

... more on bus rides

Fed. Judge Okeys Rides But Files His Own Dissent

FAIRBANKS, Alaska — Another judge has upheld the constitutional right of parochial school pupils to a so-called auxiliary aid, while entering a dissent to his own ruling.

U.S. District Court Judge Vernon Forbes ruled (Feb. 19) that Alaska's 1955 schoolbus transportation law authorizes rides for all school children and in so doing conforms to the U. S. Constitution. But Judge Forbes added that he "firmly believes in the solid wall of separation of Church and State for the protection of both" and that a decision such as his weakens that wall.

He said his ruling was forced on him by a 5 to 4 decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1947 Everson case. The nation's highest court then upheld as constitutional a New Jersey law providing transportation for school children attending nonpublic schools.

The majority opinion made a distinction between direct aid to a religious institution, which it said would violate Church-State separation, and state aid to a child attending a religious school, carried out for reasons of public health or safety, such as transportation. These are generally called auxiliary aids.

An approach to the constitutionality of auxiliary aid which was parallel to that of Judge Forbes was taken February 2 in Oregon City, Ore., by Clackamas County Judge Ralph M. Holman.

Judge Holman, in a case that is expected eventually to reach the U.S. Supreme Court, upheld the constitutionality of Oregon's law, which provides that state textbooks can be lent to pupils in nonpublic schools, but he entered a "vigorous dissent" to his own decision.

He argued for his personal belief that there is no distinction between aid to a child and aid to a religious institution. He said proper Church-State separation principles were violated.

The Fairbanks case developed from a suit by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Quinton to force Fairbanks Public School District buses to carry their daughter, Judy Kay, 11, from their home in suburban College to Immaculate Conception School, Fairbanks.

The Fairbanks board had refused to do this. It has fought the Alaska transportation law since it was passed, and in 1957 threatened to cease providing buses because it objected to transportation of nonpublic school pupils. The threat was not carried out.

Alaska law provides that for reasons of health and safety and to facilitate compulsory school attendance, transportation can be provided at public expense for all school children.

The State Board of Education, acting with powers given it by the law, directed that school districts were to enter into contracts for the transportation of pupils who live more than a mile and a half from the school they attend.

Judge Forbes said the law requires that in those places where a transportation program exists, children attending nonpublic schools must be provided rides if they travel over the same routes and the same distances as public school pupils.

But, the Fairbanks district board issued its own directive that buses should not pick up elementary school pupils who live less than a mile and a half from a public school. It ordered, too, that parochial school pupils who were given rides were to be dropped off at the public school, not at, or near, their own school.

Commies Win Over Union Apathy

LONDON — (NC) — Catholic trade unionists have been censured for their apathy in allowing communists to control one of the nation's most powerful unions.

The Universe, national Catholic newspaper, said that only about 17 per cent of the 230,000 members of the Electrical Trades Union, many of whom are Catholics, voted in their recent important election. Frank Haxell, a member of the Communist Party, defeated Jock Byrne, a Scottish Catholic, for the post of General Secretary.

An outcry has resulted charging ballot-rigging in the election for the key post in a union whose skilled members hold strategic jobs throughout British industry. The Universe, however, said that little or no publicity was given to the fact that the alleged conspiracy was possible only because such a small number voted.

"On such figures it is indeed possible for the communists and their left-wing sympathizers to obtain majorities due to the apathy and lack of interest of the considerable majority of non-communist members in failing to attend branch meetings and vote," it said.

Skid Row Goes Egghead

DETROIT — (NC) — Skid Row is taking on an egghead look.

A second reading room, complete with books, magazines, a record player and classical disks, has been opened in the downtown loop district. Father Clement H. Kern, pastor of Most Holy Trinity Church in the city's old Corktown area, opened it (Feb. 15) after being encouraged by the appreciation accorded an initial reading room last summer.

The project's purpose is to provide wholesome recreation for anyone in the downtown district, which attracts a number of "drifters."

Business firms and individuals have donated facilities and money for the project. Members of the board of directors volunteer their services. Father Kern and his assistant pastors, Fathers George B.

Van Antwerp and Leonard McManamon, serve as spiritual directors.

Burial In Anglican Cathedral

LIVERPOOL, England — (NC) — Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, noted British architect and Catholic, has been buried within the precincts of the uncompleted Anglican cathedral here. His work on the vast Protestant edifice spanned 50 years.

He was buried in a tomb which he designed in 1949 after the death of his wife, a non-Catholic. He had received permission for his own burial beside his wife from the late Archbishop Richard Downey of Liverpool, who stipulated that services be private.

Father Richard Wright, O.S.B., pastor of St. Austin's parish here, officiated at the brief ceremony for the 79-year-old architect, who had designed a number of churches and buildings for the Benedictines.

Lay Catechists Work The Andes

PUNO, Peru — (NC) — The Maryknoll Fathers have built up an organization of 1,950 catechists—mostly Indians—to help make up for the shortage of priests in this remote area of the Andes mountains.

The Maryknoll Missioners, who have been in charge of this area since 1942, say the key to the catechetical program is the mission training school.

A recent innovation here was the establishment of a catechetical bookstore. It supplies Catholic literature printed in Quechua and Aymara — primitive Indian languages still spoken by a majority of the natives in this area.

Vatican-Turkey Diplomacy

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — The Holy See has given its representative in Turkey full diplomatic status with the rank of apostolic

internuncio, the equivalent of minister plenipotentiary.

He is Archbishop Francesco Lardone, 73, former director of ecclesiastical studies at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C. Since June of last year he has been Apostolic Delegate to Turkey, a post once held by His Holiness Pope John XXIII.

The Vatican confirmed in January that it was establishing full diplomatic relations with the republic of Turkey, whose traditional secularistic policy had made such diplomatic relations difficult. Demands for diplomatic relations with the Holy See had increased recently in the Turkish press and Parliament.

The Turkish republic was created in 1923 through the efforts of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk. Its secularism was directed against the Moslem religion, which had in Ataturk's opinion impeded the modernization of the country. But this secularism affected relations with Christians also. Turkey has a population of 26 million, of which 250,000 are Christians. There are about 18,000 Catholics in the country.

French Love St. Martin

PARIS — (NC) — This will be the year of St. Martin in France. In 1960 there will be many pilgrimages, celebrations and publications in honor of the 16th centenary of the introduction of the monastic life into France by St. Martin of Tours, the nation's patron.

St. Martin's community began as a hermitage at Liguge in 360 A.D. About 11 years later he was chosen Bishop of Tours, and served until his death in 397.

The more than 4,000 churches dedicated to St. Martin will be the scene of celebrations in his honor.

Of the 38,000 registered communities in France, 365 bear St. Martin's name. Isolated hamlets bring the number to about 500.

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