New Government Workers Union Said Communist-Ruled

[illegible] — (NC) — Interest in the National Capital has [illegible] upon the subject of Government [illegible] a newly-formed union of such workers, [illegible]

[illegible] whether he would allow [illegible] departments to bargain collectively with unions whose constitutions permit strikes against the Government. President Truman replied that he did not believe in strikes against the Government, and he warned that if they ever happened the Government would cease to exist.

The Washington Post reported that "an impassioned plea to 'abandon the Communist party line' in the CIO Government employes union was shouted down" at a meeting here. It added that "the gathering overwhelmingly refused to 'censure' those responsible for passage of a resolution upholding Russia's foreign policy, while condemning that of Great Britain and the United States."

The New York World Telegram [illegible]

[illegible] and that "no government — federal, state or local — should ever concede or recognize that its employes have the right to strike." It pointed out that the title of its editorial was taken from the remarks of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who said a strike of public employes "manifests nothing less than an intent on their part to obstruct the operations of government until their demands are satisfied," and that "such action, looking toward the paralysis of government by those who have sworn to support it, is unthinkable and intolerable."

Catholics Fail In Jap Election

Tokyo — (NC) — There were no Catholics elected to the new Japanese parliament, which [illegible] [illegible] — and in Nagasaki, the chief Catholic center of Japan.

An examination of the overall results discloses that of the 466 members, seven are Buddhist [illegible] three [illegible] two [illegible] by the Home Ministry, were elected [illegible] by rural votes.

There were 142 Communist candidates in the field, but only five were elected. Under Japan's [illegible] [illegible]

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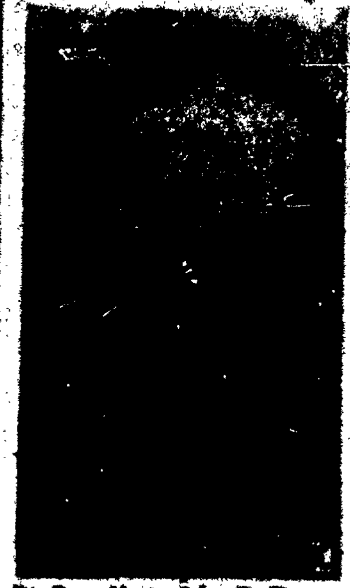
[illegible] — (NC) — [illegible] commemorating the anniversary of the death of Bishop Francisco Garcia Diego y Moreno, O.F.M., California's first Catholic Prelate.

New Auxiliary



Rt. Rev. Msgr. John R. Hagan, Superintendent of Schools in the Diocese of Cleveland since 1922, and director of Sisters' College of Cleveland, who has been appointed Titular Bishop of Limata and designated as Auxiliary to Bishop Edward F. Hoban of Cleveland. He is a native of Pittsburgh. (NC Photos)

Consecration Set For Auxiliary

Cleveland — (NC) — Because of the reconstruction program now under way at St. John's Cathedral, St. Agnes' Church here will be the scene on May 28 of the consecration of Msgr. John R. Hagan as Titular Bishop of Limata and Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland.

Consecrating prelates will be Bishops Edward F. Hoban of Cleveland, James A. McFadden of Youngstown, and John P. Treacy, Coadjutor of LaCrosse, Wis. Bishop McFadden is a former Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland. Bishop Treacy was at one time Cleveland diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The sermon will be preached by Msgr. William L. Newton, of St. Mary's Church, Elyria, O., a former fellow professor with the Bishop-elect at St. Mary's Seminary, Cleveland.

In a statement on the election of Msgr. Hagan, Bishop Hoban pointed to the rapid development of the Cleveland diocese and the "most encouraging" development of the diocesan educational program. "Msgr. Hagan has had vast experience in school work," the Bishop said. "He has filled the position of superintendent of education, of director of the college for our teaching communities and of professor in the diocesan seminary. As assistant Bishop he will carry on and develop this important work of the church, as well as share the burden of Episcopal functions with the Bishop of the diocese."

Mrs. Luce Sees Red Religion Real Menace

New York — (NC) — The religion of Communism rather than the actions of American Communists is the real menace to America today, Representative Clare Booth Luce of Connecticut said at the Notre Dame Night dinner here. Mrs. Luce explained that this menace is not "as it opposes our economic ideas, but as it opposes our religious ideas."

Communism must succeed if Christianity fails, she asserted, and added that Communism with its false remedies and fallacious diagnoses thrives on the great injustices now present in the world. These injustices must be rectified if Communism is to be deprived of its breeding ground, she declared.

Urging that we "forget the defeats of our statesmen," Mrs. Luce said: "Let us count on ourselves and not on them to secure America against all possibility of being Communist — by each of us being Christians and making as many converts as possible. I hope I am an example. There is no other way to proceed, believe me, if we Americans wish [illegible]," Mrs. Luce stated.

"Now let each of us try a little harder to be Christians in our dealings with our neighbors, in all our conversations and our attitudes toward the public problems of today," Mrs. Luce urged; "and see who gets the most fellow-travelers—we or the Communists on the block."

Christians, Jews Name T. F. Braniff

New York — (NC) — Thomas E. Braniff of Dallas, Texas, president of Braniff Airways, Inc., has been elected national Catholic co-chairman of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, to succeed Dr. Carlton J. H. Hayes, historian and former United States Ambassador to Spain, who has resigned after 10 years' service as Catholic co-chairman.

Announcement of Mr. Braniff's election was made by Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, president of the National Conference, following the meeting here of the executive committee. Mr. Braniff is a Knight Commander of St. Gregory and is chairman of the board of the Braniff Foundation, a philanthropic organization.

The National Conference of Christians and Jews was founded in 1928 for the purpose of furthering justice, friendship, understanding and cooperation among Catholic, Protestants and Jews.

Food Crisis up to U. S. People Supreme Pontiff Tells Gannett

"Our greatest hope for solution of this European food crisis," Pope Pius XII told Frank E. Gannett, Rochester publisher, and a group of U. S. newsmen at a special audience recently, "lies in the goodness and generosity of the American people, which I myself have experienced and which I remember most cordially."

"His Holiness was most deeply concerned about the food situation," Mr. Gannett told a Courier-Journal reporter in an exclusive interview. "Of course, he himself has done a lot to relieve it, but in the face of so great a problem one man can do comparatively little. In my opinion, it's up to us Americans to do everything humanly possible to help, even if helping involves personal sacrifice."

As an illustration of the severity of the crisis, Mr. Gannett said Mark Clark and the Food Administrator for Austria had told him that, unless immediate relief arrived, the food ration in Allied territory in Austria would be cut to 400 calories daily by the first of July. "This is about one-third the calory value of an ordinary full-course meal. Of course, it will mean the death of literally millions of people."

Denies Left-Wing Stories

Optimistic reports about the situation currently appearing in the left-wing press were barefaced lies, the publisher said. "Except for our own troops, whose wonderful food supply comes directly from this country, every person you see in Europe shows the marks of malnutrition and semi-starvation. Since my return to the U. S. I've found it impossible to enjoy a full meal, because I can't help thinking of how the Europeans are really suffering from lack of food.

"This is true even in England now," he continued. "Rations are lower, food scarcer than when I was there in 1943, and even as Lord Beaverbrook's personal guest I found the meals simple to the point of scantiness."

Returning to his impressions of the Papal audience, Mr. Gannett said that the Pope had seemed in good health, though apparently frail and speaking always softly, in low tones. "I was especially impressed by the informality of the whole proceeding, compared to my audience with Pius XI ten years ago. Of course, the Pope himself is an intensely lovable man, and he made a marvelously deep impression on every member of our party.

"He spoke to us in clear and fluent English, and showed a remarkable knowledge of America, especially during the informal

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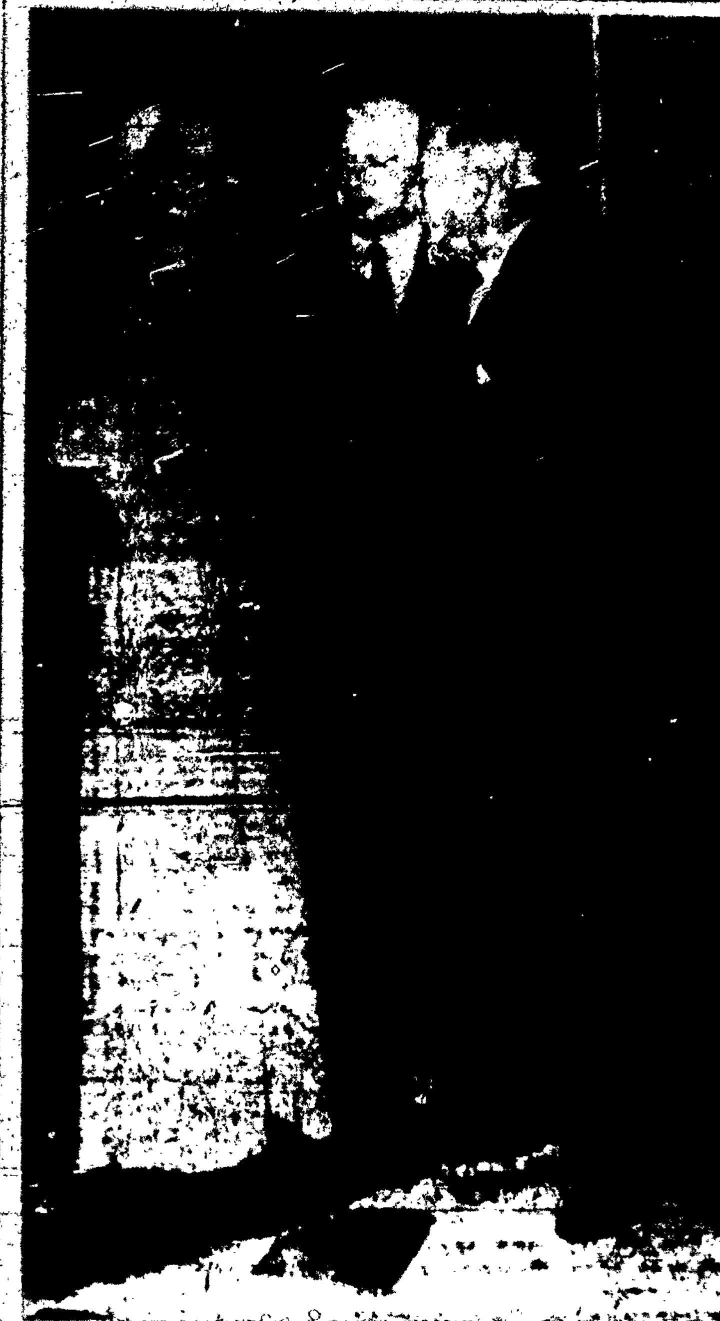

Pope Pius XII is pictured as he greeted Frank Gannett, Rochester publisher (right) in a recent Vatican visit. Shown with them is Franklin C. Gowen, U. S. Vatican attache.

Bishop McIntyre Becomes Knight of Holy Sepulchre

New York — Auxiliary Bishop J. Francis McIntyre received on Monday the Order of Knighthood of the Grand Cross of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem from Cardinal Spellman, who acted on behalf of the Holy See. The honor was conferred in the Cardinal's residence, Madison Avenue and Fiftieth Street.

Henceforth Bishop McIntyre will act as spiritual director of the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre in the Archdiocese of New York.

The knighthood is the highest of the four ranks of the order, which is dedicated to continuing the spirit of the Crusades, associates itself with the missions in Jerusalem and their charitable works, such as hospitals, asylums and schools, seeks to interest all Christians in the problems of the Holy Land and encourages the practice of Christian virtues by its members.

Pope Names American as Capuchin Head

Vatican City — With the appointment of the Very Rev. Clement Neubauer, O.F.M.Cap., as Minister General of the Capuchin Fathers for a six-year term, all three religious bodies composing the First Order of St. Francis are now headed by Americans.

Father Clement, who arrived here only last week from Detroit, where he held office as Minister Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph, was inducted as spiritual head of the Capuchins by His Eminence Luigi Cardinal Lavitrano. He was appointed to office by the Holy Father because a General Chapter of the Capuchins was found to be impossible under present circumstances. Father Clement succeeds the Most Rev. Donatus A. Welle, who is of Belgian nationality.

Other Americans

The other two American-born Ministers General are the Most Rev. Bede Hess, O.F.M., Minister General of the Friars Minor.

Father Clement was born in Milwaukee on August 1, 1891, and made his preliminary studies at Marquette University. He was professed in 1914 and ordained on June 16, 1917. He served for 10 years as master of novices at St. Felix Monastery, Huntington, Ind., and also taught philosophy at St. Lawrence College, Mount Calvary, Wis.

From 1936 to 1942 Father Clement served as Guardian of Mary Immaculate Monastery at Garrison, N. Y., and in 1942 was elected Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph, headquarters of which are in Detroit. He was re-elected in 1945.

At the beginning of April 1946 Father Clement received a cable from the Minister General in Rome, asking him to come to the Eternal City before Easter and assume office by order of the Holy See. Owing to difficulties in obtaining a passport, Father Clement was not able to leave on his journey until Easter Monday, when he flew to Rome.

Cistercian Abbot General Elected

Valley Falls, R. I. — (NC) The Most Rev. Dominic Nogues has been elected Abbot General of the Cistercians of the Strict Observance at the General chapter held at Citeaux, France, where the motherhouse of the order is located.

Spain Honors U. S. Priest

Washington — (NC) — In recognition of his work in Spanish American history the Rev. Dr. Francis Borgia Steck, O. F. M., has been unanimously elected to Spain's Royal Academy of History.

Red Threats Fail to Stop Showing of Virgin's Statue

Paris — (NC) — The procession which escorts the statue of Notre Dame de Boulogne in its visits from parish to parish throughout France has gone on without interruption amidst marked rejoicing, despite demonstrations against the procession by scattered Communist groups.

In several Paris suburbs communist agents, protected by municipal authorities belonging to that party, organized groups which demonstrated against the procession as it passed. Nevertheless the faithful, many of them in bare feet, marched along singing canticles and reciting the Rosary.

Following these hostile incidents police requested that the statue of the Virgin be carried from one parish to another on a motor vehicle, with police escorts.

The statue dates back to the seventh century. The present procession of the statue throughout the parishes of France began before the war in observance of the tercentenary of a vow made by King Louis XIII that a statue of the Virgin should be carried through every parish on the Feast of the Assumption.

The procession was interrupted by the war and was resumed about three years ago, when the French Hierarchy asked the people to consecrate themselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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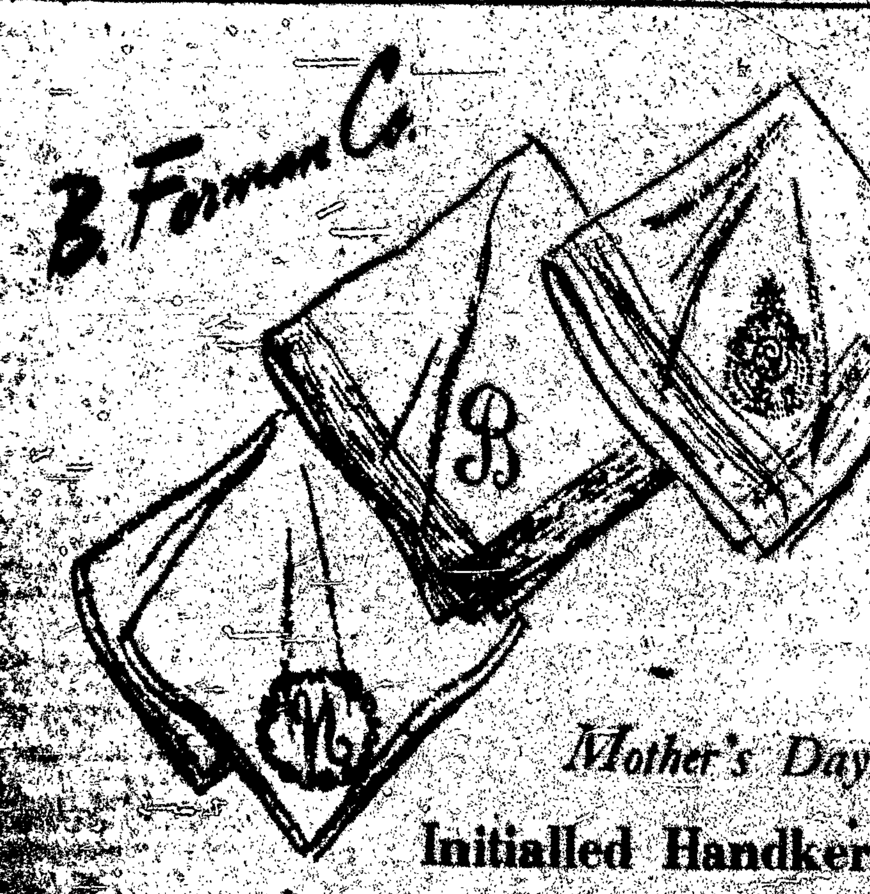

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"HUNGER SITS AT THE TABLE"

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