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Extradition Papers to Taves Hawaii to Get Warrants For Arrest of Murrays

Warrants for the arrest of Mrs. Madalyn Murray, her son, William, and her mother, Mrs. Bonna Mays, will be sent to police in Honolulu, Hawaii, today.

State's Attorney William J. O'Donnell said island authorities told his office they would not pick up the avowed atheist and her kin until they received the warrants. He said extradition papers demanding Mrs. Murray's return to Maryland would go to Gov. Taves today. The governor is expected to sign the papers and forward them to the governor of Hawaii, who will decide whether the Murrays have to leave.

THE RAIL, houndsman for the family, who faces a heavy loss

if the Murrays fail to return, has signed a written agreement to pay the extradition expenses, Mr. O'Donnell said.

The expenses, which include the cost of sending two police sergeants and two policewomen to bring the trio back, will amount roughly to \$2,811.

In Honolulu, where the family fled after a fracas with police, Mrs. Murray hired an attorney to fight extradition. She said Mr. O'Donnell instituted the proceedings as a political move in a race for judge.

MRS. MURRAY, 44, William, 18, and Mrs. Mays, 73, are wanted in Maryland to face charges of assaulting police officers.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Murray's suit attacking the tax-exempt status of churches got under way in Baltimore. Defendants in the suit were given until September to file answering briefs.

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Finan Repeats Murray Stand

Next Move O'Donnell's

Attorney General Thomas B. Finan said yesterday that he still believes that Mrs. Madalyn Murray, Baltimore atheist, "wasn't worth extraditing" from Hawaii to face Maryland charges of assault, but that he is studying new developments in the case and has not yet made up his mind what he will recommend to the governor.

"The governor and I will be guided by what the State's Attorney of Baltimore City (William J. O'Donnell) wishes to do in the matter," he said.

Mr. Finan pointed out that he made the statement that Mrs. Murray "wasn't worth extraditing" as he was running to catch a plane in Honolulu to fly home again. Since that time, the Baltimore atheist has been indicted in a series of assault cases by the Grand Jury and has been cited for contempt of court by Judge James K. Cullen of the Supreme Bench.

MR. FINAN also pointed out that if Maryland decides not to extradite Mrs. Murray and her family, the bondsman who posted more than \$8,000 in bail might argue successfully that the state has no right to forfeit the bond, particularly if the bondsman offers to pay the Murray's expenses for the return to Maryland.

The attorney general said "if Mrs. Murray were just an average citizen charged with assault, I doubt if Maryland would take the trouble to extradite her from Hawaii." He added however that the contempt of court citation has shown her "flouting of the laws of this state."

MR. FINAN said he believed Mrs. Murray was "just a publicity hound" and as such, "wasn't worth extraditing."

"I also told the Honolulu reporters that Hawaii was too beautiful a place to mix up with Mrs. Murray," the attorney general said.

In Hawaii, Mrs. Murray charged the Baltimore police with brutality and attempted burglary.

"MY BODY IS A testimonial to police brutality," Mrs. Murray said in a telephone interview with Robert Liston, former News American staff writer who has prepared an article about her for publication in The Saturday Evening Post on July 7.

"Our lives were in danger," she told Liston. "I'll not be murdered. I'll not be murdered by the law enforcement agencies in Baltimore."

She charged that police two days after her arrest tried to break into her home to steal a tape recording.

MRS. MURRAY said that when she and her son, William, encountered police in front of her home, William was carrying a tape recorder which dropped to the ground but did not break and continued to record police conversation with her.

She alleged that the tape carries police admissions of the illegality of their seeking to arrest Susan Abramovitz, 17. Susan was sought under a contempt of court citation issued by Judge James K. Cullen, who ordered the girl not to associate with the Murrays but remain within the court's jurisdiction.

MRS. MURRAY said the tape reveals the police said they were going to proceed with their illegal search anyhow.

"That tape is guaranteeing our lives," she said.

She charged that two days later, a man "dressed in a white shirt, black pants and a lieutenant's badge" attempted to break into her home but was repelled when she stood at the window and exposed him in the light of a flashlight.

She accused Baltimore police of knocking her mother unconscious with a nightstick.

"THE COPS have the nerve to claim she fainted," Mrs. Murray said, "and they carried her into the house. This is a lie. My brother carried her to safety."

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MRS. MURRAY CASE IS DUE

State To Move Tuesday For Arraignment

The State will move on Tuesday to arraign Mrs. Madalyn Murray on the eleven-count grand jury indictment handed down yesterday, clearing the way for prompt extradition.

Mrs. Murray is accused in seven cases of assaulting policemen outside of her Winford avenue home a week ago in a melee that eventually involved her family.

Her son, William J. Murray 3d, 18, and her mother, Mrs. Bonna Mays, 72, are also accused of taking part in assault. William's bride, Susan, is free in \$5,000 bail on a contempt-of-court citation.

Fled To Hawaii

The family fled to Hawaii on Tuesday, charging harassment by Maryland officialdom.

At last report, the family had taken shelter in a Unitarian Church while hunting an apartment in Honolulu.

William J. O'Donnell, State's attorney, is faced with paying a substantial sum in State funds to bring back Mrs. Murray and the others for prosecution on the grand jury charge.

The final decision on what move to make in the case will be made after the Criminal Court arraignment, at which Mrs. Murray's professional bondsman is expected to appear alone.

Other problems left behind as

Mrs. Murray swept into the newest American state were:

1. A Circuit Court suit that challenges the tax exempt status of churches, filed by Mrs. Murray in October, is ready for trial on Wednesday before Judge Wilson K. Barnes.

An attorney for Mrs. Murray, Leonard J. Kerpelman, said the suit could be tried without the plaintiff's presence because her status as a taxpayer had not changed.

Magazine Involved

2. Lamoin Cree, 26, of Frederick, announced that he will act as editor of Mrs. Murray's monthly magazine, the American Atheist, and attempt to put it on a firm financial and intellectual basis.

3. Mr. Kerpelman said efforts to press Mrs. Murray's Federal Court suit which seeks a review of the Maryland "silent meditation" period in public schools will have to wait until she returns.

In Honolulu, Mrs. Murray said that she would fight her moves to extradite her family to Maryland and "go to the Supreme Court if necessary."

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Murray Family Flees to Honolulu

HONOLULU, June 24 (AP) —Atheist Madalyn Murray, who fled Baltimore with her family after a fracas there with police, arrived last night in Hawaii by plane. She said she was seeking "religious asylum."

Efforts to trace her proved fruitless until she telephoned a newspaper today and asked for an interview.

The divorcee, whose suit brought a U.S. Supreme Court ban on compulsory school prayer last year, flew to Hawaii with her mother, Berna May, her brother, John D. Mays Jr., sons Garth, 9,

and Bill, 18, and Bill's bride, Susan, 17.

Before leaving Baltimore, Mrs. Murray had said, "I'm convinced they're going to do me in here."

The Murray party arrived last night under an assumed name. Under that name, Scholl, two family pets—a dog and a cat—were placed in quarantine. Their ultimate address was listed as Hilo, which is on the island of Hawaii, 200 miles southeast of Honolulu.

The Baltimore departure of the Murrays followed a weekend fracas in the wake of the marriage of her son,

Bill, 18, to 17-year-old Susan Abramovitz. Susan's parents accused Mrs. Murray of inducing the girl to move to the Murray home and abandon her Jewish religion.

A melee broke out after police went to the Murray home to serve a contempt citation on the bride. She was accused of violating a judicial order to remain in custody of an aunt and uncle.

Except for the brother and younger son and Susan, all of the Murray family was out of jail on bond, charged among other things with assaulting police officers.

Prosecutors and bail

bondsmen moved today to get them back to Maryland, with FBI help if necessary.

Deputy State's Attorney Charles E. Moylan Jr. said he feels they could be extradited from Hawaii or from any other state.

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Security Indictments

Sir: According to an AP story on March 14, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy on that day said in a speech before a meeting of the Washington Business Council: "Let the ideas of freedom have the same circulation in Communist states that Communist ideas have in free states."

Yet earlier in March Mr. Kennedy invoked both the McCarran Internal Security Act of 1950 and the Immunity Act of 1954 to put out of operation The Worker, a newspaper which operates on the basis of the very principle which Mr. Kennedy indorsed in his speech of March 14.

The McCarran Internal Security Act is a threat to the civil liberties of all Americans, because it aims to regulate and to limit the circulation of ideas—a restriction which Mr. Kennedy implies correctly should not be tolerated in a democracy. The fact that it is attempted in the United States today with the aid of the Attorney General who preaches against placing restrictions on the press and on speech and thought is a strange contradiction.

All who say they believe in freedom of speech and press, including Mr. Robert Kennedy, should fight to the last ditch for repeal of the McCarran Act;

certainly they should not be seeking ways to bypass the court in order to implement the act.

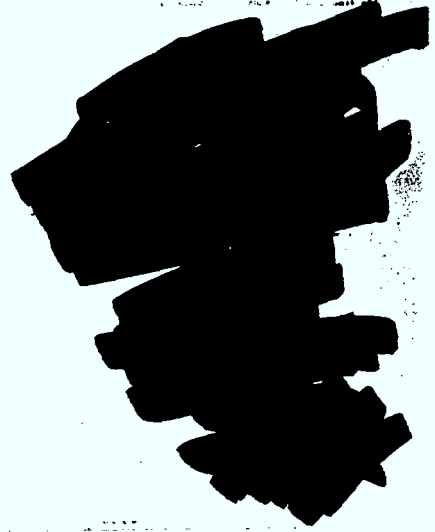
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Baltimore, April 11.

There is as yet no indictment of The Worker as such. There is an indictment of the Communist party-USA for failure to register as the agent of a foreign power. The Internal Security Act also requires that Communist publications be so labeled but they are not prohibited.—The Editor.

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MRS. MURRAY REFUSED ON PLEDGE BID

School Board Says It
Has No Authority
Over Wording

By GERALD CLARKE

The School Board yesterday told Mrs. Madalyn Murray, a professed atheist, that it has no authority to drop the Pledge of Allegiance or delete the words "under God."

Mrs. Murray replied that she would appeal the board's decision to Superior Court as soon as her attorney, Leonard J. Kerpelman, could file papers.

Before a capacity audience of about 75, Dr. George B. Brain, school superintendent, said he knew of "no other issue [in his tenure as superintendent] that has precipitated the emotion" of Mrs. Murray's request to knock the religious reference from the pledge.

Response "Tremendous"

He said the board had received a "tremendous amount" of correspondence, telegrams and telephone calls from all over the world since the request was made earlier in the week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, who attended the meeting as head of the Freedom of Prayer group which favors prayers in the schools, said she had collected 2,690 signatures in "20 hours" opposing a change in the pledge.

No arrangements had been made by the board for a public hearing and neither side was allowed to speak formally.

While voting for the resolution disavowing authority, John J. Sweeney, Jr., asserted that the board should "go on record" as supporting not only the religious phase in the pledge but also "analogous measures" such as the recently signed State law allowing a minute of silent meditation in the schools.

Mr. Sweeney was ruled out of order by Dr. William D. McElroy who presided over the meeting in the absence of Eli Frank, Jr., board president. Dr. McElroy told him that discussion would be allowed only on the resolution to determine the board's authority.

In advising the board against acting on the request, the superintendent said it "has authority only as it is granted authority. It may not act where somebody

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Mrs. Murray Loses In Bid To Alter Allegiance Pledge

By GERALD CLARKE

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with greater authority has already acted."

The pledge, he said, is required by Maryland law and the wording is determined by Congress.

Mrs. Murray, who has two sons in city schools, wrote that "we find this (pledge) offensive to our individual liberties and to our freedom of conscience, since we are atheists."

"We also believe," she said, "that it is an unconstitutional practice which violates the principle of separation of church and state guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States . . . An excuse from . . . opening services is a signal for abusive treatment by fellow students, teachers, administration and neighborhood persons. We will not accede to this again."

Mrs. Murray said after yesterday's meeting that she had expected the board to act as it did but had not expected "any kind of stew" from persons opposed.

Mrs. Murray, appealing another School Board decision, was chief litigant in last summer's major Supreme Court decision which banned required religious exercises in public schools.

Acting as the board of trustees for the Baltimore Junior College, the board was told by Dr. Harry Bard, college president, that the college had been encouraged by the success of "Operation: Collegiate Horizons" in pointing youth in depressed sections toward a higher education.

The project, begun last Septem-

Vandalism Laid To 'Christians'

Vandalism from her "good Christian neighbors" has forced Mrs. Madalyn Murray to move her office from the 4500 block Harford road and "go underground," she said yesterday.

After a meeting of the School Board, at which she opposed a religious phrase in the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Murray said that people opposed to her atheism had broken her windows and spat on her door.

She planned in the future, she said, to keep secret the office address, headquarters of the Freethought Society of America which prints and disperses anti-religious publications.

ber, is being carried out in three city schools: General Henry Lee and Lemmel Junior High Schools and Dunbar High School.

"It is apparent," Dr. Bard said, "that if this city is to increase the percentage of those who attend a higher educational institution, a major breakthrough must take place in the inner and grey geographical areas of the city. . . .

"With an enrollment of 2,300 students, the Baltimore Junior College can make a highly important contribution to the leadership growth of industry, business, government and personal service in this city."

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'Under God' Attacked by Prayer Foe

BALTIMORE, April 7 (AP) — Madalyn Murray, who won her Supreme Court fight to outlaw required prayers in public schools, now wants to get rid of the words "under God" in the pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. Murray will appear before the Baltimore Board of Education Thursday to demand that the reference be deleted from the pledge to the flag.

Her two sons, Garth, 8, and William, 17, attend Baltimore schools.

"We find this to be offensive to our individual liberties and to our freedom of conscience, since we are atheists," Mrs. Murray wrote to the school board Monday.

Mrs. Murray contends the words "under God" make the pledge of allegiance unconstitutional.

"We will proceed with whatsoever legal action is necessary to stop the practice," she said.

Mrs. Murray said she wants her sons to participate in the pledge, but not with the reference to God.

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Drop Deity From Allegiance Pledge, Mrs. Murray Asks

Mrs. Madalyn Murray, who brought the court suit which resulted in public school prayer being ruled unconstitutional, called upon the school board today to drop the words "under God" from the daily pledge of allegiance in Baltimore schools.

In a letter to the Board of Education, she asked that the question be considered at the April board meeting. A spokesman for the board said it has been put on

the agenda for the meeting at 4 P.M. Thursday.

Mrs. Murray's letter added that "we will proceed with whatsoever legal action is necessary to stop the practice."

Mrs. Murray's letter noted that her sons, William J. Murray 3d, a senior at Polytechnic Institute, and

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Jon Garth Murray, a fourth grader at Northwood Elementary school, have been required to participate in the pledge to the flag, which includes the reference to God.

"Offensive To Liberty"

"We find this to be offensive to our individual liberties and to our freedom of conscience, since we are atheists," she wrote the board.

"We also believe that it is an unconstitutional practice which violates the principle of separation of church and state guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

"This is not a Christian nation," her letter continued. "In fact, 70,000,000 persons in America neither attend church nor belong to any church."

Mrs. Murray said that she wants her sons to participate in the pledge of allegiance, but not with the reference to God.

Allegiance Cited

"I do not care to have my children excused from the allegiance, since the allegiance itself is unconstitutional," she wrote.

"An excuse from Baltimore public schools' opening services is a signal for abusive treatment by fellow students, teachers, administration and neighborhood persons. We will not accede to this again," she added.

Ruling last year on a suit brought by Mrs. Murray, the Supreme Court held that prayer in the opening exercises in Baltimore public schools was unconstitutional.

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Mrs. Murray Resumes Battle Against Prayers

Mrs. Madalyn Murray resumed her battle against prayers in school today by changing a Constitutional Prayer Foundation billboard to "unconstitutional."

The billboard was placed on the side of her Freethought Society of America office building in the 4500 block Harford road.

"I changed it and I'm glad," Mrs. Murray said. "This is one time I support the Supreme Court."

Pastes Two Letters

Mrs. Murray said she cut the letters "U" and "N" out of paper and pasted them next to the "Constitutional" on the bottom of the poster.

"I intend to leave them there," she said.

She said Francis B. Burch, chairman of the foundation, "must be badly in need of publicity to put a poster up so close to my office."

Raises False Ad Issue

Mrs. Murray said she might write the Senate committee investigating false advertising and tell them the Constitutional Prayer Foundation is advertising falsely.

"After all," she said, the "Supreme Court says so."

"On second thought," Mrs. Murray said, "maybe I had better call my lawyer to be prepared to get me out of jail."

Mr. Burch reacted with surprise

to the news that Mrs. Murray had changed the sign.

"How'd she get to it?" he asked.

Mr. Burch said he might just leave the sign the way it is.

"I'd like to think about that," he said. "We might let it stay there as a landmark to show people what she's willing to do."

Won't Press Charges

Mr. Burch said he would not press charges against Mrs. Murray for defacing the sign.

"I wouldn't consider that," he said. "If she's that small—no, I wouldn't bring any charges. I think people will be interested to see how low she will stoop."

"Madalyn Murray does not want to give to other people the same right she wants for herself," he said. "She has glorified in her victory, but it appears that she does not want others to press for their constitutional rights."

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ACTION ON HARFORD ROAD — Mrs. Madalyn Murray took exception to a billboard on the side of her office building in the 4500 block Harford road extolling the Constitutional Prayer Foundation. She added the "Un" to the word "constitutional."

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Letter From Madalyn Murray

Illegal Shanghai From Mexico??

ED. NOTE: A couple of months ago the Mexico City Times held an exclusive interview with the controversial Madalyn Murray, at that time residing in Valle de Bravo, a village about two hours drive northwest of Mexico City. Although the interview centered on Mrs. Murray's upcoming marriage, that event quickly dipped into the background in the melee of the next few days. The letter, reproduced below in its entirety, highlights those events which sprung into international importance. It also, as the reader will see, illuminates a few unknown or completely ignored details and asks some very pertinent questions...

R. Emmett Murray
City Editor
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When you were in my home in Valle de Bravo with the UPI correspondent we had an interesting discussion about whether or not the Mexican Government could spirit me out of the country or not... or if I could be kidnapped, and returned to Maryland and so on.

The talk was prophetic for that is exactly what did happen... and I am writing to you because of the discussion we had. You seemed to feel that Siempre or one of the liberal newspapers or magazines would not permit such a thing... and I remember some of your phrases "Mexico filling the hot chestnuts out of the coals for America again" etc.

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On September 24, 1965, in the evening about 8:00 p. m. two persons appeared at my apartment in Valle de Bravo. They said they were from the Dept. de Migracion, Calle Bucareli 99, Secretaria de Gobernacion, Mexico, D. F. and they told me that I would have to come with them to Mexico, D. F. in order to have my tourist card inspected by the Jefe there. They told me to lock my puppy dog in the apartment and I would be right back. I would be right back. They gave me 10 minutes to quickly change my clothing. Richard O'Hair (you met him), my ten year old son and I were put into a station wagon and driven to Mexico City. When we arrived there, I was told that I must be taken somewhere else. Richard O'Hair was told he could see us in the morning. My son and myself were taken to the outskirts of Mexico to a complex of buildings with 8 foot walls, topped by barbed wire. My little boy and I were put in prison cells. We were held there until about noon the next day without food except for a cup of coffee.

At noon we were taken to Calle Bucareli 99 where I was forcibly fingerprinted. I was refused answers to any questions which I asked, I was told that I was going to be put on the next airlift out of Mexico... and that if I ever returned I would be given 10 years in jail and a fine of 10,000 pesos. I was refused a lawyer. I was refused assistance from the United States Embassy.

Two men sat with me and even took me to the bathroom. I told them that I wanted to Valle and get my clothing and some money from the bank there. They refused to permit me even out of their sights. I had 28 pesos on me.

Meantime, the Baltimore Sun newspapers back in Baltimore, Maryland, were about this time carrying a news release by Associated Press issued through the State's Attorney's office (Maryland that is) that I was arrested in Mexico City. IDID NOT KNOW THIS... I found it out later.

I was taken to the airport under guard. Mr. Richard O'Hair was not permitted to go with me, and saw me only briefly to say goodbye in the office corridors there in Calle Bucareli 99.

The Mexican government purchased two tickets for me and my little son on Braniff Airlines to Austin Texas. (Deportation point is usually Houston, Texas). We were on flight 5C on Saturday, September 25th. Class "Y", seats 6-C and 6-D.

When we got to the Austin Airport we were NOT stopped by immigration (Federal authorities) whom I walked right passed, but outside the airport we were picked up by the Austin Texas police who told me that they had a wire from the State's Attorney of Maryland that I would be on that flight and that they had received that wire about 9:00 a. m. on Saturday.

This is clear collusion of the Mexican authorities and the authorities of Maryland... skirting all of the Mexican and United States treaties respecting extradition.

The situation here is that after a three month fight all of the extradition proceedings against me were dropped,—as illegal. And, Richard O'Hair came up here by bus and we were married on October 18th... five days late.

Now, we are both trying to get permission to re-enter Mexico to go and close out my apartment, pick up my clothes, close out my bank account, do something about Richard's rancho... and no one will answer a letter or give us any satisfaction.

Although AP and UPI in America both carried the story that I had been "expulsed" from Mexico, none of them would carry the story of HOW I was expulsed or the apparent collusion between Maryland and Mexico.

I have finally interested the Texas Civil Liberties Union, and through them, the National American Civil Liberties Union into investigating and they have written a letter to the American Embassy asking for an explanation of the violation of my civil liberties in that the extradition treaties between the two countries were not complied with. Their inquiry was addressed to Ambassador Freeman.

We were hoping that we could use the time when my son was out of school during the summer vacation to go back down to Valle de Bravo and try to close out Richard's horses there, pigs, chickens... I have my dog. We both have parrots—clothing, household equipment, checking accounts in the Valle de Bravo banks and we both still have our homes there. My apartment is standing how I left it—with food still in the refrigerator.

We wonder if you can help by making some inquiries at the Embassy and of Ambassador Freeman... and by having the UPI or the AP there get involved in trying to find out if Maryland and the Roman Catholic Church which dominates Maryland's politics were able to influence the Dept. de Migracion to this illegal shangai of me and my son out of Mexico.

Sincerely,

INT'L FREETHOUGHT SOCIETY, INC.

Madalyn Murray O'Hair

Rambling Along The Pigeon River

(I am deviating from "Pioneers of Michigan" this week because of a request to inform people about an important issue that is pending.)

"Beware, Beware
Of Madalyn O'Hair"

This is not meant to be a frivolous rhyme. It would be good to have this slogan chanted throughout the United States. Those who have forgotten who Madalyn O'Hair is, several years ago she succeeded in making it illegal to read the Bible or pray in the public schools. She also made an effort to obtain 27,000 signatures protesting the decision of the astronauts to read the Bible as a Christmas message to the

world from their space craft while orbiting the moon in December, 1968.

This woman has not retired from her efforts to succeed in eliminating Christian efforts in the United States. This is a powerful woman and there is speculation that she is the leader of a group within the United States, possibly the communists, who are striving to first eliminate Religious broadcasts, and we can be quite sure the next step will be closing of the church doors. Part of the petition No. RM-2493 which is now being reviewed, requests a freeze on religious broadcasting.

Would you like it if there were no Christian music on special occasions like

Christmas, Easter, etc? This woman is not afraid or ashamed to witness to the fact she is an ardent atheist. Her determination to destroy our religious freedoms is undemocratic, unconstitutional and goes against the freedom of speech and the freedom of worship in our country -- that which was the basis on which the United States was founded.

It makes one wonder what the United States was doing in Viet Nam fighting communists who are atheists and do not believe in Democracy. Fifty thousand American soldiers lost their lives for this cause and thousands have been maimed for life. Yet, here in America, there aren't many fighting against people like Madalyn O'Hair whose beliefs suspiciously coincide with those of the communists. "Treason is the violation of the allegiance owed to one's

sovereign or state; betrayal of one's country." The Constitution of the United States (Article III, Section 3) says that anyone who gives aid to the enemy is committing treason. The first amendment states, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof: or of abridging the freedom of speech or of the press."

Madalyn O'Hair has her right to give her opinion of whether she believes in God or not but she does not have the right to prohibit freedom of speech of others in religious broadcasts, prayers or reading of the Bible. I believe she is betraying her allegiance to her country by trying to destroy what our soldiers have always fought for and I think she should be dealt with accordingly. I also believe that she is definitely trying to take the first

Amendment out of the Constitution.

I commend Bob Hall of Pigeon, who has had the guts to pursue this matter and has been calling it to the attention of others. If you have any questions about petitions, etc. concerning this matter, you may call him at 453-2097. I hope it will never come to this:

Americans said, "It will never happen
Our freedoms will never be lost"

But while our soldiers defended others
Freedoms here like a ball were tossed.

It landed in the enemies lap
They laughed and said, "You silly fools"

You should have defended
your Constitution
Your freedoms, your churches,
and your schools."

By Mary Leipprandt

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FBI File Could Be Splitting (O') Hairs

—Madalyn Murray O'Hair's comment was, "What am I doing that they need to have a file on me? I sure as hell think the people of the United States need to know this is going on." Arousing the ire of the nation's best-known atheist—the woman who brought the landmark suit that led to the Supreme Court's ruling that banned compulsory prayers in public schools—was the knowledge that the FBI and the CIA apparently have been compiling a file on her for 10 years—all with the help of her husband. Documents sent to her by an associate of columnist Jack Anderson indicate she has been under surveillance since May 12, 1964—a year after the Supreme Court prayer ruling. Mrs. O'Hair said her husband, Richard, had had FBI con-



tacts for years and that the files included some information that came from him. Mrs. O'Hair claimed that someone was trying to hang a Communist tag and a "dangerous label" on her. "If I'm dangerous, I want to know what kind of file they have on Nixon," she said. The FBI had no comment.

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Md. School Prayer Case Is Likely For Top Court

ANNAPOLIS, (NC) — A new challenge to religious exercises in public schools appeared headed for the U.S. Supreme Court in the wake of a 4-3 ruling in their favor by the Maryland Court of Appeals.

Maryland's highest court held last Friday that Bible reading and/or recitation of the Lord's

For an analysis of the issues involved in this and similar cases, see editorial, "In God We Trust—Or Do We?" (on Page 8.)

Prayer in Baltimore public schools do not violate the U.S. Constitution.

"As we see it," Judge William R. Horney said in the majority opinion, "neither the First Amendment nor the Fourteenth Amendment was intended to stifle all rapport between religion and government."

Attorney Leonard J. Kerpelman said he would appeal the decision to the U.S. Supreme Court. That court now has under advisement a case from New York involving a challenge to the constitutionality of reciting a non-sectarian prayer in New York public schools.

Mr. Kerpelman represents Mrs. Madalyn Murray and her son, William J. Murray, III, a ninth-grader in a Baltimore

public school. The Murrays say they are atheists and maintain that the religious exercises violate the constitutional provisions regarding Church-State relations and equal protection under the law.

The religious exercises are carried out under a Baltimore Board of Education ruling. The ruling was adopted in 1908 and amended in 1960 to provide that any student may be excused from the exercises upon written request of his parent or guardian. Young Murray is excused.

The dispute began in October, 1960, when Mrs. Murray withdrew William from a Baltimore junior high school in protest against the religious exercises. She later returned him to class when school authorities agreed to excuse him from the exercises.

In December, 1960, she began court action against the exercises.

The judges in the majority in the Court of Appeals were Judges Horney, Hall Hammond,

Charles C. Marbury, and Lester L. Barrett, who had been assigned from the Baltimore County Circuit Court. Judge Barrett sat in place of Judge C. Ferdinand Sybert, former Maryland attorney general, whose office had given an opinion in the case.

Dissenting were Chief Judge Frederick C. Brune and Judges William L. Henderson and Stedman Prescott.

Judge Horney in his majority opinion put special emphasis on the fact that there is no compulsion for a student to take part in the religious exercises.

He said the amount of school time and of public funds involved are negligible and that the exercises are in the same category as prayers in the Legislature, Congress, and at public meetings and conventions.

"For these reasons, and particularly because the appellant student in this case was not compelled to participate, we hold that the opening exercises do not violate the religious clauses (of the Constitution)," he said.

Judge Horney noted that the U.S. Supreme Court had in recent years remanded to Pennsylvania courts a case involving religious exercises in public schools, after the law governing the exercises was amended.

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Handwritten note: Murray address to Sullivan

School Prayer

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ed to make participation non-compulsory.

Commenting on this, he said:

"It seems to us that the remand of this case at least indicated that the use of coercion or the lack of it may be the controlling factor in deciding whether or not a constitutional right has been denied."

He noted that a lower court in Pennsylvania recently ruled on remand that the practices are unconstitutional even under the new arrangement. But, he added, "we do not find the decision on remand persuasive and decline to follow it."

Judge Brune in his minority opinion held that the exercises are Christian by nature and thus discriminate "against other religions and against non-believers."

"The fact that individual students, or theoretically all students, may be excused from attendance at those exercises does not, in my estimation, save the rule from collision with the establishment of religion clause (of the Constitution)," he said.

HAS HELP OF HER TWO SONS

Mother Builds an Atheist Center

STOCKTON, Kan., Aug. 17 (AP)—Mrs. Madalyn Murray and her two sons slept late this morning, after a hectic day of accepting and inspecting the site for an atheist center near here.

She has an appointment later today with a contractor to discuss building styles, prices of labor and materials and take a look at some buildings.

The Baltimore, Md., woman, who heads Other Americans, Inc., said she may even take a look around for a place to live and a place to house an office.

"I don't like the looks of the house and the barn on the farm," she said. "I want something better. I'm thinking of the possibility of putting up a temporary building."

The structures are on the 80-acre farm that Carl Brown deeded to the organization.

She added that she planned to start back to Baltimore some time Sunday. "If we finish our business," she said.

Asked how her two sons, William, 17, and Garth, 8, liked north central Kansas, she replied:

"They love it."

She added that the younger son entered a little protest over Friday's bustle.

"He told me," she said, "that we were doing too much talking. Let's do something."



—Associated Press Wirephoto

BEER BREAK IN SEARCH FOR SITE FOR AN ATHEIST CENTER
Mrs. Madalyn Murray (left) and mother pause at a bar in Speed, Kansas

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MOST HAWAIIANS ARE BUDDHISTS

Murray Family Flees to Asylum in Hawaii

By KATE SCLANDERS

Mrs. Madelyn Murray, her family and her dog and cat yesterday boarded a plane bound for Hawaii and safety. Showing arms bruised and swollen from, she claimed, beating police had given her before a cheering crowd of 250 people, she said the group was "fleeing for our lives."

KIT AND KABOODLE

With her were her son Bill, 18, and his bride, the former Susan Abramovitz, 17, her younger son Garth, 9, her mother, Bonna Mays, and her brother, John D. Mays, Jr.

Except for Mrs. Murray's brother and her younger son, members of the family are all out of jail on bond on charges of assaulting police officers after a hassle at their home Saturday.

Susan, who had been ordered by the court to stay away from the Murrays after her parents charged that she had been lured away from home and encouraged to give up her Jewish faith, is also in danger of being in contempt of court. Mrs. Murray is the Baltimore atheist whose suit led the Supreme Court ruling against school prayers.

Mrs. Murray decided there were only two alternatives left.

EXILE

"We could go to a state where we couldn't be extradited and continue the fight for separation of church and state," she said, "or we could go out of the country as exiles."

Mrs. Murray said she decided to stay because, "I'm an American and I'm fighting it out on my home soil." She said she plans to ask the Governor of Hawaii for religious asylum and expects to get it since Hawaii



Mrs. Murray being led to court by police after the Saturday fracas at her house.

is largely Buddhist and Buddhists are atheists.

She said she has only enough money to last for a month or two. Bill won't be able to go to college, she said, "but at least he's got his life."

EXTRADITION

Charles E. Moylan, Jr., Baltimore Deputy State's attorney, discounted the possibility of extradition. He said only a small percentage of cases are extradited.

"Extradition is based on the seriousness of the crime and the distance," he said. "He said

he could not say what action would be taken in the Murrays' case.

Hawaii and Alaska are the most expensive states from which a person may be extradited.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

Madalyn Murray, Atheist Arrested



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MRS. MURRAY AND RICHARD O'HARE IN MEXICO

By Associated Press

Mrs. Madalyn Murray, the Baltimore atheist whose court suit led to the Supreme Court decision to ban compulsory official prayers in public schools, was arrested in San Antonio, Tex., last night.

San Antonio policemen took her into custody shortly after she arrived by plane from Mexico City, where she was warned she would face a prison sentence if she returns to Mexico.

A spokesman for the San Antonio police department said the arrest was made at the request of Baltimore police.

She and her son, William Murray, 19, face charges in Baltimore of assault and disorderly conduct, stemming from a scuffle with police more than a year ago.

She and several members of her family went from Baltimore to Honolulu and later to Mexico. She was deported last week for being in Mexico under a false name, but she returned under her real name and settled in Valle de Bravo.

At the time, she and Richard O'Hare, a retired American painter and serviceman, said they planned to settle in Valle de Bravo and marry in mid-October.

O'Hare said yesterday the marriage plans are definitely off and that he planned to remain in Valle de Bravo, where he has been for the past five years.

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God-Toppler Madeline Murray

[To Wed Here]

By Emmett MURRAY

VALLE DE BRAVO, Mexico (Sept. 23) — Madeline

Murray, the battling and embattled atheist who played Constitutional taps to public school prayers in the United

States, will be playing wedding music three weeks from now.

The groom will be 52-year-



Madeleine Murray and Richard O'Hare.

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old Richard O'Hare, a Chicagoan-turned-resident of "the Switzerland of Mexico," as this mountain village is sometimes referred to, and who bills himself as a retired artist. "Let's just say I was a bad artist and let it go at that," he added laconically from his seat by the fireplace.

The Oct. 13 ceremony, oddly enough, will not be held in church. But it will have the dignity of Valle de Bravo's municipal president presiding over rituals. An expected 25 guests, including this reporter, will witness Mrs. Murray's second wedding.

Baltimore's Atila in a formless cotton housedress, gazed at the vast artificial lake beneath her high picture window, said "I'm really in love."

"I guess I've found at last what I was looking for. A man, I mean a real man. After looking at this — she held up the latest copy of Playboy magazine — I realize it is a growing scarcity in the United States."

The 46-year-old divorcee has found few commitments to pay the United States in the last five years. Ever since the Supreme Court's landmark decision in 1960 (Murray vs. Cullen) to bar the giving of prayers in public schools, Mrs. Murray and her two sons have been vilified,

abused and threatened with death by their countrymen.

In Mexico now for five months, she said she has already filed papers asking for political asylum. "This country has been good to me," she beamed. "Nobody bothers us; nobody's interested that much in our past. In fact, the Mexicans I've talked to can't even comprehend why there was so much trouble over what I did."

But if Madeline Murray has taken refuge in a foreign land she has by no means abandoned her fight to push God from the American public per se. The second campaign in the relentless war is already mapped out in the corridors of the Maryland District Court of Appeals: government taxation of all churches.

"Just think of it: 25% of all assessable property in the U. S. belongs to organized religion!"

Although most statisticians would disagree with her figures, many reformers, including a few churchmen, think that an assessment on religious holdings would be a convenient, if not necessary, rein on church power in America. The gist of Mrs. Murray's argument is nothing more than a very literal interpretation of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

"This battle? I've already won it," she smiles. "I'm just waiting for them to give in."

"I might be out of the country but I will go on battling until the separation of church and state becomes a reality and not the political myth it is now."

"Freedom in the United States? Don't make me laugh. I was forced to leave my own country because I tried to do something. Not just talk about it. People can talk and think all they please in the bedroom. But don't ever try bringing it out into the parlor; someone might hear."

She thought it was an ironic commentary on present-day politics that citizens were encouraged to have an opinion but punished when they attempted to convert the opinion to reality.

Looking at the clean-beamed ceiling and white-washed walls and then out onto the explosion of orange tiled roofs, Madeline Murray almost sighed. "I will probably have to remain in Mexico for the rest of my life." She outlined one possible condition that would ever bring her back: if the city of Baltimore recanted all the charges and humiliations against her. "Hardly likely," she snorted.

Baltimore, scene of the most virulent strife, gave her the final souvenir of an assault-and-battery charge against — fourteen policemen! Released on bail, she gathered up her family and took off for Hawaii. But even the 51st state was no haven; she was extradited and sent back to the mainland. When she looked as if the pot was going to boil over anew the Murray's headed for Mexico.

The anti-Cross crusader knows perfectly well that her staying as well as any other foreigner's, in this country is contingent upon complete abstinence from political activity. She accepts this with perfectly good grace.

Yet even in Mexico, Madeline Murray never man-

aged to stay too far from the boiling pot. This time others, and not she, got the scalding. By her own admission she and a friend engineered the expulsion of a dozen fellow Americans from the country on charges of illegal possession of narcotics. It had to do with the saga of the Blake College scandal which inflated headlines about two weeks ago.

According to Mrs. Murray, Blake College was nothing but a blind for experiments with hallucinogens. "The students would pop capsules of these drugs into their mouths like jellybeans," she snuffed. "I couldn't stand helplessly by watching this. So I finally called in the Mexican federal agents."

Although some will be surprised at this first statement in print of Mrs. Murray's part in the Blake affair, others will attribute the action to understandable political self-preservation. The expatriate atheist was well aware that the faintest whiff of a dope scandal wafting her way could put in jeopardy the last of her foreign havens.

Confident as she appears, the worm of this though appears to be constantly nibbling at her mind: does the United States wield enough power to have her extradited even from here?

"You know, I passed a huge fenced-in area near the Mexico City airport the other day. The sign said 'Campo Deportivo.' Do they really deport that many people from here?"

We explained that it meant sports field and not deportation camp. She chuckled. "I don't think I ever WILL learn Spanish."

Glancing from time to time at her ten-year-old son Garth, sitting at the table leafing through Playboy, and O'Hare, refraining from most of the conversation, Mrs. Murray went on to tell how her militant atheism has cost her not only peace of mind but also her basic rights as a U. S. citizen. Applying for a passport a while ago, she says she was refused it on the grounds of her stand on religion.

According to her, Passport Bureau head Frances McKnight told her she was not eligible for the document since she was an atheist. "Can you imagine that? Communist Elizabeth Gurley Flynn applied for a passport to Russia a while before that, was refused and won her case in a Supreme Court decision establishing that no one could be refused a passport under any pretext."

"But as you see, it's Communists vs. atheists no. How ridiculous can you get?"

The soon-to-be bride believes the U. S. government, with backing from the Catholic Church, will stop at nothing to see her rendered helpless. She described it in terms of a personal vendetta.

The press, she admitted however, has usually been quite fair to her. It was an AP man, she confided, that helped her flee Baltimore. But she countered the praise with a twinkling "I suppose much of what I say here will never be printed. Oh, I don't mean you," she said pointing at us, "but editors and publishers are notorious for holding back truths."

After giving her assurance that her disrespect for the Stars and Stripes would get an honest airing, she went on:

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~~Madeline Murray~~ Deported To U. S.

Immigration officials this weekend deported Madeline Murray, the Baltimore atheist who led a victorious fight through the U.S. Supreme Court against compulsory school prayers.

Mrs. Murray was ordered out of the country shortly after she told newsmen she planned to ask for political asylum, marry retired American painter Richard O'Hare next month and live in Valle del Bravo.

It was the second time this month that Mrs. Murray, 46, had been ordered from the country. She was originally deported for entering Mexico under an assumed name. Deported persons are not allowed to re-enter without special permission.

According to reports reaching here, Mrs. Murray was flown aboard a commercial airliner to San Antonio, Texas, where she was arrested on an extradition request from Maryland. She was released yesterday afternoon on a writ of habeas corpus. She is wanted in Baltimore on charges stemming from a scuffle with police more than a year ago.

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O'Hare Has True Love For Murray

VALLE DE BRAVO, Estado de México, Sept. 29. — Richard O'Hare said today "I love Madalyn Murray very much, and still hope to marry her."

Mrs. Murray is the atheist whose suit led to a 1963 Supreme Court ruling against compulsory prayer in public schools. She was deported last week.

Earlier O'Hare, a retired American painter, had said he and Mrs. Murray planned to marry in October. Later, after she was deported, he said the marriage was off.

"This is a mistake," he said, "I would like for Mrs. Murray to know I still love her, and hope to marry her."

Regarding her atheism, he said, "she is more Christian than you think."

"She is the most truthful, honest, and one of the finest women I have ever known," he said.

O'Hare came to Mexico City from Valle de Bravo, his home for the past five years, when Mrs. Murray was picked up by government agents and brought here for deportation. Later he returned to Valle de Bravo.

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Atheist US Woman Was Behind School Mushroom Scandal

By Roger Rivero

Madeline Murray, the woman responsible for banning prayers in U. S. public schools, can also take credit for the closing of Mexico's most experimental institution of higher education.

It was Mrs. Murray who reported students at Blake College in Valle de Bravo were using drugs and experimenting with "magic" (hallucination-producing) mushrooms.

As a result, many students were arrested and deported.

Ironically, Mrs. Murray was also deported as a result of the incident. Police, in investigating her papers after she had made charges, found she

had entered Mexico under a false name.

She was ordered to leave, only to return again. Last week she was deported for a second time; deported persons may re-enter Mexico only with special permission.

Main victim of the scandal was Blake College, an experimental educational institution founded by Raymond Peat in 1962. The founder described the philosophy of his college as such that we can know exactly what will happen before it is accomplished.

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Peat, described by those who know him as "a bright young man with new ideas on education," participated in highly individualistic, student-centered experiments in Urbana College, Ohio, later decided to establish his own college. He chose Mexico, because he thought a foreign country would attract students from different parts of the United States with different backgrounds.

According to Peat the school was designed for students of superior intelligence who wanted to enter a graduate school without going through the time-consuming regular four year college program.

The school was considered a community of scholars where the basic motivation to learn was already in the individual and the teacher was someone to consult when one ran into trouble. The classes consisted of discussions in which all students and teachers participated. Some of the discussions lasting as long as 10 hours.

In an interview given THE NEWS last year, Peat said the school had a schedule and that classes began at a fixed time, the only difference being there was no time set for them to end.

He also said that of the seven graduates from his college at that time some had gone to the New School for Social Research in New York and one to the University of Oregon. "This proves our system has been able to turn out students ready for grad school", Peat said.

Nonetheless, Blake Col-

lege was not recognized here by either the Ministry of Education nor the National University. Officials at the United States Embassy had no official dealings with the institution.

Mrs. Murray joined the faculty at Peat's invitation. She had won many enemies when she sued to ban prayer from public schools. The case went to the U.S. Supreme Court which ruled in her favor.

Since then she had been in trouble with the police in Baltimore and has issued an order for her extradition.

Peat, sympathizing with her situation, offered her a job. According to sources in Valle de Bravo, Mrs. Murray accented, then tried to take over the running of the institution. When she failed she reported to local police that many of the students were becoming drug addicts.

Apparently the drugs were so-called magic mushrooms and LSD. LSD, lysergic acid, has many qualities similar to the mushrooms. The fungus has long been used in rural areas, especially in Oaxaca. It is understood to release the inhibiting function of the brain, producing hallucinations.

Scandal followed Mrs. Murray's charges. Many students were arrested and deported. Mrs. Murray herself was picked up for entering Mexico as Mary Ann O'Connor. She was deported only to return under her true name. As deportees are not permitted to re-enter the country without spe-

cial permission she was deported again.

Behind her she left Blake College an empty shell. While other American students are flocking back to school from Maine to California, the building that served a campus in Valle de Bravo is locked and shuttered. Peat is understood to be teaching in a more orthodox manner at the University of Montana.

San Antonio Chapter, Maryland Branch Provide Legal Help to Madalyn Murray

A Baltimore woman who has been a focus of national controversy in the church-state separation field was aided this fall by the San Antonio Chapter of the Union's Texas affiliate and by the Maryland ACLU. Mrs. Madalyn Murray, a divorced matron who was married again in October to Franklin O'Hair, opposed the Maryland authorities' request for her extradition from Texas to answer a Baltimore misdemeanor charge arising from a scuffle with police.

In 1963 Mrs. Murray was a central figure in the legal battle which led to the Supreme Court's banning of compulsory prayers from public schools. Subjected since then to public harassment in Baltimore, Mrs. Murray maintained that if sent back to Baltimore she stood the risk of being "murdered." ACLU representatives tried to persuade her to forego extradition proceedings and return voluntarily, but without success. The Union's attorney in San Antonio, Maury Maverick Jr., was obliged by legal ethics to represent her at the extradition hearing.

Her bill of particulars submitted to the Texas magistrate alleged that the Baltimore police at one time broke into her house without warrant to "forcibly remove her family" and beat her son and elderly mother, and that she has been subject to "repeated acts of religious persecution." "This astonishing request for extradition over a simple misdemeanor," she

added, "is actually motivated by religious persecution." She added that her "plight is worse than that of a Negro being extradited to Mississippi." The Texas court refused her bid on October 12 and ordered her extradited to Maryland. She vowed to appeal the ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

The Union's Maryland Branch, which cooperated with Mr. Maverick, said, "We do not believe Mrs. Murray's life will be in jeopardy here. . . . When she is returned to Baltimore, the Maryland ACLU will provide counsel for her, and her every right will be secured. . . . The question of whether she is or is not guilty of a crime is one to be settled by the courts. Above all, we must remember she is not on trial for her opinions. The Bill of Rights of the U.S. Constitution guarantees her the right to hold her opinions in peace. The ACLU's Maryland Branch takes this stand without reference to the validity or non-validity of Mrs. Murray's opinions. . . ."

Mrs. Murray's current focus of attack is a suit she brought—without the Union's assistance—to stop all churches in the country from claiming tax exemptions. Many troubles have descended upon her household in recent years, and her presence in San Antonio was due to her having been expelled from Mexico, to where she had "fled" from Baltimore and Hawaii.

Commenting on Mrs. Murray's resolve to fight extradition, the Maryland ACLU's Chairman, the Rev. Irving R. Murray, observed "She cannot win that fight, and can only anger Maryland authorities with her stubbornness. Maury Maverick will return with her to Baltimore when she comes. [Another Maryland ACLU Board member] and I, with whatever state officials are assigned to the case, will meet her at the plane. She will not be interrogated without the presence of our counsel."

As a result of Maryland's court crisis brought on by a Buddhist defendant's successful challenge to the practice of swearing jurors and witnesses to do their duty "in the presence of Almighty God," all old indictments—including that against Madalyn Murray O'Hair—were dropped in late October.

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Madalyn's Son Seeks New Image

By GENE MURRAY, Staff Writer
 William J. Murray III, 19-year-old estranged son of Madalyn Murray O'Hair, has returned to Hawaii after serving 30 days in Baltimore City Jail.

His ambition to create a new image for the controversial movement to separate church and state began five years ago by his controversy at mother.

Murray is free of all legal charges stemming from his battle with Baltimore police that caused his mother and her family to flee to Hawaii in 1967.

His mother then facing extradition to Maryland, slipped out of Hawaii last May and went to Mexico. Since then she has been deported to the United States and has remained. All charges against her have been dropped in Maryland.

Murray believes his mother still is married to FBI agent and sometime atheist, Fred and O'Hair, but he isn't sure.

His mother met O'Hair while she was in Mexico. Murray said he understands his stepfather draws \$206 a month from the U.S. government as a disabled veteran.

Since his marriage, O'Hair is entitled to another \$130 for his wife and her 11-year-old son, Garth Murray, who lives with her, Murray added.

Murray now is directly opposed to his mother's philosophies other than the separation of church and state. They have not been in contact with each other for many months.

Yesterday, Murray sat in a Hawaii coffee shop and talked about the last five months in which he traveled across the United States, was arrested on long standing charges returned to Maryland and jailed.

Murray went to the Mainland last June, a month after his mother fled Hawaii. He visited the West Coast, Chicago, Cleveland and other cities consulting attorneys and trying to raise donations for jail when he returned to Baltimore to face charges of assault and battery against policemen.

He slipped into Baltimore twice, although he was wanted there, to talk with lawyers about the possibility of surrendering.

Traveling mostly by bus, Murray ran short of funds. He cabled his uncle, John D. Mays, in Hong Kong for money. Mays sent \$50, which reached him in Washington, W. Va.

Murray said "I was registered in this" in a Baltimore hotel at the name, "West Virginia" and "Murray" before he was arrested by Maryland police.

"Baltimore sent two police men to Washington to get me back," he said. "I waived extradition. I wanted to get it over with."

The police were nice, guys. I wasn't in handcuffs, but when we landed at Friendship International Airport in Baltimore one of the officers told me:

"I'm sorry, Bill, I'm going to have to hold onto your belt getting off the plane. I might lose my job if I didn't."

You're supposed to be in handcuffs. In Baltimore, the big grand jury indictment of assault was dropped. It had been ruled that Baltimore indicted

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Madalyn's Son Returns Here

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ments were illegal because the case could not justify persons to serve on grand juries. The court said it is belief in God.

But Murray still went to jail for contempt of court—a charge that was later filed against him when he and his mother argued out of Maryland and came to Hawaii to escape the state charges. Murray began serving the sentence Sept. 22. He was released Oct. 22.

"It would have been four months with good behavior, but my attorney—Joseph Kaplan—sought a writ of habeas corpus. The judge agreed that the sentence was illegal for several reasons."

"One of them was because the case was a juvenile matter and I had been tried in an adult court. There were other legal technicalities."

Murray stayed in Baltimore two weeks before his release from jail—to get care of pending business and of an old creditor, insuring the home he is still in there.

He returned to Honolulu Nov. 3.

The whereabouts of his wife, the former Susan Abramovitz, had been kept a secret during his absence. It was thought she was in hiding on the mainland.

But Murray said yesterday she was in Hawaii with their infant daughter while he was in New York for a time on one of the neighbors' boats. He was in Honolulu six weeks ago.

In recent weeks she has met with some of his uncle and his grandmother, Mrs. Paula Mays. Mrs. Mays is Mrs. O'Hair's mother.

It was the romance between Murray and his mother that led to the family's fracas with Baltimore police and their moving to Hawaii in June, 1961.

Susan's parents had obtained a court order to remove her from Murray and his mother's influence. Baltimore police charged that they were harassing a woman who attempted to enforce the court order.

Today the young Murrys have 14 children and a mother, Robin Eileen. Murray indicated they are untroubled with his wife's parents.

Murray plans to make Hawaii his home. His uncle, is senior editor of "The Union for Reason," a letter circulated to and supported by about 7,500 persons dedicated to the cause of state separation and church-state separation.

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Before he returned to the mainland last June, Murray was a clerk in a Honolulu book shop. He hasn't found a job in the week he has been back in Hawaii.

Of his mother, Murray said:

"I haven't been in contact with her. I don't know what she's doing. We can't find out."

The basic trouble between myself and my mother is that our political and personal philosophies are far apart.

My mother is a name-caller. I am not.

"My mother has continually criticized the American court system, which I believe in."

American justice may move slowly, but it does move. That was proved when charges were dropped and when I was released from jail. A member of a minority group can receive justice—although it may take time.

My mother is an anarchist. This she has affirmed publicly. I believe in government.

I'm a liberal Democrat. I believe I could be called a Social Democrat. I believe the basic needs of people—such as shelter, food, clothing, transportation—should have state support.

My mother has been on several times that she doesn't like this country and looked for other places.

When I was 14, she took me to France, and I think she came back with a different view of America. She found out other governments were a lot worse.

It was when we got back to Baltimore that we talked about Bible reading in the public schools.

"I told her then: Look, there's no use in running all over the world looking for the perfect democracy when the perfect democracy is right here."

As for prayer in the schools, I told her: "This is something wrong—something unconstitutional. Let's do something about it."

Murray was asked if such statements by a 14-year-old boy didn't sound somewhat precocious.

"They were reasonable for me," he said. "I've always been like that."

It was after that conversation that Murray's mother looked toward the courts to fight what she considered a threat—prayer in public schools.

She then went to court to get a court order which would with her. Prayers were banned in public schools.

According to Murray's mother, that Murray was her the late "The Most Hated Woman in America."

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HE'S STILL UNDER BOND IN MARYLAND EXTRADITION MOVE

charges against Madalyn Murray O'Hair dropped

By Jack A. Smith
 MADALYN MURRAY O'HAIR is almost a free woman, though she is being held on \$1,000 bond in Austin, Texas, awaiting a hearing on an arrest warrant issued by Gov. John Connally at the request of the governor of Maryland—the purpose being to extradite the 46-year-old militant atheist to land where she may, or may not, legal charges.

Mrs. O'Hair, who recently remarried, launched a court battle against tax liens on church property which is scheduled to reach the U.S. Supreme Court next year. She and her family fled Baltimore 17 months ago after an altercation with police outside their home resulted in 14 assault charges against them. They subsequently fled and were extradited from Mexico to Texas in September (GUARDIAN 10/16/65). Last month, however—soon after the Maryland governor demanded that she be extradited to her native state—the

Maryland Court of Appeals, in an historic decision that voided an estimated 2,500 indictments, ruled in another case that belief in God cannot be a prerequisite for serving on a jury. Thus on Oct. 26 a Baltimore criminal court judge dismissed the seven assault charges against Mr. O'Hair.

STILL PENDING against Mrs. O'Hair is a one-year sentence for contempt of court. She and her son, William Murray, 19, were convicted in absentia while in Hawaii. The conviction resulted from charges brought against the Murrays by the parents of 18-year-old Susan Abramovitz, stating that they "encouraged Susan to renounce her religion and become an atheist." When William Murray thereafter married Susan Abramovitz he did so in violation of a court order forbidding the girl from having contact with the Murrays.

William Murray was arrested in September but was freed after serving one month of a six-month sentence when a Maryland judge overturned the conviction Oct. 19 "on grounds of denial of due process." It is assumed that the contempt charge will likewise be dropped against Mrs. O'Hair either for denial of due process or perhaps because of the ruling on religious qualification for jurors. The one-year statute of limitations expired on the case May 24.

Fred Welsgal of Baltimore, American Civil Liberties Union attorney who has been handling the case, indicated he planned no action to kill the contempt indictment. He said the citation would

be applicable only in event Mrs. O'Hair returned to Maryland and then could probably be quashed.

Maryland State's Attorney Charles Moylan said Nov. 5 that he planned no further action to enforce the contempt conviction unless Mrs. O'Hair returned to Maryland. "As far as we are concerned she is a free woman now," he said. Moylan, however, has not requested the governor to drop extradition proceedings. Connally's arrest warrant is scheduled for a hearing in Austin Nov. 22. If, as now seems unlikely, extradition is granted, few lawyers believe the contempt citation will hold up in court.

MRS. O'HAIR told the GUARDIAN Nov. 8 that she suspected the extradition was not immediately dropped "because they are trying to see if they can't arrest me on something else."

She is convinced that the state is intent upon prosecuting her, to interfere with her tax-the-church suit. Written arguments on the case—which most constitutional lawyers believe would be upheld in the Supreme Court, as was Mrs. O'Hair's previous suit to ban the compulsory reading of prayers in public schools—have recently been submitted to Maryland's Court of Appeals, the state's highest court. They will be followed by oral arguments. The court has 90 days to make a decision, which is expected to go against Mrs. O'Hair. The Supreme Court could receive the case by next March.

Mrs. O'Hair said that, assuming she is eventually freed of all charges, she would devote full time to her tax-the-

case of mistaken identity

THIS OR 3-3800?" the caller asked NATIONAL GUARDIAN's telephone operator. "Yes it is," she replied. "Are you signing up men?" he asked. "What?" asked the receptionist. "No, are you signing up men?" The caller, it turned out, thought he had phoned the National Guard, not newspaper of protest against the war in Vietnam.

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MADALYN MURRAY O'HAIR
She's 'almost' free again

church suit, which she has had to neglect during the long court battle.

The Court of Appeals decision on jurors was made Oct. 11 in the case of Schowgurow vs. Maryland. It reversed the murder conviction of a Buddhist because persons of his religion were excluded from jury duty under the century-old Declaration of Rights of the Maryland Constitution, which stipulates that jurors must state belief in God. The Buddhist defendant said that his religion did not require belief in a "supreme being," making it impossible for Buddhists as well as agnostics or atheists to serve on Maryland juries. Hundreds of cases are expected to be retried, while many more have been voided.

Atheist Lecturer at Tulane Draws Cheers, Opposition

Mrs. Madalyn Murray O'Hair, who has barnstormed the press and lecture circuit for six years on behalf of a godless society, drew cheers and some opposition last night in a speech at Tulane University.

Mrs. O'Hair, who led and won the 1963 court fight to ban prescribed Bible readings in public schools, attacked traditional values from married life to the respectability of Jesus Christ.

Her standing-room-only audience, perhaps to some people's surprise, frequently cheered her ideas, but there were some objections.

At one point a man seated in the front row called the speaker a fool and attempted to quote from the Bible before being shouted down.

Mrs. O'Hair answered several comments with obscenities and

threatened to leave the stage if her rivals were allowed to speak. In response to this and to continuing interruptions, an officer from the Tulane security police removed two middle aged persons from the audience.

Mrs. O'Hair said atheism is more than a non-belief to her. She said she considers non-believers the only mentally healthy people in the world today. She branded believers fools and idiots and at times reached into four-letter words for her abuse.

Mrs. O'Hair also struck out against the tax exemptions allowed churches and contended if they were removed, the current surtax would be unnecessary and each individual would pay \$200 less in taxes each year.

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Prayer Ban Not Wanted In Texas

PAMPA (UPI) — A letter writing campaign is underway in Texas to prevent a possible space prayer ban.

The campaign was suggested by Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce President Eddie Dwyer to counteract the demands of Madalyn Murray O'Hair, perhaps the world's most vocal atheist. Mrs. O'Hair objected to the Bible reading broadcast at Christmas by the moon circling astronauts of Apollo 8.

"She has overstepped her bounds by making the request that American citizens have to be told where and when they can pray," Gene Schneider, a member of the Pampa Jaycees, said Wednesday.

"This woman almost single-handedly removed prayer from our public schools," Schneider said. "It is imperative that we do not let this happen again."

Schneider organized the letter writing campaign in his area. The letters are sent to officials at the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston and to officials in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The ultimate statewide goal is 300,000 letters.

Schneider said he hoped the letters would provide an atmosphere in which the astronauts "will not be told to pray or not to pray, but instead be given the right to pray if they want according to our United States Constitution."

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WHAT EACH ONE CAN DO

Few, if any, of the millions who were able to watch the progress of the pioneers from blast-off to touchdown could have had any thought that they would hear prayer and Bible reading from the moon orbit. In view of the entanglements which unbelievers can achieve under the umbrella of the Constitution, it is quite likely that none of the three men whispered a word of the intention to any earth creature before the departure.

Now it seems that Atheist Mrs. Madeline Murray of Baltimore, Maryland, who succeeded in banning prayer from our schools, has more than 27,000 signatures on a petition condemning our astronauts for their Bible reading on Christmas Eve.

Too often the "pagan minority" have had their way because the "Christian witness" has remained silent. If you approve and appreciate the Christian testimony made by our astronauts, let it be known by signing this form and sending it to:

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% Family Radio

San Francisco, California 94134

Your response to this challenge is strongly encouraged. Almost 20,000 letters have arrived already. The goal is 100,000 letters. Then Bill Mansdoerfer, Director of Communications for Family Radio, will take them personally to N.A.S.A. headquarters in Houston and call a press conference.

I APPROVE AND APPRECIATE THE CHRISTIAN TESTIMONY MADE BY OUR ASTRONAUTS


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ATHEISTS ORGANIZE 'CHURCH'

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair said Sunday she and her husband, Richard, have organized a church for tax purposes.

"From here on in we're going to take every exemption," Mrs. O'Hair said.

"We are not going to pay any taxes on telephones," she said. "We're not going to pay any tax on our airplane tickets."

Mrs. O'Hair said she and her husband have received doctor of divinity degrees from a California religious organization. She said they have named their church Poor Richard's Universal Life Church.

"We're going to operate just as all churches do . . ." she said. "Now the churches have told us a million times over and so has the federal government that atheism is a religion so we're going to accept this."

Mrs. O'Hair began a suit that resulted in a 1963 U.S. Supreme Court decision against compulsory prayers and Bible reading in public schools.

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Recently, Madeline Murray O'Hare, the atheist leader, obtained 27,000 signed letters protesting the decision of the ASTRONAUTS TO READ THE BIBLE as a CHRISTMAS MESSAGE to the world from the Spacecraft while orbiting the moon in December of 1968. She plans to present these to the NASA with a demand that they be publicly censured for their act, and to prevent any further demonstrations of faith by public leaders.

This effort, in cooperation with other groups and organizations, seeks to secure 100,000 SIGNED LETTERS COMMENDING THE ASTRONAUTS, and thus offsetting Mrs. O'Hara's efforts. Lest we take this lightly, we should be reminded that through this woman's efforts, we awoke one morning nine years ago to find it ILLEGAL TO READ THE BIBLE AND PRAY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. We would be very sorry if through default she were successful in this latest effort to influence national policy on behalf of her "religion" which she avows to be atheism. YOUR LETTER IS NEEDED, and a form is supplied below. Detach this part of the sheet, date your letter, and be sure to include your name and address. The letter must be signed by YOU TO BE EFFECTIVE. ASK AT LEAST FIVE (5) OTHER PEOPLE TO ALSO WRITE, and take enough copies for them to use.

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Gentlemen:

I PERSONALLY APPRECIATE AND WHOLE- HEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE DECISION OF THE ASTRONAUTS TO READ THE BIBLE FROM THE SPACECRAFT AS THEY ORBITED THE MOON DURING DECEMBER 1968. I FURTHER SUPPORT THE RIGHT OF EVERY HUMAN BEING TO EXPRESS HIS FAITH IN GOD AND THE BIBLE PUBLICLY WITHOUT FEAR OF THREAT OR CENSURE.

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Women of America, for God's Sake, Awake

by Mrs. Phil Regan

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. FRANK J. BECKER,

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 2, 1964

Mr. BECKER. Mr. Speaker, I am inserting herewith the above-entitled article written by a great-grandmother, Mrs. Phil Regan, in Palm Springs, Calif.

I believe this is a wonderful expression by a very good lady, and there is little doubt of the truth and wisdom of her statement.

I commend the reading of this article to all Members:

WOMEN OF AMERICA, FOR GOD'S SAKE, AWAKE

The torch is passed to the women of America. It is our moral responsibility to restore Bible reading and prayer in our schools.

Many wonderful things have been twisted into instruments of destruction. In amendment 1 of the Constitution, what law has been broken by Bible reading and prayer in schools?

There is no doubt that the U.S. Supreme Court is comprised of fine men who acted upon the letter of the law when they ruled 8 to 1 on cases from Maryland and Pennsylvania that State laws providing for a religious exercise or prayer recital are unconstitutional under the doctrine of separation of church and state.

What Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson said in 1948 still stands:

"One can hardly respect a system of education which would leave the student wholly ignorant of the currents of religious thought that move the world society . . . for a part in which he is being prepared."

One persistent atheistic woman never stopped until she had reached the Supreme Court and through the technicality of the interpretation of the letter of the law succeeded in banning Bible reading and prayers in our schools while we women—mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers (the writer is in the latter category)—looked on,

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too lethargic to prevent this audacious woman who was speaking for her own child.

What has happened to the women in this country to take this lying down? We are paying taxes for all children to enjoy an American education.

Who is financing her? Who are the unseen insidious forces behind her atheistic move? Are we going to let one godless woman succeed without setting out to reverse this decision? Do you realize what will happen if we take God out of our schools?

A LESSON FROM THE NAZIS

During the postwar trials of Nazis in Germany in 1946, a former high official of the Third Reich confessed that he had taken part in the coldblooded murders of 2½ million persons by Nazis. One American investigator, astounded by the casual manner in which the defendant admitted these atrocities, asked: "Do you believe in God?"

"Most emphatically not," the Fuhrer's disciple replied.

In countries the world over where God has been deliberately rejected by atheistic rulers, the value of human life is soon belittled.

We of this generation have no excuse not to learn from a terrible experiment which has taken place in our own times.

This know-it-all claims, "Religious people are weak." Under the Hitler regime kindness was considered weakness; brutality became a virtue.

Those who would enslave man concentrate first on schools as the most effective place to deform and debase impressionable minds. Thus they quickly eliminate all teaching that reminds the human being that he is made in God's image and that his rights come from his Creator.

The edicts of the Supreme Court shall pass. The laws of God shall never pass.

No child ever became a delinquent or a traitor by applying the inspired words of the Bible and prayer to his daily living.

Milton said: "There are no songs comparable to songs of Zion; no orations equal to those of the prophets; and no politics like those which the Scriptures teach."

Horace Greeley said: "It is impossible to mentally or socially enslave a Bible reading

people. The principles of the Bible are the groundwork of human freedom."

Francis Bacon said: "They that deny God destroy man's nobility; for clearly man is kin to the beasts by his body and if he is not kin to God by his spirit; he is a base and ignoble creature."

Young said: "A foe to God was never a true friend of man."

Unless a man's spirit be free, he is imprisoned.

This amendment has interfered and prevented our freedom of spiritual speech. For when we pray we speak to God and when God answers, He speaks to us. His children on earth—black, white, yellow, Jew, Protestant, Catholic—through the Bible.

Nothing in the Constitution prohibits Bible reading and prayer in our schools. Why change and play into the hands of atheistic Communists. The Supreme Court has gone beyond its power in amending the Constitution.

Article I: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press or of the right of the people."

Women, why not take a popular vote?

The atheistic aim is clear. Without God the consciousness of man is lowered. With this accomplished, man will be unable to discern evil if it has a legal dress. Without God in our schools, we shall perish.

The Old Testament teaches wisdom. The New Testament teaches love and peace. Combine these three, they equal power for good.

All of our Presidents from George Washington up to and including Lyndon B. Johnson were consistent in recognizing the dependence of this Nation on God. This is clearly revealed in the inaugural address of each President. Every President invoked God's help and recognized dependence of this Nation on God. These are excerpts from three of their inaugural addresses:

Abraham Lincoln: "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right."

Dwight D. Eisenhower: "This is the work that awaits us all, to be done with bravery, with charity, and with prayer to Almighty God."

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John F. Kennedy: "Asking His help, but knowing that here on earth God's work must truly be our own."

Our Founding Fathers repeatedly referred to the duty in our Declaration of Independence. We are one nation under God. Would they today try to make us "One nation under Khrushchev"?

The first amendment has been interpreted in the light of man's limited thinking, therefore, the letter has been construed.

The whole of our State constitutions are miniature declarations of independence. Some of them use the very words of the Declaration itself, recognizing God and practically all call attention to the fact that our rights and liberties stem from God.

"Do you realize that only 3 out of 100 Americans actually deny the existence of God?"

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The convictions of a small minority should not result in the imposition of a godless philosophy on the other 97 percent.

In conclusion, I would like to draw your attention to an interview given to the Realist by this godless woman:

"If I can't come through this case the same offensive, unlovable, bullheaded, defiant, aggressive slob (she said this, I didn't) that I was when I started it, then I'll give up now. My own identity is more important to me. They can keep their g--damn prayers in the public schools, in public outhouses, in public H-bomb shelters, and in public whore-houses."

Those are the words of the woman who brought the case to the Supreme Court; the woman who doesn't want her child exposed to prayer.

Every night I shall ask Almighty God to spare each and every woman in America to act now. Do something—a popular vote on our National and State ballots, not at some future date, but now and in the meantime write your Congressman as follows:

"In order to insure our freedom of speech and religion, we, the women of America, demand that some legally effective measure be adopted forthwith to allow Bible reading and prayer in every school throughout our Nation, the United States of America."

Sign your name and address clearly. Do it now and may Almighty God speak through you.

Permission is granted to print this article.

JO E. REEVE,

A Great-grandmother Who Is Very Concerned About the Lethargy of Our Women of Today.