

U. S. ARMED FORCES AT MASS IN GREENLAND



A huge rock serves as altar as some of the armed forces of the United States who participated in the protective occupation of Greenland near Mass, celebrated by an Army chaplain.

Lithuanian Deportees Reported

WASHINGTON (AP) - Receipt of a partial list of Lithuanian deportees was announced here by the Lithuanian Legation. The list containing 750 names, which had to have been compiled by the Lithuanian Red Cross in Kaunas. The announcement of the Legation said...

It is estimated from the number of departed Lithuanians is at least 60,000. Members of the clergy and professional persons have been the chief sufferers in the deportation movement the Legation's statement says adding that families...

have been disrupted, children being separated from their parents. To gather information about apprehended people was not an easy task during the Soviet regime nor is it any easier now under the German occupation, when movements of persons are severely restricted, the statement said.

The CATHOLIC COURIER is home defense in the moral sense

St. Mary's Parish 150 ATTEND SOCIETY TEA

The Altar and Rosary Society entertained about 150 women at their annual tea last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Joseph L. Bergan and Mrs. Joseph J. Crotty were chairmen of the affair. Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Hobart A. Burch, dance numbers by Dolores Sutter, Paul Backer, Mary Ann and Jean Hugg, a reading by Miss Ellen Moxley. Piano accompaniment was given by Miss Mary Catherine Welch. Presiding at the tea table were headmadies Leon C. Hogg, Edward J. Crowley, Frederick C. Brackwedde and Owen P. McCarthy.

St. Patrick's Parish DOROTHY DAY TO SPEAK

Final plans are being completed for the tea to be conducted by the Sodality on Sunday afternoon in the assembly hall. Guest of honor will be that well known author, lecturer and famous convert, Dorothy Day. Miss Day offers a very unusual story in her conversion from Communist to Catholicism and has told of it in her book. Her talk will be highly interesting and informative. Miss Day is scheduled to speak at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Louis J. Lorico is general chairman of the affair. She is being assisted by Miss Mary Newcome who will arrange decorations and Mrs. Charles P. Lynch who will arrange the musical part of the program. Assisting on committees are Mesdames Angelo C. DeRiso, Blake Margraff, William Kelly, Arthur E. Curvey, George Kelly and Thomas Galvin.

Missioners Stand Pat Amid Dangers In China

TECHNY III - There are no dangers or difficulties which can prevail upon the missionaries of the Society of Mary to give up their work and return to their native land. The Rev. Fr. Thomas Megan S. J. D. Prefect Apostolic of Shantung Honan China declares in a communication which has been received at the office of the Mission Procurator of the Society of the Divine Word.

On the contrary, Monsignor Megan who is a native of Elmira, Iowa, writes "we are hoping that new Fathers may join us from abroad, and we are planning new methods and new stations and are continuing in our task so that the Church in China will have its place in the new order that is being created in our day."

"War and political upheavals may retard the growth of the mission work," Monsignor Megan says, "but they may not bring it to naught. Rather the missionary has his duty and his place in these upheavals and must try his best to direct the resulting order into the channels compatible with Christian principles. The upheavals of the past four years in China and in an especial way the political developments of the past year have brought each missionary to the point where he must make his decision either to be a leader in the New Order, or to return to his homeland leaving the mission work to adjust itself as best it may to the disorder of a war-torn country."

Personal Safety Disregarded

"We missionaries have been admonished by our own government that our continued presence in China was not conducive to our personal safety and that we should seriously consider returning to our own country. We have been asked time and again by the local authorities whether or not we are going to leave. Finally anxious friends of the mission, thinking of our bodily safety and neglecting the ideal of the mission have encouraged us to return to peace and safety."

"In such times of momentous and far-reaching decision the individual missionary looks to his ecclesiastical Superior for direction and guidance. It was incumbent upon me to consider on the one hand the safety and bodily welfare of each individual missionary and on the other to consider the little community of Catholics and the churches and congregations we have founded in the past. After prayerful, protracted consideration, my decision was that both I and my missionaries should remain at our posts and take the consequences."

Reckless With Own Lives

"Seemingly contrary to the virtue of prudence, the missionary must be reckless with his life. The history of the martyrs of the missions proves this and the example of the giants of the mission vocation leads to this. St. Paul was certainly reckless with his bodily life. St. Boniface was a fearless man in the face of dangerous heathendom, and St. Francis Xavier forgot about his body in his strenuous hunt for souls. The missionary of today must not be too much concerned about his bodily life and safety and must trust to the definiteness of his calling, the necessity of his message and the protecting Providence of God."

DEATH OF PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE HOLY SHINDON

VATICAN CITY - The death has occurred in Turin of Advocate Secondo Pia, who in 1898 photographed the Holy Shindon, venerated relic by which the Body of Our Lord was wrapped when taken from the Cross, and discovered the figure of the Saviour clearly reproduced on his negative.

Following his discovery, Signor Pia showed the negative to Cardinal Richelieu, then Archbishop of Turin, and from that moment the photograph he had taken became a part of the investigation and studies regarding the sacred relic. New Rochelle, N.Y. Mother M. Emmatt McGinn, professor of English and Philosophy at the College of New Rochelle, here prior to her retirement eleven years ago because of ill health, died at the Ursuline Convent on the college campus, at the age of 69 years.

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SEE'S LABOR INSTITUTE OPENS IN 31 PARISHES

DETROIT (AP) - Thirty-one units of the Archdiocesan Labor Institute are beginning their 1941-42 sessions this week under the sponsorship of the Most Rev. Edward Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit. Sessions will be held weekly at 24 Detroit parishes and at 7 parishes outside the city, it is announced.

Each parish holding meetings will serve its own parishioners and those of neighboring parishes, the Rev. Raymond S. Clancy, Archdiocesan Director of Social Action and Executive Secretary of the Labor Institute, points out. Weekly meetings will be divided into three 20-minute periods, devoted to "Economic Background," practical union problems and policies and a study of parliamentary law.

Scapular Militia Seeks Members

NEW YORK - Unit 1, Carmel 209 S.M., 35 Best St., Buffalo, N. Y. informs their members in Western New York there are now over 30 active members enrolled in the "Four Hundred" Unit of the Militia. These good women have pledged themselves to make 32,000 scapulars for the men in service and have completed about 14,000.

They are now seeking 100 Second Degree members. This Degree was inaugurated for the Lady who may not be in a position to make Scapulars but would like to participate in this great work. Second degree membership (living) carries a remembrance in Saturday masses for 24 years, offered for members of the Militia, every Saturday morning at the Church of Our Lady of the Scapulars in New York City.

The Departed enrolled in the Second degree membership share in 230 masses during the year which are offered by the Carmelite Purgatorial Society. "What an appropriate Christmas Gift a membership in The Scapular Militia might be for some of your relatives and friends. Persons interested CONTACT Carmel 209."

Honor Late Justice

NEW ORLEANS - Justices of the Louisiana State Supreme Court and many other members of the legal profession attended a program conducted by students of the Edward Douglas White High School here, commemorating the ninety-sixth birthday anniversary of the former Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court for whom the school is named.

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