

German 'Werewolves' Slay Three Priests

Freiburg — (NC) — SS or "Werewolf" bands have murdered three priests in recent weeks in this region. The Rev. William Strohmeyer, of Atermuenster-

tal, Baden, was dragged out of his home and robbed and killed, while the Rev. Alois Belcher, of Oberwiltstadt, Baden, was shot by SS men the very day American troops had occupied, but then again abandoned the village. The Rev. H. August Wagner, of Egrantshausen near Mainzburg, Bavaria, suffered a similar fate.

Washington

CAPITAL FRICTIONS ONE GENERAL GAINED MOSLEM REVIVAL

By Tom Rogers

Washington — By this time next week the fur will be flying beneath, about, and above the dome on Capitol Hill. It won't be between the two parties, Republicans and Democrats — although the President opened that long closed door last week.

The civilian economy and authority have been restored.

As predicted here last week, the point system is going to get an awful kicking around . . . down! Compulsory military training will quietly be left in Committee, although — as also stated here weeks ago — the National Guard quotas may be doubled and the pay raised for the regular enlisted Army specialists.

Pearl Harbor secrets will soon be opened!

Taxes will be cut.

And finally, there will be a healthy and thorough examination of Communist activities in this country, with especial attention given New York and Hollywood.

Social notes: Sidney Hillman has yet to be invited to any White House function; neither has he been consulted by the powers that be. Incidentally, despite all the things said of him, John L. Lewis is one leader who has stood firm for his men. His men stand with him. Lewis will soon visit the President.

It's true that a number of reserve officers — men of position and responsibility in civilian life — are determined to cast as much light on the Navy promotion system and the Army court martial system as they can — once they are out of the service.

General De Gaulle decorated a number of our top-ranking generals here last Friday. The check-to-check business is still used by the French. Generals Marshall and Somervell were solemn, as was Admiral King. But Air Corps Chief "Hap" Arnold wore a splitting grin!

Was Hitler Belloe as correct as a man could ever hope to be, when, back in '37 he predicted a revival of the Moslem world?

Today, Ibn Saud, most powerful of Arab leaders, is alleged to have exacted a promise from the late president that the Jews' fight for Palestine would not receive his support.

The news "broke" in Cairo last Friday and came from Abdul Rahman Azzam Bey, secretary general of the new Arab League.

One suspects that Azzam Bey was a bit theatrical about it all. But you can see how the Arab sympathy lies when he asked, in the name of the Pan Arab league that Yugoslavia refrain from asking that the pro-Nazi Grand Mufti of Jerusalem be turned over to the Yugoslav government for trial.

And the Pan-Arab movement is really a publicity front for the Mohammedans from Casablanca to Moudanao.

Incidentally, the head of the whole business is wily and shrewd Ibn Saud . . . who collects 25 million a year from us.

Aside to one Lieutenant M. K. Pipp, USNR at San Pedro: I'm betting you're out by Christmas . . . and if you are, you have to wear a bright green hat. If you're not . . . well, we're that sure!

Chinese Minister to Holy See Thanks Pope for Aid

Rome — (NC) — The Chinese people will not forget the manifestations of sympathy extended to them by His Holiness Pope Pius XII in their time of darkest trial, Cheou Kang She, Minister of China to the Holy See, declared in a statement issued here to mark the surrender of Japan.

Saw Atom Bombing



Dr. Bernard Wallman, aged 31, assistant professor of physics on leave from the University of Notre Dame to assist in the development of atomic energy, was one of four scientists to witness from an observation plane the initial use of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, according to word received at Notre Dame. (NC Photo)

Conscription Seen as Weapon Of Power Politics

New York — (RNS) — One reason why universal peacetime military training is being urged upon America "is for its use as a weapon in a new kind of power politics," the Rev. Robert A. Graham, S. J., of New York, warned at the Summer School of Catholic Action at Fordham University here.

Father Graham, secretary of the Committee of a Just World Order, Institute of Social Order, said "there are numerous signs that many the least that they want to do their share in preserving peace have nothing else in mind than the old power politics that got us into this war."

Quoting former Under-Secretary of State Joseph Grew as citing the need for peacetime conscription, "because it will strengthen the hand of the State Department in its diplomacy," Father Graham said:

"What kind of business is that? America now to succumb to the sabre-rattling that we condemned all during the days before the War? Even if America needs a much larger army and navy after this war does this mean we have to ape Europe by adopting what Josephus Daniels has termed the broken, discredited stock of conscription?"

"Catholics," he added, "are not against adequate defense commensurate to our legitimate needs. But they don't like to fight a war to do away with militarism and have this very symbol of militarism thrown in their face. Secretary Grew understands that it is a symbol of sabre-rattling. That is why he wants it to strengthen the hands of the State Department."

Our Temple
We must make our heart a spiritual temple, wherein to adore Him incessantly. — Brother Lawrence.

Hero Priest Attends Newman Conference

London — (RNS) — Among delegates to the Newman Centennial Conference is Father Biquet, who recently came to England from the Dachau concentration camp, to which he was sent after his arrest by the Gestapo for aiding in the escape of 400 British and American airmen.

Addressing a Franco-British student conference at Northamptonshire, he described the life of Catholics at Dachau as "Christianity of the Catacombs." Mrs. T. L. E. Spilmont, grand niece of Cardinal Newman, and also a convert, attended the conference.

Keep your heart always adorned with virtues, and preserve constantly lighted in it the lamps of faith and charity. — St. Paul of the Cross.

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