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With awe and reverence pilgrims thronging the municipal stadium at Cleveland listened to the voice of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI broadcast from Vatican City to the Seventh National Eucharistic Congress in Cleveland.

Policemen seeking new crime combating methods attended the DeWane County Police School sessions at Villa Nova College in Pennsylvania.

Private charity was declared imperative if public agencies were to cope with many of the problems arising in the care of the poor by Diocesan Directors at the silver jubilee meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Charities in Detroit, Ill.

Seeking enrollment of several thousand priests in the Missionary Union of the Clergy, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Quinn, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in New York announced Mission Sunday as date for launching the campaign.

An "ultra liberal institution in which communistic teachings are encouraged and where avowed Communists are welcome," characterized the University of Wisconsin in a report on its investigation of radical activities at the university by a committee of the State Legislature.

Abrogation of the Law for the Nationalization of Property, promulgated August 31, and its regulatory statute, and amendment of Articles 3, 24, 27 and 130 of the Federal Constitution was asked of President Lazaro Cardenas of Mexico in a petition of the Mexican Hierarchy.

Calling upon Catholic men to combat radio bigotry, Richard I. Lorenz, president of St. Robert Bellarmine Holy Name Society urged protest of the nature of "Judge" Rutherford on the radio programs of Station WCFB in Chicago.

American Legion at its National Convention in St. Louis chose J. Ray Murphy of Ida Grove, Iowa, a Catholic as its National Commander and named the Rev. Thomas D. Kennedy, pastor of the Church of St. Philip Neri, St. Louis as its national chaplain.

An eloquent apologia of Christianity and a brilliant picture of Irish Catholicism were given by President Eamon de Valera, principal speaker at the banquet for Catholic delegates to the League of Nations in Geneva.

"Abolition of religion in substantially the same way as the Soviet Government of Russia," this conclusion resulted from a non-partisan survey of Mexico made under direction of the American Committee on Religious Rights and Minorities. A special deputation sent to Mexico to

study the situation found that the Mexican Government is denying religious liberty to the people of this country.

The Most Rev. Peter Leiser, Bishop of Meissen, Saxony, held in Moabit Prison, Berlin was said to have been incarcerated in connection with a loan contracted in Holland several years ago by the St. Boniface Catholic Home Mission Society of Paderborn, Westphalia.

Stand taken by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI for world peace in the midst of hostilities in East Africa and threatened conflict elsewhere in the Eastern Hemisphere was rigorously defended by the Most Rev. Arthur Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster in an address delivered at the Church of St. Edward the Confessor, Golders Green. Certain derogatory remarks made in European capitals were denounced by the Archbishop.

Fervent prayers for peace in all parts of the world "above all Europe and Africa," were petitioned by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI in a radio message broadcast to the closing of the First National Eucharistic Congress of Peru, held in Lima. Rapid progress in every field of life—above all in the field of Christian, Catholic life which produced the first flower of sanctity in all America, St. Rose of Lima, was commended by the Holy Father in the same broadcast.

Stating that the best Catholics make the best citizens by reason of the doctrines they profess, a pastoral letter was issued by the Hierarchy of Mexico calling upon Catholics there to take a more active part in civic affairs.

Time Magazine was taken to task by the Most Rev. Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland for the "rather flippant and insulting" articles on the

Seventh National Eucharistic Congress held in Cleveland.

"We need to teach Catholic people to get up on their feet before communists, atheists or anyone else and defend their religion and express their objections to these movements. For this there must be proper training and instructions," said the Rev. W. D. Muckle of Toronto at the annual meeting of the Catholic Truth Society of Canada.

NOVEMBER, 1935

Garbled press reports in the United States press attributed to His Holiness, Pope Pius XI were corrected by Mgr. Enrico Pucci, Vatican City correspondent, N.C.W.C. News Service. Papers in this country said that an article in Civiltà Cattolica would urge that Italy be granted a mandate over Ethiopia. The article in fact,

said that if the League of Nations judged a mandate necessary, the mandate should be given to Italy. The magazine in question, Civiltà Cattolica, was pointed out as a magazine founded and directed by the Jesuit Fathers. It is authoritative and has writers noted for their ability and is careful of statements concerning doctrine and opinions. Its policy, however, has never been directed by the Pope.

Sister John Gabriel of Providence Hospital, Seattle at the session of the Congress of the American College of Surgeons voiced opposition to the recommendations of the Committee on Economic Security that funds for construction of public hospitals be provided as part of the Government's public works' program.

An estimated damage of \$500,000 to Catholic institutions by earthquakes in Montana was set by the Most Rev. Ralph L. Hayes, former Bishop of Helena before departing to assume duties as Rector of the North American College in Rome.

Selection of the Most Rev. Archbishop Edward Mooney, Bishop of Rochester, as Chairman of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference was announced in Washington at a meeting of the Archbishops and Bishops elected by the General Meeting of the Bishops of the United States to constitute the Board.

Reply from President Roosevelt to a letter from the Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus which deplored the failure of the Administration to investigate the conditions of the persecution of religion in Mexico, particularly as they affect American citizens was made public by Martin H. Carmody, Supreme Knight. The President declared it to be the policy of his Administration to "refrain from interfering in such direct concerns of the Mexican government." He reaffirmed the American belief in religious freedom.

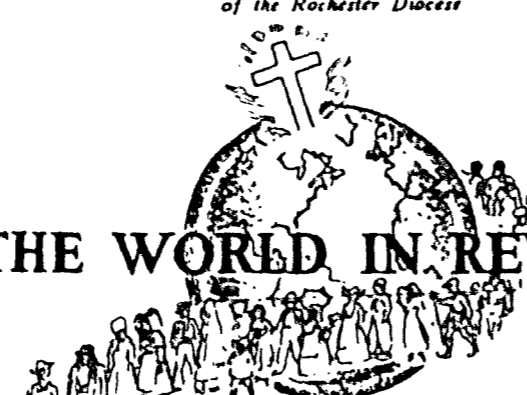
The President stated that "There has not been brought to this Government during the past year a single complaint by any United States citizen that such opportunities (to practice religion freely) in Mexico have been refused to him."

On making public the President's reply, Mr. Carmody in a statement noted that the President, quoting from a message of former President Roosevelt relative to the massacre of Jews in Russia and the oppression of Armenians, made reference only to that portion of the message which declared it wiser for us to concern ourselves with our moral and material betterment at home than to "concern ourselves with trying to better the condition of things in other nations."

The present Chief Executive, Mr. Carmody said, failed to continue the quotation of the message and to note that Theodore Roosevelt added that "Nevertheless there are occasional

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Chronology of Outstanding Events



One of the most tragic chapters in all church history was written during 1936 with the outbreak of the Spanish revolt and the persecution of Catholics in the country by the Communist regime. Bishops, priests, nuns and students fell before firing squads or met a more horrible fate. In this International Press Photo printed through the courtesy of the Rochester Journal we see government troops firing at Rightists from a church bell tower.