

# Press of Nation Sees Church Universality In Naming Cardinals

Washington—(NC)—The creation of 32 new Cardinals by His Holiness Pope Pius XII was generally interpreted by the secular press in this country as a demonstration of the universality of the Church.

It is the Pope's intention, writes the New York Herald Tribune, "in deciding to fill all the 32 vacant seats in the Sacred College, to broaden that ancient body in accordance with the expansion and closer integration of our modern world society. Expressing the congratulations of 'New Yorkers of all faiths' to Archbishop Francis J. Spellman upon his elevation to the Cardinals, the Tribune observes that 'the city will take a genuine pleasure in the added honor and responsibility which have come to him.'"

The new appointments "reflect the rise of small nations everywhere," remarks the Milwaukee Journal in an editorial headed "The New Cardinals — One World" which sees in the appointment of new Cardinals in Germany and France who were ardent, almost militant, anti-Nazis, a sign of "realism" and a reflection "of the now victorious resolution of the world that the nations unite to end Hitlerism."

The New York Times observes that the Pope in making the College of Cardinals "a more nearly global body than it has ever been before," has taken "cognizance of the new world that follows the war." In the broadening of the membership, the Times said, "we may expect an even more powerful instrument to bring about that collaboration, goodwill and reciprocal trust among all peoples, that the Pope sees as one of the essential elements for lasting peace throughout the world."

The Cleveland Plain Dealer, particularly hailing the nomination of Archbishop Edward Mooney, says: "It is only necessary to peruse the list of new Cardinals — men who fought the Nazis in every country, men who have proven themselves diplomats of the first rank, men like the other American nominees, archbishops Spellman, Stritch and Glennon — to recognize the dawn of a new day."

The larger recognition accorded to American Catholicism by the designation of four American Prelates to be Cardinals gives cause for "pride and satisfaction" to Americans of all faiths, writes the Cincinnati Enquirer, pointing out that the

Pope has more than doubled the number of those "who will speak for the New World in the august body which guides the destinies of the Roman Catholic Church."

The Washington Post, commenting on the proportionate shift of strength in the College of Cardinals as between Europeans and non-Europeans, writes: "This appears to be a Papal recognition of the fact that it is outside of Europe, devastated and demoralized, that the Church must look for its greatest strength and support in the decades immediately ahead. The appointments also seem to reflect the triumph of that party within the Catholic Church which has been steadily and bitterly opposed to compromise with totalitarianism in any of its forms."

The Chicago Sun, hailing the elevation of Archbishop Samuel A. Stritch, says, "Pope Pius XII moved wisely toward an improved international balance" in the government of the Church as a whole. "The paper sees a 'wholesome indication' in the naming, for the first time, of Cardinals from Asia and southern Africa."

The St. Louis Globe Democrat interprets the nomination of Archbishop John J. Glennon as "a commendation to the Middle West that it should develop a Christian scholar whose intelligence and high purpose merit the acclaim of the Holy See. Never before has an American prelate west of the Mississippi River been so honored."

"Pope Pius clearly has in mind a desire," writes the Washington Star, "to make the membership of the Sacred College as internationally representative as possible."

The reorganization of the College of Cardinals is, from many standpoints, "revolutionary," writes George E. Sokolsky in his syndicated column. "It rejects internationalism as much as nationalism; it is a restoration of the doctrine of universalism which is inherent in Christianity."

Madrid — (NC) — Luis Ortiz Munoz, formerly editor of the Catholic daily El Debate, has been named Under-secretary for Press and Public Relations.

## Classmates Become Cardinals



Among the 32 new Cardinals named by Pope Pius XII are these two old classmates, Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York and His Beatitude, Gregory Peter XV Agagianian (right), Patriarch of Cilicia, Turkish Armenia. They are pictured in Beirut, Syria, where they met during Archbishop Spellman's visitation of the Near East, as Military Vicar of the U. S. Armed Forces in 1944. (NC Photos.)

## Coach Chief Banquet Speaker at Holy Family

Elmer Burnham, head football coach at the University of Rochester, and Joseph Ziegler, new general manager of the Rochester Red Wings, will be guest speakers at the second annual Men's Banquet of Holy Family Church.

Sponsored by the Holy Family Holy Name Society, the affair will be held at 7 p. m. Saturday, Feb. 16. Entertainment will be furnished by Dutchtown's Holy Name Four, a male quartet. Comedy and songs will be presented by Jake and Bill Young.

Joseph Weidmann and Robert Wahl, co-chairman, will be assisted by the following: Anthony Hettel, secretary; William Smith, treasurer; Herbert May and Clement Stahl, tickets; Elmer Walter and Al Casper, publicity; John Drexel and Del Magin, dinner; Clay Cody and Bernard Dalley, entertainment.

## Knights List Dinner At Holy Rosary Hall

The annual combined organization dinner of Commandery 106 and Auxiliary 262, Knights of St. John, will be held Monday evening, January 28 at Holy Rosary Hall, Lexington Avenue. Priests of the parish have been invited as guests of honor. Serving on the joint committees are Major Joseph J. Keller, St. Knights Thomas McDonald and John Dinn and Auxiliary members Gladys Walters, Belle Rehberg, Alice McCarthy, Josephine Reif, Daisy Noll and Mary Dulgann.

Entertainment will follow the dinner which will be served at 6:30.

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New York — (NC) — The Rev. Stephen J. Meany, S. J., regimental chaplain of the 165th Infantry of the "Fighting 69th" Division, who was wounded during the landing on Butaritari Island in the Makins, has been named assistant dean of the Fordham University School of Business, according to an announcement by the Rev. Robert I. Gannon, S. J., president of the university.

## Rise in Divorces Alarms Protestant Ministers

New Orleans — (NC) — Alarming increase in divorces here has spurred the New Orleans Ministerial Union to establish a marriage clinic as one of their principal projects for 1946. The number of divorces in this city has

## Women's Club To Play Bridge

Bridge with prizes for all tables will follow the regular dessert luncheon at the Catholic Women's Club this Friday, Jan. 25, beginning at 1:30 p. m. Mrs. George W. Frank and Mrs. Francis M. Roche are co-hostesses assisted by the following:

Mrs. William E. Casey, Albert E. Christie, Otis T. Coleman, Leonard G. Currier, George H. Curran, Harold W. Davin, Robert F. Hitchcock, Harold V. Kinney, Frederick W. Lucka, John L. McGraw, Thomas J. Madigan, Raymond F. Mullen, Richard M. Murrington, Walter W. Rogers, Leo J. Ronan, Herman E. Skully, George G. Trentman, Frank J. Gallagher, Arthur J. Hack, John F. O'Brien, William J. Roche and Roman W. Taylor.

A special dinner meeting of the Business Women's Group of the club was held at Rupert Gray's on Tuesday night of this week.

## Boy Scout Troop Sets Barn Dance on Feb. 2

St. Andrew's Boy Scout Troop No. 70 will hold a barn dance at 8:30 p. m. in the school hall Saturday night, Feb. 2. Music will be furnished by Bill Donadoni's "Corn Huskers." All friends of scouting are cordially invited.

Paris — (RNS) — Jacques Maritain, noted philosopher and French Ambassador to the Vatican, has arrived in Paris for a brief visit.

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