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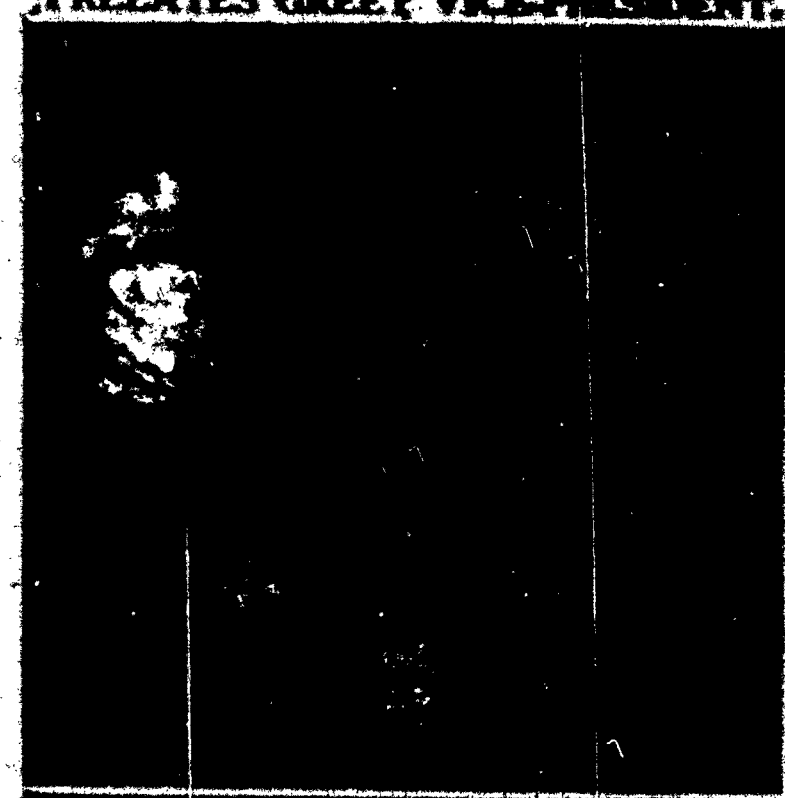

During his good-will trip to South America, Vice President Henry Wallace of the United States received a warm handshake from the Most Rev. Pedro Pascual Farfan, Archbishop of Lima (upper photo) at the Peruvian capital. Gen. Peñaranda, President of Bolivia and Bishop Abel I. Antezana y Rojas are pictured (lower photo) with Mr. Wallace in the Cathedral of La Paz. Wallace here he also visited the Maryknoll mission, Villa Victoria, in the suburbs. (N.C.W.C.)

# *Internments Severe Blow To Jesuit China Missions; Canadian Reported Slain*

NEW YORK (NC)—Three Canadian Jesuit missionaries, the Revs. Alphonse Dube, Armand Lalonde and Prosper Bernard, were killed at Fanghsien in the northwestern part of Kiangsu Province, China, according to advices received by the Jesuit Mission Bureau here. The information added that all Jesuit missionaries in Shanghai, including 20 Americans, were interned at Sikawei near Shanghai.

This cable received here from Shanghai via Vatican City represents only a part of the widespread move by the Japanese to liquidate the Catholic Missions in Occupied China, the Mission Bureau stated for the Office of War Information is reported to have picked up a Vatican Radio broadcast beamed to Ireland stating that six or seven Netherlands and Belgian Catholic Missionary Bishops and all missionaries of the same nationalities in North China have been interned.

**Work at Standstill**

This same broadcast stated that all missionaries in Shanghai were interned, which, if unqualified, would mean that at least 200 Sisters, over 100 Priests and about 40 Brothers have been interned and their multiple mission activities are at a standstill. If allowed to work, the 70 diocesan and 40 Jesuit native priests (in or near Shanghai) together with a correspondingly proportionate number of native Sisters and Brothers could not possibly staff in a skeleton manner the dozens of missionary institutions much less minister even to the minimum spiritual needs of the 80,000 Catholics in the city of Shanghai and its environs, the Mission Bureau said.

The internment of the American Jesuits means the collapse of two flourishing high schools in Shanghai and Nanking, a large parish of several thousand Catholics and the complete isolation of the Haichow and Yangchow mission districts. No specific word has been received as to the whereabouts of the Rev. Mark Falvey and the Rev. Ignatius Gatz, Jesuit missionaries in the Haichow district, 200 miles north of Shanghai. It is hoped, however, that the International Theological Seminary, where over 30 Jesuits from ten nations are in training, will continue to function.

Among those interned is the Very Rev. Oscar Marin, S.J., the acting Assistant General of over 400 Jesuit missionaries in China. He is was also offered to the Apostolic Delegate to China, His Excellency the Most Rev. Mario Zanin, as "responsible for Christ's Cause" all Jesuit missionaries after they had individually and in groups volunteered to remain at their mission posts no matter how dangerous or temporarily "impractical" such a decision might seem.

This grave crisis facing the Chinese missions of the Society of Jesus will not find the Jesuit Missionaries entirely unprepared, the Mission Bureau said, for there are 181 Chinese Jesuits and 300 native diocesan Priests trained by them ready to keep the Church alive in their dozen large Vicariates.

## Orders Centers

Mexico City. — The Most Rev. Luis M. Martinez, Archbishop of Mexico, has ordered a census to be taken of the Catholics living in the Archdiocese. Each pastor or residential vicar is required to furnish a map of his jurisdiction, giving the location and names of churches and chapels, population figures, the district, State and region to which the parish belongs, a report on the general condition of edifices and needed repairs, and statistics on all Catholics in the parish above the age of six years.

Brighton (before Nazi occupation) had a population of [illegible]. It was the most densely populated country in Europe with 715 people in the square mile. Catholics numbered 7,000,000 in 1938.

## Kill Birth Curb Bill In Connecticut Senate

HARTFORD. — Fifty [illegible] opponents of birth control in the Connecticut Senate [illegible] the measure, the bill [illegible] Senate Thursday. The bill [illegible] State Department of Health to [illegible] physicians of [illegible] and to operate [illegible] clinics.

## DAILY MASS ATTENDANCE IN ARCHDIOCESE INCREASES

CHICAGO. — (NC) — Chicago's Council of Catholic Women under the executive direction of Mrs. James C. Darby, has sponsored a night writer in the progress of the daily Mass movement among the women of [illegible] the archdiocese in the Chicago Archdiocese.

At the request of the Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, the women appointed a special committee to secure pledges for daily Mass attendance.

## Blessing On Jubilee

Covington, La.—On the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary, St. Paul's College, conducted here by the Brothers of the Christian Schools, has received a special blessing from His Holiness Pope Pius XII.


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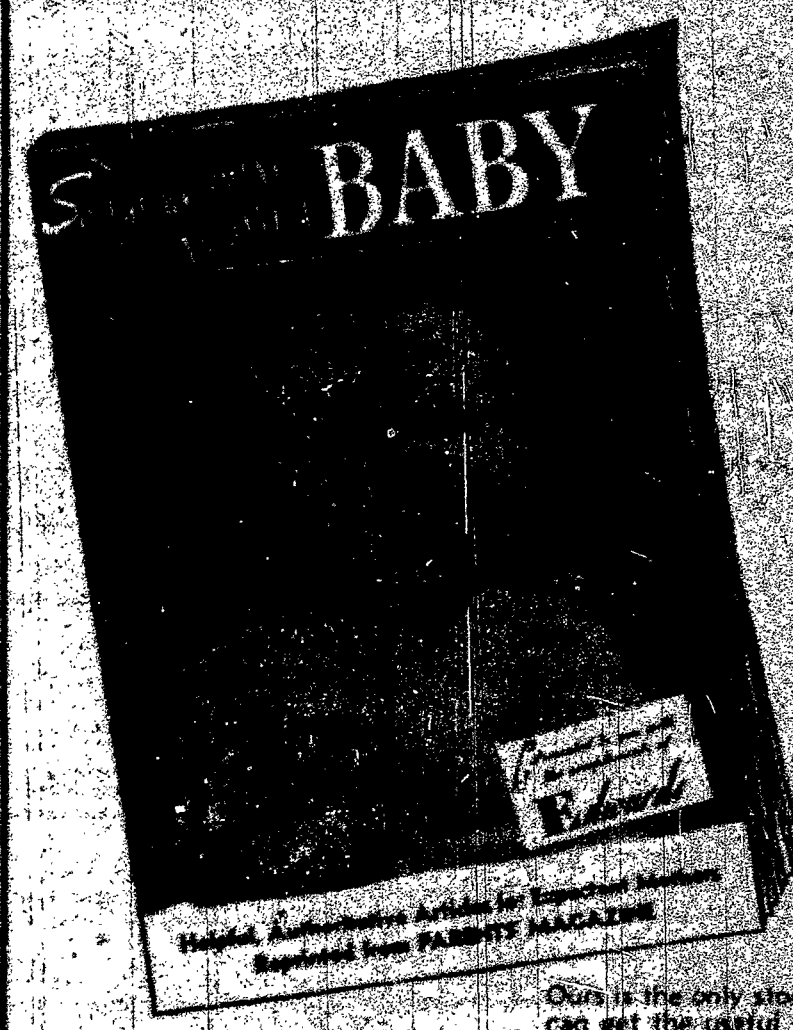


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