Page Two INTERNATIONAL NEWS Nazi Aim To Destroy **Christianity** Voiced **By Hess Successor**

The Nazi Government's determination to annihilate the influence of Christian ideas as irreconclude with party principles is expressed in a pronouncement by M. Bormann, suc-

Mexican Parents' Rise Against 'Article 3'

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It also has issued a manifers. It also has issued a maniferto to the Nation on the subject of Pres-ident Manuel Avifa Camacho's dp-pent on Dek-5, for mational unity which, the Parisents' Union says, is even more necessary new because of the increased gravity of the sit-mation. nation.

"So long an the rights of the family are trampled underfoot by arbitrary lawa," the manifesto says, "se long as the State has the up-perhand over the home, so long as protests and censure for the viola-tion of indiron his libertie evict. tion of inslignable liberties exist in the depths of our consciences, so long as schools are nurseries for hata and a center of dissolution, it is impossible to expect the de-sired national union that would make us strong, great and re-spected."

The National Union of Parents admits that the new education law abows a fundering on the part of the present Ministry of Public Ed-ucation to prevent the drastic ap-plication of Article 3 and is en-couraging private initiative in edu-cations but it warms they so ioncation but it warms that so long as "mocialist" education is required by law and the term remains in the Constitution, it will constitute a threat to the rights of parents.

All Monasteries Now Closed In Germany

LISBON.—Reports reaching here from Germany say that all Catho-lic monasteries have now been closed by the Nasi government.

It was known that many previ-ously had been invaded and seized, but the present report indicates that the remainder have now suffered the same fate.

At the famous Benedictine monastery of Beuron, Abbot Benedict Bauer, O.S.B., was selved and put in a home extensibly for aged men.

cessor to Rudolf Hess as National Socialist Party Chairman, a copy of which has become available in of which has become available, in New York. Bormani's statement, of very recent date, was issued as an offi-cial instruction to his subordinates. It came into the possession of Doughar Miller, author of the wide-ly known-book, "Yos Can't Do Business with Filtler," who was for yaars commercial stracts on the

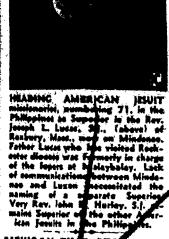
"National Socialist and Christian ideologies are irreconcilable. The Christian churches are based on the ignorance of mankind and all their efforts tend towards the maintenance of this ignorance among as great a part of the pop-ulation as possible, for easy thus are the Christian churches able to maintain their power. In contrast to them National Socialism is based on scientific foundations.

based en scientific foundations. Christianily hets unchangeable principles fixed sonte 2,000 years principles need some 2,000 years ago and hardened ever more into dogmaa which bear no relation to reality. National Socialism en the other hand, if it is to continue the accompliablement of its task, must always follow the intest results of scientific research.

scientific research. Christianily of Ne Avail "The Christian churches have recognized the danger to their ex-istence brought about by the ex-act sciences and have therefore tried to quell scientific research or the failing it by their dogmas will the aid of a pseudo-science, it-ology. Our National Socialing de-ology is by far superior to the con-ceptions of Christianity snich in all essential points are unly bor-rowed from Judaism, this is an-other reason why Christianity is of avail to us.

other reason why Chestianity is of avail to us. "Nobody would cknow anything about Christianity if he had not been stuffed with it in 'his youth by the prior. The so-called 'Dear God' does dot dright to implant in young poile an innate knowledge of His distance, but astoniabingly enough for all His omnipotence, leaves to the efforts of the priests the bask of revealing Hum. Thus if our youth in the future 'hear no more of Christianity, whose doc-trine is so inforior to ours, Chris-tianity will automatically cease to exist." Madrid. David Walker, in a special mes-sage to the Universe, Catholic weekly published here, throws a searching light on the situation within the Reich, and Walker

Bauer, O.S.B., was seized and put vigor, as will be known to many iture of Germany as she is today." In a home outensibly for aged men. in the United States, in which This is what the American radio. The Abbot is actually in therough country he visited some years ago. man said to Walker:



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sums up the position by remind-in his fellow-countrymen that al-

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Church Alone Stands Out

Agaihst Nazism In Germany



Accounts Reveal How Exemplary Catholic Youthe Met Death In Heroic Manner.

SAN FRANCISCO-Emerging still from the smoke and debris of the Pearl Harbor debacle are stories of the valor.

Joe Nelles was "a fine Catholic soldier." He died that way. On the fateful morning of Dec. 7 he attended the 6:30 Man at Hickam rended the eight many ac ritcham Field with several hundred other boys. He received Hely Com-munion and then without break-fast prepared the atter for the 5:30 Mane. As he was thus engaged three Johaness bombs struck the builting, lavelling the structure in functionates. minutes.

Later Father Edward Sliney, the post chaplain, went to the razed building. There he found Joe Nelles-lying in front of the spot where the high altar had been. A Knight of the Altar had made the aupreme sacrifice.

Another Joe - Joe Silva lived through it, became a five hero. Only God knows why he isn't dead. At the height of the Japanese at-tack on Hickam Field, he saw three gasoline trucks in the midst of falling bomba, probably targets already well within the sights of the enemy bombers. Joe and two other soldiers rushed to the trucks

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Possible Explanations

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debris of the Pearl Harbor debacle are stories of the valor and exemplary religious devotion among the soldiers and sailers who made valiant attempts and amid the rain of bombs drove the defond the Hawaiian Islands from the Japanese attaok. Bevaral of these stories have reached this city in copies of the Cathelie Herald, weekly newspaper of the Diocese of Honolulu. They from Diamend Head." broken.

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Another incident of the Pearl Harbor tragedy might be entitled "The Sermon." For it involved a permon that recalled an event of sermon that recalled an event of the first World War told while the projecilies of the second fell from the skies all over and about the chapel wherein it was preached. The preacher was Father John Connelly, chapien at another Ha-wallan post. The bombs began to fall just as he started Mass st-fended by 400 solitors and some of tended by 500 soldiers and some of their officers. But none realized that so suddenly, so swiftly, their coustry was at war.

After the First Gospel, Father Connelly spake. His topic was "The Right Way to Die" He did not know of course, that many of his boys would die that very day -the right way He told them of a group of doughboys in the last war going into a dangerous sector and passing a wayside shrine in France. It was a Pieta, a statue of the Blessed Mother with the dead Saviour in her arms.

The boys whispered a prayer as they passed. For some it was their they passed. For some it was their last prayer. The survivors returned the same route. The Pieta was still standing but not all of it was there. The image of the Saviour had been shot away.

LONDO - (N. C.) — "The only serious resistance to the Nazi regim in Germany today comes from the Roman Cath-olic Church" an American radio commentator, unnamed, said to Davi Walker, noted Brit-ish press correspondent, now in The only serious resistance to Madrid. The arms of the Blessed Lady. other lada modded. "That's the way to die," said Fa-

"The only serious resistance to the Nazi regime in Germany to-day comes from the Roman Cath-olic Church. Right up to Decemther Connelly the morning of Dec.

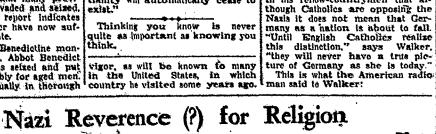
7, 1941. that soon went out on the line. "They had served their God. Now their country," comments the Dia-mond Head columa's author.

There was another kind of hero-is-that of patience. An ardent member of the Holy Name Society didn't seem so badly of when they have the her here here Pessible Explanations "There are only two possible ex-planations. The first is that the Party is too pre-occupied with the problem of squaring the Reichs-wehr, and the second is that it re-alizes the strength of Catholic dis-gust with the methods of the Ges-tagio and the un-Christianity of Nasi principles. Of the two expla-nations I prefer the second. "There is a desperate need in Germany today to do nothing that might disturb the unity of the peo-ple in their determination to win the war. For the first time for many years the Church has been given an opportunity to voice its off when they brought him into off when they brought him into the army hospital at the same post, wounded, they said, from shrap-nel. He was a little pale when Father Connelly camp across him. But he smiled. "Father, hear my confession," he said. "I received Male Companying this morning at Holy Communion this morning at Mass. But I want to go to Confession and Communion again for the last time. I haven't long to

Father Connelly said: "I'll be right back. There are other boys worse than you, George." "Okay, Father," George said To their very great credit the Roman Catholic clergy of Berlin are proving themselves worthy of the non-tunity."

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