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A RAPIDLY GROWING INFLUENCE FOR GOOD IN THE COMMUNITY

Start Four Day Program This Sunday

Urge Religion For Public School Youth

AROUND CATHOLIC WORLD

ROTA BEGINS YEAR Vatican City The care which the Catholic Church manifests in safeguarding the holiness of matrimonial ties and the integrity of the family was reflected again on Thursday when the jubilee year of the Sacred Rota was inaugurated.

PROTECT CHILDREN Toronto In the sight of children playing on the street has caused the Rev. Edward Byrne, C. S. S. R., to take action to reduce the dangers to which such children in the district were exposed.

FLAYS COMMUNISM Montreal The Most Rev. Georges Guindon, Archbishop of Montreal, in a pastoral letter declares that communism is a social and political system which is fundamentally anti-Catholic.

PLAY FOR SPAIN San Juan, P. R. A solemn hour of prayer for peace in Spain was observed in the Cathedral here.

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CATECHETICAL MEET STUDIES VITAL PROBLEM

Revision of English New Testament Discussed; 18 Prelates Present

NEW YORK The problem of providing more intensive religious education for public school children of the Catholic religion was emphasized by speakers at the National Catechetical Congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Catechetical Revision Discussed General discussion and reports on the study of the Baltimore Catechism by a committee of 100 theologians who have devoted a year to the task, featured Saturday's sessions.

Religious Meet A joint meeting of religious was held later at the hotel. The honorary chairman was the Most Rev. L. Ireton, Conductor Bishop of San Juan.

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Papal Diplomat Comes Here On Historic Visit



Cardinal Pacelli to Confer With American Hierarchy

Arrival in the United States of His Eminence Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, Papal Secretary of State today focuses attention on one who, early in life was the recipient of one of the highest honors the Vatican can bestow.

The first Prince of the Church holding the exalted office of Papal Secretary of State over to visit this country, he has had a notable diplomatic career extending over 38 years.

A native of Rome, Cardinal Pacelli was 60 years old on March 2. At the time of his appointment as Papal Secretary of State in 1929, he was one of the youngest members of the Sacred College of Cardinals and had been elevated to that august body only a few months previously.

He is a member of a family that has long been distinguished in the service of the Church. His father was a brilliant consistorial lawyer and his brother, Francesco, a counsellor at St. Peter's was one of the principal negotiators of the Holy Roman Question.

An outstanding monument to the diplomatic career of Cardinal Pacelli in the Concordat concluded between the Holy See and Prussia. Archbishop of Basilica In 1930, Cardinal Pacelli was named Archbishop of the Vatican Basilica, succeeding the late Cardinal Merry del Val.

CARDINAL HAILS SPAIN'S REFUGEES

Vatican City

Glowing tribute to the refugee bishops, priests, religious and laity of Spain now present in Rome whom he termed "generous and valiant sentinels" of the Church, was paid by His Eminence Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, Papal Secretary of State, when he presided over the audience at His Holiness Pope Pius XI.

Veterans in Mexico Flay Communists

MEXICO CITY (NC) In a formal statement, dated September 14 and signed by the President and Secretary, the Association of Veterans of the Mexican Revolution charge that "foreign influences in our country are trying to convert our country into another shambles."

Suggest Shaw Assume 'Mr. Mix-up' Drama Role

NEW YORK (NC) The New York Times editorially suggested on Monday that George Bernard Shaw in his next play introduce himself "in the guise of one of the most amusing characters ever presented on the stage."

VIVID STORY OF SPANISH MARTYRS TOLD

Claretians Give Eye Witness Story of Brutal Massacre of Confreres

WASHINGTON Information given at Rome by two young Claretian Missionaries, natives of Argentina, who were eye-witnesses to the massacre of their Spanish brethren in religion at Barbastro, Spain, has been communicated by the general headquarters of the Claretians in Rome to the Very Rev. Eugene Sigras, C. M. F., Superior of the Claretian College at the Catholic University of America.

Telling of the almost unbelievable brutality that accompanied the outrage perpetrated by the Red mob, Father Sigras said the two Argentinians had been arrested and imprisoned with the rest of their community.

"These two young Claretians," he said, "went through the ghastly almost to the very last. Just before the final execution of their confreres they were released because of their foreign citizenship."

"In their anti-clerical hatred, the Reds at Barbastro perpetrated unspeakable crimes and outrages both on holy places and on sacred persons. The Claretian Missionaries, who conducted the Major Seminary of the Catalan Province at Barbastro, were the chief target for their Satanic fury."

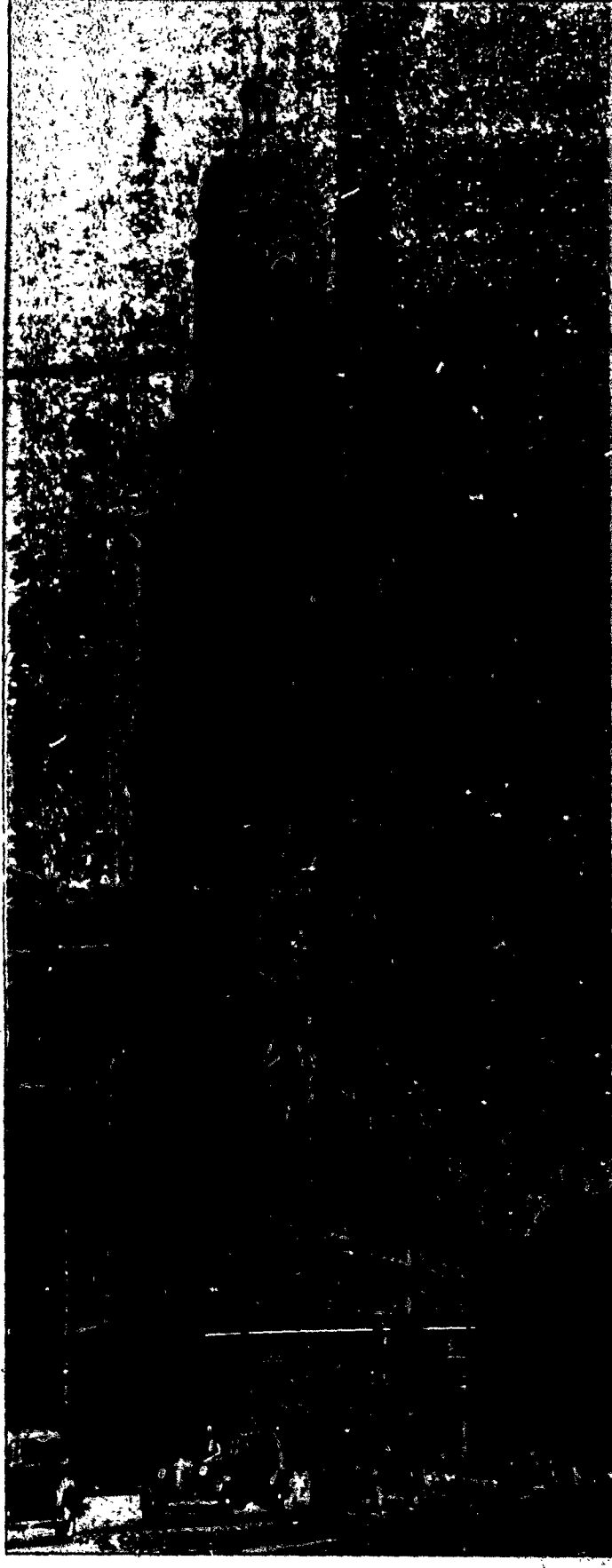
"On Monday July 20, at 6 p. m., 60 armed Reds entered the college by force. They commanded the community to gather in the interior patio. The priests, students and lay Brothers were lined up in a double row, all facing the wall. Each was searched. Some Reds went through the buildings rummaging and ransacking every room and closet. After this had been done, some wanted to begin the massacre right then and there. One of the group, however, persuaded his fellow murderers to delay the execution. Persuaded by the spokesman, they left for a short while."

"Availing himself of the opportunity, after being absolved, the Superior Father requested the absolute of the members of the Community. Then other priests went to the public church and the convent chapel and removed the ciboria and distributed the Sacred Hosts to their confreres."

"When the Claretians were arrested, Father Munarriz, the prefect of the Students, Father John Diaz, the Procurator of the College, Father Leoncio Perez, and Father Louis Masferrer, were at once separated from the rest of the Community and were taken to the City Jail. On the following day they were removed to the Capuchin Convent that had been turned into a prison. On Saturday, August 1, the prisoners were again transferred to the City Jail and, at length on the morning of Sunday, August 2, they all faced the firing squad."

"Meanwhile the other Claretians were still imprisoned at the auditorium of the college of the Piarist Fathers. On Wednesday, August 12, at 4 a. m., the following Claretians were massacred: Father Nicolas, Sebastian Calvo, Peter Cunill and Joseph M. Peroni. Frater Venancio Claris, a student, and Brother Gregory Chirivas, tied with strong ropes, by pairs, the Claretians were escorted to the public cemetery. There, at the brink of ossuary graves, they were shot to death. The remaining prisoners could hear the ominous sound, the sharp cracking report of the murderous volley. The bodies of the martyrs were hurriedly thrown into the graves and were covered with quicklime and dirt."

CENTURY OLD CHURCH CELEBRATES



Old St. Joseph's Church in the heart of downtown Rochester will be the scene of impressive rites, beginning Sunday, to mark the passing of 100 years since the early beginning of the community it serves.

A Young Newspaper congratulates A Famed Old Church

THROUGH a long hundred years St. Joseph's Church has fostered and strengthened Catholic spiritual values in the City of Rochester. ONE CENTURY of service closes as another century opens before this famous parish—a century of opportunities to add even greater lustre to a beloved name. YOUNGER, but no less valiant in its high purpose, the CATHOLIC COURIER salutes St. Joseph's with the resolve to emulate the examples of influential services which a distinguished church has set before the whole community.

Redemptorist Fathers Coming From Diocese Points for Community Plan

Redemptorist Fathers will be in the City of Rochester Monday to join distinguished prelates of other dioceses in a four-day study of the potential of the Catholic Church in the community.

Jubilee in Many In This City

Special jubilee services will be held in many of the parishes of the Diocese of Rochester during the jubilee year.

Religious Good Will Tour In State

A tour of religious good will will be held in the State during the jubilee year, with stops in various parishes.