

# Prelate Says Austrian State Relations Good

Rome—(RNS)—The 1934 concordat between the Vatican and Chancellor Dollfuss of Austria is still in effect and relations between the Roman Catholic Church and the provisional government headed by Dr. Karl Renner are "good." Theodore Cardinal Innitzer of Vienna declared here after an audience with Pope Pius XII.

The Cardinal, who is on his first visit to the Holy See since 1939, said the main purpose of his trip was to discuss with the Pope the question of aid to needy and displaced persons in Austria.

"No concrete results," he declared, "can be obtained without the generous help of the Allies, and especially the Americans."

The Austrian churchman's visit to Rome, it was revealed, had been vetoed by Allied occupation authorities, but the Vatican intervened to obtain permission for his trip. He left Vienna with a Russian passport and arrived in Rome on board a British plane.

## Propaganda on Franco And Stalin Decried

Cleveland — (NC) — The current trend of propaganda both by printed word and by radio which aims to besmirch Franco and Spain and to glorify Stalin and Russia was the theme of addresses by Cleveland priests at the sixth annual Communion Mass and Breakfast of the Laymen's retreat here.

Rev. Francis T. Kane, S. J., of John Carroll University, said that from various directions "we hear Franco referred to as an autocrat and Spain as an autocracy, and on the other hand we hear from the same sources that Stalin is a democrat and Russia is a democracy." Such propaganda, Father Kane said, is among the strangest developments in current problems. He cautioned that a united Catholic group, such as the laymen's retreat leagues, is vitally needed to oppose it.

## Pope Receives Report On Molotov Conversation

Rome — (RNS) — Italian Foreign Minister Alcide de Gasperi was received in audience by Pope Pius XII following his return to Rome from the Council of Foreign Ministers in London. The minister, who is leader of the Christian Democratic Party, reported to the Pope the substance of his conversation with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov.

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## Labor School Opens

Providence, R. I. — (RNS) — Nearly 300 employers and employees attended the opening here of a labor school inaugurated by the newly formed Social Action Institute of the Catholic diocese of Providence. Courses will last eight weeks and are open to members of all faiths.

## Polish Pact Revision Is Denied at Vatican

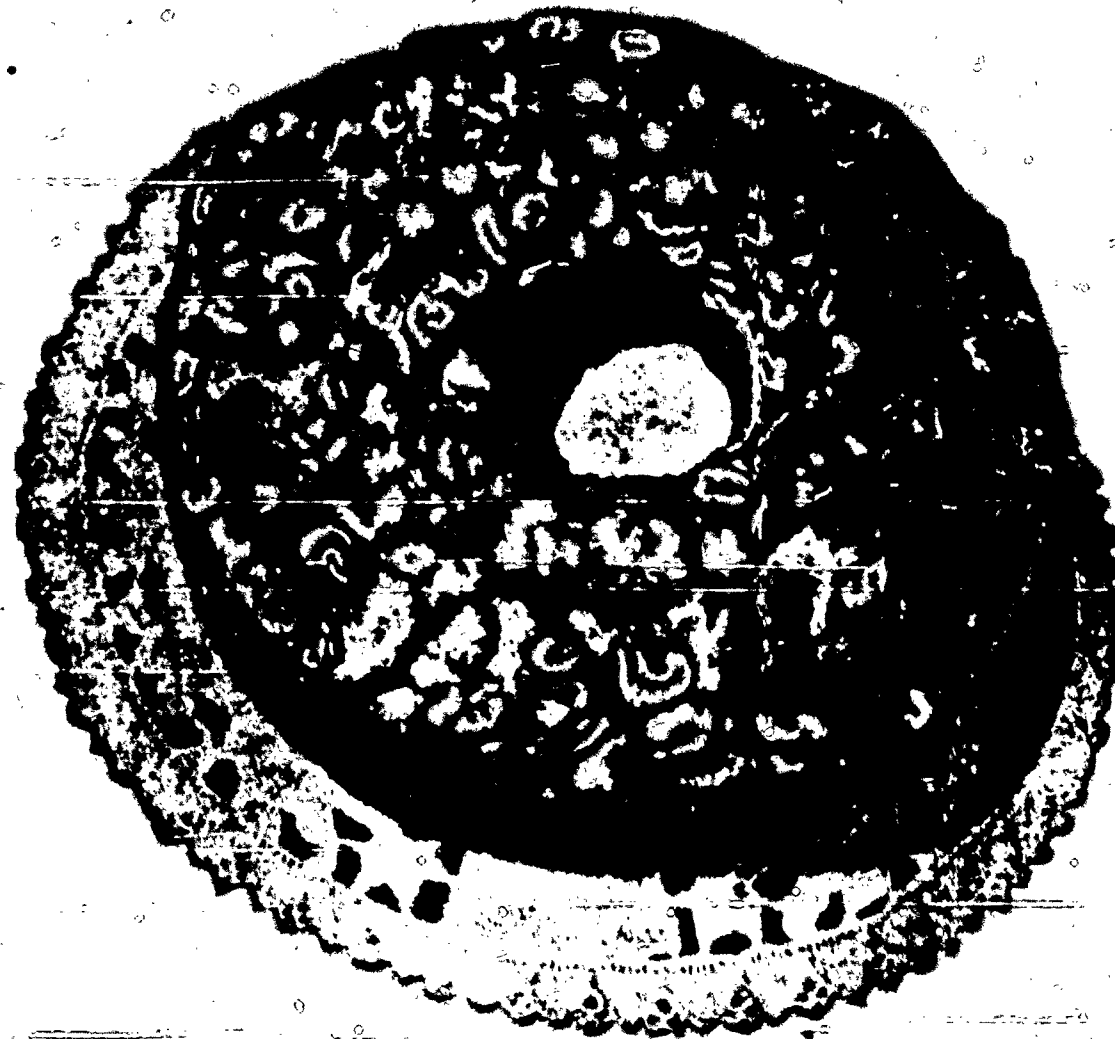
Vatican City — Vatican circles declare that they have no knowledge whatsoever of reported steps taken by the Polish Government in Warsaw to establish contact with the Holy See for the purpose of revising the Concordat between Poland and the Vatican.

If the Warsaw Government should have initiated such steps with the Polish Episcopate, the Holy See is not aware of them because, as is generally known, the Polish Bishops have no means of communicating with the central direction of the Church.

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