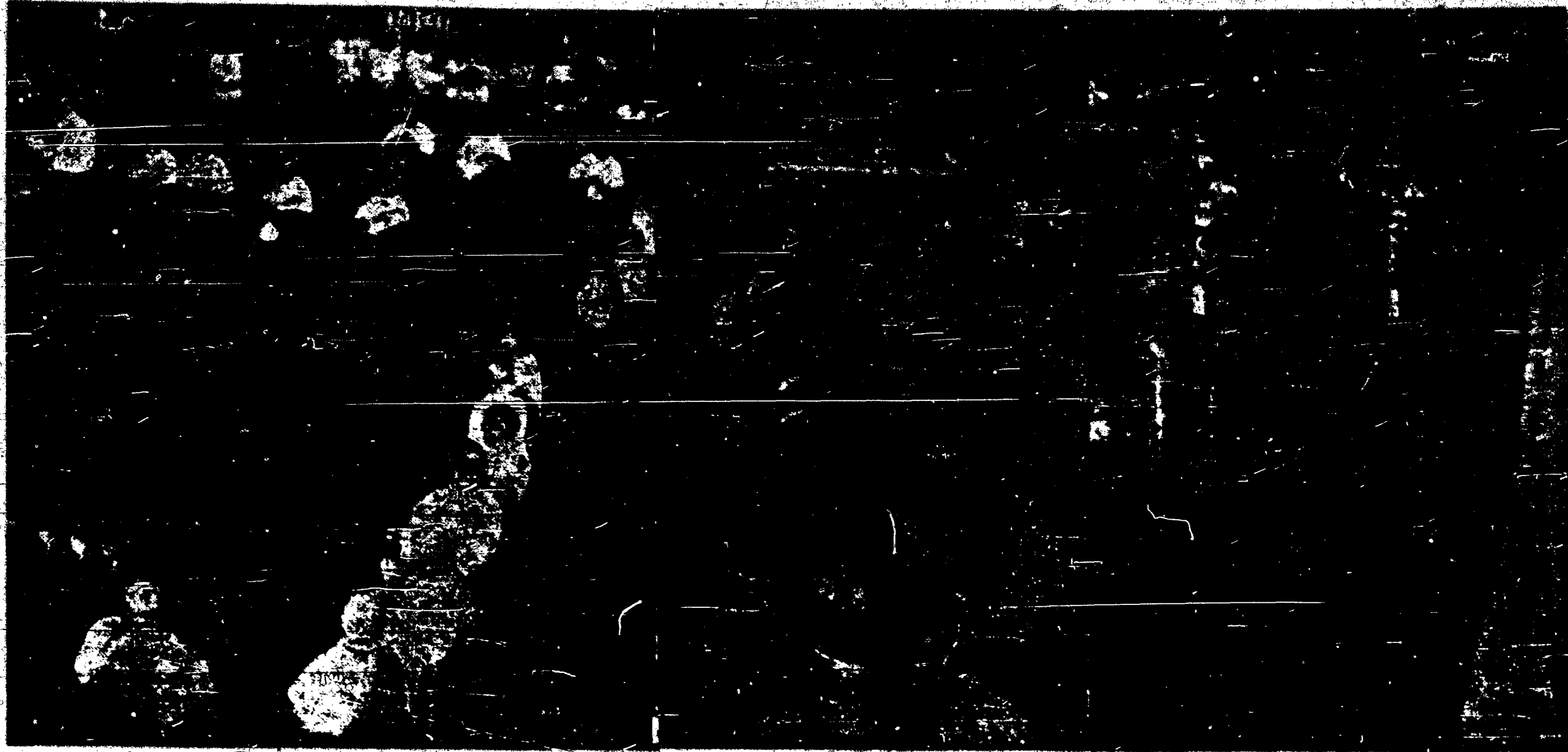


# AS NEW PRINCES OF CHURCH RECEIVE THEIR RED HATS



**In today's public consistory** in St. Peter's Basilica, the Supreme Pontiff solemnly conferred the Red Hat at the Papal Throne erected directly before the Papal Altar. (Photo on page 1).

The new Cardinals then pronounced the oath of allegiance and fidelity to the Vicar of Christ before the Altar of the Blessed Sacrament (left). They next chanted the Te Deum before the Altar of the Chair of St. Peter (upper center). At tomorrow's closing ceremony—another secret consistory, the

Pope gives each new Cardinal a ring (lower center) set with sapphire and bearing inside the coat-of-arms of Pius XII. After being assigned titular churches throughout Rome, the new Cardinals then proceed to the Gate of the Tomb of St. Peter (right) for solemn prayer.

## Red 'Formalities' Delay Hungarian Cardinal

Rome — (INS) — Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Hungarian prelate delayed in Budapest beyond the opening of the Papal Consistory, arrived in Rome by plane Tuesday.

The Hungarian Archbishop who received the Red Hat of the Cardinalate, yesterday said:

"Don't ask me why I am late. I guess the whole world knows it."

"I am happy to be able to participate in the ceremonies which do great honor to Catholic Hungary."

**The New Cardinal Continued:**  
"I left Budapest at 8:30 a. m. Monday, stopped at Udine for ten minutes and then came straight through to Rome. It was an excellent trip."

"My passport was given to me Monday although I had requested it a month ago. The delay was due, let us say, to formalities. Let us not, please, say that willful antagonism was involved."

Mindszenty said he was confident that "Hungary eventually will rehabilitate itself from war and post-war guilt."

The Cardinal's inability to attend the consistory at which he was elevated to the Cardinalate yesterday reportedly was due to Russian delay in granting him permission to leave Hungary.

Cardinal Mindszenty said that



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religious life in Hungary is "more fervent than ever." Asked how the Soviets reacted to this religious revival Cardinal Mindszenty replied drily:

"I told you I didn't want to speak of antagonism."

The Cardinal said that Hungary shares the post-war difficulties of other European nations "but has possibilities of earlier rehabilitation."

## Priest Notifies 4 U. S. Cardinals

Cincinnati Clergyman Holy See Messenger

Rome — (NC) — For the first time in the centuries-old history of the Catholic Church an American priest served as a messenger for the Holy See — a Messia-

to announce formally to the newly named Cardinals that they had been chosen by the Holy Father for the Sacred College of Cardinals.

This precedent-making honor in connection with the precedent-making Consistories fell to the lot of the Rev. Martin T. Gilligan of Cincinnati, attached to the Papal Secretariat of State.

Carrying out this unusual mission, Father Gilligan went from the Vatican to the Apostolic Chancery, where he presented to the four newly named United States Cardinals-designate the message — formally called the

Biglietto — which announced that it had pleased His Holiness Pope Pius XII to nominate them to the Sacred College of Cardinals.

By tradition, Father Gilligan is entitled to a fee of 12 lire and 50 centimes for each of the Cardinals upon whom he served the notification. At the present rate of exchange, this fee would amount to 20 cents per Cardinal.

## U. S. Cardinals in Papal Audiences

BY MAX JORDAN

Rome — (Radio) — The four U. S. Cardinals-designate were received by His Holiness Pope Pius XII in private audiences the day after their arrival here and each emerged from the Pontiff's private library, where they were closeted for approximately half an hour, with expressions of joy over the Holy Father's state of health and admiration for his amazing grasp on the world-wide problems the Church is facing in this critical period of transition from war to peace.

Cardinal-designate John J. Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis, voiced the sentiments of his colleagues when he told this correspondent immediately after the

audience that he "never saw the Holy Father in better shape."

Cardinal-designate Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, concurred. He stated that the Holy Father appears now to be enjoying even better health than five months ago when the U. S. Military Vicar visited the Holy Father following an inspection tour of military installations in the Pacific.

"Wonderfully Well Informed"

The Pontiff entertained the prelates with extended conversations, inquiring solicitously about conditions in the United States with which he seemed intimately familiar.

"He is wonderfully well informed about our country," re-

marked Cardinal-designate Edward Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit.

"I was amazed at his keen appreciation of the problems now confronting the world," observed Cardinal-designate Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago.

With his American visitors, the Holy Father exchanged his happy memories of the days of a decade ago when he met them during his visit to the United States. He astounded the prelates by his memory of the trip, recalling many details which they almost had forgotten.

"He sends his special blessing to all the clergy and laity back home," Archbishop Spellman said.

White House Lent Schedule Washington — (NC) — So far as social functions are concerned, a luncheon on February 23 and Lent will be observed at the White House this year, Mrs. Har-

ry S. Truman has decided. She will end the social season with a luncheon on February 23 and a tea on February 24, it was announced.

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