

# Call a Halt to Appeasement Of Russia, Says K. of C. Leader

Rochester — (NC) — Knights of Columbus are ready to meet the challenge of sinister forces now threatening Christian civilization and the American way of life and are determined "to bring the Age of Chivalry back to life again" through a "fighting faith."

This pledge was given by Judge John E. Swift, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, at a testimonial dinner here sponsored, under the patronage of Archbishop Richard E. Cushing of Boston, by the Massachusetts State Council. Many persons prominent in public life were among the 1,500 dinner guests and paid tribute to the head of the 600,000 Knights of Columbus in this country.

Pointing to the menace of Russia's rapidly absorbing hundreds of millions "into their Asiatic, communistic bloc," Judge Swift asked:

"Has not the time arrived for some group or some leader to arise in the forum of the world and in challenging tones cry out to Russia: 'Thus far thou shalt go, and no farther.' For an order, dedicated to 'God and Country,' there is a challenge to save for God, both country and the major part of the human race."

"All the world knows," he continued, "that Godless Russia has torn the Atlantic Charter to tatters, and enslaved millions of our fellow-Catholics. By one shameful appeasement after another we have failed to uphold our American ideals, and despite the most solemn international obligations, to which we have been a party, we are now asked to recognize the so-called 'realism' of these accomplished facts, and after that is done to guarantee the 'status quo' of those subjugated populations by sending our American boys, even without the consent of Congress, to rivet the fetter more firmly on those helpless and hopeless millions, lest their patriotic youth should ever arise to set themselves free, so that they might recover some of those very same God-given natural rights for which our own boys were told they were fighting."

The Knights of Columbus are determined, the speaker said, to meet the challenge to Christian civilization through an intensive crusade of education. A million-dollar fund, he explained, had already been established to provide a college education for the sons and daughters of Knights who gave their lives in the war.

Recalling the appeal of Pope Pius XI for lay leaders, Judge Swift said: "In our councils and in public life, we need our young college men, our young professional men, our lawyers, doctors, teachers, journalists, our business executives and engineers. To our Catholic colleges we look for new blood, new brains, we look for leaders and lay-apostles."

If 100,000 communists in America can be articulate, Judge Swift said, "why should not our 600,000 Knights of Columbus be articulate too, especially when they are motivated, not by fanatical frenzy, but by all the fire and force of a Faith that is truly divine."

## U. S. Ambassador Attends Paris Newman Ceremony

Paris — (NC) — Jefferson Caffery, United States Ambassador to France, was among notable attendees at a ceremony in the Church of St. Eustache here to mark the centenary of the conversion of Cardinal John Henry Newman.

**Austrians Religious**  
Rome (CIP) — One sign of the religious revival which is now taking place in Austria is seen in the fact that at a recent mission in Salzburg diocese 50% of the faithful received the Sacraments. Archbishop Rohrbacher declared he was "most optimistic" for future developments.

## Third American



Brother Bernard F. Schol, S.M., of the University of Dayton, who has been appointed Inspector General of Schools of the Society of Mary throughout the world. A native of Pittsburgh, he is the third American to receive this appointment. (NC Photos)

## Population Shift Ruled by Terror

Amsterdam — (NC) — The sore plight of Eastern Rite Catholics in the territories of southeastern Poland that have been incorporated into the Soviet Union is further illustrated in reports received here depicting ruthless methods used in the "voluntary" transfer of the population to the East.

After the conquest of the area by the Red Army, the reports say, commissions went from village to village promising freedom of religion and many other advantages if the people agreed to give up their homes and move east. When these promises failed to induce the people to emigrate, they were attacked by terror gangs that set villages afire, robbed and murdered. It is reported that in one village 350 Greek Catholic inhabitants, including their priest, were slaughtered.

As result of this terror many decided to emigrate, until news reached them from the East about the arrests of Greek Catholic Bishops and priests and the activities of the Soviet-sponsored Orthodox Church to force Greek Catholics to break away from union with Rome. Then the people began to offer armed resistance, but finally many of them yielded and moved east.

## 2 Chinese Theological Students Come to U. S.

Collegeville, Minn. — (NC) — Two Chinese theological students, Father Bernard Hwang, O.S.B., and Mr. Lawrence Teng, have arrived here from the Monastery of SS. Peter and Andrew, near Chengtu, West China, to complete their studies for the priesthood.

Frater Hwang, a convert, is a native of Hong Kong. Fr. Teng is a native of Chungking and a member of a Chinese Catholic family which boasts martyrs to the Faith.

## Holy Father to Receive Children Aided by UNRRA

Rome — (Radio, NC) — The Holy Father will receive 25,000 Italian children who have been assisted by UNRRA, in the Vatican Basilica on January 25. His plan to receive them, following close upon the Encyclical Quasmodam, asking worldwide help to war-stricken children, is viewed as another evidence of the Pontiff's great immediate interest in the moral and physical welfare of children.

## 8 MILLION POUNDS OF FOOD PROCESSED FOR WAR-STRICKEN

New York — (NC) — Eight millions pounds of the more than 20,000,000 cans of food collected in the Food for the War Stricken Campaign by War Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference, have been processed and are ready for shipment. It was announced here by Edward M. Kinsey, campaign manager.

Destined for Poland, 700,000 pounds of the canned food were to be loaded aboard the SS John Wanamaker and consigned to Cardinal-designate Adam Stephen Sapieha, Archbishop of Krakow, who is acting as representative of War Relief Services and will supervise distribution of supplies to Poland. A million pounds was scheduled to leave for Europe later aboard the SS St. John's Victory, it was announced.

Loading will continue with increased frequency and arrangements have been completed for all available shipping space. The San Francisco warehouse reports that 250,000 pounds of the more than 1,000,000 cans of foods on hand have been shipped to the Philippines. The New York warehouse employs 382 men in processing and packing and is turning out 300 cases an hour. More than 200 railroad cars and 1,000

truck loads of supplies have been unloaded at the New York warehouse. Chicago has been sending an average of five railroad cars daily to the New York shipping center.

Unique among contributions received at War Relief Services headquarters was a money order from an Army group in Shemya of the Aleutian Islands. The money was collected through the sale of pictures taken at a Christmas Midnight Mass.

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