

Cardinals Came From 'Wrong Side of Tracks'

Washington — (NC) — Five Cardinals came on the "wrong side of tracks" in their efforts to bring about a settlement of the Polish question, according to a report of the American Catholic press.

The report says that the five Cardinals who came to the United States in the last 1800s on behalf of the Knights of Labor, a labor organization in the United States, were made up of Cardinal Perrelli, Archbishop of Palermo, Italy; Cardinal Pizzardi, Archbishop of Bologna, Italy; Cardinal Tardini, Secretary of State; Cardinal Magliocco, Archbishop of Palermo, Italy; and Cardinal Suardi, Archbishop of Palermo, Italy.

Dr. Perrelli, who prepared the memorandum which was presented to the Polish American Congress here, declares the Polish situation to be "replete with far greater dangers to peace than any situation now existing in any other European area."

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Byrnes Asked To Review Full Polish Issue

Chicago — (NC) — Representatives of the Polish American Congress have handed to Secretary of State James F. Byrnes in Paris an eleven-point memorandum urging him to present the Polish issue for "full review" at the present Paris conference, or, if that should not be possible, "to submit the whole Polish problem to the United Nations organization as a grave threat to peace."

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97 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD



Rev. Benedict Masley, C.P. (right), is pictured with his brother, Rev. Aurelius Masley, C.P., as he celebrates the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. Both priests are members of the Passionist Order and together they represent 97 years of priesthood. Photo by Arpa. (NC Photos)

Clark Gloomy On Red Shadow Over Austria

Washington — (NC) — Drab occupation conditions in Catholic Austria, with Soviet Russia casting an ever-growing shadow in the background, were described by Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of U. S. Forces in Austria, in an address here before the Overseas Writers Club, following his return to this country to discuss the Austrian situation with U. S. officials.

General Clark declared that the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration is considering action against Russia for failure to help feed all the military zones in Austria.

Although this decision rests with UNRRA Director F. H. La Guardia, the General pointed out that Russia occupies the territory known as the "bread basket of Austria" but has declined to contribute adequate supplies to feed the other three zones of the nation, thereby increasing the burden on UNRRA.

The U. S. commander warned that when UNRRA relief ends, this nation must be prepared to extend Austria a large loan and render other substantial aid, regardless of whether an accord is reached between the U. S. and Russian zones, or else to be prepared to see Austria look to the East for post-war assistance.

General Clark said that the Russian conception of democracy was 100 per cent different than that of the United States. He pointed out that he commands 12,000 troops in the U. S. zone of occupation, but that the Russian forces run up to 60,000, and that the Soviet bill for occupation cost started as high as \$50,000,000 in one month.

He pointed out that differences over the definition of German assets has created difficulty over reparations. The General reminded that the U. S. never recognized Germany's right to seize Austrian property, but said that the Russians have been considering just such property as German assets and have been taking it. These seizures, he said, include farms, factories and other real property.

Foes of Church Exploit Slovakia Calendar Change

Washington — (NC) — The introduction of the Gregorian calendar by the Ruthenian Rite Bishop Paul Goyditch of Prešov, Slovakia, for the faithful of his diocese, has been seized upon by enemies of the Church as a pretext to stir up unrest among Ruthenian Catholics and to feed propaganda for the Moscow-dominated, schismatic Orthodox Church, recent news from Slovakia indicates.

According to reports reaching N. C. W. C. News Service, agitation had reached such dimensions that Bishop Goyditch issued a special pastoral warning the faithful against "false prophets" and against "insidious propaganda" fostered from abroad.

Instigators of the agitation allege that Bishop Goyditch seeks to "romanticize" the Ruthenian Church and to "abolish" Eastern Rite holidays. The Bishop and the Eastern Rite clergy have repeatedly explained that the introduction of the Gregorian calendar was decided upon as a result of a general referendum among the faithful and that there can be no question of abolishing the holidays — only their dates have been changed to make them conform with those of the Gregorian calendar, which is in general use throughout the civilized world.

Reasons prompting Bishop Goyditch to make this change are entirely of a practical nature, the dispatches from Slovakia explain. Many Ruthenian Catholics are now working in western areas, where the Gregorian calendar is in general use, and they cannot possibly expect their employers to grant them facilities for the observance of extra holidays in accordance with the Eastern calendar.

Parish Erected In A-Bomb Area

Santa Fe — (NC) — A new parish has been established at Los Alamos, N.M., atomic bomb center and scene of the first atomic explosion in history, according to an announcement by Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne of Santa Fe. The parish is the first in the State to be dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Los Alamos, where a test atomic explosion was made on July 16, 1945, is a community formed several years ago for scientific development of the atomic bomb. It is about 45 miles northwest of Santa Fe and in the heart of a steep mountain district. Of a population of some 5,000 to 6,000, 3,000 are Catholics. Up to the present the spiritual needs of these Catholics have been taken care of by the Franciscan Fathers of the Cathedral of St. Francis in Santa Fe.

60,000 Salzburg Refugees Need Food, Report Shows

New York — (NC) — More than 60,000 refugees in the Archdiocese of Salzburg are desperately in need of food, according to a report received at War Relief Services National Catholic Welfare Conference here, the Rev. Edward E. Swanson, assistant executive director has disclosed.

The report, from Thomas J. Fox, the agency's representative in Austria, reveals that refugees from Vienna, Lower Austria and the eastern countries of Europe have all sought shelter in the Archdiocese. Three destitute people must be housed, clothed and fed," the report stresses. "Many of them have no means of earning their living."

The majority of the refugees are mothers accompanied by their children, the fate of the fathers usually unknown. Having no one to care for them they are entirely dependent on Catholic charity agencies, and on public welfare.

Mr. Fox points out that "only the reconstruction of all the charitable institutions that existed before 1938 and the establishment of new Caritas institutions can mitigate the extreme misery and need existing here. Unless immediate help is forthcoming, the consequences will be widespread epidemics and slow death from starvation, the report warns, and adds that disease, particularly tuberculosis, is spreading at an alarming rate throughout the Archdiocese.

Mission Posts 107 Jesuits Get

New York — (RNS) — One hundred and seven Jesuits, the largest number ever sent to mission posts throughout the world in a single year, have been assigned since January 1, according to Father Calvert Alexander, S.J., editor of Jesuit Missions magazine.

Ninety of the 107 missionaries went to Jamaica, B.W.I., Bagdad, Ceylon, India, China, the Philippines, Alaska, British and Spanish Honduras, and the Caroline and Marshall Islands. The remaining 17 were assigned to missions in the northern and western part of the United States. "to continue the work of the Jesuit Martyrs — conversion of the Indians."

1800 Year of Pilgrimage Three Rivers, Que. — (NC) — Fifteen thousand persons, tourists and members of the Canadian Armed Forces and their families, took part in a pilgrimage of thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary which at Cap de la Madeleine. Bishop Maurice Roy, of Three Rivers, who was decorated by the King for his work overseas as a Canadian army chaplain in the Second World War, spoke.

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