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Prayer-Day For President-Elect Urged January 18

New York — (NC) — In recognition of the tremendous burden that President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower will shoulder during the next four years, Americans everywhere have been invited to set aside a special day of prayer for him.

The special day of prayer was proposed at the fifth annual Communion breakfast of the Radio and Television Industry at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel here by Father James Keller, M.M., director of The Christophers and author of the Christopher book, "Government Is Your Business."

ADDRESSING 1,300 persons at the breakfast, Father Keller proposed that Americans in all walks of life, regardless of their political affiliations, help the new President to face the four years ahead by setting aside the Sunday before the inauguration, January 18 as a special day of prayer in his behalf.

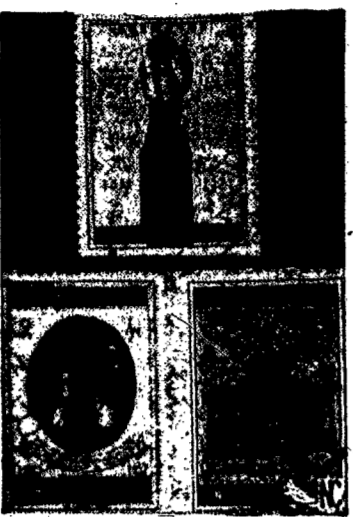
"You, whoever you may be," Father Keller proposed, "can render a real service to your country and to your world by praying each day for divine strength and guidance for our new President, as well as for Congress and the Judiciary."

"You would do well," Father Keller continued, "to start right now as a committee of one to encourage others to offer special prayers for this objective on Sunday, January 18, two days before the inauguration of the next President of the United States. If millions see fit to join in this petition to God on this one day, it will bring a great blessing on our nation."

"Whether you voted for General Eisenhower or not, whether you are young or old, rich or poor, whatever walk of life you may be in," Father Keller said, "he has been duly elected to be your President for the next four years. The better the President, the Congress and the Judiciary, the better it will be for you and everybody else."

"PRAYER IS A common bond that can unite all Americans," he added. "By helping to make Sunday, January 18, a special day of prayer, you personally and individually can join with countless others in helping your country."

Xavier Stamps



Commemorating the fourth centenary of the death of St. Francis Xavier, whose remains will be exposed at Goa the month of December, the government of Portuguese India has issued three new postage stamps (above). They depict a statue of the saint (above); the right hand of the saint (lower left) as preserved in the Jesuit Church of Bom Jesus in Rome and the mausoleum in which the coffin containing the body of the saint is kept on top of the altar in the Basilica of Bom Jesus in Goa.

Japanese Archbishop Visits In Ireland

Dublin — (NC) — A Japanese Archbishop paid warm tribute to the missionary spirit of Irish Catholics.

In Ireland for a three-day visit on his way to Rome was Archbishop Peter Tatsuo Doi of Tokyo, who said in an interview that he had always wanted to visit "this great Catholic country which has sent so many missionaries all over the world."

He added that although many Irish missionaries are doing "very good work" in Japan today, many more are needed.

British Bishop Promises Tito 'Warm Reception'

Leeds, Yorkshire — (NC) — Bishop John C. Heenan of Leeds believes that the Catholic laity of Britain will give Tito of Yugoslavia "a warm reception" when he comes here on an official visit next year.

"I do not regard the proposed visit of Marshal Tito as important in itself," the Bishop told a rally of Catholic workers here. "But it is significant that a nation which so short a time ago professed its sympathy with Archbishop Stepinac should be anxious so soon to honor his tormentor."

"Politicians even now are more afraid of Soviet imperialism than of communism. How otherwise explain that a Conservative Foreign Secretary (Anthony Eden) and the leader of the left wing of the Labour Party (Aneurin Bevan) can unite in this at least that Marshal Tito, an avowed communist and a notorious persecutor of religion, deserves a warm reception in this country? Unless I mistake the temper of the Catholic laity he will receive a warm welcome."

College Grads Needed For Convert Work

Notre Dame, Ind. — (NC) — Pointing out that it is physically impossible for the number of priests in the United States to reach all of the 80 million churchless people of America, Dr. John A. O'Brien, a leader in the convert movement declared that every Catholic college man and woman must take active part both in recruiting converts and instructing them.

Father O'Brien said the 80 million can be reached "if the laity, especially our college educated men and women, will abandon their reticence and offer to share the precious legacy of their holy Faith with the churchless people with whom they rub shoulders every day."

CONCEIT
 Whenever nature leaves a hole in a person's mind, she generally plasters it over with a thick coat of self-conceit.

Polish Reds Shift Views On 'Politics'

London — (NC) — The forbidden has become the compulsory in Red Poland in less than three years.

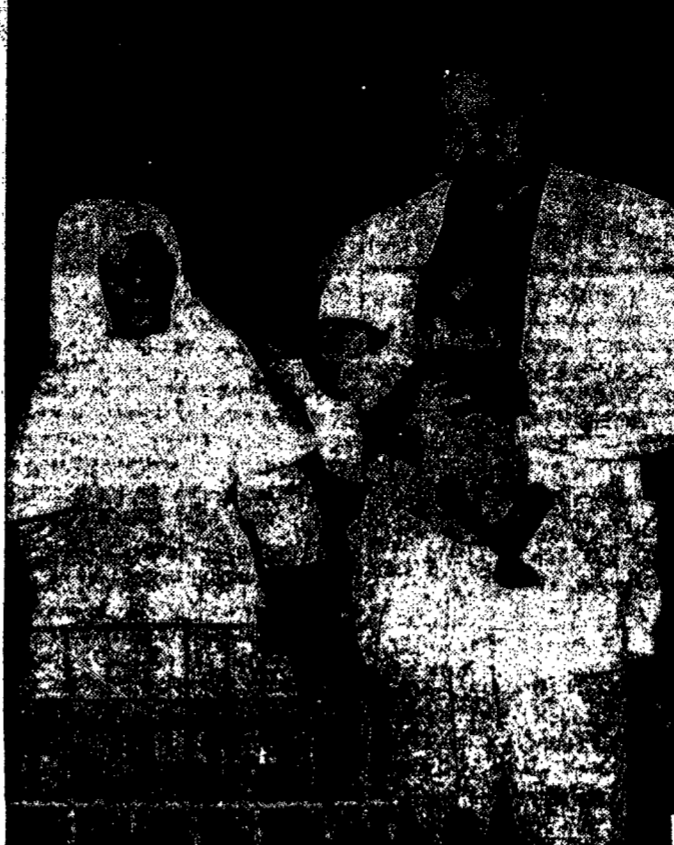
In early 1950 the Polish regime seized Caritas, the Church's nationwide charitable organization. One of the charges made against the organization by the regime was the alleged "political" activity of some of its branches.

The communist press argued that a charitable organization endeavoring to serve all the people should be completely above politics. The alleged political activity was the fact that Caritas had aided some people whom the regime chose to consider "reactionary politicians."

The same communists who ranted against the "political activities" of Caritas in 1950, this year called an "all-Polish conference of the clergy and lay workers of Caritas" in Warsaw just prior to the recent elections. The meeting ended with an all-out endorsement of the National Front, the communist-dominated coalition and the only party on the ballot.

Politics was declared all wrong for Caritas in 1950. It is enjoined as a patriotic duty today.

IN HONG KONG HOSPITAL



"She shared a crib with three other sickly infants and the cover for all four was an old sweater from one of our previous clothing collections. And they all wore newspaper diapers." Such was the report of Monsignor Edward E. Swanson, executive director, War Relief Services — National Catholic Welfare Conference, when he returned from his recent visit to the Hospital of the Precious Blood, at Kowloon, Hong Kong. This picture was taken at that time. The little tot he is holding is only one of thousands of beneficiaries, in Europe and Asia, of the annual Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Collection, to be held the week of November 28-30, in all Catholic parishes of the United States.

Russian Church Held Communist Propaganda Tool

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — A charge that the Russian Orthodox Church has become an organ of the Soviet State and a "conspicuous" part of the Communist party propaganda apparatus was made here by a Senate group.

The Russian Church role was described in a staff study of the Soviet propaganda program by the Subcommittee on Overseas Information Programs, a unit of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The most important function assigned at present to the Orthodox Church and "to all denominations of Christianity and other religions with adherents in the Soviet bloc," the staff report said, is to serve as the spiritual vanguard for the Communist "peace offensive."

"THERE HAS been a deliberate identification of religion with the struggle of the Communist 'peace-loving group' against the Devil — incarnate in the 'Wall Street warmongers,'" the study said.

Another function assigned the church groups is that of a "subversive liaison" between free nations and the political operators of the Kremlin, the report continued.

In this scheme, the Russian Orthodox Church tries to maintain its ascendancy over Orthodox groups in other lands in order "to add to Moscow's prestige by representing it as the chief reservoir of pure Orthodoxy."

THE CHURCHES of the Soviet Union implement these assigned propaganda functions, the study said, by sending repeated missions of the church dignitaries abroad and by inviting ideologically spiltable co-religionists to visit Moscow.

"By these means, the churches attempt with partial success, to spread the gospel of the great Stalin," the report said, "and the revelation of the Soviet Union as a land of peace and tolerance, of smiling plenty and greatness."

The report also warned of the subversive propaganda efforts of other groups such as the World Peace Council, the World Federation of Democratic Youth, the International Union of Students, and the World Federation of

U. S. Catholic Tennis Star Wins 2 Australian Crowns

Sydney — (NC) — American and Wimbledon tennis champion, Maureen Connolly, who took two titles in the local championships, told reporters of her gratitude to Bishop Charles F. Buddy of San Diego, and Mother Adrian, of the San Diego Cathedral Girls' High School.

Both of them, she said, have had a great influence on her life and have helped her in her career. Maureen stated that Bishop Buddy is "one of the finest people I have ever met."

MOTHER ADRIAN, Mother Superior of the Cathedral High School, always made it possible for her to catch up on her studies after being absent playing in tournaments, she said.

While in Australia she and American junior champion, Julie Sampson, of San Marino, Cal., who is accompanying her played

Polish Communists Combat Drunkenness

London — (NC) — The increase in alcoholism under the communist regime in Poland has reached such startling proportions that the Reds are preparing new legal action against the evil, it is reported here.

The sharp rise in drunkenness is explained here as arising from attempts to seek escape from increasing restrictions under the regime.

To combat alcoholism the Warsaw parliament is preparing a law which would establish special labor camps for chronic alcoholics. The proposed law calls on police and party members to keep an accurate list of drunkards who may be sent to the labor camps without trial.

Parish Schools Open Classes For Deaf Pupils

Chicago — (NC) — Special Saturday classes for Catholic school children with hearing handicaps were inaugurated here in three parochial schools.

Attending the classes were children whose deficiency was discovered through tests conducted during the past year by the Eppheta Hearing Conservation Service. They were recommended for educational therapy, including lip reading, speech correction, auditory training and use of hearing aids.

"Our goal is to strengthen the social, emotional and educational development of these children," declared Father David C. Fullmer, assistant superintendent of the Chicago Archdiocesan school board. "We also hope to establish greater appreciation of the youngsters' problems among their parents and teachers."

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