

### Use A Missile At This Mass?

Glasgow — (NC) — Christmas Midnight Mass was offered on board the U.S.S. Proteus, the Polaris missile submarine depot ship lying in Holy Loch, by a submariners' chaplain from New London, Conn.

The chaplain, Father James J. Hogan, offered a second Christmas Mass on a nuclear submarine moored alongside the mother ship. Last Easter Father Hogan flew from New London to celebrate Mass in a submarine submerged off the west coast of Scotland.

### Lone Doctor In Vast Area

Leopoldville — (NC) — Only one physician remains in the 13,700-square-mile diocese of Wamba in Eastern Province, it was reported here.

Infant mortality has risen alarmingly because disruptions of normal communications have made it more difficult to bring mothers and children to maternity hospitals and for prenatal consultation. Infantile paralysis has also shown an alarming increase.

Only missionaries remain to help the lone physician in Wamba diocese. There are eight general hospitals with more than 1,000 beds, 16 dispensaries, 11 maternity hospitals, and seven leprosaria with 1,928 victims of Hansen's disease (leprosy).

### India Honors Missioners

Bangalore — (RNS) — Municipal authorities joined in honoring two Roman Catholic missionaries who have served with distinction in this industrial South India metropolis.

The mayor, aldermen and city councillors gave a tea party honoring Msgr. J. V. D'Souza on the occasion of the opening of a cultural center in the heart of the city named for the veteran priest.

Municipal and other dignitaries also attended ceremonies at which a city square was named in honor of the late Father J. B. Servanton, who was responsible for building the Cathedral of St. Francis Xavier. A Frenchman, Father Servanton belonged to the Foreign Mission Society of Paris.

### Group Fights Youth Vice

Lisbon — (RNS) — A Catholic organization known as the National League of Public Morality has been formed here to combat vice of all kinds and to protect the morals of the young.

Aims of the league are, according to its statutes: "to watch over the moral defense of society and fight all public manifestations of immorality, and all that is against human dignity and the moral health of youth, the family and the nation."

A unit of Portuguese Catholic Action, the league announced it will seek to help all educational and social organizations having similar aims.



### Grail Sponsors Africa Seminar

Washington — (RNS) — The Grail, a movement which prepares young Catholic women for the lay apostolate in home and overseas mission fields, co-sponsored with Trinity College, Washington, a seminar for young African women studying in various American colleges. Theme of the seminar, held on the Trinity campus, was "Freedom and Work." During the conference, the African students observed Christmas in the homes of Christian Family Movement members in the Washington area, toured the capital and attended social functions arranged by Trinity students.

### India, Kremlin Target

Detroit — (NC) — India's dian problem is conversion to the greatest problem today is the Christianity," he said. "This can exist of a "spiritual by done with greatest success by training native clergy who alone can bring about total conversion."

The opinion came from Father Richard Rosenfelder, S.J., vice provincial of the Patna Mission, who spent the last 10 years in northeast India. He spoke before the St. Francis Club at the University of Detroit.

"The future of India will have a tremendous influence on America and on Catholicism," he said. "India's problems are also found in the entire Africa and parts of Latin America."

He said that today 35 per cent of the world, including 12 per cent of the Catholics, are under the yoke of communism. If India falls, another 450 million people will be added.

"The only solution to the In-

1. Disintegration of India's religions. Philosophical concepts are overruled by superstition.
2. Rise of nationalism when England vacated. Intense nationalism filled the vacuum which should have been filled by religion.
3. Official secularization of India. Religion is now prohibited as a classroom subject in Catholic schools where there are non-Catholics.
4. Modern political leaders are products of a materialistic education based on European enlightenment.
5. Acceptance of birth control and divorce once prohibited under Hinduism.
6. Attitude of one million college students who are "frightfully indifferent" in regard to spiritual matters.

### Christian Unity Far-away Ideal

Rome — (RNS) — A leading Jesuit theologian writing in Osservatore Romano, Vatican City newspaper, declared that Christian unity is impossible without an authority that is both infallible and visible.

Father Charles Boyer, a member of the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity set up in connection with the forthcoming Second Vatican Council, was commenting on the definition of unity proposed by the World Council of Churches at its recent Third Assembly in New Delhi, India.

In a statement addressed to all its member Churches, the Council declared that "unity does not imply simple uniformity of organization, rite or expression." It proposed instead a system of interlocking communities on the local, national and international level with mutual recognition of members and ministers and joint participation in the Lord's Supper.

Father Boyer said this definition "still remains a far-away ideal."

"Without being either perfect or complete," he said, "there is still too much contained in it to be realized without the aid of an authority. And this authority must be infallible. And it must be visible."

### Bows Instead of Genuflections

## Fountains for Holy Water

Cincinnati — (NC) — Japanese would feel more at home in Catholic churches if they were permitted to bow instead of genuflect and if gushing holy water fountains replaced the western type font.

Paul M. Tagita, convert to the Church and authority on the culture and religions of his native Japan, makes these observations in the January issue of the Shield, magazine of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade published here.

Former professor of comparative religions at the Catholic University of Nagoya, Tagita believes that "Christianity has not been sufficiently adapted to the religio-cultural traditions" of Japan.

The holy water font common to U.S. Catholic churches, according to Tagita, "is usually hardly clean enough to satisfy persons accustomed to Shintoic misogi — the purification from bodily and spiritual pollution represented in the washing of hands at chouz-bachi, the water fountain in front of Shinto shrines."

Professor Tagita also suggested that prayers should be rewritten in Japanese so they can be intoned or chanted in the Japanese rhythmic fashion.

OTHER recommendations made by the author for the adaptation of Catholic practices to Japanese culture include:

—Surrounding the church building with natural beauty, by placing it near a stream or lake, or on a hilltop.

—Translation of Catholic dogma and history into poems and stories in rhythm for instruction purposes.

—Emphasis on "worship in the family, for the family, and by the family."

Professor Tagita said the development of Japanese culture "was connected with the appreciation of the beauty of nature, the basis of which may be a blind search for the Supreme Existence."

Over-subscribed Duluth (NC) — A six-month campaign to raise \$3,500,000 for construction of a new Catholic high school in this area went more than \$8,000 "over the top."

### Monks Open Perfume Shop

London — (NC) — Trappist monks from windswept Caldy Island off the Welsh coast have opened a new perfume shop in London's fashionable Knightsbridge district.

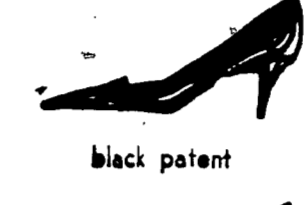
Monks of the Abbey of Our Lady and St. Samson began making perfumes and related toiletries several years ago and now derive about one-fifth of their income from the venture. The new shop is their first independent retail outlet.



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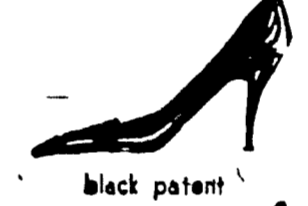
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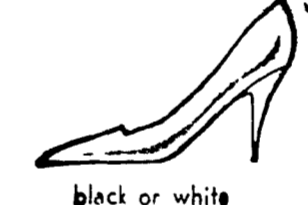
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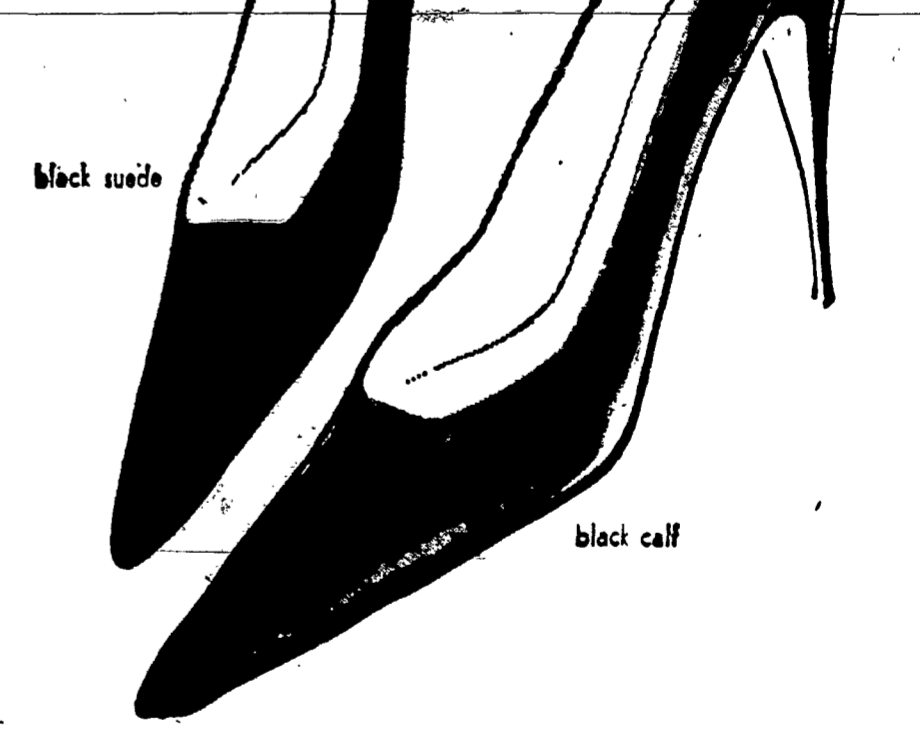
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