

Pope Pledges Power of Church To Peace; Creates 32 Cardinals

Pius Denies Charge of Imperialism

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Vatican City, Feb. 20 — (INS)—Pope Pius XII solemnly pronounced a war-weary world today that the vast, inspired and untapped power of the Roman Catholic Church would be brought to bear in every nation in behalf of permanent peace and justice.

In a historic broadcast at ceremonies in the Vatican's Hall of Benedictions at which he "imposed" red birettas on twenty-nine new cardinals including four from the United States, the Supreme Pontiff opened the gates of his Church to all men who are not slaves of the "father of lies."

His address was 45 minutes in length and covered every topic now facing the world, and the burden of his message was that only in the unity and integrity of the Catholic church, reflecting the divine intuition of Christ, can the formula for peace, happiness and equality be found.

The Pontiff addressed himself to the new princes of the church who stood before him in the Hall of the Benedictions, saying:

"Your names, your virtues, your merits and the strife, by not a few of you sustained with heroic courage against the oppressor for defense of truth and justice, have been so noted throughout the world that we feel this dispenses with the need to recall particular deeds which everyone already has greeted and applauded."

Appeals to World
The Pontiff said he was "well aware of the profound interest" his Christmas Day nomination to the Sacred College would arouse in the world and added:

"This poor world everywhere is hungry and thirsty for unity and is engaged in various battles for its achievements."

"In our world, the faithful have found a new motive for consolation and encouragement."

"To others—we intend to speak of honest people and not of slaves—to the 'father of lies'—they are offered a matter for serious reflection."

"The church today raises itself, amidst a lacerated and divided world, as a sign of admonishment and inviting unto itself those who still disbelieve."

"Because without God or away

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On Guard!

By Rev. Patrick J. Flynn

Representative Clare Boothe Luce, brilliant distaff leader of American liberals and popular idol of aspiring career girls, has launched forth on the greatest adventure of her colorful life—a life which already includes European travel, editorship of national magazines, Broadway play-writing and election to the halls of the U. S. Congress.

Listeners to Saturday evening's news broadcast gasped with astonishment when they heard the report that Monsignor Sheen had received Mrs. Luce into the Roman Catholic Church at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City.

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NEW PRINCES OF THE CHURCH RECEIVE RED HATS AT PUBLIC CONSISTORY

4 Americans Get Red Hats At Consistory

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Vatican City, Feb. 21 — From his throne in St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Pius XII today conferred the Red Hat on twenty-nine new princes of the Church from every continent on earth.

Four Americans—John Cardinal Glennon of St. Louis, Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago, Edward Cardinal Mooney of Detroit and Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York—were included in this largest group of Cardinals ever created at one time.

The Mother Church of Christendom was jammed for the colorful pageantry of today's public consistory which brought to a climax a week of ceremonies unprecedented in the modern history of the Vatican.

Three of the newly-created cardinals were unable to attend the public consistory. Cardinal Jose Maria Caro Rodriguez, eighty-year-old Archbishop of Santiago, Chile, was stricken with influenza in Rome. The other two, Cardinal Jules Gille of Toulous, France and Cardinal Jon de Jong of the Netherlands could not make the trip to Rome because of illness.

Universality Symbolized

Today's consistory graphically demonstrated the universality of the Church as each of the new Cardinals knelt at the feet of the Holy Father to receive the Red Hat.

Prelates from countries locked in armed conflict less than a year ago—Germany, France, England, Hungary, Australia and the United States—stood side by side to be received into the College of Cardinals as brothers under a common Father.

The triumph of the Church after bloody years of martyrdom and suffering in China was symbolized in the elevation of Bishop Thomas Tien to the Sacred College.

The creation of 32 new Cardinals breaks the Italian majority which has existed since before the middle of the Fourteenth century. The present Sacred College consists of 27 Italians and 43 non-Italians.

Oaths of Allegiance

After the Red Hats had been conferred at today's consistory, the new cardinals took their oaths of fidelity and allegiance to the Pope before the Altar of the Blessed Sacrament. They then went before the Altar of the Chair of St. Peter and chanted the Te Deum.

Another secret consistory is scheduled for tomorrow with the closing of the mouths of the new Cardinals and then the opening to symbolize the duty of each to keep the secrets of his office and give wise counsel to the Pope. The Holy Father then will give the Cardinal's ring.

Before proceeding to the titular churches assigned them in Rome, the new Cardinals will pray at the Gate of the Tomb of St. Peter.

The week's ceremonies opened at Monday's Secret Consistory.

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His Eminence



FRANCIS CARD. SPELLMAN
Elected for the first time in his
Cardinal's robes. (A. S. M.)

St. Andrew's Total Reaches \$453,482 Mark

As campaigners from all parishes of the Rochester Diocese prepared to submit final reports at the closing dinner meeting in Rochester tomorrow (Friday) night, the St. Andrew's Seminary jubilee drive appears headed for a total well beyond its \$500,000 goal.

The semi-final report dinner at Geneva Tuesday night set the total to \$453,482 for 92.7 percent of the goal.

The Geneva report followed an enthusiastic meeting in Rochester the previous night when some 1,500 campaigners from fourteen zones poured the record sum of \$17,146 into the campaign coffers.

In a diocesan-wide rush to report oversubscriptions, parish after parish went over the top in semi-final reports. The home stretch drive was generated by spectacular reports from the Elmira and Corning areas last Thursday and continued this week at Rochester and Geneva.

Consistent of Success

Both Bishop James E. Kearney and Harold J. Coleman, general chairman of the drive, expressed confidence that the drive will more than meet its mark. In voicing his gratitude to workers at the Rochester dinner on Monday, Bishop Kearney revealed that Mr. Coleman had made the largest single contribution of the campaign.

Some of the larger parishes

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Meats Can be Eaten On Friday, Feb. 22

By virtue of an Apostolic Indult, the Most Reverend Ordinary grants a dispensation from the law of abstinence on Washington's Birthday, Friday, Feb. 22. The faithful by way of compensation are urged to make an offering in favor of the poor.

Convert



CLARE BOOthe LUCE

Mrs. Luce Receives First Communion

New York — Representative Clare Boothe Luce of Connecticut attended Mass for the first time as a Roman Catholic and received her first Holy Communion here on Sunday morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Mrs. Luce was baptized and received formally into the Catholic Faith on Saturday by Magr. Fulton J. Sheen, nationally known radio speaker and professor of the Catholic University of America in Washington. She had been receiving instructions in the doctrines of the Catholic Faith from Monsignor Sheen for five months.

Previous to her entry into the political field as a member of Congress, the Connecticut stateswoman had already achieved fame as a playwright, author, editor, lecturer and foreign correspondent.

Her first journalistic appear

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