

Fascists, King Pay Tribute to Pope in Death

Vittorio Emanuele Telegraphs Condolences to Cardinal Pacelli

Meeting of Cardinals Gets Official Sanction

ROME, Feb. 10. (AP)—The Fascist Grand Council tonight paid homage to Pope Pius XI, whose death today occurred at a critical moment in relations between the Holy See and the Fascist government.

The grand council held its scheduled meeting under Premier Mussolini and adjourned 15 minutes later after paying its condolences.

Its declaration said:

"The Grand Council of Fascism pays reverent homage to the memory of Pope Pius who wished conciliation between the church and the Italian state, the magnificent events which after 60 years of vain attempts settled the Roman questions through the Lateran treaty and established through the concordat relations of collaboration between the church and the state to safeguard the Fascist and Catholic unity of the Italian people."

King Vittorio Emanuele telegraphed Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, temporary administrator of the church of Rome: "While the Holy Roman church is so sadly stricken by the loss of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, the Queen and I desire to express to your most reverend eminence our profound and mindful condolences."

The King signed his telegram "your most affectionate cousin, Vittorio Emanuele."

Cardinal Pacelli, who ceased to be papal secretary of state and became Camerlengo—chamberlain of the Holy Roman church—upon the Pope's death, ranks as the monarch's "cousin" as a Knight of Annunziata.

The formal condolences of the royal family and government were in contrast to the situation at the death of previous Pontiffs during the "prisoner of Vatican" period when relations between the church and state compelled restraint.

Earlier in the day the official gazette reminded all Italian officials that Italy was bound under the Lateran accord in no wise to interfere with the election of a new Pope.

The government's assurance of full liberty to the conclave recalled the election of 1878 of Leo XIII—the first Pope chosen after the Vatican's loss of temporal power.

At that time Cardinal Manning of England proposed holding the conclave on the Mediterranean island of Malta to avoid contact with the Italian government. The plan was abandoned when the government indicated it might not permit a Pope so elected to enter Rome.

State Adopts Cautious

Police in Federal Court

Pope Pius XI on His Death Bed



Pope Pius XI, head of the Roman Catholic church, is shown as he lay on his death bed in his the Vatican City, a victim of cardiac asthma which claimed him at the age of 81. This picture was telephoned from Rome to London and transmitted by radio to New York.

Caskets Are Ordered To House Pope's Body

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 10. (AP)—Vatican workmen were ordered today to make ready three caskets in which the body of Pope Pius will be buried in the grottoes of St. Peter's.

The Pontiff's body will be placed in them in an elaborate funeral service, observing traditions centuries old.

The inner one, in which the body will lie, is to be of cypress wood lined with red satin, having a cross of walnut on the cover.

It will be placed inside a second of lead, a quarter of an inch thick and weighing nearly 800 pounds.

A third casket will be placed inside the third, made of polished elm. Its cover will be surmounted by a cross, but will have besides that a skull and cross bones and an inscription and coat of arms.

Entire World Mourns Pontiff

Nazis Lower Swastika In Respect As Goebbels Takes

American Cardinals To Rome to Participate In Selection of New

Italian Liner Being Held at Pier to Accommodate Mundelein, Rushing North from Florida—of Catholic Church in U. S. to Participate First Time in History

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (AP)—Millions of sorrowing Catholics of this country prayed tonight for the soul of the dead Pope Pius, as the three cardinals of the United States made urgent preparations to assure the participation for the first time of an American group of the hierarchy in the elevation of a new Pontiff.

Dennis Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia made reservations to sail for Rome tomorrow aboard the Italian liner Rex; George Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago broke off his Florida vacation and took train for New York to join the ship.

The aged William Cardinal O'Connor of Boston, abandoning tentative plans to fly from Nassau in the Bahamas, to New York in time to catch the Rex, arranged to sail from Nassau on the liner Britannic, arriving here Monday.

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