Pius XII proclaimed publically we are now faced with the greatest crisis in the history of Christendom. Greater than the persecutions of the Roman emperors, greater than the 16th century threat of Mohammedan invasion, greater than the so-called Protestant Reformation, is this evil thing, this Communistic incubus which threatens every civilized nation of the world.

The Balkans—iron-clad behind the Iron Curtain. China and the entire Orient—threatened. France—not too secure. Great Britain's socialistic experiment—on the verge of bankruptcy. Communist infiltration into South America—alarming. Red inroads into American political, social and educational life—perilous. And there are depressing signs the United States is drifting, as Britain did, into statism.

A Sunday Times editorial states, "The fear of war sweeps the world and bends down men's hearts like a wind among the reeds." Henri Laugier, assistant secretary general for social affairs of the U.N., said not long ago, "Destruction is here, within reach, is actual, and can be precipitated by a sudden act of individual or collective folly... The choice will come; we cannot tell when but certainly soon and perhaps very soon."

Forewarned.

Pius XI, March 19, 1937, condemned Atheistic Communism in his encyclical Divini Redemptoris:

"This modern revolution has actually broken out, or threatens, everywhere, and it exceeds in amplitude and violence anything yet experienced in preceding persecutions directed against the Church. Entire peoples find themselves in danger of falling back into barbarism worse than that which oppressed the world at the coming of the Redeemer. This all too imminent danger is bolshevistic and atheistic communism, which aims at upsetting the social order and undermining the very foundations of Christian civilization."

The LONDON TIMES Looks To Rome.

A current editorial in the "London Times" classifies the Catholic Church as the world's spiritual leader and as Public Enemy No. 1 of the Marxists. "The struggle against Marxist paganism, in which the Church has given so unequivocal a lead, is creating a common Christian sympathy. There is much to support the view that the time is ripe for re-examining relations between Rome and other Christian bodies."

Tomorrow For 9 Consecutive Days Pray For The Pope.

To lead—all leaders need assistance and encouragement from their followers. Your spiritual leader, Visible Head of the Church whose Invisible Head is Jesus Christ, will welcome a positive declaration of your devotion and loyalty. No one is asking you to lay down your life to prove yourself. But you are expected to be utterly unselfish in making this novena of daily Mass, Communion and Rosary for 9 days in a row....Wake up your roommate. Wise up your pal. You are your brother's keeper unless you are of Notre Dame's kith and kin.

Prayers: (deceased) father of Mike Needham, Jr., '25; uncle of Bud (Dil) and Dick (Ba) Burke; father of J.R., Klee, '47; 7th anniversary, 4 uncles of Jack Barry (Kor); Mrs. Steven Fleming; grandmother of Jack Smith (Sor); Art Cheeseborough, Ill; Mrs. Gail Cheeseborough; Jean and Ann Higgins; Rev. L. Toohey; friend of L. Donovan (Dil).

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