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European Tour for Catholic Lawyers

July 31-August 15, 1957

The forthcoming meeting of the American Bar Association in London, England, July 24-31, 1956, will offer an occasion for the Catholic lawyers of England to show their American visitors a number of historical places which the official program might overlook.

Catholic attorneys who plan to attend the convention are urged to notify the Editor of The Catholic Lawyer so that the English Catholic lawyers may have some idea of the numbers to expect.

Following the American Bar Association Meeting, a tour covering places of particular interest to Catholic lawyers, as well as points of general interest, is being arranged by The Catholic Lawyer in conjunction with the Catholic Travel Division of the American Express Company. The itinerary includes Dublin, Paris, Milan, Venice, Bologna, Florence, and Rome.

The tour will begin in London on July 31, but visitors who have been unable to attend the American Bar Association Meeting may join the others in Dublin on the following day, or in Paris on August 2. The termination of the tour in Rome on August 15 will enable those desiring to do so to reach Naples in time for the sailing of the Cristoforo Colombo or the Constitution, on August 17, or to return to Le Havre or other western ports in time for other sailing dates. Plane flights to the United States can also be arranged with stop-over privileges in other European cities.

The tour is designed to combine intelligent guidance with a great deal of liberty in each of the cities visited. An effort will be made to orientate the visitors so that they will see the chief points of interest as expeditiously as possible and still have time for private interests.

In Dublin, visits have been arranged to Leinster House (the Dail), the principal courts, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin Castle, and Guinness’ Brewery.

The tour of Paris will include a visit to the Palais de Justice with its Courts and its beautiful chapel, La Sainte Chapel, where the Red Mass was sponsored for centuries by the Order of Advocates, Notre Dame Cathedral, the School of Law of the University of Paris, the Louvre, the Eiffel Tower, Napoleon’s Tomb, Sacre Coeur Church, Rue de Bac, where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Catherine Labouré, the Daughter of Charity to whom the Miraculous Medal was manifested, and Old
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Montmartre. An afternoon trip will be made to the Palace of Versailles and two free days will be available.

In Milan, visits will be made to the Cathedral (1386) with its famous Dome, Sacred Heart University, the birthplace of Mother Cabrini, and Santa Maria delle Grazie with its fresco *Last Supper* by Leonardo da Vinci.

Bologna is most famous for its University in which the revival of Roman Law was nurtured. It numbered among its faculty Dante and Petrarca. In Venice, the party will view St. Mark's Square, Church of St. Mark, Ducal Palace, Bridge of Sighs, the Dungeons, the Rialto, Santa Maria Della Salute, and lace and glass factories.

Points of interest in Florence will be the Medici Chapels, Church of San Lorenzo, Dante's House, St. John's Baptistry, Cathedral, Giotto's Campanile, Foundling Hospital, Pitti Palace and Galleries, and Ponte Vecchio.

In Rome, an audience with the Holy Father Pope Pius XII has been requested. Visits to St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, the Vatican Library and Art Galleries, will be made and the attorneys will also have an opportunity to visit the Papal Courts, such as the Sacred Roman Rota, the administrative offices and other places of legal interest. The tour of Rome will include a visit to the Court of Justice, as well as the usual places of historical interest.

The party will include American lawyers who speak the language of the countries visited and who are thoroughly familiar with the places which American Catholic lawyers would naturally like to see.

The tour is not limited to members of the American Bar Association, nor to lawyers, nor even to Catholics, although it is particularly designed for such groups.

Further information and a detailed schedule will be supplied upon request by THE EDITOR, THE CATHOLIC LAWYER, 96 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn 1, N. Y.
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