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Pope Pius Says The Christian Nations Should Protect Religion In Russia

Cardinal Pacelli Secretary of State At The Vatican

Succeeds Cardinal Gasparri, Who Resigned Some Time Ago, Due to Advancing Age, After Fifteen Years in the Office—New Secretary, Newly Created a Cardinal, Has Had Extended Experience.

OFFICE IS ONE OF MOST IMPORTANT IN GOVERNMENT OF THE VATICAN

Vatican City, Feb. 14.—On Monday this week the office of Secretary of State for the Vatican State was formally taken over by Cardinal Pacelli, who succeeds Cardinal Gasparri.

Cardinal Gasparri was made Secretary of State for the Vatican in 1914, after his creation as Cardinal in 1907. He is only 67 years old. Cardinal Pacelli is only a little more than 50.

Stayed on Request
Cardinal Gasparri resigned some time ago. He insisted on having his post at the end of 1928, but the Pontiff begged him to remain longer, wishing him to complete the work he had begun toward bringing about reconciliation between Church and State in Italy.

At the beginning of last December Cardinal Gasparri once more reminded the Pope of his desire to retire. It was then that the Pontiff, having to choose a successor, fixed on Cardinal Pacelli. He communicated his choice to Cardinal Gasparri, who thoroughly approved.

Cardinal Pacelli notified Cardinal Gasparri, then a Monsignor, was ordered to Rome from Berlin shortly before the recent consistory, at which he was elevated to

the Cardinalate, but was not told immediately of the ultimate intention of the Pontiff. After being informed finally, Cardinal Pacelli said that his work in Germany was not yet finished, whereupon the Pontiff replied: "You will finish it here together with other still more important work."

Cardinal Pacelli bowed to the Pope's desire and returned to Germany to take leave of the Government of the Reich and then came back to Rome for the consistory at which he was made a Cardinal and where the definite decision to make him Secretary of State was conveyed to him. Cardinal Gasparri placed Cardinal Pacelli in touch with all current affairs.

An Important Post
The office of Papal Secretary of State probably is the most important in the Vatican Government organization aside from that of the Pontiff himself. Without arms of force, the Papal Secretary of State must safeguard the rights of Catholics as Catholics everywhere. He must understand local conditions and national customs, rights and prejudices. Much of the detail which, because of its volume, must escape the eye of the Pontiff, is handled by the office. Cardinal Pacelli assumed Monday.

The New and Retiring Vatican Secretaries



CARDINAL GASPARRI
Pope Pius XI this week accepted the resignation of Cardinal Gasparri, for more than 15 years the Papal Secretary of State, and announced the appointment of Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, retiring because of advancing age—he is nearly 78 years of age—conducted many important negotiations while in office, and is recognized as one of the most capable and distinguished diplomats of modern times. Cardinal Pacelli, a little more than 50 years of age, is considered a worthy successor to him.



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Necessity of Education Is Emphasized by Bishop In Dedicated New Church

St. Ann's Church in Brighton Park, between Mt. Hope Avenue and East Henrietta Road, was dedicated last Sunday by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester. There was a capacity congregation present, and a number of priests.

The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. George J. Schmitt, assistant pastor of St. Boniface's Church, who had charge of the organization of the new parish. The Rev. J. Emil Goffel, rector of St. Peter & Paul's Church, was deacon of the Mass, and the Rev. John F. Ruppel, rector of St. Boniface's Church, sub-deacon.

The sermon was preached by Bishop O'Hern. He paid beautiful tribute to St. Ann, emphasized the necessity of Catholic education, and praised all who helped organize the new parish. He spoke as follows:

"Today we are assembled to dedicate the 42nd Catholic Church in the City of Rochester, and we are proud to do so under the patronage of the great St. Ann, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

"The Hebrew word 'Ann' signifies exaltation, and is fittingly applied to her who was honored above all other women in having been chosen to be the mother of the Mother of God. We are told that the Emperor Justinian I built a church at Constantinople in honor of St. Ann about the year 539, and also that Justinian II built another basilica in honor of this great saint about the year 705. The relics of her sacred body, according to tradition, were brought from Palestine to Constantinople in the year 710, and from these mortal remains many relics have been distributed from year to year throughout the whole Western world. Tradition tells us that numberless miracles were wrought through her intercession in the early ages of the Church, and we know only too well of the blessings of a miraculous nature which are constantly being bestowed through her prayers in our day at the great basilica of St. Anne de Beauvais in the neighboring country of Canada.

Great Model of Virtue
"St. Ann has been looked upon as a great model of virtue to all those who have entered the marriage state and who are charged with the rearing and education of the young. It was, indeed, a sublime dignity and great honor for her to be the parent

of the Mother of God, but we must never forget that it was a source of honor and happiness, under God, to be the instrument of the virtues of Mary, and to be spiritually her mother by bringing her up in perfect innocence and sanctity. And thus her pious care of this illustrious daughter was the greatest means of her own sanctification and of her glory in the Church of God to the end of time.

"Must we not see in this a lesson to all parents whose principal duty should be the care and proper training of their young children in the knowledge and fear and love of God? St. Paul says that it is by the education of their children—and he means, of course, proper Catholic education of their children—that parents are to be saved. Nor would he allow anyone who had children

Bishop O'Hern Takes Issue With Auburn School Board On Religious Instruction

Auburn, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Speaking here on Tuesday evening, at a banquet in the Pompeian room of Osborne House, in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of St. Alphonsus Parish, the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, took issue with the Auburn Board of Education, which recently refused to permit the children of the public schools to receive one hour's religious instruction each week from representatives of their own churches in buildings in no way connected with the schools.

More than 600 people attended the banquet, and it was one of the largest and most enthusiastic affairs ever held in the City of Auburn. Frank H. Steigward, chairman of the banquet committee, welcomed the guests and introduced the toastmaster, Howard G. Blumrich. Speakers included Frank J. Schell, A. J. Lauer, Mr. M. P. Conway, the Rev. Frederick G. Straub, rector of the church, and the Rev. W. F. Bergan, assistant rector. William Skunk of the Syracuse Kiwanis Club was conductor. There were songs by the Auburn Kiwanis Quartet, and solo numbers by Frank H. Steigward, Leo Kroker, and his Maroon Collegians furnished instrumental music, and accompanists were Mr. Kroker, Miss Mary Pfeiffer and Mr. Steigward. The program opened with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Bishop O'Hern's Talk
Bishop O'Hern spoke happily of St. Alphonsus Church, its priests and its people, its past and its future. Then he launched into a subject that aroused the enthusiasm and won the hearty approval of the

Hoover Appoints Two Catholics On Haiti Commission

Washington, Feb. 14.—Two prominent Catholics, James Kerney of Trenton, N. J., and Elle Veziņa of Woonsocket, R. I., are members of the commission of five named yesterday by President Hoover to study conditions in Haiti.

Mr. Cameron Forbes, of Massachusetts, former Governor general of the Philippine Islands, has been named head of the commission. Other members are Hon. P. Fletcher of Pennsylvania, former United States Ambassador to Italy, and William Allen White, of Kansas. Congress has appropriated \$50,000 for its work.

President Hoover also has requested that Robert K. Nelson, President of the Catholic Relief Bureau, inquire into the educational system of Haiti, the population of which is almost entirely Catholic.

President's Statement
Explaining the task set for the commission, the President said he is sending this commission to Haiti "to determine the facts, to study and survey the whole problem in the light of our experience in the last fifteen years, and the social and political background of the Haitian people, to confer with all sides, to recommend the soundest and most effective steps which will lead to the liquidation of our responsibilities and at the same time assure stable government in Haiti."

James Kerney is the publisher of the Trenton Times newspapers—three papers published at Trenton, New Jersey. Aside from his publishing activities, he is best known, probably, as the author of "The Political Education of Woodrow Wilson," published in 1926, and of which Dr. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton said it was the best work of President Wilson yet produced. Mr. Kerney has written for the Saturday Evening Post and the Century Magazine. He attracted widespread attention by his pen picture of Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York in Scribner's.

Elle Veziņa was born in Canada about 60 years ago. He has a thorough knowledge of French, which is the principal language of Haiti.

Pope Felicitates Mr. - Mrs. O'Brien On Golden Jubilee

New York, Feb. 14.—On the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary, Wednesday, former Justice and Mrs. Morgan J. O'Brien were the recipients of hundreds of congratulatory messages, one from His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. The Pope's message, transmitted through Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, reads:

"Holy Father Grants Apostolic Blessing occasion golden jubilee wedding Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien."

Another cablegram from Rome was sent by the Rev. Martin Gillett, president of the Dominicans, which read:

"Occasion golden jubilee wedding of Morgan O'Brien I send blessing of St. Dominic, congratulations, best wishes, long life, happiness."

A French Saint



ST. CATHERINE

For many generations a dainty and weather-worn statue of St. Catherine stood in a niche above a Parisian store. In its place now is a beautiful marble statue, bought by the small contributions of hundreds of French working girls who pray to St. Catherine every time they pass her statue. There are 40,000 "Catherinettes" in France—girls who seek to imitate the virtues of this beloved Saint and martyr.

Passion Play In New Jersey During Lent

Union City, N. J., Feb. 14.—"Veronica's Veil," a passion play, will be presented for the 16th consecutive season, beginning on March 9, at St. Joseph's Church. Union City, N. J., under the sponsorship of the Passionist Fathers. The play will continue through Lent, the performance to be on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

The play was written by Father Bernardine, C. P., and is derived from the tradition of the woman Veronica, who comforted the Saviour on His way to Calvary. There are five acts and numerous tableaux.

Jno. McCormack's First Film Ready For March 17th

New York, Feb. 14.—"Song of My Heart," the picture in which John McCormack will make his audible film debut, will be the first picture in which a new natural color film process, known as Fox-color, is used. The picture has been made in both Grandeur and standard film and thus embodies all the latest screen developments at the disposal of Fox Films.

The picture has been completed and will have its world premiere in New York probably on March 17, according to an announcement from Winfield Sheehan, vice president of Fox Films. Mr. Sheehan was especially enthusiastic about the realism obtained in the outdoor color scenes which are numerous in the picture. Any touch of artificiality about the process would have been revealed more sharply in reproducing natural things than in interior scenes, he pointed out.

Mr. McCormack sings ten songs in the picture including a number of his old favorites and several new selections. He is supported by a cast including Alice Joyce, John Garrick, Maureen O'Sullivan, Tommy Chiffoleau, Farrell Macdonald and J. M. Kerrigan. The production was enthusiastically received at recent previews at San Jose and Fresno, Cal.

Mr. McCormack left Hollywood early in February and he will sail for Europe on Feb. 22. He will go to his home, Moore Abbey, County Kildare, Ireland, and on Easter Sunday will journey to Rome for the Spring Papal Conference at which time he will act as interpreter for the American Delegation of Clergy.



Roosevelt Heads Catholic Welfare Porto Rico Work

Washington, Feb. 14.—Theodore Roosevelt, Governor of Porto Rico, has accepted the Honorary Presidency of the Catholic Child Welfare Association, an organization of Catholic laymen formed here recently to furnish food and clothing for needy children on the island. Rev. Frederick J. Toomey, secretary of the Association, 50 Union Square, New York City, announced.

In his cable of acceptance Governor Roosevelt said:

"Accept with pleasure Honorary Presidency of Catholic Child Welfare Association of Porto Rico. Most heartily endorse work you are undertaking. It is vitally necessary for us to provide for our boys and girls in Porto Rico a proper opportunity in life. They have not now the same chance as their fellow citizens in continental United States. The work of your organization will greatly aid to this end."

Soviets Condemned For War On Religion By Supreme Pontiff

Pope Pius XI Deplores Failure of Nations to Make Concerted Protest Against Numberless Atrocities and Ungodly Campaign—Asks Christian World to Unite in Prayer on March 19th

SAYS THE SOVIETS WILL BRING ABOUT RUINATION OF MINDS AND HUMAN NATURE

Vatican City, Feb. 14.—In a letter, just issued, Pope Pius XI severely condemns the Russian Government for its war on religion, and deplores the fact that Christian Nations have not made a concerted demand upon Russia to grant freedom of conscience, liberty of worship and inviolability of church property to the people of that country. He appeals to all the Christian world to unite with him in prayer on March 19, the feast of St. Joseph, for a cessation of the Bolshevik atrocities against Christians.

"Horrible, sacrilegious iniquities," the letter treating of the Russian situation was sent to Cardinal Basile Pompili, Bishop of Velletri and Vicar-General of Rome.

"We have been profoundly touched," the Pope's letter says, "by the horrible, sacrilegious iniquities which have been committed, and which indeed grow worse every day, against God and against the souls of dear to our heart because they are suffering so much. To these persons belong many devout and generous sons and ministers of this Holy Catholic Apostolic Roman Church, whose devotion and generosity are so great that they almost reach heroism and martyrdom."

Genoa Conference Failed
The Pope refers to efforts he has made since the beginning of his pontificate eight years ago to put an end to the terrible religious persecution in Russia. During the Genoa conference of 1922, a few days after his election, the Pope said he requested the governments partaking in that parley to make a joint declaration which would have the effect of saving Russia and the whole world many troubles—namely, that they all should demand from the Soviet Government as a preliminary condition of recognition the acceptance of three definite points, freedom of conscience, liberty of worship, and inviolability of church property.

Unfortunately, the Pope adds, all three demands, which would have greatly benefited the hierarchies of that very church which is separated from Rome, were not pressed and were finally abandoned for material interests. Those material interests, the Pontiff said, would have been better safeguarded if the various governments had themselves shown respect for the rights of God and divine justice.

Feb 150,000 Children Daily Equally unaccountably, the Pope also points out, were the demands met, the Pope would have been able to give the same time, however, the Pope expresses satisfaction at having succeeded in saving the Fairbank Tykon from certain execution as well as at having been allowed, thanks to the generous contributions from the

Archbishop Hanna Ordains His Nephew Clark in Rome In North American College

In the presence of his father and mother, Frank N. and Margaret Loneragan Hanna of 50 Wellington Ave., this city, who are now in Vatican City, the Rev. Clark B. Hanna, S.T.L., was ordained to the Holy Priesthood in the private chapel of the North American College on Saturday, this week, February 16th, by his uncle, the Most Rev. Edward J. Hanna, D.D., Archbishop of San Francisco. The career of the young Levite, thus far, closely parallels that of his distinguished uncle.

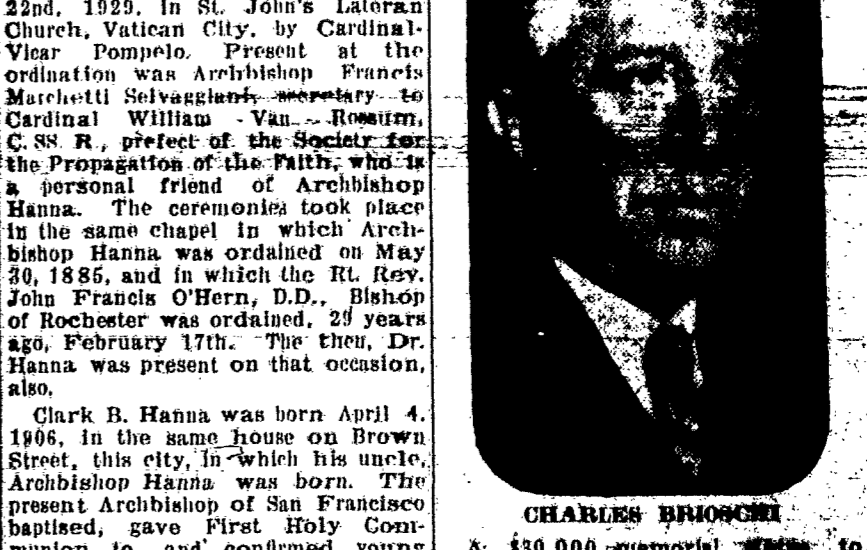
The ordination ceremonies were private, the remainder of the class of 1930, North American College having been ordained on December 22nd, 1929, in St. John's Lateral Church, Vatican City, by Cardinal Victoriano Vico. Present at the ordination was Archbishop Francis Marchetti Selvaggiani, secretary to Cardinal William Van Rossum, C.S.R., prefect of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, who is a personal friend of Archbishop Hanna. The ceremony took place in the same chapel in which Archbishop Hanna was ordained on May 30, 1885, and in which the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester was ordained, 23 years ago, February 17th. The then, Dr. Hanna was present on that occasion, also.

Clark B. Hanna was born April 4, 1906, in the same house on Brown Street, this city, in which his uncle, Archbishop Hanna was born. The present Archbishop of San Francisco, Cardinal J. Duggan, baptized him, gave First Holy Communion to, and confirmed young Hanna. The latter attended Cathedral Grammar School on Brown Street, as did his uncle, and he was graduated in June, 1919. He received his secondary training in St. Andrew's Preparatory Seminary, which he finished in 1924, leaving for Rome, September 24th, 1924. Going directly to the North American College, he completed two years in philosophy and four years in theology, the same course pursued there by Archbishop Hanna in seminary days.

Father Hanna will return to the United States in August, and will say his first solemn High Mass in his own parish church, St. Augustine's.

New Chile Marriage Law
Santiago, Chile, Feb. 14.—A new law making performance of a civil ceremony within eight days after a religious wedding rite obligatory was signed here by President Carlos Ibáñez. Couples who married before the law went into effect are affected by it.

For Columbus



CHARLES BRONSON
A \$30,000 memorial statue to Christopher Columbus will soon be erected on the Minnesota State Capitol grounds. It is being designed by Charles Bronson, and it will be a striking likeness of the great navigator.

Fake K. C. Oath Appeal Is Lost, Lady Goes To Jail

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 14.—Convicted last year in 1928 of charges of circulating the oath of the Knights of Columbus, a woman last appeared in the City of Savannah for the same offense. She was fined \$100 and sentenced to jail.