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**300,000 THROUNG ST. PETER'S  
FOR POPE'S EASTER MESSAGE**

Rome, April 13 - A hushed throng of 300,000 Easter pilgrims heard Pope Pius XII call for "great phalanxes of apostles" to aruse and spread Christianity throughout the world.

The Pope delivered his annual Easter message from the balcony of St. Peter's Cathedral. Below him were the hundreds of thousands who had come from all parts of the world and begun assembling shortly dawn.

Msgr. Luigi Traglia celebrated Mass before the Pope appeared. Then, promptly at noon, the Pope appeared in his ceremonial robes upon the balcony.

A mighty cheer rose from the square. Then the thousands hushed into absolute silence as the Pope, speaking in Italian, read his message.

The Pope declared he would like to see another wave of apostel-  
dom such as the early Christian chuech~~now~~.

The Pope said the "victory of faith" would increase Christian joy in the individual.

Saturday the Pope urged thousands of pilgrims to look to the risen Christ for true hope of peace.

In special and general audiences that marked the end of Lent, the Pope received an estimated 10,000 Romans and pilgrims from many parts of the world.

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