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POPE WELCOMES WORLD YOUTH

Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the founding of the girls section of the Catholic Action Movement, a quarter of a million girls from all parts of Italy march in procession through Rome. Members of an association, which believes in material as well as spiritual aid to the young, they are part of a well disciplined movement which is more than a million strong. Massing in St. Peter's Square for a blessing from the Pope, they are warned by His Holiness that they may be called upon to actively defend their faith.

Asking them to beware of erroneous doctrines, Pius XII (uncompromisingly anti-Communist) urges the youth of Italy to action in defence of religious, social and moral causes.