

**Bishop Is Installed
As Court Is Defied**

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**Romanian Orthodox Rites
Ignore Restrainer**

PHILADELPHIA, April 27 (UP). —The Rev. Viorel D. Trifa, of Cleveland, was consecrated Bishop of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America today despite a Federal Court order postponing the ceremony.

Archbishops Ioan Theodoresch, of Bala-Cynwyd, Pa., and John Mystyslew, of South Bound Brook, N. J., both of the Orthodox Ukrainian Church in the United States, presided at the consecration and investiture in the Descent of the Holy Ghost Church.

A temporary restraining order was issued Friday by United States District Judge Alan K. Grim ordering the installation postponed until after a court hearing Wednesday.

The petition for the restraining order was filed by attorneys for Bishop Andrei Moldovan, of Detroit, who contended he already is head of the Romanian Church in America by virtue of his consecration at Sibiu, Romania, on Nov. 12, 1950. Bishop Moldovan contended that Justinian, Patriarch of the Romanian Church, had ordered the American Episcopate to recognize him and turn all property and funds over to him.

Maximillian J. Klinger, attorney for the defendants in the suit, said that the American Episcopate refused to follow Justinian's orders because the "church in Romania is not free and is subjected to the Romanian Minister of Cults and therefore the Communist government." He said the installation was held because he felt the restraining order was not valid.

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