

German Catholics Pray For Peace as Big Four Meet

Moscow Line

Believe It — Not

(N.C.W.C. News Service) (Moscow Broadcast on Soviet Home Service)

"We see, indeed, how the horizon of socialist genius is ever widening. In which keen and searching thought is awakening millions of people. . . Thought works also in the capitalist countries, but it is not by accident that in the United States the monstrously hideous formula—the 'Brain Trust'—was evolved, that is a monopoly of thought. Here you have the feature of monopolistic capital, dwelling in the inaccessible heights of human society are the supermen, and below—the masses to whom access to thought knowledge and science is denied."

Moscow Broadcast in English to the United Kingdom.

"The offensive of reactionaries against progressive elements in the Latin American countries is being conducted under the leadership of the aggressive elements in the United States. Nevertheless, the military and fascist cliques placed at the helm in a number of Latin American countries by the Wall Street moneybags cannot suppress the solidarity of the working people in the struggle for peace, democracy and progress."

(Moscow Broadcast in German to Europe)

"The traders from Wall Street carry on their Liberty ships maize and corned beef to starving Europe. They want to barter their goods for the consciences of certain political leaders and the sovereignty of their countries, in order to turn the European peoples eventually into slaves. . . The merchants and sailors (of old) blunted the minds of the unruly black people by the sermons of the missionaries and by liquor. . . Today it is the politicians of world fame, radio commentators and journalists who are playing the role of the missionaries of Wall Street. The swarms of vend newspaper scribes stun the peoples of Europe with the intoxicant of anti-Soviet propaganda and frighten them with 'communist risings,' 'Iron Curtains' and other fabrications of the new religions of the god of dollars."

Elmira Catholic Highlights

By ANN REIDY

Yearbook Progresses
Members of the staff for the 1948 Echoes of Elmira Catholic High School are putting forth every effort to make this year's book a huge success. At this particular time, they are industriously soliciting ads to help finance it.

The 1947 Echoes, edited by the senior class, has won honors in National Contests conducted by the Columbia Press Association of New York and the Catholic Press Association of Milwaukee. Jack Winiwski is editor-in-chief of the '48 edition and the faculty advisers are: Sister M. Gregory and Sister Jane Marie.

Sodalities News

The committee meetings for Our Lady of Mercy Sodality were held Wednesday. Because of the Christmas vacation, the December General Meeting has been cancelled. However, the committees are continuing their fine work. As a means of inspiring devotion to Jesus and Mary and helping make it a "Mary" Christmas, a crib is to be set up at the end of the hall and appropriate posters made.

The Sodality have made a triduum in honor of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and also for the intentions of the Holy Father. The results are to be counted, and along with all other Sodality reports will be sent as a Christmas gifts to the Supreme Pontiff.

Annals News

Jean Ann O'Leary '47 is now employed by the Catholic Charities. She recently visited two of her classmates, Margery O'Connor and Patricia Dwyer, at Good Counsel College, White Plains. Carmen Esposito '41 is presently employed as a supervisor of the Animo Acid Department of Frederick Stearns Division of Sterling Drug in Detroit.

Joan Cunningham and Kathleen O'Hara both of '47 were home for a few days over Thanksgiving from Rochester, where they are attending Nazareth College. Margery O'Connor and Patricia Dwyer '47 who attend Good Counsel College, White Plains, spent Thanksgiving vacation in New York entertaining guests from Elmira and visiting their college roommates both in Yonkers and in New York.

Dick Burke called at Catholic High a short time ago and expressed his great liking for St. Bonaventure's College.

HIS MOTHER A REAL MADONNA



Ten-year-old Edoard Capen will remember his mother as a Madonna, for in the two bare rooms of the Capen's Camp, France, home, the youth has painted Madonnas many times, using his mother as a model. The lad was a pupil of the late Pierre Bonnard, leading French artist, and each evening after finishing her work as a charwoman, Madame Capen, dressed in a shabby gown, poses for her son until the last bit of light has left the sky. Photo courtesy of Time Magazine. (NCWC)

Positive Anti-Red Stand Urged

Chicago — (RNS) — Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago, told more than 1,000 archdiocesan Holy Name Society delegates here that Catholics must increase their community participation since only positive Christian action can prevent Communism.

Cardinal Stritch said "this is no time to sit around lamenting or condemning Communism." "We must show that Christianity is capable of creating a better social order," he said. "I have been too tolerant, too complacent of evil within the community. Many of the evils we positively condemn exist as a result of our own inactivity in the past."

Years ago, large Catholic groups existed in Europe but they did not assume their responsibility in the community. Dualism entered the lives of Catholics. They were good in their private lives but in community life they were tolerant of evil. They became the victims of their own inaction. "We must fight for better things in the world around us."

Ex-Army Camp Now a Church

Metairie Terrace, La. — (NC) — It would be an active building at nearby Camp Fleeter, but now it is St. Christopher's Church and Rectory. And the former double building at the camp is on the way to being dedicated as the parish hall.

Archbishop Joseph F. Rummel of New Orleans dedicated the church, which has a seating capacity of 400, and the rectory. Parishioners made the pews and did much of the interior decorating. The Rev. Patrick J. Quinn is pastor of the parish which was established July 2, 1947.

South Side Irish Priests Natchez, Miss. — (NC) — Two more priests have arrived from Ireland to take up work in the Diocese of Natchez. They are the Rev. Kevin Bambrick, whom Bishop Richard O. Geroy has appointed assistant at Nativity Church, Biloxi, and the Rev. Thomas Tuille, assigned as assistant at St. Michael's Church, Elmer.

Pope Hails New Air Route From Dublin to Rome

Rome — (RNS) — Inauguration of the Irish Air Line's new service between Dublin and Rome was hailed by Pope Pius XII at an audience in Castel Gandolfo to Vice Premier Sean Lemass and thirty citizens of Eire who made the first flight from Ireland.

"The Irish have long been found in all the known continents of the world," the Pope declared, "and thus why should they not find a place also in the air?"

"It is well known that Irish men do not need an airline as a link to Rome," Pope Pius added, "because this link was forged 1,500 years ago by their heroic apostle, St. Patrick, and has never since been broken or weakened, in spite of the persistent hammer blows of God's enemies."

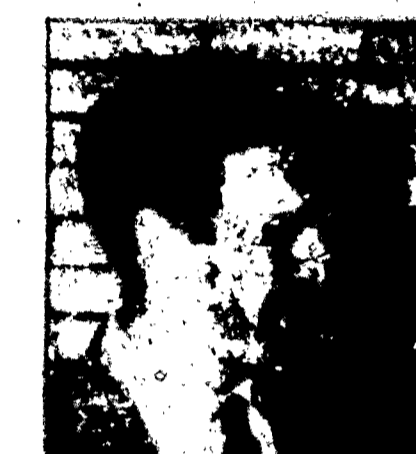
"With their lives permeated by an indomitable faith and moulded by its practice," the Pope continued, "it is no wonder the Irish have always been lovers of true liberty, intolerant of tyranny, defenders of the God-given rights of individuals pure in family life, with a heart for the poor and afflicted patient, joyful, loyal and brave."

Pope Pius concluded by praying that "now when the saints will wing their flight from the Liffey to the Tiber," all those who travel on the new air service "may reach their destination safely, and be happier and holier for their visits."

Biblical Group Elects
Ottawa — (NC) — The Rev. Donat Poulet, O.M.I., of St. Paul's Seminary, Ottawa, has been elected president of the Catholic Association of Biblical Studies of Canada.

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