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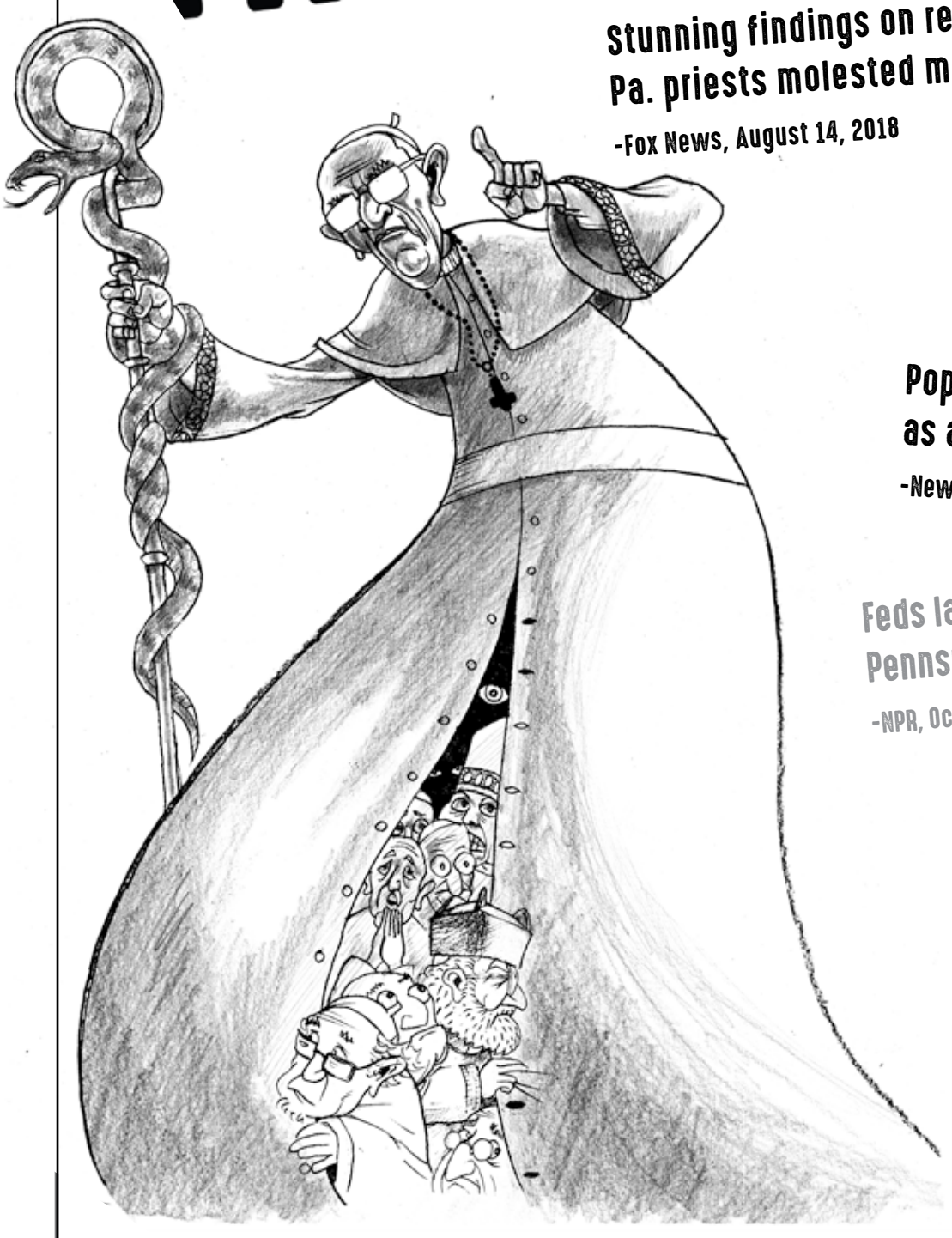

Stunning findings on report of Catholic Church abuse: Pa. priests molested more than 1,000 children

-Fox News, August 14, 2018

German Catholic priests 'abused thousands of children'

-BBC News, September 12, 2018

Pope ignores the damage as another prelate falls

-New York Times, October 12, 2018

Feds launch sex abuse investigation of Pennsylvania's Roman Catholic Church

-NPR, October 19, 2018

"Priests were raping little boys and girls, and the men of God who were responsible for them not only did nothing; they hid it all. For decades . . ."

-Grand Jury report on allegations of sexual abuse in the Pennsylvania Catholic Church

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After five years in the papacy, the response from Pope Francis about these crimes has been a call for prayers and fasting, and the offering of empty apologies. The perpetrators should no longer be allowed to police themselves. It's up to each and every one of us to help stop the victimization of children.

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