Here, apparently, is direct and poitive evidence that the nonpolitical pretensions of the Roman church cannot be factually supported. For many generations European political life has been cursed with this sort of shenanigans and history records its tragic outcome, but never before has any part of this Republic had to contend with these disruptive forces. This new mongrel organization, which has torn the island's Republican statehood party asunder, demands an Ambassador to the Vatican. church control of education and censorship curbs on birth control and other restrictions. Already established on United States soil, might not this be the precursor of a similar cancer intended for trans planting into the continental United States?

The formation and growth of a church-affiliated party, no matter what the church or the name by which it is known, would be disastrous to the unity of this Republic. It could under no circumstances avoid causing the complete disruption of our domestic peace and might well lead to open hostile action against the church. The formation here or clsewhere of any such bloc for the purpose of achieving completely selfish institutional objectives should not be tolerated by those who value their freedom.

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mic, political — are vigilantly watched, resisted, and defeated. Further, that hope remains alive as long as the public demands with uncompromising urgency that the government give the public school wstem and the University of the Philippines increased budgetary support from year to year and sees to it that the Constitution regarding education is courageously implemented no matter what the reactionary forces do.

Let me repeat the warning: Take out the public school system and the University of the Philippines from the social scene, and the days through which Rizal lived and suffered will be here again before we know it: even if you do not take out these symbols of free institutions, but meresymbols of free institutions, but merely allow them to be weakened, as some forces are attempting to do, those Rizal days will come back just the same, though slowly and stealthily, but just as surely. You can bet on that

Then when this country retrogresses because the thinking is again dimmed and the human personality is again downgraded, as of old, we will say with gnashing teeth to ourselves. "We deserve what we get because we were not smart enough to learn from the bitter labours of our great men of the past."

Remose always comes later than the deed. History has taught this repeatedly, but I guess some people have to learn it many times and pay a heavy price before it sinks in.

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NOLI ME TANGERE LODGE NO. 118. F & A M

One of the few lodges to install their officers for 1961 was the Noti Mc Tangere Lodge No. 148. F & A M which held their installation of officers at Plavidel Temple on Dec. 7, 1960 with Brigadier General Alfredo M. Santos, (AFP), as the Guest Speaker. It being a public installation, it was well attended by a large number of friends, brethren. and members of the families of the members. Musical numbers were rendered by Profs. Regino Dano, Dimona Clarin, and Mrs. Gudela C. Baltazar.

Officers elected and appointed to serve the Lodge in 1961 are: Cesar B. Aguilar, Worshipful Master; Cesar C. Rillona, Senior Warden; Benito R. Mendoza, Iunior Warden.

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