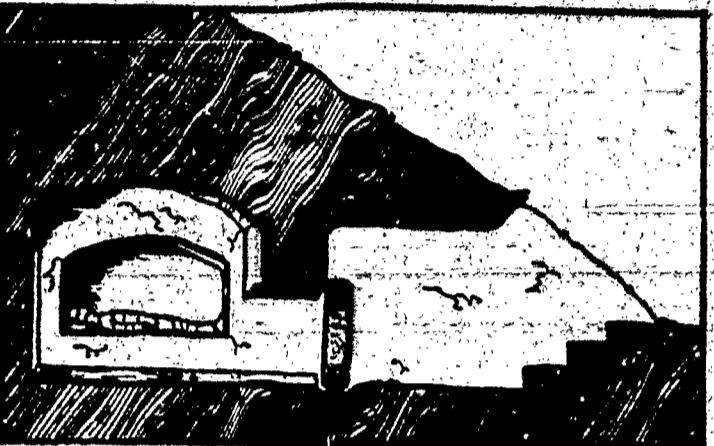


An Historical View of DEATH AND LIFE IN THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

By Rev. Dr. Elmer McNamara

For nineteen hundred years an Empty Tomb has challenged the world to make a decision...

From that first Easter morning when Jesus Christ rose from the dead until this present moment the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem has been the subject of unending attention and veneration...



CROSS-SECTION OF THE TOMB WITH STONE AND ANTECHAMBER

Into the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem... which an authentic and ancient tradition points to as the burial place of God's Son...

They rested according to the commandment (24, 38-50). St. John tells us that "there was in the place where He was crucified a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre wherein no man had yet been laid..."

The rock and dirt were cleared away from Christ's Tomb for many feet on all sides down to the level of the entrance...

In 614 the armies of the Persian Conqueror Chosroes set fire to these buildings. They were restored in 629. Again in 1099 they were destroyed by order of the Caliph Hakim, and once more restored.

CLOSE-UP OF TOMB ENTRANCE

A heavy, disc-like stone, once it was rolled into the slot or groove in front of the low entrance, secured the burial chamber against any desecration of the body by man or beast...

human hands tampered with His Tomb. Very early on Easter morning the holy women came with the extra spices and ointments which their loving care had prepared...

St. Paul in his first Epistle to the Corinthians (15, 4) also speaks of an occasion when Christ was seen by more than 500 people at once...

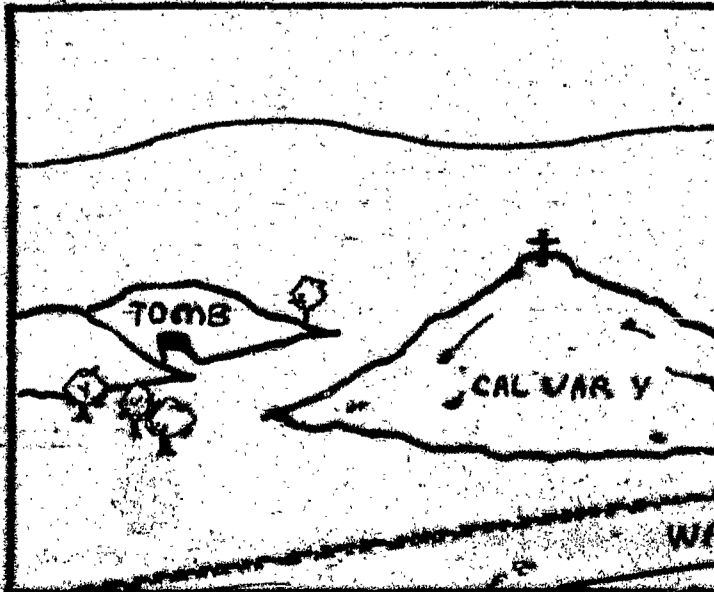
KNOW IT? (Questions on Page 14)

1. Caspar Melchior, Emperor. 2. The Prophet Jonah, seeing "from the face of the Lord" boarded a ship bound for Tarshis...

3. Archbishop of York. 4. Maryland. 5. Old, strong, wise, meek, patient, proud.

Origin, Dusebio, and St. Jerome are witnesses to the fact that even in the second and third centuries devout pilgrims visited the Holy Places and prayed there...

100 years later St. Helena had the pagan shrine torn down, the earth taken away, and discovered Golgotha and the Tomb intact...



THE ARTIST SHOWS THE ORIGINAL LOCATION OF THE HOLY PLACES ACCORDING TO SCIENTIFIC RECONSTRUCTION

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Church Life Progressing In Germany

By MAX JORDAN Berlin (AP) - The Church in Germany today enjoys far greater freedom in the conduct of her affairs than she ever had under the Nazi regime...

In the first place, I think it is gratifying that we were able to grant licenses to so many Catholic publications...

The question can probably be answered best by pointing out that church attendance in Germany is more satisfactory than at any time in her history...

New Vatican Secretaries Named

Vatican City - (Radio, N.C.) His Holiness Pope Pius XII has named Magr. Francesco Roberti, well known canonist and member of the Sacred Roman Rota...

At the same time, it was announced by Observatore Romano that Archbishop Giuseppe Rossini had been named Secretary of the Sacred Congregation of Seminaries.

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