editor; Rev. Ben Richardson, associate editor; Gerald Richardson, associate editor, and Neil MacNeil, editorial advisor.

Confusion has often been caused by the name of Neil MacNeil appearing on The Protestant editorial advisory board. New York Times Editor Neil MacNeil, a well-known Catholic lay leader, reported this week in a letter to the North Carolina Catholic, that the Neil MacNeil who just resigned from the Protestant is a Washington man and the confusion of names has caused Catholic Leader MacNeil "considerable embarrassment."

The Protestant was recently bitterly criticized by the American Jewish Committee for fostering

inter-group dissension. This stand was taken despite the fact that the publisher solicited funds for the purpose of combating anti-Semitism. The Jewish group criticized the magazine for its alleged anti-Catholic views.

The resigning board members said their resignation was not related to the criticism of the magazine by the Jewish group and added that they shared the views of The Protestant. The group plans to start a new magazine.

The Protestant has since its first day of publication in 1938 been highly critical of the Catholic Church. It has also been accused of being pro-Russian. During the war Leslie urged that Timoshenko be named Supreme Allied Commander rather than Eisenhower.

The board members who plan to form a new magazine say they will solicit the cooperation of "all democratic groups and agencies, both religious and lay, engaged in the fight against anti-Semitism, anti-Catholicism and anti-Negroism."

## Communist Party Scores Victory In First French Assembly Election

Communists led this week in France's election of the first National Assembly under the new Constitution.

The Popular Republicans, which was the leading party in France, lost the lead to the Communist party in an election that saw the lines between left and right remain about the same but marked the loss of support by the Socialist party.

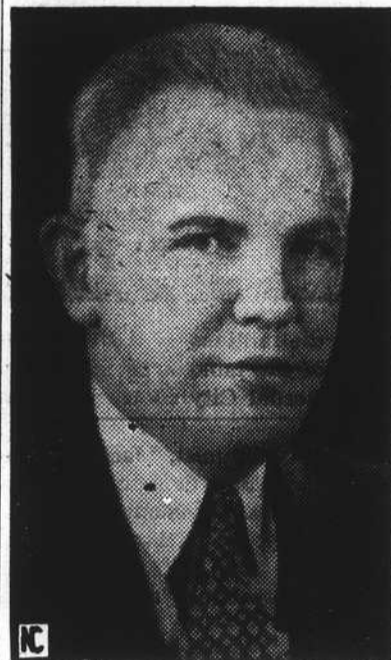
Most of the Communist gain was made at the expense of the Socialists. The Popular Republicans, who are classified as "right but are actually roughly equivalent in political viewpoint to groups considered "a little left of center" in this country, failed to hold their lead because of the loss of support from DeGaulist groups. DeGaulle had criticized the constitution formed under the Popular Republican leadership.

The Communist party is now the largest party in the National (Continued on Page 6)

## Red Cross Funds Misused Is Charge

Worcester, Mass. — (NC) — A shocking charge that \$27,000,000 in relief supplies donated by the people of the United States through the American Red Cross to alleviate needy Russians in World War II was gobbled up by the N. K. V. D., the ministry which operates the Soviet secret police, to use as it saw fit, has been made in a public statement by the Rev. Leopold Braun, A. A. of Assumption College, here, who for more than a decade was the only Roman Catholic Priest in the Soviet capital.

Characterizing the incident as the "Red Cross Scandal of Moscow," Father Braun said that he made protestations as the "Red (Continued on Page 6)



William Lennox of Philadelphia, business manager of the University of Pennsylvania, who was elected to the Supreme Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus at the quarterly meeting of that body just held at Asheville, N. C. Mr. Lennox is executive vice-president of the Philadelphia Catholic Laymen's Retreat League. (NC Photo)

## Russia Is Saboteur Cardinal Charges

New York.—(NC)—"If Soviet Russia or any other nation truly wants peace—a peace that will not shame our sons who lived and died to protect the freedoms they have bequeathed to us—let her not in stubborn blindness vengefully oppose the principles of justice for which we are still fighting; nor through brute greed demand gains which will prolong the wretchedness and agonies of men; nor through insane malice incite another war that will sound the death knell of civilization."

This counsel is voiced by His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, in an article entitled "Do We Want A Soviet Peace?" which appears in the current issue of Cosmopolitan magazine. The rights to the article were given by the Cardinal to the New York Foundling Hospital. (Continued on Page 6)

## Russian Bishop Becomes Convert

Vatican City.—(RadioNC) — A Bishop of the schismatic Russian Orthodox Church, and his half-sister, formerly the superior of an Orthodox community of Religious, both of whom suffered torture, imprisonment and deportation to Siberia at the hands of communists, have been received into the Catholic Church.

Eighty-six-year-old Bishop Paul Melitzev was received by His Eminence Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, Secretary of the Sacred Congregation for the Oriental Church, at the Russian College in Rome. He (Continued on Page 6)

## Wisconsin Voters Veto Bus Plan

Madison, Wis.—(NC)—A proposed amendment to the State Constitution which would have authorized legislation to provide transportation of children to parochial and private schools in public school buses, was voted down by Wisconsin voters in the general election.

In the State, which is 29 per cent Catholic in population, the vote was nearly 45 per cent in favor of the amendment. The referendum was voted down by a 5 to 4 count. Unofficial returns from 3,112 of the State's 3,147 precincts, showed 428,174 in favor of the measure and 523,706 against.

Thirty-five daily and weekly newspapers throughout the State, including the influential Milwaukee Journal, Wisconsin's largest paper, came out editorially in favor of the referendum, while (Continued on Page 6)



The Futuba Catholic School in Tokyo, bombed out during the war, is being rebuilt with the financial aid of the alumnae who sold their personal possessions and the students who help in the



manual labor needed for the rebuilding. The name "Futuba" means "Two Leaves" and is the symbol of Eastern plus Western culture. The school is conducted by the Sisters of St. Maur. In

these photos taken by the U. S. Army Signal Corps photographer, high school students are shown gathering bricks from the ruins; Sister St. Cecelia, Superior, instructs her students in the proper



method of digging potatoes; Father Patrick O'Connor, S. S. C., correspondent of N. C. W. C. News Service in Japan, gives the students a word of praise for their diligence in keeping the

school going after it was bombed out during the war. The girls understand a little English, as they study the language at the school.

(NC Photos)