

Must Have God's Aid In Peace As In War, Avers Secular Paper

OTTAWA—“Let us remember that the seeds of another war can be sown at a peace conference and let us accordingly resolve not to forget God at the Peace Table,” the Ottawa Journal, secular newspaper, says in an editorial.

“Many times during the course of the war when our fortunes were at a low ebb and our hopes were all but gone, we turned upon God for strength and guidance,” the editorial says. “We asked for aid at Dunkirk when it seemed that not even a miracle could save hundreds of thousands of our soldiers, and again in the dark days which followed when the military strength standing between Hitler and the conquest of Britain was negligible.

“We prayed for help when thousands of men and machines of the R.A.F. fought valiantly against the superior might of the Luftwaffe in the battle of Britain and when our ships were being sunk in the Atlantic faster than we could replace them. We knelt humbly before God following Pearl Harbor and the fall of Singapore when the Japanese tidal wave swept down the Pacific to the shores of Australia, and again when General's Africa Corps was a day's march from Cairo. In our darkest hours when it seemed that human strength alone was not

Pope Most Popular Man in Italy, General Tells British Group

LONDON—(NC)—His Holiness Pope Pius XII is the most popular man in Italy, General Carton de Wiart, noted figure of this and the last war, declared in an address to the Royal Empire Society. “General de Wiart, who took part in the negotiations attending the end of hostilities between Italy and the United Nations, said of his Holiness: “I do not know what his position is pre-war days was, but his position today among Italians and British prisoners of war is extraordinary. What he has done for prisoners-of-war is tremendous.”

Soviets First To Aid Fascists and Nazis

MEXICO CITY—Recent Soviet attempts to represent the Pope as servile to Fascism are in the category of lies and calumny, stated an editorial in *Ultimas Noticias*, daily newspaper of the Mexican capital.

Comparing the record of Soviet Russia and Fascist Rome with that of Pope Pius XII, the editorial recalls that the Soviet representative at Rome was “the first diplomat to give a reception for Mussolini when he was tottering after the Mateotti assassination”; that Molotov and von Ribbentrop had a “gentlemen's agreement” when “Poland was pulverized and partitioned,” and that “the oil that helped to make pay out of the Abyssinians was shipped from Baku, thanks to the magnificent relations existing between Moscow and Rome—the Fascist Rome—from 1922 up to June 22, 1941.”

Nazis Carry On In Destroying Poland Churches

LONDON—(BBC)—Reports of additional destruction of churches and church property in Poland by the German invaders have been received here, according to KAP, Polish Catholic Press Agency.

The reports stated that in Bydgoszcz, the large Catholic Church which stood in the market place has been demolished. In Polzin, the bishop's residence has been reported plundered and converted into a Gestapo training school, while the cathedral, one of the largest and most beautiful in Poland, has been looted of everything movable.

The reports said that the beautifully carved confessionals and pews were burned in the furnaces of the local sugar refinery; that the cathedral was used for three years as a military garage before it was closed and the diocesan archives, library and sermons records were burned.

The library, it was said, consisted of 10,000 volumes, many old prints and valuable records. The reports also said that the parish church in Tschobin has been demolished.

German authorities published a new law three months ago. It was reported, which provided that all church property in Poland be confiscated. Many engaged in parish work in Poland, it was said, have been forced to register at labor exchanges and have been assigned to all German evacuated from bombed German cities.

Report On Churches Damaged In Italy

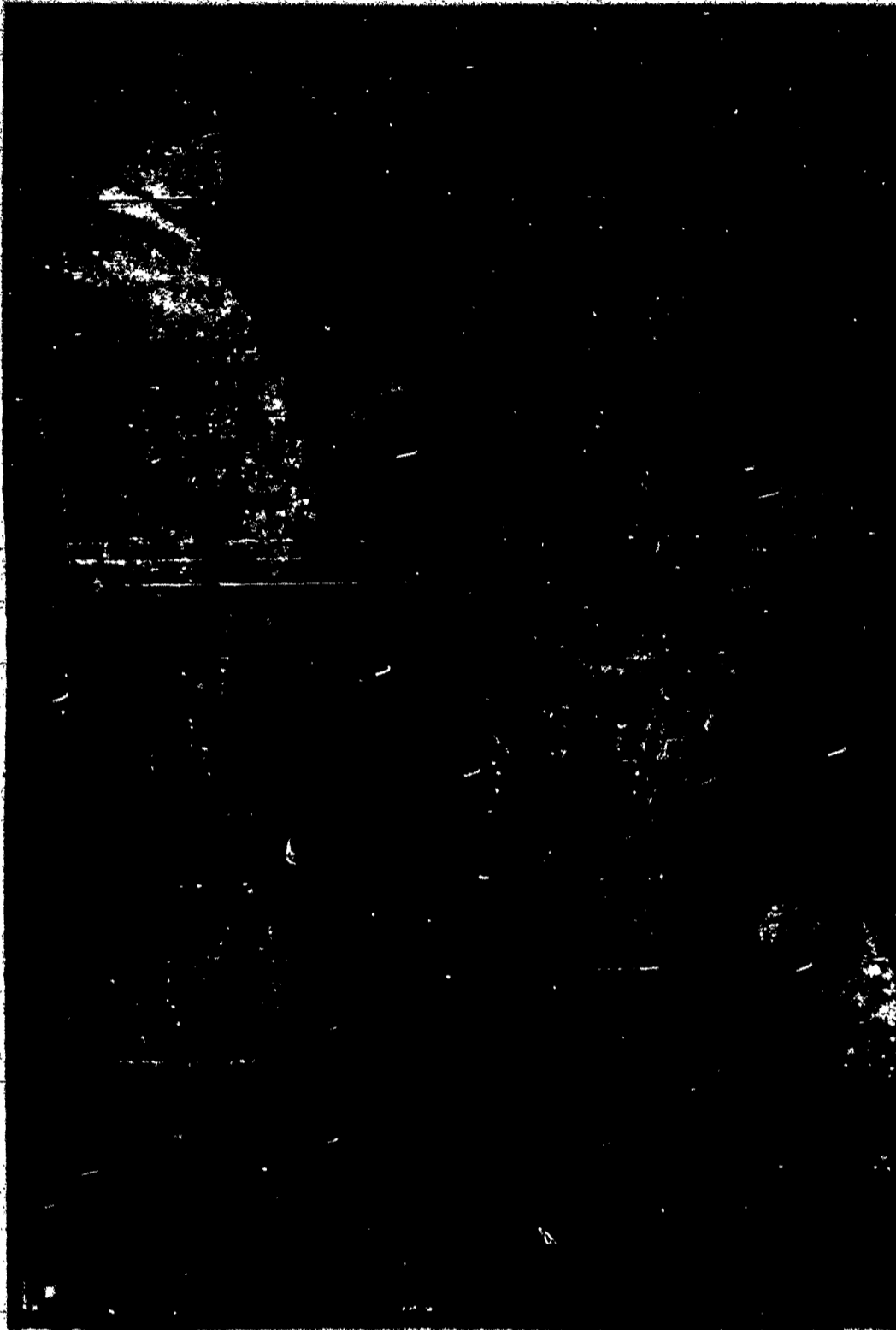
LONDON—(NC)—A report of damage to Italian cathedrals and churches and other artistic and historic monuments during the fighting in Italy is contained in a recent report of the British War Office.

The cathedral of Briveglio is said to have been destroyed, and also the archbishop's palace at Avellino. In Naples six churches have been destroyed and 19 severely damaged. Among those totally destroyed are the church of Santa Chiara and the great Gothic church in the city. The cathedral of Capua, the report states, was also damaged. One of the events-honorary church of Sant'Angelo at Forlì.

Damage was inflicted on recent monuments at Pompeii, but it is reported that work is proceeding and will be completed in the near future.

enough, we called upon God and there is none who can say that He failed us. “If He can help us in the darkest hours of battle, He can grant us wisdom to deal with the problems of peace. Let us remember that the seeds of another war can be sown at a peace conference and let us accordingly resolve not to forget God at the Peace Table.”

WEDDING IN NEW GUINEA



A romance which began at Camp Edwards in Massachusetts in 1941 culminated in a wedding in a native-built chapel in New Guinea, the first wedding on the island in two years. The bride was Lieut. Mary K. Clancy, Army Nurse, of Marlborough, Mass.; the bridegroom, Private John A. Devine, U. S. A., Springfield, Mass. Fate took a hand in their romance when they were both assigned to the same post after a separation of three years. Catholic Chaplain Joseph Medlicka, of New York, is pictured performing the ceremony. Acme Signal Corps Photo. (N.Y.C.)

Enshrining Peace Ideals Citadels of Learning Must Stand Avers Dr. Mahoney

BROOKLYN—“A war is never won with the destruction of the ideals of peace, and these ideals are enshrined in our citadels of learning,” observed the Very Rev. Dr. William J. Mahoney, C.M., president of St. John's University here, addressing 300 members of the alumni and their guests at the 63rd annual dinner of the Alumni Association.

(Dr. Mahoney before taking the presidency of St. John's was Dean of the College of Business Administration, Niagara University at Niagara Falls and in Rochester.)

Commenting on the action of the Government in disbanding the Army Special Training Program, Dr. Mahoney observed that when a father is drafted into the army, provision is made to keep the family and home intact, and so likewise, he said, “some provision should be made to keep open the colleges for these students when they return from the Armed Forces.”

“Liberal Arts have suffered an eclipse in prestige and importance in these days of technological warfare,” Dr. Mahoney continued. “The needs of the Armed Forces and defense industries have placed unusual emphasis upon technical and vocational education. It is unfortunate. So is war unfortunate.

But it would be more fitting misfortune not to restore the Liberal Arts to the college and the college to the Liberal Arts. And in this restoration stress must be placed upon the intrinsic and terminal values of these studies rather than as means to professional ends.

“The Liberal Arts curriculum trains the mind to disengage itself from selfish interests and to see problems in their social perspective. It fosters those all-necessary social virtues of Christian justice and charity. Such development of men in social-mindedness, or better, God-mindedness, will be indispensable when war-wearing world sets about the task of rebuilding the ruins of a Christian civilization.”

NO PRICE CEILING
“Here,” said the nightster on the Polomac, “is where Washington threw a dollar across the river. “A dollar went much further in those days than it does now.”

Brotherhood Movement Denounced As Godless Substitute for Religion

NEW YORK (NC)—Scoring the Brotherhood Movement as “a godless substitute for religion,” the Most Rev. J. Francis McIntyre, Auxiliary Bishop and Chancellor of New York, addressing 800 Knights of Columbus at the Hotel Astor, declared that “Brotherhood” activities in our city camps have been “reprehensible because under the guise of that it is not, the movement has sponsored what are godless religious services and so arranged matters that the men were practically forced to attend in some instances.”

“This ‘brotherhood’ declares itself to be not religious,” the Bishop said. “It refuses to participate openly with religious groups in matters of religion, yet it insists upon holding ‘round table’ talks at which it wishes present representatives of the three faiths. The ‘brotherhood’ is, therefore, not legitimate, but rather, illegitimate because it advocates a so-called ‘brotherhood’ but neglects the Fatherhood of God. That makes the conduct illegitimate.”

“The idea of the brotherhood of man, was properly conceived, understood and practiced is, of course, a noble idea, because it is based on the Fatherhood of God and the love of neighbor for the love of God.”

“The movement had a splendid opportunity to demonstrate what would seem to be its scope in the released time program for religious instruction of school children,” Bishop McIntyre said. “Statemen, educators and leaders of thought have concurred in the opinion that religious instruction to the youth of our day is the real remedy for many social disorders. The program has been most successful where it has been tried. Yet this ‘brotherhood’ movement has refused to sponsor or participate in or encourage this program, falling back on the horn of the dilemma it presents it is not religious.”

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Warns of Paganism Seeking To Make God of Government

SYRACUSE—(NC)—A “fresh form of paganism is running at large in America,” which has government for its god and neopagan worshippers who “would render to Caesar the whole gamut of human life,” Clarence Manion, dean of the college of law at the University of Notre Dame, declared in an address before the Catholic Women's Club of Syracuse.

“Their god may not have made the world in the first place but he is out to remake it now—and with a vengeance,” said Dean Manion. He asserted that “of course this new state will be a ‘Democracy’ which assurance is expected to compensate the follower for the loss of his soul.” He declared that the decrees of “The Great God Government” must take precedence over constitutional bills of rights, as well as the Ten Commandments, and that its noteworthy feature is the unchallenged progress it has made “with what passes as the intellectual leadership of our country.”

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Missing Redemptorist Chaplain's Return Answers Prayers of 15,000

NEW ORLEANS—The day after approximately 15,000 persons prayed in the two churches and the chapel of the Redemptorist Parish for the safety of Chaplain Harry F. Wade, C.S.S.R., he returned uninjured to his military flight patrol in the Southwest Pacific.

Chaplain Wade, who has the rank of captain, was reported by the War Department as missing, as of Feb. 7. In addition to the prayers offered by relatives, the Redemptorists, and other friends, prayers were offered Sunday, Feb. 13, in the Redemptorist churches.

The message received by one of Chaplain Wade's sisters was: “We are pleased to inform you that your brother, Captain Wade, who has been previously reported missing in flight, returned safely and un-

injured to the military flight patrol on Feb. 14.”

Distribute Nipples

Rubber nursing nipples numbering 27,000 were distributed to the babies of North Africa by the American Red Cross in 1943. This met a “crying” need for previously as many as ten babies are sharing one rubber nipple on a cooperative plan, there being no other alternative than spoon feeding of milk to very young babies.