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CATHOLIC NEWS BRIEFS

Tito Peace Denied

VATICAN CITY. — Osservatore Romano, Vatican City daily, has attacked the reported statement of Marshal Tito to United States members of Congress that release of Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac of Zagreb would offend half the Yugoslav population.

The specter of "popular indignation" should the Archbishop be released must just have entered Tito's mind, the Osservatore editorial says. Not too long ago Tito told a group of British MP's that the Archbishop could be released if he left the country and renounced his bishopric, the paper notes.

The editorial also reminds that the Archbishop upheld personal liberty and property rights of all, including dissidents, by declaring that "every illegal procedure against the personal liberty and right of private property of dissidents must be rigorously prohibited."

Cites Morals for Stage

ROME. — His Holiness Pope Pius XII, in a talk to a Catholic theatrical group, condemned immorality on the stage and rejected the excuse sometimes given for it — "that one must offer what the public demands." He said that "tenacious prejudice" is the state of mind one must have to give that excuse for the immoral, irreligious, vulgar theater.

Scranton College Expands

SCRANTON, Pa. — The two million dollar expansion program for the Scranton Catholic Women's College here will be launched on October 7, by Bishop William J. Hafey of Scranton. Bishop Hafey will preside at ground-breaking ceremonies conducted on the proposed site of one of the four buildings to be erected simultaneously.

Announcement of the proposed program was made early by the Rev. Mother M. Marcella, superior general of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, who conduct the college.

Since Marywood first opened in 1915 with an enrollment of 34 young women, some 4,000 degrees have been awarded to lay and religious students. Many Carolinians attended Marywood.

Charity Session in D. C.

WASHINGTON. — "Charity must be the personal responsibility of every Christian," Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington emphasizes in a message of welcome to the 40th annual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Charities to be held at the Hotel Statler here from November 2 to 6.

The Conference will bring to Washington more than 1,500 delegates representing hundreds of Catholic charitable organizations in all parts of the nation. The Rev. Michael J. Begley, Director of Charities for the Diocese of Raleigh will attend.

Farley Labels Book

HUNTINGTON, Ind. — James A. Farley has come up with a new title for Paul Blanchard's anti-Catholic book, "American Freedom and Catholic Power," whose 450 footnotes some critics say are too often outright misrepresentations.

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OCTOBER, MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The above illustration is from the cover of a new devotional manual for congregational use entitled "Our Lady's Crusade for Peace," prepared by a former Army chaplain, Father Raymond Punda, of Milwaukee. In two editions, one for the service folk and one for the homefront, the manual will be used in a National Crusade for Peace, based on the conditions proposed at Fatima by the Blessed Virgin. (NC Photos)

Chancellor Stresses Catholic Ideals In Education at West Asheville Rites

WEST ASHEVILLE—"It was for no other reason than to be able to extend and give the children entrusted to their care the best education possible, that the priests who have been stationed here at St. Joan of Arc's parish during the past twenty years have devoted every effort toward the building of this new school which is being dedicated today," said the Very Reverend Francis K. O'Brien in a sermon delivered on the occasion of the Solemn Blessing of St. Joan of Arc Parochial School here, October 1.

The Most Reverend Vincent S. Waters, D. D., Bishop of Raleigh, officiated at the rites of dedication, and extended his personal congratulations to the Reverend William J. Kuder, pastor, and to the members of the parish.

Father O'Brien, who is the chancellor of the diocese, was assisting pastor at the local parish for a number of years.

Ideals Stressed

The sermon stressed the ideal of a Catholic education, that it is one of "completeness." It aims, said the speaker, at a sound mind in a sound body. To be complete, all the powers of the pupil must receive development and training. Religion is an essential factor in the daily curriculum as arithmetic and other secular subjects.

Special tribute was paid by Father O'Brien to Father Kuder and the Sisters of Christian Education who have staffed the school for twenty years. The efforts of the Reverend Mother Monk, principal of the school, and her Sisters were

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Cathedral Women Open Retreats at Pinehurst

RALEIGH. — Women of the Sacred Heart Cathedral parish here, will open the 1950-51 schedule of retreats on October 6-8, according to the Reverend John F. Roueche, promoter of the Diocesan Retreat Movement. The retreats are scheduled for women of all the parishes in the diocese to make the spiritual exercises in parish weekend groups at Maryhurst Retreat House, Pinehurst.

Posters citing the program have been sent to all parishes. Twenty-seven weekends, eleven of them in 1950 and sixteen scheduled for the coming year, have been designated through parish groups. The final exercises will be held on April 27-29, 1951, for parishes at Hendersonville, Waynesville, Brevard, Hot Springs and Tryon.

Special facilities for transportation are being planned, and costs for room and meals are being kept

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Gen. M'Arthur Leads Lord's Prayer At Seoul Liberation Ceremonies; Bishop, Clergy Said Deported North

The "Lord's Prayer" was recited publicly by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, supreme commander of U. N. forces, in an expression of thanks to God as he turned over liberated Seoul to President Syngman Rhee of the Korean Republic.

N. J. Supreme Court Studies Law Calling for Bible Reading, Prayer

TRENTON, N. J. — The question whether reciting the Lord's Prayer and reading passages of the Old Testament in New Jersey public schools is a violation of religious freedom under New Jersey's constitution has been debated before the State Supreme Court.

The court reserved decision in an appeal by Donald R. Doremus of East Rutherford and Mrs. Anna E. Klein of Hawthorne, members of the United Secularists of America and whom their counsel, Heyman Zimel of Paterson, described as "freethinkers."

The State Superior Court had sustained the religious proceedings in classrooms and general assemblies. Superior Judge Robert H. Davidson had held that the procedure did not tend to encourage pupils to adopt a particular creed or mode of worship.

Declaring that the suit was "in no way an attack on religion," Mr. Zimel took the position that "if religious worship, religious exercises, religious services, or sectarian instruction, no matter how lofty their purpose, be permitted in the public schools, parents will be compelled to expose their children to doctrines which they consider contrary to their own conscience, or else bear the burden of supporting out of their pockets religious training in a sect other their own."

Defend Law

The 33-year-old law was defended by Henry F. Schenk, deputy State attorney general, and Alexander E. Fasoli, counsel for the Hawthorne Board of Education, a defendant in the action.

Mr. Schenk told the court that "reading of the Old Testament of the Bible cannot possibly offend the religious sensibilities of anyone who believes in God."

Mr. Fasoli contended that Mr. Doremus and Mrs. Klein had no legal basis for presenting an appeal. He said the statute under which prayer and Bible reading was conducted in the public schools had stood for years without Constitutional question.

He added that the First and the

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N. C. Catholic Begins Fifth Year of Publication

This week the NORTH CAROLINA CATHOLIC begins its sixth year of publication, and marks the fourth anniversary as the official voice of the North Carolina Catholic Laymen's Association.

Founded within a short time after Bishop Waters' arrival in North Carolina, the newspaper became affiliated with the National Catholic News Service. The NCCLA was in a tentative stage of organization when the paper began and was directed by temporary officers. Dale Francis was its first editor. Contributing columnists in-

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Reports from the Korean theater also told of shadows overcasting jubilation at the U. N. military successes. It was that Bishop Patrick J. Byrne, Washington-born Apostolic Delegate to Korea, was arrested by the North Korean communists and then taken off to North Korea some days before Seoul's fall to U. N. troops. Both Bishop Byrne and Father Booth were arrested early in July, it was stated. In all 20,000 prominent South Korean citizens were reported taken north as hostages by the Reds.

Priests Killed

It was also reported that at least four other Catholic priests had been arrested by the North Koreans and that one was killed. The Reds reportedly killed a Korean priest of Yongdungpo, a suburb of Seoul, after accusing him of harboring South Korean soldiers.

Churches Taken Over

It is now reported that the communists requisitioned all churches as billets almost from the moment they had entered Seoul. "They did not specifically forbid services," one priest was quoted as saying. "They did not have to. There was no place to hold services."

Meanwhile it became known that Church authorities in the Pusan

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Render to Caesar

Patriotism, devotion to the United States of America is a most fundamental principle of Knighthood in the largest organization of Catholic men in this country, the Knights of Columbus.

Local councils throughout the country will cite this important virtue by a special radio program under the title, "Render to Caesar." The spirit of true love and devotion to the exalted principles upon which our democracy was established needs to have as great a part in our lives today as during the years of devotion in promoting the war effort.

In recent years patriotism has been misconstrued as a form of sentimentality. The patriotic exercises and programs, which were conducted in school assemblies twenty years ago, are shortened today to a simple pledge and hymn. Citizenship classes have been minimized. The exercise of voting by adults shows that the majority are not putting their personal effort into the principles of democratic life, so costly won by our forefathers, and so brilliantly established by them.

On this Columbus Day of the mid-century the Knights of Co-

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