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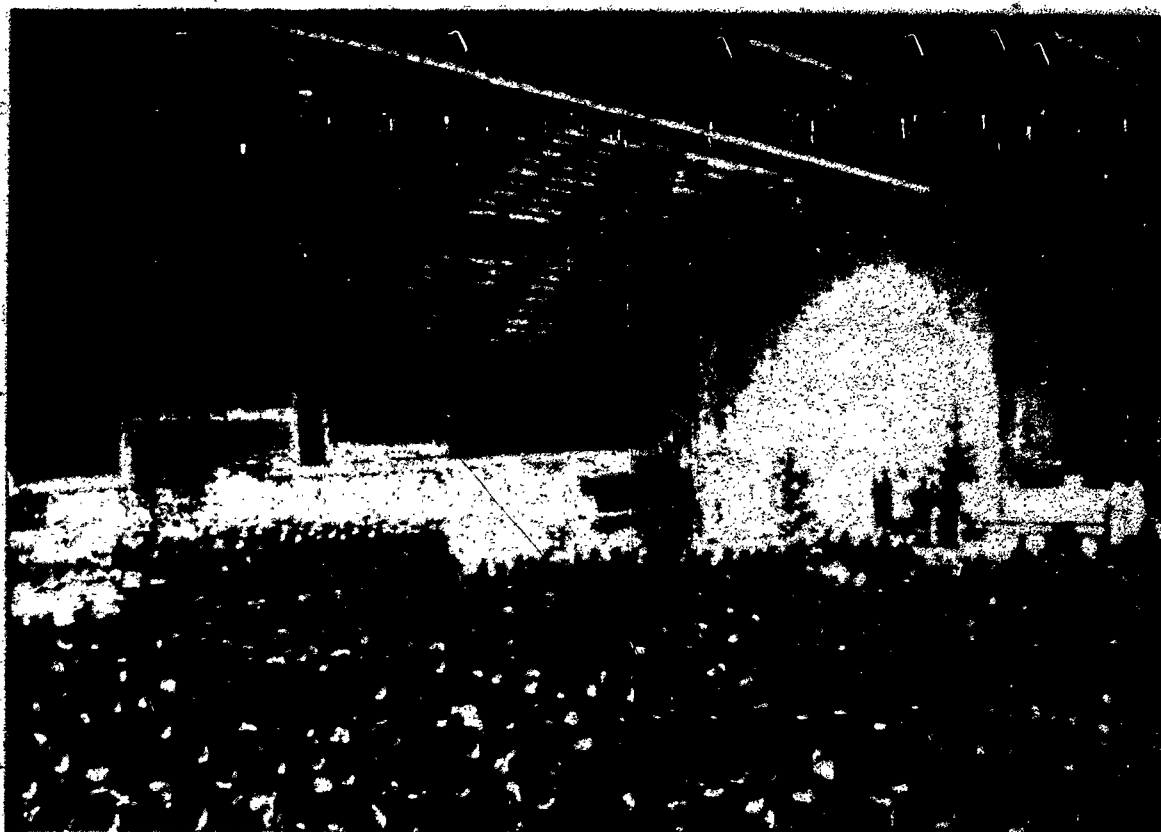
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First Pontifical Midnight Mass Throngs Drill Hall At Sampson



Bishop Kearney Brings Christmas Message To Sailors In Training

With the Bishop of the Rochester Diocese personally officiating, Christmas was made "white" for 5,000 Navy boys stationed at Sampson Naval Training Station when Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass was celebrated for them in one of the mammoth drill halls at the station.

From the hands of His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, Chaplains at the station and priests of the diocese, the boys, 1,500 of them received Holy Communion at the Midnight Mass and the rest on Christmas morning.

In the Christmas message delivered by Bishop Kearney the sailors were told that in regular attendance at Confession and Holy Communion they can always be assured of a "white Christmas."

His Excellency spoke of the great privilege that was his in being the first person to extend to them greetings for "a happy and blessed Christmas" especially on behalf of those at home who were also made happy by knowing that the Bishop was their spokesman.

Part of Divine Plan

That it was a strange place to celebrate the birthday of the Son

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Dies In Montreal

Montreal, The Rev. Nicholas A. Quirk, 70, who died at Loyola College here, had been a member of the society for 56 years and a priest for 44 years.



CHRISTMAS AT SAMPSON—Navy blue harmonized with colorful ecclesiastical vestments at Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass at Sampson Naval Training Station, Christmas Eve. Upper photo is scene in drill hall. Lower photo shows His Excellency, Bishop Kearney distributing Holy Communion to bluejackets. (U. S. Navy Photos).

Pontiff Cites Five Points For World Harmony

VATICAN CITY (NC-Radio)—To his previous laying down of the essentials for a lasting peace and a just world order, His Holiness Pope Pius XII on Christmas Eve added

"Five Fundamental Points for the Order and Pacification of Human Society."

It was the Sovereign Pontiff's Christmas Message, and, in the course of the day, it was broadcast in various languages to all parts of the world.

(Text of the Holy Father's Christmas Message begins on Page 2, this issue).

The Holy Father emphasized the fact that international harmony is intimately dependent upon the internal equilibrium and development of the individual States in the material, social and intellectual spheres, and he called for "good and far-seeing men" to make the sacrifices necessary to bring "correct notions about society."

The Pope urged that "a sort of plan" be formed from among "all peoples and all nations," made up of "these handfuls of men who, bent on bringing back society to its center of gravity, which is the law of God, aspire to the service of the human person and of his common life ennobled in God."

Manhood, His Holiness declared, "was that man" to "the countless dead who lie buried on the field of battle" to "the innumerable sorrowing host of mother widows and orphans who have seen the light, the solace and the support of their lives wrenched from them" to "those innumerable souls whom the hurricane of war has torn from their native land and scattered in the land of the stranger" to "the hundreds of thousands of persons who, without any fault on their part, sometimes only because of their nationality or race, have been condemned to death or to a slow decline" to "the many thousands of non-combatants, women, children, sick and aged, from whom aerial warfare—whose horrors from the beginning we have frequently denounced—has, without discrimination or through inadequate precautions, taken life" to "the flood of tears and bitterness, to the accumulation of sorrow and suffering, emanating from the murderous rule of the dreadful conflict."

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Film of Pope's Life Exhibited in Rome

VATICAN CITY.—"Pastor Angelicus," a motion picture depicting the life of the Pope, was given a special showing to a restricted audience of ecclesiastical and civil dignitaries in the Sala Borgognini in Rome, and was warmly received by all.

Among those witnessing the special projection of the film were four Cardinals, His Excellency the Most Rev. Francesco Esposito, the Duke, Papal Nuncio to Italy, and a number of Archbishops and Bishops.

Statues Broken, Crib Could Not Be Erected In Station

Members of the United Chapter of the National Council of Catholic Women were unable to complete their plans for erecting a Christmas Crib in the Erie Railroad Station in Buffalo.

John J. Swab, Noted Civic Leader, Veteran Railroader, Dies

John J. Swab, 67, ex-Deputy City Councilman for a term and well-known railroader, died of a heart ailment on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1942, at 12:45 A. M. Although his heart trouble had been present for several years, Mr. Swab was seriously ill for only a week before his death. His daughter, Mrs. Mary Swab, was present at his death.

Mr. Swab retired from the Erie Railroad service in 1931 after 47 years' service, and was an active member of the Erie Railroad Brotherhood in Buffalo. He was a member of the Erie Railroad Brotherhood in Buffalo. He was a member of the Erie Railroad Brotherhood in Buffalo.

For many years Mr. Swab was a civic leader. He was a member of the Erie Railroad Brotherhood in Buffalo. He was a member of the Erie Railroad Brotherhood in Buffalo.

At the testimonial dinner in 1939, the late Mayor Beers said: "Mr. Swab was one of the great members of the Council, and we developed a friendship which grew into more than a political friendship."

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Chapel of Police School Blessed By Para Prelate

LIMA.—The Most Rev. Paolo Pascual Parian, Archbishop of Lima, has blessed the new chapel of the Civil Guard and Police School. The director of the school, Colonel Fernando Simon Jarroldo, emphasized in his speech the basic importance of religious teaching in the program of the training school. The new chapel is dedicated to *Immaculate Conception*.

On Things Financial In Parish Life In 1943

The COURIER today discusses with its readers the financial features of parish life. The subject is of interest to all, because it affects all. As a matter of desire, as a matter of recognized obligation, the faithful Catholic gives regularly, thoughtfully, adequately, to the support of his parish church. Not to support the church is to

accept an obligation, to avoid responsibility, to be unjust to the other parishioners who do their part. Our thoughts today shall consider the various items under which our contributions to religion are listed. Plate collections, parent seat offerings, school offerings, coal collections, debt collections, building and improvement

funds, entertainments, fairs, mission offerings, are found in most of our church programs. Our words concerning them shall be merely a review of what we all know of them, a review that may assist us in meeting fairly and fully our personal obligation to support our church.

Plate Collections Or Sunday Offering

Every parish looks to the Sunday Offering for its main support. It was called of old, the Plate Collection, because it was placed on the plate which preceded our first collection basket. To the

dividual parishioner, the Sunday Offering should be his weekly quota of parish income measured by two things—his ability to give, and the actual needs of the parish. To give a nickel when a dollar is needed is not to measure up to ability to give or to parish need.