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French Nation Prepares For Spiritual Revival

WASHINGTON—Copies of la Croix—former Paris Catholic daily—published at Bordeaux, have been received here. The July 1 issue contains an important message, "Facing the Future" which indicates how Catholic France confronts disaster.

U. S. Envoy To Chile Sees Catholicism As World's Last Hope

SANTIAGO, Chile—Paying warm tribute to His Holiness Pope Pius XII and lauding President Roosevelt's appointment of a personal representative to Vatican, Claude G. Bowers, United States Ambassador to Chile, declared here that the Catholic Church looms large as man's hope in the present chaotic world.

Ambassador Bowers was the principal speaker in a ceremony held at the Catholic University of Chile to honor the Holy Father.

In these days when thoughtful men tremble for the future of the race, no one with a rudimentary knowledge of history but is reminded of the fact that through the ages one institution has remained through the fall of dynasties, the passing of empires and innumerable remnants of the map of the world.

Just as one, tossed about in a raging sea embarked on a bottom that threatens to sink turns hopefully to some Gibraltar looming serene and immovable in the turbulent waters, continued Mr. Bowers.

It is fortunate, said Mr. Bowers, that in these abnormal days of unrestrained passion there is seated on the throne of St. Peter a great lover of humanity, with the wisdom of a man who understands the meaning of a perfect diplomat, possessed of the best of man and heart.

Pontiff To Remain At Rome This Year

VATICAN CITY—In order to give the comfort of his presence to his spiritual sons living in the Diocese of Rome, His Holiness Pope Pius XII has decided to forego this year the visit to his summer residence at Castelgolf.

It is also made known now that Pope Pius XII took steps and Paris Government in London agreed to a visit to avoid the aerial bombardment of Rome because of its sacred character.

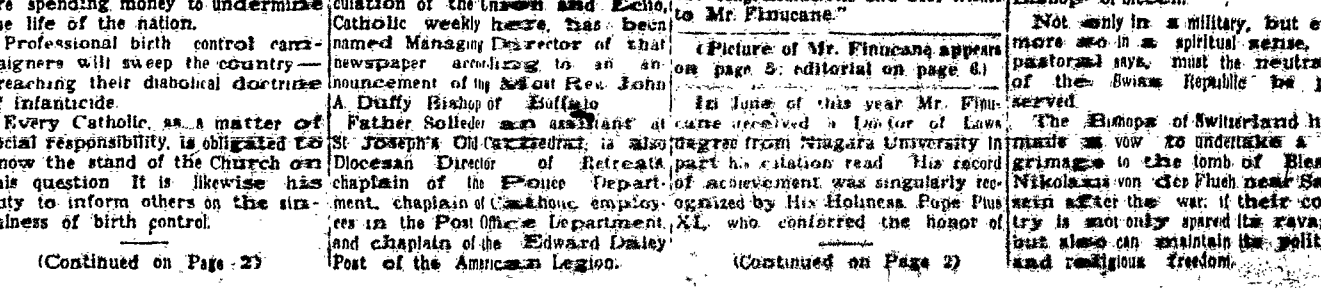
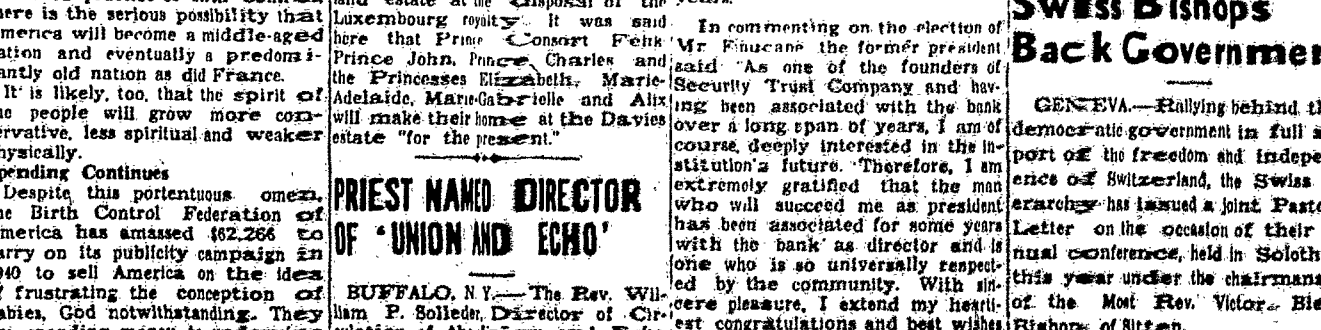
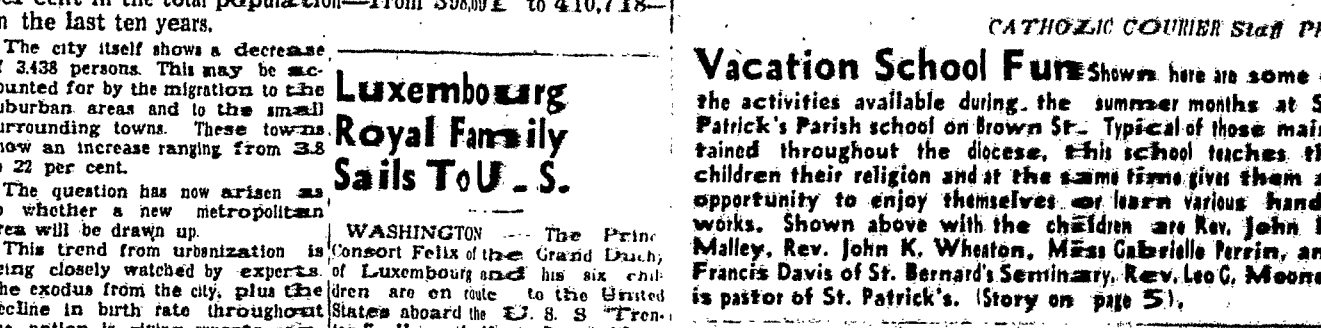
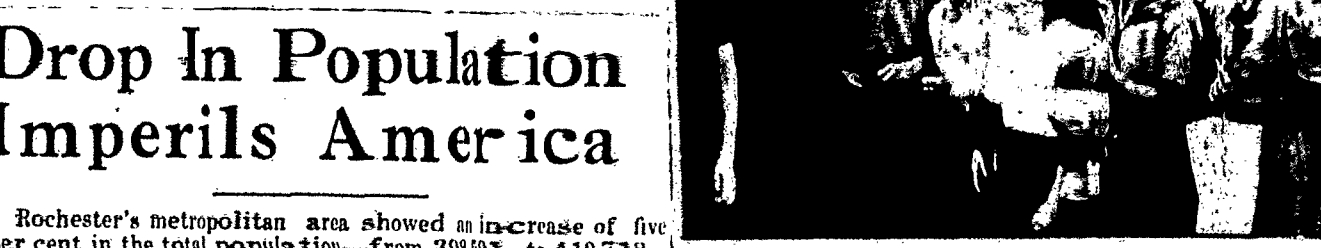
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Judge Rutherford Suit Against Bishop Dismissed

ATLANTA—A \$100,000 damage suit filed by "Judge" Joseph F. Rutherford of Jehovah's Witnesses against the Most Rev. Gerald P. O'Hara, Bishop of Savannah-Atlanta, has been dismissed by the Georgia Court of Appeals.

"Judge" Rutherford sued Bishop O'Hara for alleged criticism of him and his lectures and writings charging that the Bishop protected a nation-wide radio hook-up arranged by "Judge" Rutherford last October 2 and urged Station WATL here, not to broadcast it.

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'Equal Rights' Plank Spurned By Democrats

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

CHICAGO—Advocates of the so-called "Equal Rights" amendment for women—which has been strongly opposed for years by Catholic women's organizations—were soundly defeated in their vigorous onslaught on the Platform Committee of the National Democratic Convention here.

Flushed with a victory scored when they obtained insertion of a plank favoring their plan into the platform of the Republican Party adopted at Philadelphia, forces favoring the amendment pushed it here with a cooler sense of energy and seeming confidence.

For their plans, not only did they fail to get the plank adopted, but the platform makers inserted a provision upholding the practice of "separate but equal" treatment.

Opponents, including Catholic women, have sought to preserve protective laws.

The platform, as adopted, contained a provision, advanced, it is understood by Mrs. Mary T. Norton, Member of Congress from New Jersey, that the Democratic Party to continue its efforts to achieve equality of opportunity for men and women without impairing the social legislation which promotes true equality by safeguarding the health, safety and economic welfare of women workers.

While some of those appearing before the Resolutions Committee urged federal aid to education, the platform completely ignores any such provision.

Proposals for a Federal Department of Education with a Cabinet Secretary, state centers at earlier advanced conventions, were not advanced at all.

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Drop in Population Imperils America

Rochester's metropolitan area showed an increase of five per cent in the total population—from 398,000 to 410,718—in the last ten years.

The city itself shows a decrease of 3,438 persons. This may be accounted for by the migration to the suburban areas and to the small surrounding towns.

The question has now arisen as to whether a new metropolitan area will be drawn up.

This trend toward urbanization is being closely watched by experts.

The exodus from the city, plus the decline in birth rate throughout the nation is giving experts considerable worry.

Experts are slowly realizing how seriously the birth control movement is contributing to the possible decline of America.

Despite this portentous omen, the Birth Control Federation of America has announced \$2,266 to carry on its publicity campaign in 1940 to sell America on the idea of frustrating the conception of babies, God notwithstanding.

Professional birth control campaigners will sweep the country—preaching their diabolical doctrine of infanticide.

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Luxembourg Royal Family Sails To U. S.

WASHINGTON—The Prince Consort Felix of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and his six children are en route to the United States aboard the U. S. S. Trenton.

The United States warship was made available to bring the members of the Luxembourg royal family to the United States as a matter of international courtesy to a country with which the United States has friendly relations.

It was also announced here that Joseph E. Davis, former United States Ambassador to Belgium and Minister to Luxembourg, and now Special Assistant to the Secretary of State, has placed his Long Island estate at the disposal of the Luxembourg royalty.

The Princess Elizabeth, Marie-Adelaide, Marie-Cecile, and Alice will make their home at the Davis estate "for the present."

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R. C. C. Chosen For Refugee Work Here

By JOHN SPRINGER

You have seen them in the newspapers—and you have seen their pictures in the papers and magazines—small, wide-eyed refugees from war. Many of them don't realize what

Their eyes are the things you notice first. Bewildered eyes, frightened eyes, and eyes. And the eyes of youngsters who are having the time of their life, who have grown away on a big boat and are in a new country, are on a grand adventure.

Most of the refugee children that have come over so far are "known" children—children who are going to the homes of friends or relatives. In case of a mass evacuation, there would be many thousands more who would arrive here without definite people to join.

Therefore the United States Committee for the Care of European Children has been organized to coordinate the work of public and voluntary agencies through whom resources have been made available in this country for the child victims of the European War.

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Belgian Nuncio Returns To Rome

VATICAN CITY—His Excellency the Most Rev. Clemente Micara has returned from Brussels where he held the post of Papal Nuncio to Belgium.

Welcoming the Archbishop back to the Eternal City, Monsignor Romano recalls that he was Auxiliary in the Apostolic Nunciature in Belgium in 1918, and that "then the Holy See was able freely to develop its religious and charitable mission with satisfaction both to the Belgian authorities and the authorities of the German occupation."

This is now impossible to obtain," the paper adds.

After the German authorities had announced their intention of dismantling the diplomatic missions accredited to Belgium and Holland, the Holy See had proposed that Archbishop Micara be permitted to stay in Brussels, and that His Excellency the Most Rev. Paolo Gobbe, Internuncio to Holland, be permitted to remain at The Hague.

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Swiss Bishops Back Government

GENEVA—Rallying behind their democratic government in full support of the freedom and independence of Switzerland, the Swiss Bishops have issued a joint Pastoral Letter on the occasion of their annual conference, held in Solothurn this year under the chairmanship of the Most Rev. Victor Bielet, Bishop of Sitten.

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Austrian Royalty Head Mass In Small New England Town

ROYALTON, Mass.—The former Emperor of Austria, and his two children, the Archduke Felix and the Archduchess Elizabeth, attended at early Mass yesterday morning in the Church of Our Lady Immaculate here.

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Finucane Heads Security Trust Co.

One of Rochester's outstanding Catholic laymen, Bernard E. Finucane, was elected to head the Security Trust Company, and officially took office last Monday. He succeeds James S. Watson, who has been the president of the bank for 29 years.

In commenting on the election of Mr. Finucane, the former president said: "As one of the founders of Security Trust Company and having been associated with the bank over a long span of years, I am of course deeply interested in the institution's future. Therefore, I am extremely gratified that the man who will succeed me as president has been associated for some years with the bank as director and is one who is so universally respected by the community. With sincere pleasure, I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Finucane."

(Picture of Mr. Finucane appears on page 2; editorial on page 4)

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Belgium's Surrender Could Not Be Avoided

NEW YORK—The surrender of King Leopold of Belgium to the Nazis was an "inevitable" move, Count Robert van der Straeten-Ponthoz, Belgian Ambassador to the United States, said here today at the New York World's Fair at a ceremony commemorating the 110th anniversary of Belgium's independence.

Declaring at the outset of his address that "Belgium is in mourning," the Ambassador added that "there is no place for unjust suspicions nor for misinterpreted recriminations" concerning the King's action.

"Our unfortunate civilian population has been compelled to abandon their homes and hearths," he continued, and to see in pitiable caravans of the roads, where the people have been mercilessly harassed by the machine guns of the enemy airplanes.

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