

### Russian Emigres Seen Turning Toward Rome

NEW YORK. — The emigration to Western countries in the last 25 years of large numbers of Russian Orthodox hierarchy, clergy and laity while not yet resulting in "any definite steps" toward union with Rome, has providentially prepared the path toward union, it is asserted in an article in the current issue of *The Epistle*, organ of the St. Paul's Guild.

In addition to the emigres themselves whose presence in Western countries has led to greater mutual understanding, the author Helen Lowinsky, states, "there is the new generation of Russian refugees, born and bred abroad, who have absorbed, almost without knowing it, the Catholic spirit."

Many of these children, the article states are receiving their education in Catholic schools and colleges. "Many Russians," the author asserts, "prefer them to lay establishments. Even those who remain deeply attached to Orthodoxy have often expressed to me their admiration for Catholic pedagogical methods."

It is natural, she continues, "that those of this new generation, having become acquainted with the work and experience of great Catholic cultural centers in Europe and America, have lost much of the 'defensive' attitude still maintained by their elders. They are the future apostles of union, in so far as they have learned to regard Catholicism in a new light and perspective."

**Diamond Jubilee**

NEW ORLEANS. Sister Bibiana McAllister celebrated her diamond jubilee as a Sister of the Most Holy Sacrament. Sister Mary Angelica Primo her golden jubilee, and Sister Mary Loyola Hymel and Sister Mary Lucy Abadie their silver jubilees at the community's convent here.

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### OUR LADY IN STRIFE-TORN INDIA



This wood carving of Our Lady of the Assumption reposes in the Cathedral of Simla, in India. In 1730 it was taken from the Cathedral of Bassein, India, when the city was sacked by the Mahrattas. Only in recent years was it returned to Catholic hands. For nearly two centuries following its theft the carving was venerated in a Hindu temple at Chandore, Nasik district. (N.C.W.C.)

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### Resurrection of Christ Is Keystone of Christian Faith

By Louis Mordani

The third day Christ rose from the grave. This dogma is the keystone, the very foundation, of Christian belief. If Christ be not risen from the dead, He is the greatest faker

could not have been removed without waking some, at least, of the guards. They could not have taken the body from the guards by violence or bribes or artifice, for the disciples were ignorant and timid men and would not have willingly exposed themselves to such severe punishments as would have accompanied that crime. Neither would they have been able to hoodwink the Jews, who could quite easily have detected the fraud. There is no record, moreover, of the soldiers being punished for breach of duty.

Since the first two hypotheses are false, it follows that Christ truly rose from the grave, that is, His soul, which had left His body at the time of His death on the cross, on the third day was again joined to the same body, born of the Virgin Mary that had suffered and been wounded on the cross.

Christ's Resurrection, moreover, is attested by more than 500 witnesses, whose experience, simplicity, and uprightness of life made it impossible for them to invent such a tale, and who lived at such a time that any attempt to deceive could easily have been discovered, and who had nothing to gain, but everything to lose, by their testimony. It is attested by millions of Jews and Gentiles, who believed the testimony of the Apostles despite the hardships and disadvantages even martyrdom, that often accompanied such belief. Western Catholics.

We need have no fears, however, that we are being duped, for a study of the truth and reality of the Resurrection removes all doubts. That Christ rose from the grave "by a true resurrection of the flesh" is an historical fact and can be proved as such.

Christ, who is God and who proved that He is God by His life, by His teachings, and especially by His miracles, prophesied that He would rise again on the third day after His death on the cross. He said of His own body: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John ii, 19). He foretold His Resurrection, moreover, as a sign of His Divine mission, for on another occasion He said: "An evil and adulterous generation demands a sign, and no sign shall be given it but the sign of Jonas the prophet. For even as Jonas was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the hearts of the earth" (Matt. xii, 39-41). Time and time again in His public life, Christ prepared the world for the miracle of His Resurrection.

The New Testament, after describing the Passion and death of Christ, tells of the fulfillment of the prophecies Christ made concerning His Resurrection. St. Matthew relates how Mary Magdalen, Mary the Mother of James, and the other holy women who were with them, carrying spices, went out of the sepulchre on the morning of the third day after the sacrifice of Calvary. As they entered the tomb they were met by an angel who told them that Jesus "is not here, for He has risen even as He said" (Matt. xxvii, 7).

### 20,000 Scapular Packets For Catholic Service Men Embarking For Foreign Duty

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Such is the recorded historical fact. One of three things must have taken place: Christ never died, or He died and the Apostles stole His body, or Christ died and arose from the grave. The first two hypotheses fail to stand up under scrutiny.

Christ really died. He was not dead in appearance only. The pain and the loss of blood caused by the scourging and the crowning and the horrible struggle to Calvary would of themselves have been enough to cause death. The death of Christ was officially verified and reported to Pilate by the soldiers, who did not break His bones, as was the custom, because they saw that Christ was already dead. He would never have been placed in the tomb by His mother and His friends unless He had been dead.

It was morally impossible for the disciples of Our Lord to steal the body of Jesus. The great stone

### FAMOUS CLOSE SHAVES By Barber, Sol



HUMAN LEVER... THE CREW OF A BRITISH SUB, WHICH WAS LYING HELPLESSLY ON THE OCEAN'S FLOOR—ITS SURFACING MECHANISM JAMMED—ESCAPED CERTAIN DEATH WHEN ONE OF THE MEN SWOONED, FALLING ON A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT PUTTING THE JAMMED MECHANISM IN MOTION.

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