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## The Bishop's Chat



My dear Flock:

We are in the month of the Sacred Heart, during which public devotions are offered in practically all churches, partly by way of atonement for the sins of the fathers, and partly by way of reparation for the ingratitude to the Sacred Heart

### OFFICIAL

On Pentecost Sunday the collection in all the churches is for Pope's Pence, the money so sorely needed by the Holy Father today to carry on the government of the Church and to sustain numerous religious works throughout the world.

The spring conference of the clergy may be dispensed with this year because it falls only a few days before the Clergy Retreat.

Where there are hold-over papers to be read and discussed and the clergy want the conference, it may be held.

#### Bishop's Appointments

June 1—Commencement, St. Mary's College.

June 2—Commencement, Notre Dame University.

June 3—Confirmation, Rensselaer, afternoon.

June 3—Commencement exercises, St. Joseph's College, Coleville.

June 6—Mass for students at C. C. H. S., Hammond.

June 6—Central Catholic High School, Fort Wayne, Commencement, evening.

June 7—St. Augustine's Academy, Commencement, evening.

June 9—Pontifical Mass, Cathedral.

Confirmation of converts of all Fort Wayne parishes, Cathedral, afternoon.

The exhibition track meet by the Notre Dame University Team, under the C. Y. O., will be held at Fort Wayne on Sunday afternoon, June 9th, instead of on Monday, June 10th.

At their recent meeting in Washington, the Administrative Committee of Bishops, representing the entire Hierarchy of the United States, decided to have special prayers offered during the month of June at all public devotions in behalf of the persecuted people of Mexico.

We boast that our Government exists for the sake of the governed, while the government of Mexico—the self-constituted Revolutionary government—exists solely for the personal ruling powers. In a single church open, although practically the entire population is professedly Catholic. Imagine the cruelty of a government, which will not allow its people to have the consolations of religion before the departed! Imagine churches, built by the sacrifices of the people, being closed against them, and of the Holy Sacrifices of the Mass not being allowed in edifices built exclusively for divine worship!

You may have heard that the Catholic Church is itself largely responsible for the difficulties it has had with many of Mexico's rulers, but you have not been told the truth. The Mexican people were far better off spiritually and intellectually, generations ago, when the Church was free. Each succeeding ruler has made, of course, accusations against the

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## Missing in China



Rev. Henry M. Bush, M. M., of Medford, Mass., believed to have been captured by bandits or Reds in South China. Father Bush, who was ordained in June, 1933, was assigned to the Maryknoll Kaying Mission the following month. He disappeared on May 15th, in the vicinity of Kithong, Kiangsi, where troops are searching for him.

## Mexico Priest Exiled For His Opposition to Socialistic Education

Washington.—There has come to the attention of the N. C. W. C. News Service a striking example of the lengths to which Mexican authorities are going to compel the imparting of Socialist education, and also the ruthlessness with which it expels priests. The case is that of a Catholic pastor in a certain Mexican State, to whom the authorities attributed every obstacle that beset their Socialistic education program, and who suffered deportation from his native land with scarcely any notice and with no hearing at all.

The facts in the case are as follows:

Some months ago, when Socialist education was being introduced in the schools of Mexico, the pastor in question felt it his duty to instruct his people regarding the tenets of Socialism and their effect upon the family and society. This he did in his Sunday sermons and catechetical instructions, and his action quickly drew the displeasure

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## Bill Seeking Aid For Parochial Schools Is Rejected In Ohio

Columbus, O.—The Ohio House of Representatives has rejected the Davis School Aid Bill, under which emergency aid by the State would be extended to parochial schools. The vote was 86 to 42.

The State Senate on May 15 passed the bill by a vote of 17 to 15.

The bill provides for State aid to the extent of \$3,000,000 for free tuition high and elementary schools on the basis of average daily attendance for 1933-34 and for \$2,000,000 for denominational colleges not now receiving State support. If enacted into law, the bill would have aided 170,000 children in parochial schools and approximately 25,000 students in denominational colleges.

The fight to obtain State aid for free tuition schools that are not part of the public school system was begun more than two years ago.

## MANY CATHOLICS IN NEW GROUP TO WAR UPON CRIME

### Commission For Social Education Formed at White House Session.

Washington.—Creation of a National Commission on Social Education, the purpose of which will be to fight crime by promoting community consciousness of the causes of crime, was decided upon by the White House Conference on Social Education held in the East Room of the Executive Mansion on Saturday.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John A. Ryan of the Catholic University of America, Director of the Department of Social Action of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, addressed the Conference. Miss Agnes G. Regan, Executive Secretary of the National Council of Catholic Women, was selected to serve on a small committee which drafted resolutions to form the basis of the afternoon's discussion. Others present at the meeting included Mrs. Philip A. Brennan of Brooklyn, representing the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae; D. J. Callahan, of Washington, D. C., supreme treasurer of the Knights of Columbus; and Edmond B. Butler of New York, representing the National Catholic Alumni Federation.

Monsignor Ryan expressed pleasure in the fact that the Conference was attempting to focus the attention of individual communities upon the crime problem, saying that this attitude exemplifies one of the great principles of democracy, and that communities know things about themselves that other sections and groups do not.

#### Causes of Crime

Crime and criminals, Monsignor Ryan said, are due to economic causes, to environment, and to the lack of proper parental training, education and upbringing. He emphasized the lack of moral and re-

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## Sisters at St. Mary's College Pay Tribute to Most Rev. Bishop

On Thursday of this week the Sisters of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, were to honor the Most Rev. Bishop at a dinner and special entertainment planned in observance of the tenth anniversary of his consecration. Dinner was to be served in the evening with the Sisters, prominent priests from Notre Dame and a few secular priests of the diocese present. Following the dinner the students at St. Mary's were to present a Peace Pageant written by Sister Madalava especially for the Bishop.

## Is Hitler A Practical Catholic?

Berlin. — For the first time since he has been Chancellor, Adolf Hitler attended church officially last week at St. Hedwig's Cathedral. The occasion was the Requiem Mass for Marshal Pilsudski. Minister Goebbels, who, like Hitler, were born a Catholic, also attended.

Hitler, Goebbels and other officials and diplomats, did not kneel but remained standing during the Elevation.

The reader is free to draw his own conclusions and to answer the question which heads this brief item.

## Noted Author



Miss Helen C. White, Associate Professor of English at the University of Wisconsin and Catholic author of note. Her book, "Not Built With Hands," was the June selection of the Catholic book Club. Miss White is completing research work at the British Museum, London.

## Notre Dame Savant's Experiment Hailed As Germ Study Triumph

Notre Dame, Ind.—A biological experiment which may lead to the isolation of the germs which cause colds, influenza and infantile paralysis has been successfully completed at the University of Notre Dame.

It is announced that, after six years of constant laboratory work, Prof. J. A. Reyniers has succeeded in obtaining absolutely germ-free guinea pigs and in raising them without contamination by germs of any kind.

The importance of this work, it is explained, lies in the fact that it permits a study of any single germ on a living organism, until now considered impossible. Most scientists have contended that life in an animal body was impossible without bacteria.

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## 120 Altars Placed In Auditorium For Eucharistic Congress

Atlanta.—How plans are going forward for a project without precedent in this country—the erection of altars in a public auditorium to permit the celebration of some 120 Masses at the same time was revealed by the Rev. Dr. A. M. Fitzpatrick, Editor of The Catholic Universe Bulletin, Cleveland, in an address to the Catholic Press Association Convention here on the National Eucharistic Congress to be held in Cleveland, September 23 to 26.

Declaring that "we are going to give the Catholic people of the United States a most wonderful opportunity to make an impressive demonstration of their Faith," Father Fitzpatrick explained the projected use of the Public Auditorium in Cleveland in connection with the Seventh National Eucharistic Congress. The stage of the Auditorium, he said, will become a

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## BISHOP HONORED BY STUDENTS AND PRIESTS AT N. D.

### More Than 23,000 Attend Eucharistic Demonstration in Stadium

One hundred and fifty priests and brothers of the Congregation of the Holy Cross, together with the students of the University of Notre Dame, paid loving tribute to the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D. D., last Saturday, May 25, when the University took occasion to honor His Excellency during this the tenth year of his episcopate.

In the morning the entire student body of the University attended a Mass at which the Most Rev. Bishop officiated and which brought to a close a Novena of Masses and Communions offered by the students for the Bishop's intention. The spiritual bouquet was comprised of 11,860 Masses heard and 12,743 Communions received.

In the evening a dinner was served in the faculty dining room of the University and was attended by all professed members of the Community who reside on the campus. The Most Rev. Bishop occupied the position of honor at the speakers' table, with the Very Rev. James W. Donahue, C. S. C., superior general of the Congregation of the Holy Cross; the Rev. James A. Burns, C. S. C., provincial, and the Rev. John A. O'Hara, C. S. C., president of Notre Dame, seated near him.

#### Presents Offering

At the conclusion of the banquet, Father Donahue reviewed the pleasant relations which have existed between the university and His Excellency for the past decade and presented to him a handsome offering, which will be used on furnishings in the new chapel to be built by the Bishop commemorating his tenth anniversary, in

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## Decatur Schools Are Accredited By State Board

The St. Joseph grade and Decatur Catholic high schools have been placed on a continuous commission basis, the certificate being received by the Rev. Father Joseph Seimetz, school superintendent, from Floyd I. McMurray, state superintendent of public instruction.

The continuous commission credit is for the grades and high schools, the certificate reading including all grades from one to 12.

The State Board of Education, at a meeting held April 5, recommended that the parochial schools, maintained by St. Mary's parish and taught by the Sisters of St. Agnes be placed on a continuous commission basis.

The certificates, which place the Catholic schools on the same credit basis as accredited public schools, reads, "The work done in the above grades (one to 12) entitles the pupils to the rights and privileges provided by the statutes of Indiana and the rules of the State Board of Education for the commissioned schools in the state of Indiana."

From 1922 to 1931, the Catholic high school was affiliated with the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., which membership granted privileges to graduates who desired to enter college.

In 1931 the Catholic school was given a condition commission accredited by the state. Each year it has been approved, following annual inspections by the state board of education and the commission.

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 Benediction both to yourself and to all those  
 who read or assist *Our Sunday Visitor*.  
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**CATHOLICS COULD NOT SAY THIS WITHOUT BEING CRITICIZED**

The President of the Union Theological Seminary (Presbyterian) recently gave utterance to a fact, which should be patent to every believer in God, yet a Catholic clergyman would be criticized severely by many of our countrymen if he declared with the Presbyterian minister:

"Christians are citizens of their various countries, and ought to be their most devoted citizens. But if the public policy or the civic customs of any nation conflict with a Christian's manner of life in the church, there can be no question where his first loyalty lies. We cannot subordinate our Christianity to current Americanism, or Germanism, to current communism, or capitalism.

"A German and a French Christian, a Japanese and an American Christian, have more in common than has any one of them with his non-Christian fellow-nationals, for Christ and the Christian heritage are richer than the in-

**Right or Wrong**

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ceive Holy Communion. But just as there are occasionally a few who through ignorance or deliberate intent give scandal to others by their dress, so there will always be a few who will not hesitate even to approach the altar rail in unbecoming attire and with lips coated thickly enough to make "the multitudinous seas incarnadine."

Martyred Mexico has at last found a pen able to defend her before the world. Bishop Kelley of Oklahoma in "Blood-Drenched Altars" has given us one of his finest books. It has already become a Catholic "best-seller" on the Mexican question. It is a complete, authentic, documented interpretation of Mexico from the Conquest until the present day. "Blood-Drenched Altars" is the Catholic "reply" to President Cardenas' statement "There is no persecution in Mexico." Already a second edition of this fine book has been found necessary.

Bishop Kelley was a principal in some of the important historical events which he describes.

The whole work was completed in the short space of eight weeks. Before commencing, Bishop Kelley announced to his publishers that his book would contain a hundred thousand words. When he finally carried it to the printers, he found that it had grown to two hundred thousand.

The Mexican persecution, says Bishop Kelley, is a "planned affair." "To Americans, then, the persecution is of alarming interest, not only because of its horror, but principally because of the purposes behind it. 'Liberty of conscience, of teaching, of association, of the press,' are privileges especially cherished by Americans, and recognized by the American Constitution as part of that heritage of natural rights referred to in the Declaration of Independence as 'inalienable.' Such rights are recognized as beyond the legitimate power of government to deny."

"Mexico today, like Russia, is a challenge to all that is decent, honest, and just in the souls of men. Every cherished ideal of Christian civilization has there been defied by this refinement of barbarism;

this city and, even with their bare hands, kill every persecutor in it. And I am but one of the bishops who not only could do that but who knows that he could do it. Our enemies are living by the unfeeling toleration of Christ. They know as well as we that the finger will not be lifted, no matter how they make us suffer."

"But why?" asked his American friend, "Why is it not legitimate to defend justice even with the sword?"

The Bishop replied: "Christ said: 'put up thy sword into its place for he who takes the sword shall perish by the sword.' But let that pass as something hard for the world to understand. We cannot be responsible before God and man for bloodshed. It is better that we should die and that out of the blood of martyrs should come a new growth—as it is sure to come."

The wisdom and the power of Christ are behind that answer. "You shall be hated by all men for My name's sake."

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The presence of many forms of germ life has interfered seriously with the isolation in the past of germs that cause many of the most current human ailments. Consequently no serums or other effective preventatives for some of the ailments have yet been developed.

**'Backward' Nations Set Example for America**

Shanghai.—More than a million Chinese poor persons, says an article in a recent issue of *China Light* of Shanghai, receive free medical treatment from Catholic priests and Sisters every year at the Shanghai mission. For most of these people, this is the first contact with Christian charity. The Catholic Church maintains several clean and well-equipped dispensaries in Shanghai.—(Fides.)

Madras.—More than 230,000 publications were distributed by the Catholic Truth Society of India during 1934. These pamphlets are printed in English and in local native languages.—(Fides.)

**World Forces and Catholic Action**

Speaking on "World Forces and Catholic Action" at the annual Communion Breakfast of Mt. Vernon Council, Knights of Columbus, William E. Kerrish, K. of C. lecturer, referred to recent events in Russia, Germany, Spain and Mexico as the "shadows of anti-Christ," to be effectively dispelled only by a militant, supernatural religious faith, applied with a Christian realism to the practical affairs of life.

"The call of the Holy Father for Catholic Action," he said, "is based upon the clear realization that the unchained powers of darkness of which he speaks are truly powerful in the world today. We live in a time which will evidently call for the deepest reserves of our Catholic Faith. We can, however, face the grave problems of the hour in the sure knowledge that Almighty God may try our Faith, but that He will never forsake us. We have the Divine guarantee that against the Church the gates of hell shall not prevail. But we cannot look with a detached, or merely academic, interest at the attacks upon the rights of conscience in other lands, for these shadows of the spirit of anti-Christ would if possible envelop the whole human race. In the words of Pope Pius XI, 'For God or against God, this once again is the alternative that shall decide the destinies of all mankind.'"

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Lufkin, Texas

Most Rev. Bishop Noll:

I think your readers will be interested in the following letter, which was written in the interest of truth.

Editors, "Present Truth".

Washington, D. C.:

I have just paid a visit to the Angelina County Jail here in Lufkin, Texas, where, through the courtesy of the Judge and the Sheriff, an opportunity was given to interview Glenn M. Warren (incarcerated on the charge of murder) whom you have won to your anti-Catholic belief. There he sits, poor fellow, using part of his dreary time and artistic talents in drawing, according to your directions, a picture of the tiara of the Pope with the words inscribed upon it "Vicarius Filii Dei" (Vicar of the Son of God) which he has figured out, as Seventh Day Adventism directs, to total the numerical value 666. This is intended to prove that the Pope is the beast, the anti-Christ in the 13th. Chapter of the Book of Revelation.

Your publications have so completely captured the mind of Glenn M. Warren (as it has others) that he, unfortunate young man, does not sense the falsity nor the viciousness of your contention. He knows only that were the anti-Christ to enter the Angelina County Jail he would be more easily recognized by his work of turning minds against the Catholic Church than by the numerical value of the name he fears. He would not be seen, as is the representative of the pope, the priest, going around from cell to cell directing the minds of prisners to Christ, to the Church of Christ, and to the sacraments Christ instituted to reconcile sinners with God.

I hereby enter a protest against the distribution of your misrepresentation among prisoners or sinners. It is an offense against Christian charity, which does not permit the intensification of religious animosity. You can see the evil result of it upon the sinner who is very likely to be sent to the electric chair. It turned his mind against Catholic Christians instead of towards Christ and Him crucified.

If "Present Truth" is published, as you say, to tell the truth, then would its editors and publishers refrain from filling its pages with a mass of oft-refuted statements against the Church that owes its origin to Jesus Christ, the Church to which Catholics have paid honor to their Lord and their God for 1900 years. Obedience to the law of charity calls upon you to cease embittering hearts and minds with the monstrous notion that the pope is the 666 in the book of Revelation. If it were a crime as well as a sin, you may be assured that you and your associated Seventh Day Adventists would be under lock and key for murdering truth. You are not just guilty of misrepresenting the Catholic, but you are also guilty of abusing the use of public places by your wanton disregard of the courtesy due to citizens and taxpayers who are Catholics. This you have done here in Lufkin, as elsewhere, by placing racks in the Court House, railway station and hotels that are filled with your insulting effusions.

Before going into a detailed reply to your charge it were well to let you know that this is not the first time that I have contacted your evil work. I have met it in all parts of the United States during the 70,000 mile lecture journey of the Catholic Campaigners For Christ. Heretofore I have contented myself with the reply that appears in my Campaigners For Christ Handbook, and by answering your Seventh Day Adventist clientele whenever they were brazen enough to present their offensive reference to the pope at outdoor meetings. It is the vicious work of drawing a man indicted for murder into the maelstrom of Seventh Day Adventist misrepresentation that prompts

me to write directly to headquarters in Tacoma Park to find out whether the time has come when a dispassionate, detailed refutation of the charge will turn you from furthering the assault for which God will surely punish its perpetrators if they do not repent and make reparation for their offense.

In the first place Protestant authorities of repute today are not, as you claim, "in practical agreement" that the beast—the anti-Christ—is the papal authority. To quote two in one book: "Word Studies In The New Testament", by Marvin R. Vincent, D. D. Baldwin Professor of Sacred Literature in Union Theological Seminary, New York, 1905 (vol. II)—says rightly: "The interpretations of the number form a jungle from which escape is apparently hopeless. Reuss says: 'This famous number has been made to yield almost all the historical names of the past eighteen centuries: Titus, Vespasian, Simon Groras; Julian the Apostate and Genseric; Mahomet and Luther; Benedict IX and Louis XV; Napoleon I., and the Duke of Ruchstadt; and it would not be difficult, on the same principles, to read in any one's name'."

The correctness of this fact was demonstrated by the able Jesuit Father Hull of Bombay who Latinized his name—(Ernestus Reginalus Hull) to show the Seventh Day Adventists of India that according to their system of reckoning, he himself and not the pope is the anti-Christ in the Book of Revelation, for his name totals 666.

In the second place Protestant authorities of high standing are agreed that the name referred to in the 13th. Chapter of the Book of Revelation is that of a man and not the title of a man. I name the Unabridged Edition of Cruden's Concordance (page 411) as one of many authorities that sustain this contention. The name of the occupant of the Chair of Peter is Pope Pius XI, and not Vicarius Filii Dei, and it does not total 666 in any language. But more than all, there is no such inscription on the Pope's tiara.

Vicarius Filii Dei is not the pope's title, though he is the vicar of Jesus Christ Who is the Son of God. His title, as can be found in Volume XV of the Catholic Encyclopedia, is (in Latin) Vicarius Christ and that totals (V 5-i I-c 100-i I u 5-c 100-i I I) 214 and not 666. The Catholic Encyclopedia says that at times the pope has been called Vicar of St. Peter, Vicar of the Apostolic See. But neither in the Catholic Encyclopedia, the Catholic Directory, nor in papal documents, is the pope titled Vicarius Filii Dei. Besides what warrant is there for assuming the name of the man referred to in the Book of Revelation is to appear in Latin? St. John wrote the Book in Greek and Vicar or Vicegerent of the Son of God in Greek does not total numerically 666 according to your ingenious system of reckoning. Evidently, you failed to examine, or thought your readers too undiscerning to note, that the quotation from "Labbe and Cossart's History" in "Present Truth" (Page 3, Vol. 3, No. 20) rightly designates the pope as vicar of Christ, and not vicar of the Son of God.

In the fourth place if you will not go to Catholic authorities, as every just person should, to learn the title of the pope, then you might go to our leading dictionaries for the information. Ah no! Seventh Day Adventists find it more in harmony with their monstrous claim to draw upon their imagination or to go to some anti-Catholic source for their material. Webster's New International Dictionary says that "vicar of (Jesus) Christ—the pope; is a title assumed with reference to his claim to represent Christ as head of the church on earth". Please note that Webster says "head of the church ON EARTH" for "the papacy" does not (as you insist in "Present Truth") "set up a man as head of the church in place of Christ, offering him divine worship and addressing him in terms and titles which belong only to the Son of God". Every one of the three hundred and more millions of Catholics in the world knows that such a thing would be a violation of the Law of God. The pope is, as Webster says, "head of the church on earth", for Christ Jesus is held by Catholics to be the Supreme Head, the heavenly Head of His Universal

Church which He promised to be with until the end of the world. Webster's Dictionary says that a vicegerent, a vicar is a representative, one "having or exercising delegated power; acting by substitution, or in place of one delegating hi. power."

My hope is that "Present Truth" will cease bearing false witness against Catholics by printing real truth. My hope is that its editors and associated preachers will call a halt to nailing Truth to the Cross as did Pilate, the Jews, and the Roman soldiers, through the circulation of error, slander and incentive to uncharitableness. I await your answer to this challenge.

Respectfully,  
David Goldstein.

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