PRELATE OUTLINES PARENTS' RIGHTS IN EDUCATION

N. C. W. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS TREAT MANY IMPORTANT PROBLEMS

The following resolutions were among those adopted by the National Council of Catholic Women at their recent convention in Fort Wayne. The resolutions treat of many important problems which are of interest to the church and the community. They are therefore confident that their readers will be interested in them.

MIXED GROUPS

WHEREAS, it is an increasingly secularized society, morality is more or less based upon divergent beliefs, and this is regarded as a matter of social conscience and WHEREAS, in several national groups of women, there is a feeling that the local groups are at variance with the general good of America, and WHEREAS, the Catholic Church, as an educator of the youth of the nation, is not uninterested in the welfare of the community, and WHEREAS, the National Council of Catholic Women, as the representative body of Catholic women, is therefore willing to take up the question of this matter, it is hereby resolved that:

The Catholic University Day

December 1st will be Catholic University Day Sunday in 24 dioceses of the United States. It has been designated a day for the expression of gratitude to God for the blessings of higher education. The Catholic Church, throughout the world, is committed to the service of the human person through the education of the young. The Catholic University Day is an opportunity to recognize the contributions of Catholic universities, and to pray for the success and growth of Catholic education. The National Council of Catholic Women encourages all Catholic women to participate in this day of prayer and reflection.

No Conflict Between Science and Religion

The Catholic Church welcomes the contribution of science to our understanding of the world and to our growth as human beings. The Church teaches that science and faith are not in conflict, but rather, they are complementary. Science can help us understand the natural world, while faith helps us understand the spiritual and moral dimensions of life. The Church encourages dialogue between science and religion, and welcomes the opportunity to share insights and perspectives with the scientific community.

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From their children. This control belongs to parents, whatever be their creed, color or blood, not to politicians, nor to school boards, nor to educators. The restoring to parents of their rights can only be for the best interest of youth. No one so well as the parent understands the needs of the individual child. Not only this, but the parent understands the needs of the community. The parent knows better than the school what is best for the child. How can this restoration be brought about? This all-important reform needs the best thought that can possibly be given to it.

It is necessary, first of all, to recognize that our present system is far from perfect. We can have and should have a system that will turn out good citizens. The religion of all parents should be respected. Not a complicated but a simple system can be worked out by which all parents can have freedom of choice in selecting those teachers whom they judge qualified, not to act as instructors, but to give them the formation which they wish to have for their children. Teachers are in reality but the delegates of parents.

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INTERESTS

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Sunday, December 3, 1939

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR

Bureau of Information

In writing to this department please
state the name or title of the
journal, magazine, newspaper, etc.,
and give a complete address of the
author. All communications should
be clearly understood. The name or
title of the person answering your
d Letters must be included with the
question.

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Julia DeWald

Julia DeWald in this area states that the Latin phrase
"Vexillum Fili" is used in the Pope's address at the
imperial council. The phrase is actually found in
the Pope's address at the imperial council, but
when you later removed your
preference for the use of the
phrase, you were not at all convincing. I would
like to know the facts in this situation.

Are the words "Vexillum Fili" or
anything else used in any way by
the Pope, and how do they
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Catholic Church?

The question submitted
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