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LETTERS

Red Propaganda

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

To the Editor:

It has come to my attention that a considerable number of communist propaganda books and pamphlets are being sent to law libraries and lawyers in this country. These publications are either in English or French and emanate from "l'Association Internationale des Juristes Democratés" (International Association of Democratic Jurists). I have in my possession a copy of "Les Juristes pour la Paix" (Jurists for Peace) which contains a number of propaganda speeches made by delegates to the "Cinqueme Congres de l'Association Internationale des Juristes Democratés." This volume is particularly deceptive to those who do not read French, for on page 208 there is a picture of a priest talking to a young child. However, if one turns the pages he will discover pictures of the Vice-President of the Supreme Court of U.S.S.R., the President of the Supreme Court of the People's Republic of China, and Otto Grotewohl, Prime Minister of East Germany. You may wish to caution your readers that the "Association Internationale des Juristes Democratés" is a Communist organization with headquarters in Bruxelles, Belgium, and that its publications are purely communist propaganda.

Kenneth Wang

Right-to-Work Laws

JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY

To the Editor:

It strikes me that the author of "*Morality of Right-To-Work Laws*" cannot see the

forest, not for the trees, but for the hedges he has built up around it.

W. J. S.

Natural Law

URBANA, ILLINOIS

To the Editor:

I have been very much impressed by the recent issues of your publication. Also, I have appreciated the courteous and scholarly treatment that your contributors have given to the arguments on Natural Law which have been advanced by my colleague, Prof. George W. Goble. Mr. Goble is a fine scholar and gentleman, and he deserves the type of courteousness that both he and I feel he has received in your magazine.

Let's have more articles on vital subjects, such as natural law, and fewer on such matters as bingo.

William M. Lewers

Lawyer-Priests

PORTLAND, OREGON

To the Editor:

I enjoy reading THE CATHOLIC LAWYER. The articles enhance one's ability to be a better lawyer.

On May 18, 1956, the Most Reverend Edward D. Howard, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, consecrated to the Priesthood, Hugh C. Gearin, who graduated from Georgetown Law School, LL.B. '37. Following graduation, Father Gearin engaged in the general practice of law in Oregon, serving one term as District Attorney for Curry County, Oregon. Since his ordination, Father Gearin has been temporarily the Pastor at St. August-

tine's Parish, Ocean Lake, Oregon, and beginning this fall, it is planned that he shall work in the Diocesan office for the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon.

F. Leo Smith

Other Lawyer-Priests are:

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A Word of Praise

DENVER, COLORADO

To the Editor:

Enclosed please find \$10 for which you will kindly enter two gift subscriptions.

THE CATHOLIC LAWYER seems now to have attained the eminence that belongs to maturity. I am proud of the efforts of those responsible for the production of this high class periodical.

Joseph A. Craven

Freedom, Responsibility and the Law (*continued*)

years or so. I mean the full-time teachers of law. I would not indeed slight their part-time coadjutors; but I think that a special tribute is due to the dedicated men who, at the cost of sacrifice, gave themselves entirely to the work of the law school. In a special sense these men are the carriers of the traditions of the law. Their historical scholarship sustains the vital link of continuity with the wisdom of the past. Their philosophical intelligence keeps the study of the law from degenerating into the mere acquisition of legal skills. Their devotion to young students gives the guaranty that the America of the future will have a bar and a bench which know

their own tradition and are pledged to its perennial renewal. Their reflective understanding of the changing needs of American society assures our citizenry that the law itself will develop as a flexible instrument of the public interest, while remaining true to its own inner rational essence.

These men—on the faculty of the Fordham Law School, and in other universities—deserve in some special way that intangible but real reward which is the gratitude of society. They tend the seedbeds, as it were, to which we look for a generation of scholars and counsellors through whom the great traditions of civility will find new and vigorous life.

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