

## Polish Bishops Hit Materialism, Drink

New York — (NC) — A warning against two evils of materialism and alcoholism now threatening the moral fiber of Poland is sounded in a joint pastoral issued at the beginning of the new year by the Polish Hierarchy, headed by His Eminence Cardinal August Hlond, Primate of Poland.

(Accompanied by his secretary, the Rev. Antoni Baranak, the Cardinal is at present in Rome to report to His Holiness Pope Paul VI on the conditions of the Church in Poland.)

The pastoral reported by the Inter-Catholic Press Agency here was read in all the churches throughout Poland on the first Sunday of the new year.

CALLING ATTENTION to the threat of materialism, the Bishops state: "This enemy has already wrought enormous devastation among the Polish nation. His aim is the reign of evil on earth, the erasing of the name of God from the hearts of men and the plunging of Christian families into misery and chaos."

Touching on "the alarming plague of alcoholism," the Bishops say that it has spread "all over the country" and has given rise "to serious sins of scandal, when with the knowledge and consent of the parents even small children are being poisoned with alcohol." The pastoral also expresses alarm at "the secret sins which corrupt the sanctity of Christian marriage" and at "the mass murder of unborn creatures," which it calls "abominations allegedly claiming more victims than epidemic diseases."

THE ONLY MEANS of saving the Catholic Polish nation from a moral and material catastrophe, which threatens it from within and without, the Bishops declare are: (1) a dedication to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and (2) a reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The nation must be reborn in the Lord, must be Catholic not only in name but in deed and in its life, not only on holy days, but on every day," the Bishops say. They add: "We fervently wish that especially in this year there will be no sincere Catholic family or institution, which will not dedicate itself to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus."

After this sincere dedication has "ploughed through the nation with deep furrows of penitence and love," the Bishops continue: "When the hearts moved by the rays of God's mercy, will close themselves to sin and open wide to the sanctifying powers of the Holy Ghost, the great hour of crowning our prayers after longings and aspirations will come for Poland, through a solemn, common dedication of the nation and the republic to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus." "We will inform you later of the time and place of that historic act," they add.

At the same time, Bishop Stanislaw Adamik of Katowice in upper Silesia has issued an appeal for more diocesan and regular priests for work in western Poland, the Press Agency reports.

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Giuliano, a CD jacket and trousers, the 88th shoulder patch, several regimental insignia, the good conduct medal, combat infantry man's badge, and 17 service stripes.

Kicked and blinded by the horse of a German soldier, he later was found by an American soldier, Sgt. William Gorham of Royal Oak, Mich., near here.

He stayed with the ladys of the 88th for some time here in Italy, and later, was their guest in the States for a second operation to restore the sight of his one remaining eye. He remembers Dr. Alexander Woods of Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore who operated and restored partial sight to the eye.

What places what things did he like best in America? Every place and all the things - nothing stood out better than the rest. Is Giuliano going to America again? You bet he is, for two reasons: to visit his pal Bill Gorham, and there's a chance that another operation will help his eye still further.

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First Jesus from Pompeii

New York — (NC) — Europe home to Pompeii in the Caribbean, the Rev. Paulino Centeno-Pampillo, S.J., the first Jesuit priest ordained from that Pacific island, stopped here at the office of Jesuit Missions.

COLUMBUS, N.C.—All Ohio non-public educational institutions may find themselves forced to pay taxes unless they can prove they are used exclusively for charitable purposes, as a result of a decision of the Ohio Supreme Court here.

In a ruling which has been described as shattering long-standing precedent, the court disagreed from the prevailing view that non-government schools should be tax-exempt because they are public in the sense that they are open to the public and are put to use for public education.

The only other ground for tax exemption for such schools would be if they can qualify as charitable institutions.

The court's ruling was made in the case of the American

## Missions Is Theme of Prime Meet



More than 120,000 missions were used in this year's Thanksgiving Day Parade in Pasadena, Calif., Sunday. Touching the Golden West," it depicts Frisco Missionary Father Pauline, Franciscan missionary who founded one of the 21 California Missions. St. Basil the Great, Catholic cardinal for many Los Angeles parishes, designed the float. (NC Photo)

## Bishop in Jubilee Sermon Where He Was Altar Boy

TWO FORMER ALTAR BOYS of St. Agnes parish in midtown Manhattan, New York City, will participate prominently in the parish's Diamond Jubilee Solemn Mass, Sunday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m. Msgr. John J. E. O'Brien, pastor of St. Agnes, located on East 14th Street, has announced a week-long observance of the parish's 75th anniversary.

The schedule includes a tribute in honor of St. Agnes' Monday Solemn Pontifical Mass for priests, religious and parishes living and deceased Wednesday; Children's Mass Thursday; Solemn Mass for benefactors at 12 o'clock noon, Friday.

## Ruling Hits Tax-Free Schools

COLUMBUS, N.C.—All Ohio non-public educational institutions may find themselves forced to pay taxes unless they can prove they are used exclusively for charitable purposes, as a result of a decision of the Ohio Supreme Court here.

In denying that the college could get tax exemption on the ground that it is public, the court's opinion read: "A public college or academy or public institution of learning is one owned and operated by the State or by a political subdivision thereof or a governmental capacity."

The definition was immediately challenged by the college's attorney who filed a request for rehearing of the suit. The court's position, the attorney said, is "contrary to precedent." He cited an 1874 decision, repeatedly upheld, which involved schools and playgrounds of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Secular press reports, widely circulated in this country, indicating that the Catholic Church has decreed that Catholics again may dispense with the duty of observing fast and abstinence in 1964, involved two errors: (1) no new decree has been issued and (2) the old still in force does not grant a general dispensation to the faithful directly, but grants it to the Bishop the duty to give a dispensation within his diocese.

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