

Gloria Swanson Discovers Rome Church Truly American's 'Home Away From Home'

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Rome—(U.P.)—An American's "home away from home" in Rome is truly St. Paul's American Protestant church, the first American church to be built within the walls of Rome after religious liberty was declared in this country.

It is hard to realize that little more than 75 years have passed since such Americans as J. P. Morgan, Lorillard Wolf, the Astors and scores of others listed in the social register could not vacation in Florida because there was no Palm Beach or Miami as yet.

Instead they spent their winters in Rome, and spent \$3,000,000 in building one of its most beautiful churches.

The celebrated Sir Edward Burne-Jones executed the mosaic-covered chancel. The church possesses the second largest organ and the only carillon in

Rome. It is quite fitting that Rome should declare St. Paul's a national monument.

This is all past history, and not what would bring me to the church more than once. I, as well as hundreds of other Americans, go to worship. The rector, Canon Charles Shreve—who is neither too young nor too old—has a cheerful personality that lights up a room or the pulpit with his good humor. The first sermon I heard was about the importance of "staying on the beam."

The cultural, physical and spiritual needs of human beings are, in this house of God, well cared for. Because Rome is a mecca for students and artists, many of whom are too poor to hire a gallery or a concert hall, they exhibit their works of art or musical or literary talents in this church. After the service on Sunday, most everybody goes to the gallery to have a cup

of coffee and view an exhibition. I have seen some very exciting work there.

On certain evenings, after a buffet supper, there will be singing. I heard exceptionally good voices there the other evening. The teen-agers are well cared for too.

Many Creeds
On the grounds of this Protestant church Benjamin Buf-fanp, the eminent sculptor, executed his St. Francis statue for St. Francis Catholic church in San Francisco. Two opera singers from the Rome opera, who both are Catholics, sing in the St. Paul's choir. So there obviously is no room for bigotry in this house of worship.

Traditionally, the senior warden of the American church is the American ambassador. Often the ambassador will give the Thanksgiving sermon. Last year, however, the ambassador—Clare Booth Luce, a Catholic—read President Eisenhower's proclamation, while Mr. Luce, who is the son of a Presbyterian missionary to China, gave the sermon instead.

This church is another monument to the goodness of Americans—and their broad minds.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

Washington—Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland urging President Eisenhower to go into a few key states during the fall election campaign:

"It is important for a presidential candidate to get out beyond television broadcasts from the White House."

Washington—House Republican leader Joseph W. Martin on the chances for an income tax cut this year:

"At the start of this session of Congress I was quite hopeful there could be a tax cut. But that hope is gradually dimming."

Washington—Sen. Barry M. Goldwater (R-Ariz.) a member of the Senate special lobby investigation committee, on his admission he received a campaign contribution from a "Bill" Keck:

"After all it costs money to run a campaign. You don't go out and run it out of your own pocket. None of us is that rich. If Mr. 'Bill' Keck likes the way I vote he has a perfect right to give money to me."

Chicago—Former nightclub singer Joyce Bryant on her debut as an evangelist hymn songstress:

"I appeared on the nightclub floor to be sexy. And I even wore sexy-type gowns, but I don't think I'm a sexpot. There's nothing against sex in my religion, but it should be kept sacred. Sex shouldn't be thrown around."

Washington—Clarence Mitchell, director of the Washington bureau of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, on Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.) anti-integration leader:

"Tell those Democrats that if they keep a stinking albatross like Senator Eastland around their necks they can kiss our votes goodbye."

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Stevenson Attacks GOP Farm Policy

Sauk Centre, Minn.—(U.P.)—Adlai Stevenson carried his whistle-stop campaign for Minnesota Democratic support to this home town of Author Sinclair Lewis Saturday and charged the Eisenhower administration has forgotten "all about the farmers, the small merchants, and the people on main street."

The 1952 Democratic Presidential nominee continued a five-day swing through Minnesota with hand-shaking visits and short speeches in a series of small central Minnesota com-

munities. He seeks Minnesota's 30 delegates to the Democratic National convention in the March 20 Presidential Primary, in which he is opposed by Sen. Estes Kefauver.

Stevenson told residents of this farming community that despite other "death-bed conversions of the Republican party lately," the administration has come out emphatically against 90 per cent farm price supports.

Here and at other stops along his route, Stevenson said he favors 90 per cent supports as an "immediate step to restore declining farm income."

Honiara, Guadalcanal—(U.P.)—The wreckage of the long-missing inter-island trading boat Arakarimoa was sighted on a south coast reef Saturday by an Australian search pilot who could see no sign of life aboard.

Regional Five-Day UNESCO Meeting Ends

Tokyo—(U.P.)—Soviet Russia Saturday failed in an angry last-minute attempt to force the UNESCO Asian Regional Conference to go on record against atomic weapons.

The 90 delegates from 20 nations closed their five-day conference after a plenary session in which they adopted 30 resolutions to improve the lot of Asian nations. The resolutions will be submitted next November to the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization's full session at New Delhi, India.



PAYING \$56 FINE, svelte Marilyn Monroe is in solemn mood after receiving strong criticism by Beverly Hills, Cal., judge for ignoring two-year-old citation for driving without a license. With her is Attorney Irving L. Stein. Taking money is court clerk Ray Brainard. (International)

Monaco Residents Prefer To See Visiting Americans Dressed in Evening Clothes

Monte Carlo, Monaco—(U.P.)—Some of the 23,000 residents of Monaco are beginning to think twice about the forthcoming marriage of Prince Rainier and Grace Kelly.

Not that they have anything against Miss Kelly. She'll make a lovely princess.

It's those other Americans. "I suppose they'll be landing on our beach in droves—all in flowered sport shirts, with the tail hanging out," said an old timer whose shirt was neatly tucked in.

"Of course, we like Americans. But we prefer them in evening clothes at the casino. Especially the very rich ones, who are not too noisy."

The old gentleman was speaking for a minority here who see the big wedding April 18-19 as a threat of being "Kelly-ized." They fear Monaco's "old tradition" will be swamped under an

invasion of Americans and American ways.

Many Dollars
Between 5,000 and 10,000 Americans are expected to show up for the wedding, as many in sports shirts as in tuxedos. A "face-lifting" of Monte Carlo to relieve them of as many dollars as possible already is under way.

A second high-stakes craps table has been installed in the private salon of the Monte Carlo casino. Pictures of Miss Kelly and the Prince are everywhere. Souvenir shops are completely out of American flags.

Hotels are remodeling their rooms and plumbing. But even the idea of fixing up the plumbing is distasteful to the more conservative Monaguesques. Bad plumbing is traditional in European hotels.

The same people frown darkly at the modern 14-story skyscraper being built at the sunny port.

Most Monaguesques, however, are anxious for the wedding and everything that goes with it. This promises to be a dilly of a tourist season.

The wedding gives Monte Carlo businessmen a "big draw" to offset the annual International Film Festival at Cannes. It is expected to be such an attraction that yesterday the film festival, which had been scheduled for April 10 to 24, was postponed until April 23-May 10. The festival committee feared the wedding would draw all the tourists away from Cannes, which is practically next door to Monaco.

Now each event may help attract crowds to the other.

FAMILIAR TOPIC
Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower heard a sermon Sunday on a topic that had a familiar ring. Dr. L. R. Elson of National Presbyterian church where the President attended the 9 a.m. service spoke on "Alternatives in High Decisions."

Fresno, Calif.—(U.P.)—At least two major oil companies were charged Saturday with attempting to fix prices and "squeeze" retailers' profits.

Nixon Gathers Old Taft Wing Strength

Washington—(U.P.)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon appeared to be gathering strength Saturday in the old Taft wing of the GOP against a possible eastern Republican choice for the vice-presidential nomination.

Although Nixon has never been identified as a Taft man, backers of the late Sen. Robert A. Taft have been listening to "Dump Nixon" talk with suspicion and resentment.

They have interpreted it as the forerunner of moves to displace Nixon as President Eisenhower's running mate this year with someone like former Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York and Gov. Christian A. Herter of Massachusetts.

Mr. Eisenhower repeatedly has poured lavish praise on Nixon but has stopped short of endorsing him for renomination. When the president made his own second term announcement this week, he indicated he thought it would be improper to do so before he is renominated himself.

Britain, France Set Up Ministers Meeting

Paris—(U.P.)—Britain and France set up a conference between their two prime ministers Saturday for a sweeping review of the world situation.

Britain's Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden invited French Premier Guy Mollet to go to London for the discussion. Mollet accepted immediately. The date was to be worked out later.

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