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Polish Catholics
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WARSAW, (Associated Press) — Polish Catholics, in those districts of Upper Silesia recently returned to Poland by the League of Nations, have appealed to Pope Pius XI for separation from the authority of Cardinal Bertram, the German Archbishop of Breslau, under whose ecclesiastical rule they still remain, despite the new political division of the country. The appeal is the second one made to the Vatican, the first having been held up by the illness and death of Pope Benedict. It is an echo of the Silesian plebiscite troubles of 1921, when Cardinal Bertram issued an anti-Polish pastoral letter.

Monsignor Ratti, then papal nuncio to Poland but now Pope, declared that the letter was published without his knowledge. The Silesian Poles are hopeful of favorable decision on account of pope Pius first-hand knowledge of the situation.

"Strad" Violin Fetches Huge Sum.

PARIS, (Associated Press) — A Stradivarius violin for which the maker, Antonius Stradivarius received 80 francs when he made it at Cremona in 1735, has just been sold here for 103,400 francs including the war-tax. This is equivalent at current rates of exchange to about \$9,000. The violin was for a long time the property of the late Charles Lamoureux, founder and conductor of the famous Lamoureux orchestra. The recent tests which seemed to establish that modern-made violins cannot be distinguished from ancient ones by their tone do not seem to have affected the price of ancient instruments. If this sale can be taken as a criterion.

When World is Filled.

A member of the Royal Geographical Society in England estimates that the fertile lands of the globe amount to 28,000,000 square miles, the steppes to 24,000,000 and the deserts to 1,000,000. Giving 207 persons to the square mile for fertile lands, 10 for steppes and one for deserts as the greatest population that the earth could properly nourish, he arrives at the conclusion that when the number of inhabitants reaches about 6,000,000,000 our planet will be peopled to its full capacity.

If the rate of increase shown by recent census statistics should be uniformly maintained, it is shown that the globe would be fully peopled about the year 2072. But such calculations do not allow for unknown sources of error and, therefore, cannot be taken too literally.

As Old as the Hills.
AUXILIARIES FORCED CREDITS OF TRADESMEN.

DUBLIN, (A.P. Mail.) — Complaint has been made in some districts of Ireland that the departing British forces of the Auxiliary Divisions have gone without paying their private debts. In Kilkenny, an official notice was published inviting traders to send in their claims but some of the traders have found it impossible to get their money. Sir Haman Greenwood referred them to the Police Department in Dublin Castle and the adjutant of the Auxiliaries replied that "it is regretted that no action can now be taken against the individuals concerned as they have all been dispersed. Attached however please find list of their last known addresses." When this reply was sent to the Chief Secretary he wrote: "The debts to which you refer were private liabilities of the individual cadets, and as such the government have no power to take action to receive these monies for you." The grievance of the traders arises from the fact that they could not afford to apply to these formidable auxiliary policemen the ordinary tests of trade credit. When raids were frequent and destructive it was naturally thought unsafe to refuse goods to the forces which could make them.

Russian Women in Rags.
SPRING FASHIONS OF NO INTEREST.

ODESSA, (Associated Press) — Spring fashions do not bother the women of Odessa. They have no new fashion journals nor cloth with which to make dresses. Women sometimes have a hat and a few yards of rough cloth to cover themselves. Underclothing is an unknown quantity. So are stockings for the unlucky. Women who have cloaks or furs wear them in daytime but at night leave them home. If they did not they would be robbed in the darkened streets. People who go to the theatre travel home in groups for protection. This lack of clothing hits very hard the younger girls. One of them said to the correspondent: "I should like to go abroad if only to get nice clothes." The older women in Russia, when talking of the chance of ever getting abroad, say "After all, if we got abroad we would be very poor and feel our poverty more by the contrast."

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Easter Superstitions.

Dyeing eggs in lively colors was a sign of joy. The red dye was supposed to be symbolical of Christ's blood.

To find two yokes in an Easter egg is a sign of great gain in wealth.

Refusing to eat an Easter egg offered by a friend signifies a loss of friendship.

In England rolling Easter eggs is a time-honored ceremony.

It is also considered lucky to plant garden seed and potatoes on Good Friday.

Good Friday also has its peculiar superstitions. Among these was the very old one that this is the best day upon which to wean the baby.

It is a sign of good luck to break pottery on Good Friday. It will save the house from damage during the rest of the year.

Scholars considered that in the year of Our Lord's death Easter Sunday fell upon the second Sunday in April, and in England a movement has been started to fix the feast on that day.

Easter eggs had their origin in the belief that the egg was a symbol of the Resurrection. An egg was also considered as the symbol of spring. An old Teutonic belief was that rabbits laid eggs on Easter Sunday.

At present Easter falls upon the Sunday which is mostly likely to coincide with the actual date of the Resurrection. It is the natural desire of Christmas to keep the festival on the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, which makes it to be a moveable feast.

There is a peculiar old custom which used to be practised on Easter Sunday and which was supposed to illustrate the rising from the grave. One person would lie flat upon his back and four others would take him by the arms and legs and lift him three times. There was also a belief that if the recumbent person held his breath he could be lifted by the little finger of each of the four lifters.

Will Show 6,500 Foot Painting of War Front.

The famous war memorial known as "Pantheon of War," is shortly to be transported to America for exhibition. The conception of two well-known French painters, Pierre Carrier-Belleuse and Auguste Francois Gorgue, is the work of over 50 artists, including some of the most famous living in France. The huge canvas, measuring almost 6500 square feet, is 45 feet high and 402 long and contains more than 6000 life-size portraits displayed in national groups with vivid reproductions of the entire western battlefield as the background. The painting of the gigantic canvass took four years and aroused great interest in Paris. After being shown in the United States it will be taken on a world tour.

Prison Barber Goes On Strike.

PARIS, (Associated Press) — M. Rapillon, the barber of Versailles prison, who trimmed the beard of Henry D. Landru, the "Blue Beard" convicted and executed for killing 10 women and a boy, and cut the hair of the famous prisoner has gone on a strike. The barber had demanded an increase in wages which the prison authorities declined to grant. He had obtained a good deal of publicity by reason of his services to Landru and expects now that he is in business for himself that many customers will seek him to obtain first-hand information of the celebrated murderer.

The Press in Afghanistan.

LONDON, (Associated Press) — The first diplomatic envoy of Afghanistan to Great Britain, Sir Abdul Hadi Khan, has taken up his quarters in London. He is only 30, and the youngest member of the diplomatic corps, a distinction previously held by Dr. Wellington Koo of China. The Minister and his staff wear English clothes and look more like Spaniards than representatives of a hermit kingdom of Asia. Sir Abdul told an interviewer that three newspapers were now published in Afghanistan, all evening papers, and that there were also about a dozen weekly newspapers and magazines.

Use for Sea Ice.

An innovation in the fish industry of France is the making of ice from sea water, by a process which eliminates the concentration of salt, that usually occurs when brine or salt water freezes. This "salt ice" performs the double service of keeping the fish cold, and also of "salting down" the fish as a means of preserving them. — Popular Mechanics Magazine.

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