World's Hope Lies in Pope's New Order; Pius XII in 5th Year of Struggle for Peace

(Special)---The Five-Point Program for World Peace so consistently declared by Pope Pius XII offers the war weary nations their one golden chance to establish a true and lasting peace in this "One World" now torn and darkened by global warfare.

Shocked and stunned by the widespread destruction and devastation of the present conflict the common peoples of the world are uniting in one common determination: "It must not happen again!" Foremost among the champions of world peace is His Holiness Pius XII. Elevated to the Throne of Peter on the very eve of the great outbreak, Pius XII immediately engaged the enemies of peace and his only weapons were truth and prayer.

The much-desired New Order, as explained by the Pontiff himself, must be founded on the firm rock of the moral law, which God has engraved with indelible characters on all men's hearts.

All throughout these five years of war Pius XII has courageously and zealously preached his Five-Point Gospel of Peace to the world.

Scarcely was [illegible] ever more eloquent than when he explained in a worldwide broadcast on Christmas Eve, 1940, the Five Points of his New Order as follows:

1—RIGHTS OF SMALL STATES—"Within the new order founded on moral principles, there is no place for the violation of freedom, integrity and security of either small or no matter what may be their territorial extent or their capacity for defense."

2—RIGHTS OF NATIONAL MINORITIES—"Within the limits of a new order founded on moral principles there is no place for open or secret oppression . . . of national minorities, for the hindrance or restriction of their economic resources, or for the limitation or abolition of their natural fertility."

3—ECONOMIC JUSTICE FOR ALL NATIONS—"Within the new order founded on moral principles there is no place for those cold and selfish calculations which tend to gain a monopoly of the sources of economic life, the materials designed for the use of all, in such a way that nations less favored by nature remain shut out from them."

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4—LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS AND FIDELITY TO TREATIES—"Within the limits of a new order founded on moral principles there is no place—once the more dangerous occasions of armed conflict have been got rid of—for any total war nor for any mad race of armaments."

"If mutual confidence is to be born again, institutions must rise which, meriting the respect of all, will give themselves to the noble task of guaranteeing the sacred inviolabilities of treaties, and of bringing about, in accordance with the principles of law and equity, timely corrections or revisions of treaties."

5—FREEDOM OF RELIGION—"Within the limits of a new order founded on moral principles there is no place for the persecution of religion or of the Church."

In presenting this Papal Peace Program to the world Pius XII enjoys not only the divine guidance of his supreme office but also the 20 centuries of rich experience of the worldwide Catholic Church.

Pope Pius XII is not an impractical idealist. He is a realist. Better than anyone he realizes the "grave difficulties" which stand in the way of establishing a New Order of just and lasting peace.

But never was there a cause so deserving of the "collaboration of all noble and generous minds." Under the singular leadership of the Vicar of Christ this spiritual crusade of Peace should enlist "all unselfish and great-hearted men in an endeavor to lead the nations back from the broken cisterns of material and selfish interests to the living fountain of divine justice, which alone is able to provide that morality, nobility and stability the necessity of which has been so long experienced, to the hurt of nations and humanity."

Tyranny Next Door, Soldiers in Mexico Barred from Churches

(Special)—Although the United States is now engaged in a fierce struggle to restore liberty to the peoples of Europe, Americans generally are ignorant of the fact that their fellow neighbors in next-door Mexico are living under a government of tyranny.

Under the present political regime of President Avila Camacho Mexican soldiers are forbidden to enter a church building.

Every Mexican youth must spend one year in the army when he reaches the age of eighteen. This means that for a whole year such a soldier may never enter a church building or attend Mass.

If moreover, a Mexican youth chooses the military as a permanent livelihood then he is, according to government ruling, prevented from practicing his faith for years to come.

Naturally a demonstrative race and reared in the Spanish traditions of the Catholic Faith, the Mexican people are, nevertheless, forbidden by law to conduct any religious services outside of church buildings.

Bans Religious Rites

This law which is a flagrant violation of a man's inalienable right to worship God, outlaws such commonplaces of Mexican Catholic life as public religious festival processions, Eucharistic processions, and public religious rallies.

Even the church buildings in Mexico are owned by the State and the present use of them for religious purposes is merely an act of toleration on the part of the government.

The political regime now ruling Mexico is that of the Mexican Revolutionary Party (PRM) and is currently headed by President Camacho, the handpicked successor of Lazaro Cardenas, an atheist and now reportedly the military power behind the throne below the Rio Grande.

The Mexican Revolutionary Party regime of Cardenas and Camacho is a dictatorship of tyranny, which has deprived the people not only of their religious but also their political liberty.

Strange as it may seem some explanation of the mystery of political tyranny in Mexico may be discovered behind the professedly democratic doors of the U. S. State Department in Washington. At least, this is the belief of many Mexicans.

During the 1940 elections in Mexico Camacho was opposed by General Almazan, who publicly declared himself a Catholic and promised religious freedom.

"There can be no reasonable doubt," states Dr. James A. Magner in his book, 'Men of Mexico', "that the popular vote was overwhelmingly in favor of Almazan as against Cardenas' man, Avila Camacho."

Before, however, the official count of Congress the Mexican Revolutionary Party of Cardenas announced that Camacho was President-elect.

This tyrannical procedure precipitated a crisis, but, as Dr. Magner writes, "again the decisive vote was cast by Washington! The claims of both candidates were taken under consideration, and Vice-President-elect Henry Wallace was dispatched to Mexico City to attend the inaugural exercises of Avila Camacho!"

It seems shamefully inconsistent that the same nation which poses as the prophet of the Four Freedoms also supports and condones the inexcusable violation of those Four Freedoms by the present Mexican dictatorship of Avila Camacho.

We wonder too at the silence of these alleged champions of human liberty, the left-wing and Soviet-inspired American commentators who cry out so vociferously at Franco's Spain and more recently even against Chiang Kai-Shek's China. How is it that they are so well-informed on such far-off countries as China and Spain and yet at the same time are so uninformed about next-door Mexico?

It is time for the Winchellites of the press and the radio, if they are as sincerely democratic as they pretend, to explain how it is that today there is more religious freedom in Hitler's Germany than in Camacho's Mexico.

In Germany a soldier can attend Mass in uniform and even receive Holy Communion, but the Mexican soldier cannot even enter the church building because the Mexican dictator feels that "it is incompatible with the dignity of the Mexican soldier to go to Church."

Rome's Mayor Thanks Pope, Leftists Mum

ROME (NC)—At the formal installation ceremony when he was restored to the office of Mayor of Rome, Prince Filippo Andrea Doria Pamphili made, in his first greeting, a clear expression of the unanimous and sincere gratitude of the people of Rome for the wonderful benefits conferred upon the city, principally for its having been preserved by the grace of God's immeasurable mercy.

"At the same time," the Prince said, "our grateful thoughts are turned to him, our venerable Bishop, the Sovereign Pontiff Pius XII, to whose powerful and unceasing intercession Rome owes its preservation. Thanks to his initiative much suffering and sorrow were alleviated. But our expression of gratitude would be devoid of all sincerity if it were left merely at that and not accompanied by our adopting a way of life inspired by the teachings of him who, with such lofty purpose, tirelessly gave of himself for our temporal and spiritual welfare."

It is to be noted that two Roman newspapers, Avanti, Socialist, and Lumie, Communist, omitted all references to the expressions of thanks to the Pope contained in the Prince's address, although they constituted a considerable portion of his remarks.

Archbishop Spellman Visits President, Discusses Rome

WASHINGTON.—The Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, last week visited President Franklin D. Roosevelt at the White House and expressed his gratitude that Rome was saved from the devastation of war.

As he emerged from the White House, Archbishop Spellman told newspapermen that his visit with the President was a personal one. He added:

"I was grateful for the opportunity to express appreciation that military ingenuity displaced military necessity in the saving of Rome."

Now is a grand time to help other people in the troubles so you don't have time to worry about your own.

Protests Nazi Search Of Convents for Jews

ZURICH, Switzerland (NC)—In the wake of reports that several convents in Hungary have been searched on suspicion of sheltering Jewish children from the Nazis, His Eminence Justin Cardinal Seredi, O.S.B., Archbishop of Strigonia and Primate of Hungary, is visiting dioceses in Western Hungary and insisting that the prerogatives of convents be respected, according to advices received here.

It has been learned from reliable sources that a number of Jewish families placed their children under the protection of Catholic institutions when the latest wave of persecution of Hungarian Jews began, following occupation of the country by Nazi forces.

Meanwhile, it has been learned from a reliable source that 400 Hungarian priests and monks have been taken into custody by Nazi authorities on accusations of "activities against the safety of the State."

Pope Hears Irish Bagpipers' Concert After Audience

VATICAN CITY.—(NC-Radio)—When a volunteer Irish Brigade was received in audience last week by His Holiness Pope Pius XII, the soldiers were accompanied by their bagpipe band. The Holy Father remained after the audience to hear the band render ancient Irish religious music.

Gallantry at Makin Earns Army Chaplain Decoration

NEW YORK.—Lt. Col. Lafayette W. Yarwood, a priest of the Archdiocese of New York now serving as an Army chaplain, has been awarded the Bronze Star for gallantry in the Marshall Islands campaign, advices received here state. Father Yarwood saw action with the famous "Fighting 69th" at Makin Island.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH came to the aid of the young missions in America upon the request of Father Chelleton, who was greatly interested in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. His appeal in behalf of Bishop Rosati of St. Louis, was heeded by Mother St. John Fontbonne, who arranged to send Sisters Febronie and Delphine, her two sisters and four other members of the community, together with her nephew, Father James Fontbonne. They are shown being welcomed by Bishop Rosati outside the Cathedral of St. Louis in 1836.

Canonization Rite Seen for Mother Cabrini

ROME—The Allied liberation of Rome may now make it possible for the Holy See to set an early date for the formal canonization ceremonies of Blessed Mother Cabrini who spent 25 years of missionary work in the United States.

Despite the mounting difficulties of war the Sacred Congregation of Rites has advanced the cause of Mother Cabrini to a stage which awaits only the canonization ceremony.

Foundress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Mother Cabrini was directed in 1889 by Pope Leo XIII to go to the United States and work among the Italian immigrants.

In 1905, Mother Cabrini founded Columbus Hospital in Chicago. In 1910, she founded Columbus Hospital and Sanitarium in Denver and a few years before her death, which occurred in Chicago on Dec. 22, 1917, she founded Columbus Hospital in Seattle. By 1931, the community which she founded was operating schools, missions, colleges and rest homes, hospitals, preventoriums, dispensaries, nurseries, foundling homes and orphanages in this country, South America, Italy, France, England, Spain and China.

Clad in the simple black habit of her community, the body of Mother Cabrini reposes in a crystal-walled shrine built into the marble altar of Mother Cabrini Memorial High School chapel in the Fort Washington section of New York.

Rabbi Thanks Rome's Catholics for Aid

VATICAN CITY.—During a ceremony marking the reopening of a synagogue in Rome, the Chief Rabbi expressed the gratitude of the Jewish people to the Catholic Church and its clergy for what they had done on behalf of so many persecuted persons, it was stated here by Osservatore Romano, Vatican City newspaper.