

Peruvian Proclaimed Saint Of Roman Catholic Church

By FRANK BRUTO
VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope John Sunday proclaimed Martin de Porres, a humble Peruvian half-caste, a saint of the Roman Catholic Church and urged modern youth to follow the example of his dedicated life.

A vast throng of 30,000 persons thronged St. Peter's Basilica, which was glitteringly decorated for the four-hour ceremony of canonization. They included representatives of the four major races of mankind—white, yellow, black and brown—who came here from all parts of the world. In Lima, Peru, church bells rang joyously and thousands of Catholics marched in blocks from San Pedro Church to the convent where Martin lived in the 16th century.

Pope John officiated at the Pontifical Mass at the basilica's big central altar. Thirty-eight cardinals, among them Laurian Rugamba of Tanganyika, the Roman Catholic Church's first Negro cardinal, were present. So were many bishops and archbishops, diplomatic representatives to the Vatican from nearly 50 nations, and mission groups of the Dominican order of which Brother Martin de Porres was a member nearly 400 years ago.

A hushed silence filled the brightly lit basilica when Pope John, seated at his throne, read the proclamation of sainthood for the Mulatto who was the illegitimate son of a Spanish nobleman and his Negro mistress.

The honor given to the Peruvian Mulatto transcended racial lines and even the lines of religion. Among 300 Negro pilgrims from the United States were 150 Protestants who came to honor a member of their race who dictated his life to helping the poor and healing the sick.

The largest pilgrimage was one of 1,200 persons from Peru. Others came from Europe, Africa and Asia.

Pope John praised the life of Saint Martin de Porres and declared it as an example especially valuable for the youth of today's troubled world.

BORN IN 1579
Martin de Porres was the son of Don Juan de Porres, a knight of the old order of Calatrava, and Ana Velazquez, a Panamanian Negro descended from Abyssinian slaves. He was born out of wedlock Dec. 9, 1579, in the slums of Lima, and the priest who baptized him wrote "father unknown" on his baptismal certificate.

The father never fully accepted the boy, who had inherited the color and features of his mother. When he was 15, Martin applied for a servant's job at the Dominican priory of Lima. He did the most menial tasks, sweeping, mopping, washing and cutting hair.

In Peru and other Latin American countries he became known as "the saint of the broom." His most dedicated work was in helping the poor and the sick. When he died Nov. 3, 1626, nearly 40 years old, his fame already was widespread.

In a place of honor Sunday was an 11-year-old boy, Antonio Perez Cabrera of Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands. The cure of his gargantuan foot in 1559 was accepted by the Roman Catholic Church as a miracle and was one of two miracles attributed to Brother Martin de Porres in the cause for his canonization.

The other was the cure in Asuncion, Paraguay, of Doña Rosa Caballero Eschale, a woman of 70 who recovered from an intestinal obstruction and a heart attack after she had prayed to Brother Martin de Porres.

Shelter Program Is Seen Failure

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA — Despite the government's best efforts, including a personal example set by Prime Minister Diefenbaker, it becomes increasingly clear that the drive to induce large numbers of Canadians to build home fall-out shelters has failed.

A recent return tabled by Works Minister David Walker gives some indication of this failure. Mr. Walker revealed that in the whole of Canada only 62 new homes, built with an NHA loan, were being equipped with a fall-out shelter.

In August 1960 the government announced that the maximum NHA loan for a new house could be increased

by \$500 if a shelter was incorporated in the plans. Up to January 31 this year, only 62 such applications had been approved. Two provinces, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, did not make any application for the \$500 fall-out shelter allowance. Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan had one such application each. Manitoba had two and British Columbia three. Quebec led with 30, Ontario had 13 and Alberta 11, for the 62 total.

A slightly better figure is indicated for existing homes. Under the Home Improvement Loan Act, a home owner may borrow money to construct a shelter in an existing house. To the same date, 84 such shelter loans had been approved.

Peace Group Comments On Nuclear Stand

OTTAWA (CP) — Dr. Brock Chisholm said here that people and organizations fighting for world peace are more in favor of the Liberal party's stand on nuclear weapons than that of the Conservative government.

The honorary president of the World Federalist, a anti-nuclear organization, said at a press conference: "People concerned with world peace are more in favor of the attitude of Mr. Pearson than that of the government's although Mr. Pearson has hedged somewhat also."

British To Train Forces In Ghana

ACCRA (Reuters) — Ghana and Britain have signed an agreement under which a British joint services team will help train Ghana's armed forces, particularly the navy and air force.

Defence Minister Baako told a press conference that most of the instructors—about 125—already are in Ghana and the number is expected to decrease as Ghanaian officers are trained in the work.

Small Picture

TOKYO (AP) — Mitsubishi Electronics Company said it will put the world's smallest portable television set on sale next October. The 8 1/2 set, with a six-inch screen, weighs 6 pounds.

The Ghana Government

parting the greater part of the cost of the team, he said. There was at present only one other military training team in Ghana—a Canadian group which came earlier this year.

To Visit West Germany

BOON (Reuters) — President de Gaulle will make a state visit to West Germany this fall, a government official said Friday. He said the exact date was not yet known. Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was quoted as saying in an interview published in Paris that de Gaulle's visit would come in September.

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