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35th Eucharistic Congress In Spain

Catholics Throng To Barcelona Site

Barcelona, Spain — (UP) — Seven cardinals, 300 archbishops and bishops including seven Byzantine, three Armenian and Maronite prelates, together with 15,000 priests from all parts of the world have made reservations to attend the 35th international Eucharistic Congress on May 27.

It will be the first such congress since World War II.

The congress' executive committee reported at least 300,000 will take part in the Barcelona pilgrimage.

It is regarded as a sign of religious interest that so many pilgrims will come to Barcelona after the many important Catholic

ceremonies that have been held recently — Holy Year in Rome, the solemn ceremonies of the Feast of the Assumption and the beatification of Pope Pius X.

The importance of the congress also can be gauged by the flood of newsmen soliciting credentials to cover the event. Event in predominantly non-Christian countries, pre-congress coverage has been featured in the press.

In Japan, for instance, some papers have printed complete texts of the information bulletins as translated from the Spanish. India's Radio Bombay broadcast the bulletin in its Catholic hour.

Authorities here discount rumors of a housing shortage. Suitable quarters will be found for every pilgrim, they said.

As an example of co-operation, the housing committee cited the village of Cornell de Llobregat, which has promised accommodation for 600 pilgrims.

The Catholic seminary here will be the headquarters for all admin-

istrative and information sections dealing with the congress. Multilingual signs will show the way to housing, reception, medical, press and radio, ceremonial, historical, and archaeological offices.

On each side of the information office, two large flags—the yellow and white of the Vatican and the red and gold of Spain—will be flown. Inside the offices will hang the flags of all nations taking part in the congress.

Ice Cream Costly

Constantine, Mich. — (UP) — An ice cream cone cost John Foreman \$175. He was driving his car and eating a cone when he decided to give his dog in the back seat a lick of ice cream. In turning around he lost control and crashed into a guard rail.

Every earthworm is both male and female and is capable of laying eggs to produce its own kind. It cannot, however, fertilize itself.

Too Much Grease
Flint, Mich. — (UP) — Howard Kanous, a grease-monkey at the Buick plant, got a taste of his own medicine when the nozzle broke on a grease-gun he was operating. He was covered from head to toe with grease. Kanous usually rides home from work with friends but was left standing when they saw his coat of grease. A taxicab driver agreed to transport him home only after insulating his cab with newspapers.

No Enemy Now
Milwaukee — (UP) — Peter Umann, 21, is going to fight for his former enemies. Umann, who fought as a 14-year-old German soldier against the Americans in France in 1944, has enlisted in the United States marine corps. He came in this country in October, 1951.

There will be 109 solar eclipses before the year 2000.



SURVIVORS OF THE MID-AIR plane crash of a B-29 and a U. S. Marine corps fighter are led down gangplank of the cruiser Toledo at Los Angeles following their rescue off the California coast. Leading them is Lt. Comdr. D. W. Robinson, the Toledo's chief medical officer. Survivors (heads from left) in hospital robes are Airman Clark H. Boeson, Lt. Emmett E. Muterspaw, Jr., S/Sgt. Lawrence L. McLaughlin, Airman Gene B. Ross, Airman William L. McDonald. At least seven others are believed dead. (International Soundphoto)

Allergy Overcome

Memphis, Tenn. — (UP) — Jim Allen hangs his newspaper out on a clothesline every day before reading it but not because the news is so hot. He's allergic to fresh printer's ink and lets it dry before reading the news.

The "free university" established in the United States sector of Berlin as a counter-measure to the Russian-dominated institution has increased its student enrollment from 2,200 to more than 5,000.

Out Again, In Again

Milwaukee — (UP) — Mark Baker, 45, completed a 30-day drunken driving sentence and walked from the Milwaukee County house of correction a free man. Four hours later he was back in jail for a one-year term. His offense: drunken driving.

Water from the slopes of Triple Divide Peak, 8,000 feet high, in Glacier National Park, Montana, flows into three oceans—the Pacific, Arctic and Atlantic.

Japanese military aggression.

The Japanese, while admitting that they intend to build up their trade as much as possible, contend that Japan now is a peaceful nation and should not be considered as a threat to anybody.

Japanese admit their economy had made a tremendous stride forward. They point out, however, that it was virtually at a standstill by the end of 1945 and therefore had plenty of room for improvement.

Underlying this progress was the successful "nine-point economic stabilization directive" of December, 1948, designed to achieve fiscal, monetary, price and wage stability as rapidly as possible along with maximum production for export.

Specific provisions called for: (1) a balanced budget; (2) a strengthened tax collection program; (3) credit limitations; (4) wage stabilization; (5) strengthened price controls; (6) improvement of foreign trade controls; (7) improvement of the allocation and rationing system to aid in maximizing exports; (8) increased production, and (9) improved efficiency of the food collection program.

A single foreign exchange rate was adopted in April 1949 and a rapid rise of Japanese export trade ensued.

Solution Simple

Memphis, Tenn. — (UP) — The bus driver had a simple solution when a car stalled in front of him. The driver eased up behind the automobile and gave it a shove. Its motor caught and away it went.

Many retail coal companies employ engineers to show customers how to operate their furnaces and boilers most efficiently.

Japan Is Ready For Expansion Of World Trade

Tokyo, (UP) — Free and independent Japan is ready to begin expanding her trade with south-east Asia.

In many places she not only will be competing against local producers but also the manufacturers of England and the United States.

American economic experts, who helped Japan get back on her feet, believe Japan's economic future is "reasonably bright."

Japan is in such a good position to begin the trade race because of the large amount of U.S. aid given her during the allied occupation. American officials said the aid was in excess of \$2,000,000,000.

On the day the occupation ended, Japan already was enjoying a self-supporting economy with industrial activity some 45 percent above pre-war levels, according to an official spokesman at American headquarters here. He said the Japanese living standard was "closely comparable" to that prevailing in the pre-war years.

An end-of-the-occupation report by General Matthew B. Ridgway's headquarters summed up the situation as follows:

"The Japanese economy has been converted from a condition of virtual complete inactivity and chaos to a thriving, integral member of the free world economy, Japan currently has a favorable balance of payments in her international accounts, her industry has been rehabilitated in large measure, and significant democratic institutional reforms have transpired in such spheres as labor, industrial organization, banking, agriculture and fisheries."

While that is good news to the Japanese, there are many other people who view Japan's economic position as a potential menace fearing there first might be economic aggression and then renewed

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