

### Bible Archaeological Background Seen Disturbed By War

NEW YORK—Scripture scholars of the world have literally been holding their breath, while the future of archaeological biblical research has been threatened by the war in Africa. This danger is the opinion of Rev. John E. Steimüller, one of America's foremost Scripture Professors who for the moment at least has been relieved.

Temporal problems and war have been thrust on many American clergymen, but to these solemn students of scripture, who labor in the timeless pastures of the Holy Book, this is but another day to labor further of service for God.

#### Flourish Mastery

World traveled and a biblical scholar for more than a quarter of a century, Father Steimüller since 1915 has been professor of Scriptures at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, located deep in the rolling verdure of peaceful Huntington, Long Island. As an author of numerous books and articles on biblical lore, Father Steimüller with fluent mastery flips back the leaves of time 2,000 and 4,000 years in his efforts to explain the mysticism of the Holy Book.

Besides his capacity as Treasurer and member of the Board of Directors of the Catholic Biblical Association, for the past two years and possibly until 1943, he has been working on the revision of The Old Testament. As one of the Board of Revisers he has been assigned to the Book of Judges. He was one of the editors of The Revised New Testament, which to date has sold more than a million copies, and contributed the chapter on Luke in The Commentary On The Revised New Testament.

"The world can rejoice," the youthful looking Doctor said today, "that the scene of battle in North Africa has shifted, and for the time being, biblical archaeological research in the Holy Land will not be destroyed by the ruthlessness of modern warfare."

"It is indeed providential that the locale of battle in North Africa no longer centers near Egypt for otherwise it would have undoubtedly reached the Trans-Jordan and Jerusalem, where at present the American School of Oriental Research is engaged in important excavating that has unearthed new evidence on the Old Testament."

The importance of archaeological discoveries cannot be underestimated, he feels. Since most of the geographical data of the Bible is verified by these discoveries, they must not be interrupted.

### Film Shows Card. Hinsley Describing Ordeal Of London Catholics

LONDON—A new film entitled "The Sword of the Spirit" which features His Eminence Arthur Cardinal Hinsley addressing Catholics of the British Empire has been shown in Glasgow. The film pictures the ordeal of London Catholics during the intensive air raids of the days before Britain won air ascendancy. It was taken not long before the death of the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster.

### STATE LEGISLATORS REJECT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BILL

CONCORD, N. H.—A bill to permit public school children to take an hour off each week for the purpose of receiving religious education has been killed in the House of Representatives here.

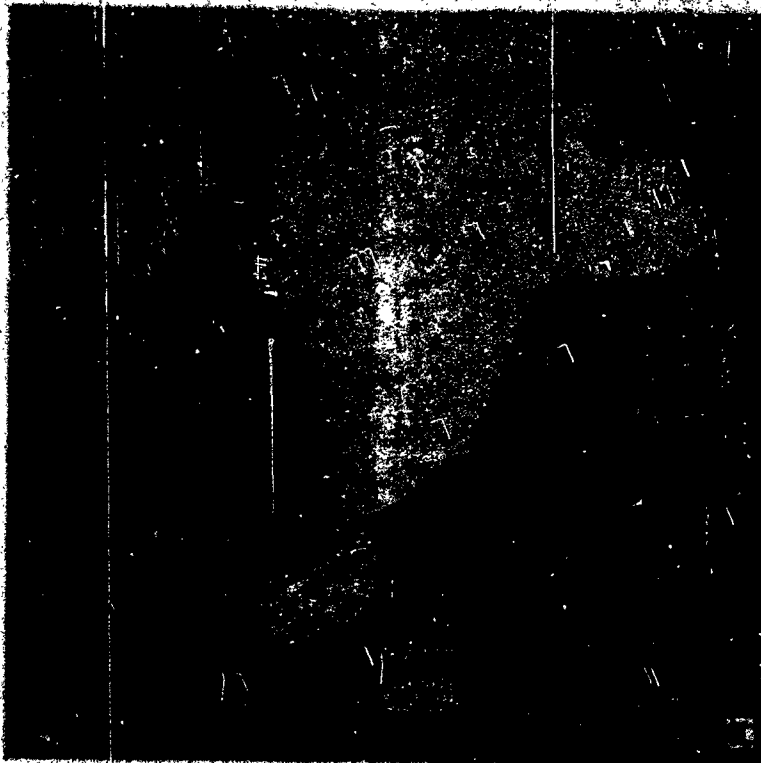
The measure, sponsored by Representative Helen D. Boura of Exeter was defeated by a roll call vote of 192 to 100, following a two-hour debate.

### State Senate Votes Marriage Wait Law

ST. LOUIS—Designed to combat "shot" marriages, a bill providing a waiting period of three days between the application for an issuance of a marriage license in Missouri has been passed by the State Senate. The vote was 29-10-2.

WRITE TO THOSE IN SERVICE

### WAVES GOODBYE TO NCCS



First employes of the National Catholic Community Service to be sworn into the WAVES, Eugenia Margaret Mary Heing, U.S.N.R., receives the congratulations of Monsignor Howard J. Carroll, Secretary of the NCCS Governing Committee. A graduate of DePaul University, Chicago, Heing served during the past year on the staff of the USO-NCCS Club in Chicago. Her enlistment will change her status from inactive to that of the U.S. East Northports (N.C.W.C.)

### Archbishop Spellman Leaves For Ireland; Has Luncheon With Winston Churchill

LONDON—The Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York and Military Vicar of the Army and Navy Diocese of the United States, has left England for Ireland.

Archbishop Spellman, who flew to England from North Africa to take part in the funeral services for His Eminence Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, has been the guest of His Excellency the Most Rev. William Godfrey, Apostolic Delegate to England, during his stay in London.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill was host to Archbishop Spellman at luncheon at 10 Downing Street, Westminster, of last week. Other guests at the luncheon included Mrs. Churchill, Miss Mary Churchill, and Brendan Bracken, Britain's Minister of Information.

Since his arrival here, Archbishop Spellman has spent some time in visiting United States army chaplains and troops in various parts of England. On one of these visits he was met by Maj. Gen. Russell P. Holt, who is in command of the United States Forces in Northern Ireland.

During his stay in London, Archbishop Spellman presented to the Most Rev. Edward Myers, Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, a substantial sum of money to be used in support of welfare services for men and women with the armed forces.

Archbishop Spellman visited bombed churches in the East End section of London and was impressed by the damage done by aerial bombardment.

On the eve of his departure, Archbishop Spellman was the guest at a luncheon tendered by H. Freeman Matthews, Charge d'Affaires of the United States Embassy in London, in the absence of Ambassador John G. Winant. Others present at the luncheon included His Excellency the Most Rev. William Godfrey, Apostolic Delegate to England; Lieut. Gen. Frank Maxwell Andrews, Commanding General of United States Forces in the European Theater of War; Lord Kennedy, Sir Robert Bruce Lockhart, Sir Martin Melville and Chaplain John Foley of the United States Army, who is serving as aide to Archbishop Spellman.

Leaving England for Eire, Archbishop Spellman is traveling alone. He will be joined by Chaplain Foley in Northern Ireland. There the Archbishop will pay his respects to His Eminence Joseph Cardinal MacRory, Archbishop of Armagh, and visit Catholic chaplains and United States forces in Northern Ireland.

As a palatable treat for plain people's souls, you will enjoy introducing whole-fruit apples as the liquid ingredient. The true fruit flavor of the delicious fruit is most welcome and affords a most delightful snack.

### Card. Pellegrinetti Dies At Age 67

VATICAN CITY (INC)—His Eminence Brugnagilde Cardinal Pellegrinetti, Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of Sacraments and Universities, died Sunday night at the age of 67 years.

The Cardinal was stricken with peritonitis following an operation performed last Wednesday for the removal of his appendix.

The eminent Cardinal who had a notable career in the diplomatic service of the Church was born at Casale (Liguria) March 27, 1876.

After serving as a professor of Ecclesiastical History he was called to arms in 1918 and was assigned to the Office of Military Chaplain for the correspondence of Prisoners of War, attached to the Slav section.

When Monsignor Achille Ratti, later Pope Pius XI was sent as Apostolic Visitor to Poland in 1918, Father Pellegrinetti went along as his secretary and was later appointed Auditor.

As Archbishop Pellegrinetti he was appointed Nuncio to Jugoslavia and had a large part in negotiating the Concordat between the Jugoslavian government and the Holy See.

Two sisters resident in the United States—Mrs. Teresa Bowercell, of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. Georgiana D'Almeida, of Nevada, survive the Cardinal.

### Holy Father Aids Finnish Children, Russian Prisoners

VATICAN CITY.—(INC)—His Holiness Pope Pius XII has made available from general funds a sum of money for assistance of poor Finnish children and for Russian prisoners in Finland.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—The first confirmation service of Rockford's new Bishop, the Most Rev. John J. Boylan, took place in one of the post chapels at Camp Grant here. A large number of soldiers and one WAAC composed the class.

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**Mass During Lent**

Lent is more than half over. Have you requested Mass to be said in reparation for your sins? You should, during the holy season of penance. Ask our missionaries to offer Mass for this intention.

**POLISH REFUGEES IN PERSIA**

An American Catholic Navy Chaplain tells of the faith and courage of the Polish women. At London and at various other points, they gather on look, salute their homeland and recite a prayer to our Blessed Mother to protect all Polish refugees and to help restore their country. Please God, their prayer will have a partial answer in a generous response in this appeal.

Some 12,000 Polish refugees, of whom one-third are children, have been evacuated into Persia. They are in need of food, clothing, shelter, and other necessities. Others died in admirable self-sacrifice for their flock.

These Polish refugees need a compassionate friend in Allah's Kingdom, the Apostolic Nuncio in Persia. Voluntarily he assumes responsibility for their spiritual and temporal needs. He opened a fund for many who are very poor and need nursing care. He secured an orphanage for the shelter and feeding of 300 little children. He has provided shelter and clothing to about 1,000 women and to help in religious instruction of children for the Holy Communion and in weekly religious conferences for others.

The means for Archbishop Marina's charity are very limited. Yet he is determined to continue these activities and to supply the refugees with reading, prayer-books, and necessities. Above all, each called Polish priest should have the opportunity to offer Holy Mass. For clothing, footwear, shelter, food, and necessities, and a supply of medicine can be obtained for twenty dollars each.

The plight of these refugees is most pitiable. As loyal fellow Catholics they have a claim on our prayers and generosity. Won't you help provide in some measure their spiritual comfort, and the preservation of their faith?

**CONFSSIONALS**

During Lent in Catholic homes, the family altar is a most sacred place. It is the great consolation of the family. It is the place where the family can find comfort and strength. It is the place where the family can find peace and joy. It is the place where the family can find love and understanding. It is the place where the family can find hope and faith.

**INTEREST SOMEBODY**

Have you ever noticed how many people are interested in the lives of others? They want to know what you are doing, what you are thinking, what you are feeling. They want to know what you are doing for God and for your fellow men. They want to know what you are doing to make the world a better place.

**ALTAR LITERS**

Five Dollars will purchase enough altar cards for ten years. The cards will pay the linen and do the printing and mailing. Will you send five Dollars and take care of our altar?

**MISSION CHAPEL**

Before a mission can make much progress a chapel is necessary. With a chapel, the priest can hold services and preach the truths of God. A chapel can be built in the West for five hundred dollars. As soon as you can collect the name of the chapel and have it dedicated for whatever intention you wish.

**YOUR PRAYERS REQUESTED**

Our Blessed Lord said, "Without me you can do nothing." May your prayer every day help God may bless our mission. Don't forget to have a Mass offered for the conversion of the heathen. In your own home, in the school, in the office, in the factory, in the street, in the city, in the world, let your prayers be for the conversion of the heathen.

**NEEDED TO TEACH**

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