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Story of Nuns at Molokai

How many know that the good Sisters who worked with Fr. Damien, the hero of Molokai came originally from this state. See Page 5.

Prizes Earned In Contest

The 4-square contest sponsored by your parish druggist offers satisfactory return for small effort on your part. See rules on Page 7.

Reich Bishops To Visit Pope

Fulda Meet Set After Rome Stay

AMSTERDAM (N C) The annual meeting of the German Hierarchy in Fulda will be held there August 11 and 12 His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Schulte Archbishop of Cologne the Most Rev. Konrad Count von Preysing Bishop of Berlin and the Most Rev. Clemens August Count von Galen Bishop of Muenster are expected to go to Rome prior to the opening of the meeting to consult with the Holy Father Other German Bishops are expected to pay their ad limina visits in Vatican City soon afterwards.

Rumors are current here as elsewhere but they are merely rumors that the Holy Father is planning to publish an Encyclical that will deal with peace

Demonstration In Silesia

An impressive demonstration of piety is reported from Silesia where over 130 000 Catholic men took part this year in the pilgrimage to St Annaberg despite systematic efforts by Nazi authorities to discourage participation

The pilgrimage is held annually and it had been customary for the German Federal Railways to put special trains at the pilgrims' disposal This year the privilege was bluntly refused This meant that regular rates had to be paid by all passengers, but it did not act as a deterrent Thousands who could find no space in the regular trains came by bicycle or horse carriage

His Eminence Adolf Cardinal Bertram Archbishop of Breslau addressed the pilgrims urging them to remain true to their faith despite all persecutions and discriminations.

In Austria no less than 74 St. Vincent associations which are exclusively devoted to charities were forcibly dissolved by Nazi police and their properties confiscated

Propaganda in favor of cremation continues actively under Nazi auspices throughout Austria Nazi propagandists try to convince the people that the Church opposes cremation solely because it would mean loss of revenue to her

Vandalism At Limburg

Sacrilegious vandalism is reported from various parts of the Limburg Diocese. Nine stations of the Cross were overthrown on a roadside near Wirzenborn six being destroyed. Crucifixes in Montabaur, Horressen, Wuerselen and Egenendorf suffered the same fate

Acts like these are the natural consequence of the official propaganda promoted by the Nazi party against all things Christian In a recent series of articles Das Schwarze Korps Nazi Black Guards organ, asserted that Nordic man was always a sort of battling giant who found his task entirely limited to this life and didn't need an artificial prolongation in an invented hereafter

Christian morals the paper said are contrary to Germanic conceptions in that neighborly love was being overrated to the detriment of self-respect, causing disintegration of national dignity No idealism such as for instance that of the priesthood, was justified unless its only contents were the nation and its aspirations

Teachings of this kind which amount to Bolshevistic materialism are forced upon the whole younger generation in Germany today raising it to grow up conceited and brutal in their instincts and full of scorn for the ideals of charity and all other Christian virtues.

Fire Razes Spain Primate's Residence

TOLEDO, Spain (NC) The eighteenth-century residence of His Eminence Isidro Cardinal Gomá y Tomas, Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of Spain, is a ruin today as the result of a disastrous fire which razed the building and for a time threatened the historic 700-year-old cathedral adjoining it.

Largely through the efforts of the Cardinal himself at the risk of his life, the library jewels and some furniture were saved.

The fire which began in a military pharmacy on the lower floor, for a time endangered the cathedral but was brought under control before it could damage the ancient structure. The cathedral is regarded as a masterpiece of architecture and is an object of interest to tourists Started in 1227 and completed in 1493 it is a repository of religious treasures and art masterpieces of incalculable value Despite the bitter fighting in the 70-day siege of the Alcazar 300 hundred yards away to the recent civil war the cathedral escaped damage

Positions Of Noted War Veterans Reversed

TOLEDO.—While conducting the Most Rev Paul Remond Bishop of Nice and the French Ambassador to Spain, Marshal Petain through the ruins of the Alcazar the Military Governor of Toledo and his staff were told an amusing story by their guests. It has to do with the reversed status of these two World War veterans in civil life

During the war, Bishop Remond as commander of a battalion of infantry was subordinate to Marshal Petain today he is his spiritual superior The summer residence of the Marshal-Ambassador is in the Diocese of Nice.

HOLY LAND CUSTOS VISITS U. S.

Most Rev Albert Gori, O F M (left) Custos of the Holy Land and guardian of the Holy Places on his first visit to the United States, photographed with Very Rev Leonard Walsh O F M Commissary of the Franciscan Monastery St Mt Sepulchre Brookland D C While visiting the Monastery he celebrated his silver sacerdotal jubilee, July 25. (N C W C staff photo)

Holy Land Custos Praises U. S. Catholics' Generosity

WASHINGTON—(N. C.)—Paying warm tribute to the generosity of American Catholics for their support of the works of the Faith in the Holy Land, the Most Rev. Albert Gori, O.F.M., Custos of the Holy Land now visiting this country, Tuesday revealed here that it is hoped in the near future to rebuild the Basilicas of Nazareth the Holy Sepulchre and Bethlehem

The Custos who now heads the centuries-old Franciscan work in the Holy Land of guarding and preserving the Holy Places told of this hope at a dinner tendered him at the Franciscan Monastery here in observance of his silver jubilee The event was attended by representatives of the Apostolic Delegation of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, of the Catholic University of America of virtually all the religious communities and of the Archdiocese of Baltimore

His Eminence did not omit his praise and thanks for the aid given the Holy Land work by American Catholics declaring that it has been owing in great part to the generosity of this nation that the Friars have been able to support so many needy and to rebuild many shrines

Tribute to Benefactors

Declaring he had regarded it as a duty of recognition and gratitude toward this our convent in Washington and likewise toward the American clergy and people to come to this country he continued

"I came indeed to pay a tribute of recognition to our benefactors of America and to show how appreciative the Custody is of their charity towards the Holy Land And what occasion would be better than this in which I could make public such sentiments of gratitude before such a select gathering of generous minded clergy so representative of your great people

"Through you then I am happy to be able to express today to the American people to our generous benefactors the profound acknowledgment of generosity which the sons of St Francis cherish for you those sons who have for seven centuries had the great honor of guarding the places sanctified by the presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ

For indeed it is owing in great part to the generosity of this nation that the Friars of the Holy Land are able to support so many of the needy in Palestine Again

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Two Bishops Named For China Posts

OSSINING N Y (NC) A cable from the Holy See named the Rev James F Donaghy M M as Vicar Apostolic of Wuchow South China to succeed Monsignor Bernard F Meyer M M who resigned due to ill health, has just been received at the Maryknoll Fathers Foreign Mission Seminary of America Maryknoll Bishop Donaghy is the second Maryknoll Father within ten days to have received his episcopal consecration the Most Rev William F O Shea M M having been named on July 17 as Vicar Apostolic of Heyuan

Father Donaghy was born January 13 1904 in New Bedford Mass He attended Holy Cross College Worcester and St Mary's Seminary Baltimore He joined the Maryknoll Fathers September 1 1928 and was ordained January 27 1929 The following September he left for Kaying South China where he labored until the end of last year when in the interests of his mission he returned to this country

Order's First Native To Become Bishop

TECHNY Ill (NC) One of the twelve Bishops to be consecrated by His Holiness Pope Pius XII this fall is the Rt Rev Mgr Thomas Tien S V D now Prefect Apostolic of Yangku Pottsuang in Shantung, China. He will be the first native Society of the Divine Word Bishop in China The Society has long fostered the growth of the native clergy in the missions in Japan China the Philippines the East Indies and the South of the United States

Born in 1890 Monsignor Tien was ordained in 1918 and created Prefect Apostolic of Yangku which is now raised to a Vicariate in 1934 He was born in Changtsun Yangku and being a native of the territory now confided to his care is especially equipped to know the local needs and customs

T. J. Finnegan, A.O.H. Vice-President, Dies

JERSEY CITY A few hours before he was to depart for the national convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Pittsburgh Thomas J Finnegan National Vice-President of the A O H died Saturday here at the age of 63

Mr Finnegan who has been active in A O H affairs for many years was slated for the presidency of the organization this year He had been a national officer since 1935

A native of Ireland Mr Finnegan was consulting engineer for the Board of Education of this city

Political Terrorism Opens In Mexico City

MEXICO CITY At Pachuca, Capital of the State of Hidalgo a large group of politicians following a meeting, went through the main streets of the city firing on the shops The merchants have demanded that the Governor put a stop to such terrorism which is becoming common in Pachuca, is not checked by the police, alarms the people and causes agitation among the miners.

105 Couples Wed At Rite

Canada Jocists In Rare Ceremony

MONTREAL (N. C.) Reminding the world of the true principles which should actuate marriage and the careful attention which must be given preparing for it, 105 Catholic young men and 105 Catholic young women, members of the J. O. C. movement, were joined in matrimony in a mass ceremony at the staduim here Sunday.

The mass weddings, believed to be unique, followed months of special investigation into the spiritual and temporal qualifications of the young persons and careful study of the encyclical, "Casti Connubii." The event was a feature of the second Jocist General Congress.

Twenty thousand persons filled the large baseball park. Amid cheers the couples walked from the stadium entrance across a red and blue carpet to an altar set up in the outfield, and there took up their places at special prie-dieus ranged in front of the altar. To the left of the altar was the throne for the Most Rev. Georges Gauthier, Coadjutor Archbishop of Montreal

Pledges Before Archbishop

Microphones had been set up and as the couple before Archbishop Gauthier pledged their troth the pledges were echoed by the other couples A priest with each couple blessed the individual pledges, and witnessed the exchange of rings.

Gifts blessed by His Holiness Pope Pius XII were presented to each of the participants, a black and silver crucifix for the bridegrooms and a white rosary for the brides.

Archbishop Gauthier, addressing the newlyweds, emphasized that marriage is an indissoluble Sacrament. He commended the Jeunesse Ouviere Catholique (Catholic Young Workers) on their aims and the manner in which these aims are being realized His Excellency imparted a special Apostolic Blessing from the Pope.

Colorful Setting

The nuptial Mass was celebrated by the Rev Henri Roy, O. M. I., who was responsible for the founding of the J O C movement in Canada eight years ago. The thousands of instructions preceding the mass marriages were under his direction but his task did not conclude with today's ceremony. For five years he will keep in constant touch with the newlyweds, acting as their counsellor and smoothing out any difficulties which may arise.

Sunday's ceremony had a colorful setting, the stands being crowded with thousands of boys and girls wearing the blue berets indicative of the J O C movement. The servers for the nuptial Mass wore blue trousers, white shirts and red-and-white striped ties. From the stands fluttered standards of the many groups present from all parts

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Cardinal Gasparri Enroute to U. S.

ROME (NC Cable) His Eminence Enrico Cardinal Gasparri, Bishop of Velletri and Prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signature, sailed Friday aboard the Conte di Savoia for the United States.

NEW YORK (NC) The Italian line steamship Conte di Savoia, on which His Eminence Enrico Cardinal Gasparri is a passenger, is due here Friday morning. Reports reaching here have it that the Cardinal's visit is of a private nature and that he will visit friends in this country It is expected that His Eminence will go to the Catholic University of America at Washington, D. C. which at present is observing the golden jubilee of its establishment.

Cardinal Enrico Gasparri is a nephew of the late Cardinal Pietro Gasparri who was Papal Secretary of State under Pope Benedict XV and Pius XI.

Doctor Curran Replies To ER

Answers Attack On Fr. Coughlin

DETROIT. — (NC) — Speaking from this city in a nation-wide radio broadcast, the Rev. Dr. Edward Lodge Curran of Brooklyn, President of the International Catholic Truth Society, took Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President of the United States, to task for his attacks upon the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, pastor of the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, Mich.

Dr. Curran charged Mr. Roosevelt with "one of the most false and fictitious assaults" made against Father Coughlin in recent years. He said "it is doubtful if Elliott Roosevelt would ever be on the air in the guise of a speaker were he not the son of the President." "The truth is, however," he added, "that this New Deal Dynasty, not satisfied with having attempted to purge Senators, is now trying to purge all citizens who dare criticize the New Deal experimentations."

Unfounded Charge

"The assertion that Father Coughlin has been anti-Semitic in his oratory is a strange charge and accompanied by no proof," Dr. Curran said. "It was a rehash of what is being said by the Leftist leaders of the country who think no charge too low, or too unworthy if it succeeds in smearing the object of its attack."

"In your heart," Dr. Curran continued, directing his remarks to Elliott Roosevelt, "you know that Father Coughlin is consumed with fighting Communism, with denouncing Jewish as well as non-Jewish Communists, something which neither you nor those whose proud name you bear have ever had the courage to do.

"Father Coughlin, Mr. Roosevelt, is a tribune of the American people interested in the preservation of Americanism; you are the son of the President of the United States, paid for your broadcasts and interested in the profits which may accrue to you while the Roosevelt dynasty rides high in Washington and throughout the country."

Pointed Questioning

Dr. Curran said "Mr Roosevelt's implied denunciation of anti-Semitism is not merely commendable; it is also strange." "However," he added, "it is a bit too late. Where were you, Mr. Roosevelt, when an acknowledged former member of the Ku Klux Klan was appointed a justice of the United States Supreme Court? You knew the history of the Ku Klux Klan in this country."

Dr. Curran also asked Mr. Roosevelt where were "your voice and family prestige when the troops of Red Loyalist Spain butchered Catholic men, women and children by the tens of thousands? . . . when Fernando de los Rios, the representative of the government of Red Loyalist Spain, received comfort and support at the hands of many in the official life of Washington? . . . when the Red Government of Dictator Stalin in Soviet Russia liquidated millions of poor, helpless peasants in the Ukraine? . . . when the Mexican Government persecuted Catholics a decade of years ago?"

"Mr. Roosevelt," Dr. Curran continued, "your recent broadcast reveals you as a liberal who is devoted to intolerance, as a national broadcaster who subscribes to antecedent censorship and as a speaker who refuses to give proof for what he says. Your attack is merely subjective antipathy It is not objective debate. Father Coughlin as an American citizen has the right to use the airways of America. Not even the son of the President of the United States has the right to deny him that right"

New Magazine Issued

Calcutta.—**The Call of India**, new missionary magazine, printed at the Catholic Press, Ranchi, and edited by Father Aquinas, T.O.R., has been well received.

Court Upholds Fight On Indecent Press

READ OVID AT $9,000 PER VOLUME

Completed at a cost of $9,000 and more than 15 years of labor, this monumental Concordance for the work of the Latin poet, Ovid, has just been completed at the Catholic University of America. Prof. Roy J. Deferrari, Head of the Department of Greek and Latin at the University, one of the compilers, and Monsignor Joseph M. Corrigan, Rector of the University, inspect the volume, a copy of which will be presented to Pope Pius XII. (Rauth photo for N.C.W.C.)

Quakers, Clearing Franco, Set To Continue Relief

PHILADELPHIA—Quaker leaders, at headquarters here, exonerating General Franco of charges that food supplies of the International Commission for the Assistance of Child Refugees in Spain were seized for military purposes, announced that the Commission's work will be continued with Quaker support.

This announcement followed the return from Spain of John F. Reich, Secretary of the Spanish Section of the American Friends' Service Committee. Mr. Reich declared General Franco and other Spanish leaders assured him restitution for $300,000 worth of supplies seized shortly after the end of the civil war by underlings, he said, would be made and that actually some shipments of goods from army stores have already been made.

The Quaker leaders, obviously referring to assertions made by partisans of the former Leftist regime, expressed regret "that parts of statements by our workers should have been used for controversy by persons of strong partisan feeling."

Explaining the conflicting statements made by Quaker relief officials concerning the seizure of the supplies, Mr. Reich said that in them "you have an example of honest and sincere men speaking truthfully from different points of time and view." One "spoke of what he saw in a most violently disrupted part of the country," he declared, while "the other spoke from an acquaintance with the entire country, from which he had just returned."

Alfred H. Cope, a Quaker relief worker, made the original charge against General Franco, while three weeks later Howard F. Kershner, Director of Spanish Relief work for both the International Commission and the American Friends Service Committee, denied General Franco was hindering the relief efforts.

Mr. Reich, who accompanied Mr. Kershner on his latest tour through Spain, said he could confirm Mr. Kershner's statements that "our workers are accorded great courtesy in their movements in and out of Spain," and that "except for the seizure of certain stores in Republican territory at the time of the change of government, all subsequent shipments have reached their proper destination."

Mr. Reich declared that in the chaotic period immediately after the war underlings in the Franco forces seized food supplies, but that General Miguel Aranda agreed to make restitution from army stores.

Fr. Salwisz Returns For 1st Solemn Mass On Sunday, Aug. 13

The Rev. Stanley F. Salwisz, son of Frank and Josephine Salwisz, residing at 209 Durnan Street of this city, will celebrate his first solemn high Mass at 11 00 o'clock on Sunday, August 13, in St. Stanislaus Church.

The young neophyte is an alumnus of St. Stanislaus Parochial School, St. John Kanty High School and College of Erie, Pa., St. Bernard's Seminary and the Vincentian Seminary of Cracow, Poland.

Father Salwisz, after having spent six years abroad, expects either to teach or to conduct missions.

Church Of Good Thief Is Begun At Prison

PLATTSBURG, N. Y.—An open-air Mass for prisoners and special ceremonies in the afternoon marked the laying of the cornerstone for the new Church of St. Dismas the Good Thief, Sunday, at Clinton Prison.

The Most Rev. Francis J. Monaghan, Bishop of Ogdensburg, delivered addresses at the Mass and the ceremonies and expressed the hope that the new church, believed to be the first of its kind in the United States, will be the inspiration behind a spiritual and moral betterment and rehabilitation of the prison population.

Addressing the prisoners at the Mass, the Rev. J. Morgan O'Brien, of New York, said he hoped the Church will be the medium through which all the prisoners can have "a heart-to-heart talk with God," not unlike the heart-to-heart talk that St. Dismas had with Christ Himself on Calvary.

Backs Catholic Paper's Stand

Paris Daily Suit For $12,000 Lost

GENEVA.—It is a question of conscience for all Catholics to take a stand against indecent literature and, accordingly, they have a right to do so, says the Circuit Court here in a judgment rendered in a suit brought against the local Catholic Weekly, L'Echo Illustre, edited by Father Chavannes, by the Paris daily, Paris-Soir.

The Catholic paper had attacked Paris-Soir in an editorial pointing out that this French newspaper which is widely circulated in French-speaking Switzerland is a moral danger since it caters to the lowest instincts of its readers by playing up crime news and similar items in a manner detrimental to public decency.

Paris-Soir thereup sued L'Echo Illustre for 50,000 Swiss francs, about $12,000. But the court confirmed the views expressed by Father Chavannes that Paris-Soir obviously carries many articles and news items contrary to the Catholic conception of morality. Accordingly, the Catholic paper was held absolutely within its rights in defending the Catholic position.

The judgment of the Geneva court amounts to an important statement of principle which has attracted wide attention among Swiss newspaper editors, particularly all Catholics, in that it gives full support to the campaign waged everywhere against indecent literature.

Stickers Spur Push For Clean Reading

LOS ANGELES.—(NC)—Promises that they would clean house made by representatives of publishers whose magazines have been placed on the list banned by the League for Clean Literature have resulted in the names of 12 publications being deleted from the list, it was reported at the last meeting of the Priests' Committee for Clean Literature here.

Promises were not only made in respect to stories and articles, but also to advertising.

Meanwhile there has been an increasing demand for the six-inch blue and white stickers bearing the slogan "We Sell Clean Literature Only", which are being supplied vendors by the Committee.

Across the center bar are the words "Member of the National Organization for Decent Literature."

On the lower part are names of men prominent in Southern California who are sponsors of the campaign.

Summer School Draws From 16 Dioceses

CHICAGO.—Enrolees from 16 dioceses were present at the opening Monday of the second annual Summer School of Catholic Action for priests in St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Haas, Dean of the School of Social Sciences at the Catholic University of America, heads the faculty. Among the speakers this week was the Rev. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director of the Social Action Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference. Also on the faculty are the Rev. Dr. Edgar Schmiedeler, O.S.B., Director of the Rural Life Bureau, N.C.W.C.; the Rev. Dan Kanaly, of Oklahoma City, and the Rev. Paul Tanner, of Milwaukee.

Father Washington Receives Convert

HOT SPRINGS, Va. (NC) John Mario Gazzola, young convert from the Presbyterian Church was received into the Catholic Church today by the Rev. Richard B Washington, pastor of the Shrine of the Sacred Heart here. Father Washington is a collateral descendant of George Washington. The sponsors were Perry Van Lear Strother and Mrs. Robert Miller of New York.

Program At Golden Gate Fair To Open Sessions

SAN FRANCISCO.—A [illegible] of patriotic, musical and literary exercises at the Golden Gate International Exposition Saturday, July 29, will formally open the eighty-fourth annual national convention of the Catholic Central Verein of America and the National Catholic Women's [illegible] held here July [illegible] July [illegible] Germany [illegible] Fair. The [illegible] ception [illegible] concert [illegible] tainment [illegible] by [illegible] Chairman [illegible] Committee [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Chairman [illegible] Committee [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Chairman [illegible] Committee [illegible]

If you want to taste something really delicious try fresh fruits, try a raspberry pie at 25 cents, or a huckleberry pie at 20 cents, served in a way that has established Aunt Jessie's Bake Shoppe at 816 Monroe Avenue, as a family favorite. Call Monroe 864.—Adv.

Weekly Round-up of News From All Corners of the Catholic World

PONTIFICAL EVENTS

VATICAN CITY—His Holiness Pope Pius XII has decided on two solemn ceremonies the consecration of twelve or perhaps more Missionary Bishops in the Vatican Basilica and the Pontifical Mass he will celebrate in the Basilica of St Mary Major on December 8

The consecration of the Missionary Bishops will take place on the last Sunday in October the Feast of Christ the King Among these Bishops four are natives of the very places where they are called to exercise their ministry Two are the first Negro Bishops, one of Uganda and the other of Madagascar and two Chinese The other eight, or perhaps more, are Vicars Apostolic in the most diverse mission territories.

NUNS PROTECTED

DUBLIN Belfast police were called out to protect six Sisters of Mercy from a hostile crowd in the Orange quarter of the city. The Sisters, strangers to the district, were on their way to the Arelian Nursery Schools to study nursery conditions. In the Sandy Row area they were surrounded by a jeering crowd, composed mainly of women, which followed them to the school and remained outside continuing to taunt and jeer. Police escorted the nuns from the scene in a closed car.

CROSS FOR IRELAND

DUBLIN. James Burke, of Chicago a native of Hollyford, West Tipperary, Ireland, has presented an impressive gift to his birthplace as tribute to his faith, It is a great wooden cross, which has been erected on Pipe Hill, 1,000 feet above sea level and dominating the village of Hollyford. At the blessing of the cross which Mr. Burke attended, the flags of Ireland and the United States were carried at the head of the procession to the hill Mr Burke expressed his thanks to the young men of the neighborhood who voluntarily gave their time and labor to assist in the erection of the cross.

NEW BASCILICA IN SPAIN

MADRID.—More than 10,000 persons attended ceremonies held in the village of Cerro de Los Angeles when the cornerstone of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was laid. The Basilica will replace the famous monument to the Sacred Heart which was destroyed by the Communists in the civil war The head of the Christ of the demolished monument occupied a prominent place at the altar which was set up in the open air.

ITALY ASSISTS CHURCH

VATICAN CITY. The Italian Government has in recent times provided for the transmigration of 20,000 families of Italian farmers of the regions of Libya.

In promoting and carrying out this movement the Italian authorities have shown themselves particularly solicitous for the spiritual assistance of the colonists.

When the colonists arrived at their villages they found religious assistance already in existence and saw their six parish churches finished or almost so.

KING HONORS MONK

LONDON. A Benedictine monk went to Buckingham Palace to receive from the King the M.B.E. award in the birthday honors list. He is Dom George Forbes, O.S.B., headmaster of the junior house at Ampleforth College.

The monk was formerly a lieutenant in the Grenadier Guards. He appeared in the honors list as Major Ian George David Alastair Forbes. M.B.E. denotes membership of the Order of the British Empire.

HISTORICAL FONT

VATICAN CITY. In the baptistry of the Basilica of St. Pancrazio an inscription has been placed on the font where, on March 2, 1876, Eugenio Pacelli was baptized exactly 63 years before his election as Supreme Pontiff.

The baptism of the future Pope Pius XII took place in the parish Church of SS. Celso and Giuliano, but when that parish was dissolved in the reorganization of the parish jurisdictions of Rome the baptismal font was transferred to the Basilica.

PAPER SETS RECORD

LONDON.—The new high net sales figures of 139 017 copies a week, average for the six months ended on June 30, is announced by the Universe here. The figures are prepared in accordance with A.B.C. rules. This figure, it is stated, shows an advance of 6,554 copies a week over the average for the preceding six months, and an increase of 11,331 over the average for the corresponding period of last year.

AUSTRALIA'S PROBLEMS

MELBOURNE. The National Secretariat of Catholic Action, instituted by the Hierarchy of Australia two years ago, has made a study of rural problems.

Enthusiasts in rural centers have enabled practical discussion-points to be listed so that study groups may flourish in outlying areas as well as in urban parishes. A monthly magazine, which contains the fruits of comparative and of combined study and which examines Catholic rural development in other countries, has been launched.

C. M. T. C. Receives Bishop's Praise

PLATTSBURG, N. Y.—Praise for the Citizens' Military Training Camp movement as a means of combatting subversive ideas and movements in the United States was voiced here Sunday by their Most Rev. Bartholomew Eustace, Bishop of Camden.

Bishop Eustace celebrated a field Mass at the camp here with 1,000 members in attendance.

Declaring that the flag and cross stand together and that the destruction of one brings about the destruction of the other, Bishop Eustace urged his hearers to carry out the ideals taught them at the camp as a way of safeguarding the nation from forces seeking to destroy all for which it stands.