

A Fearless Leader.

Not all the Germans were fighting the Allies. Some were opposing their own country-men, namely those who promoted Nazism. One of the most outspoken opponents of Nazi doctrine and practices was the Catholic Bishop von Galen. A recent news account gives a brief description of this courageous leader:

"He caused an extraordinary sensation and serious Nazi tension in Germany and occupied countries when, in sermons and pastorals, he dealt with Gestapo atrocities, mentioned the dread secret police by name and denounced them as tyrants and cowards. He never failed to protest to Hitler by telegram or letter whenever the latter violated the Concordat with Rome. He condemned from the pulpit the murder of invalids and the mentally ill."

Are you, like Bishop (now Cardinal) von Galen, a man of principle. Are you willing to risk your neck that those who depend on you may not be unjustly deprived of their rights? When you are confronted by practices that are unfair, uncharitable, and unChristlike, do you let them pass without protest, saying as many do, "I'm not being hurt, so what of it?"

Catholic college men have the responsibility of preparing for leadership. They are to be on the alert for what would hurt the Church, the family, the city. When God spoke to Cain at the dawn of human affairs, He made it clear that every man was to be his brother's keeper.

"On The Ball."

Action by live-wire Catholics prevented a false picture of the Holy Family from being broadcast over a nation-wide hookup. Christ was the only child of the Blessed Virgin. The radio presentation, in the form of a play, made Mary the mother of four sons besides Jesus. When it was discovered that false history was to be sent over the air, complaints were registered with member stations, and these in turn complained to the CBS. The result was a last minute cancellation of the play. When truth is being burned at the stake, stand up and defend her.

Frank Fay expressed leadership recently. He is a Catholic actor and a member of the Actors Equity Association. When five members of the Association attended a leftist meeting at which the Catholic Church was derided, Mr. Fay contended that the five members had participated in an attack on his religion. When Mr. Fay appealed his case to higher authorities in the Association, he received further censure. But he didn't quit. His fearlessness where principle was involved brought a host of others to defend him. We need more lawyers, doctors, employers and employees who are not afraid to defend the truth in the marketplace.

Of course, all this has a reference to you. Christ made it very clear that you are not to be a drawing-room Catholic. He insists that you stand up and be leaders. He was not fooling when he called you the salt of the earth, and the light of the world. Get rid of your weak knees.

PRAYERS: (deceased) brother of Father Timothy Murphy, CSC; Othmar Smith, ex.'26; uncle of Joe Prall (Z); aunt of Jim Dougherty (Sorin); uncle of George Tansey (Sorin); father of former Coach Elmer Layden; friend of Father Simonitsch, CSC; father of Father Joseph Cavanaugh, CSC; cousin of Father Leo R. Ward, CSC; Robert Sweeney, '04 (London, Eng.); mother of Mrs. Joseph LaFortune; mother of Mr. Joseph LaFortune.
2 Special Intentions.

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