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AN ENVOY PRESENTS HIS CREDENTIALS



When the new Chinese Ambassador to the Holy See, Dr. John C. W. Wu, arrived at the Vatican to present his credentials he was accompanied by his wife and family of 13 children. Pictured on the left is the ambassador, Dr. Wu, and his wife, Mrs. Wu, with their children. On the right is the ambassador's son, Dr. John C. W. Wu, Jr., and his wife, Mrs. Wu, Jr., with their children. (AP Photo)

8 Million More Catholics In Germany, Bishop Asserts

Prague, N. Y. — (NC) — A rise in the Catholic population in Germany has been estimated at 8 million since the end of the war, according to a statement by the German Bishops' Conference.

286,327 Poles Listed Among DP's

New York — (NC) — A total of 286,327 Polish displaced persons are listed in the Western European Displaced Persons (DP) camps, according to a report by the International Displaced Persons Commission.

No 'Gothic' Sacred Art

Vatican City — (Radio, NC) — The Vatican has issued a statement stating that there is no 'Gothic' sacred art, and that the only sacred art is that which is in accordance with the teachings of the Church.

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Clerical 'Plot' Backfires on Reds in Paris

Paris — (NC) — Efforts of the anti-religious press of Paris to stir up a scandal over the recent arrests of religious persons, which resulted in the arrest of six persons, have caused a storm of protest from Catholic and non-Catholic members of Resistance groups.

The protests were led by the Bureau of the French Federation of Deputies, which numbers 60,000, approximately the number that returned after the war from concentration camps and labor slavery, which said that the general attacks on the clergy totally ignored the vast numbers of priests and religious who suffered for their patriotism.

Pro-communist newspapers, had publicized what they termed a 'scandal of the gassocks' by charging the priests and religious with harboring many who had been sought by the police as collaborators with the Nazis.

The most devastating replies to the charges came from the secular press, and were written by men who had worked with priests and religious in the Resistance. M. Francois Mauriac, writing in *Figaro*, challenged the raids as insincere and unjust. He said the raids were made to divert the public from political scandals. Others hinted that they were inspired to cover up 'certain activities of foreigners' in France.

'You have only the right to keep silent, you whose justice is a false justice,' M. Mauriac wrote. 'If you were the true justice, if you rounded up only spies and traitors, if your prisons were filled only with torturers and assassins, no religious could be found to be drawn into the snares of a false mercy.'

Pointing out that during the occupation religious aided the resistance to reach the Marquis or to cross into Spain, and that thousands of Jews could testify to the aid given them by monks, he concluded:

'No Christian, especially if he be a priest, could deny considering as a fellow man, whom he must love as himself, a man who is persecuted and who takes refuge in the arms of the Church.'

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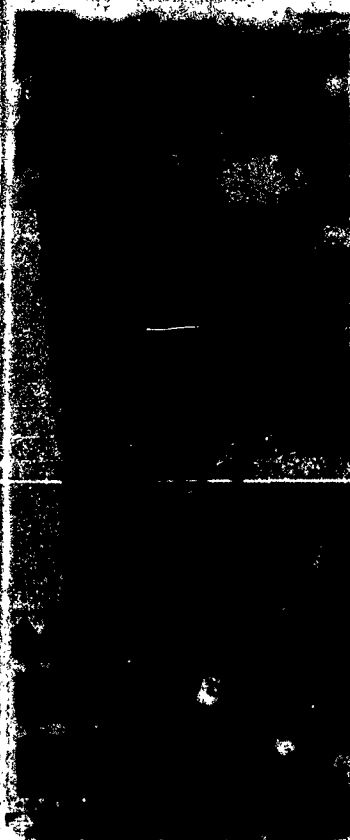
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In Moscow



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Marshall Attends Mass at Moscow

Moscow — (NC) — Coming from deep in the Ukraine and Byelo-Russia, hundreds of miles away, about 3,000 communicants attended Easter Services in the Church of St. Louis of the French, only Catholic Church in Moscow, in making their Easter duties.

The Rev. George A. LaBerge, A. A. pastor, was in the church continuously from eight o'clock in the morning until two-thirty in the afternoon. Successive services were at nine, ten, eleven and noon.

U. S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall, U. S. Ambassador to Russia Walter B. Smith, and Ambassador Robert Murphy, U. S. political advisor in Germany, headed a considerable list of Americans. Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and French Ambassador Georges Catroux, and their wives, headed the French delegation. Minister Bidault received Holy Communion at the ten o'clock Mass.

The church was packed at every service, with people standing in the aisles, in back and on the porch where they had the lighted altar and congregation in front of them and snow of a late storm blowing on their backs.

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