

Prelate Proposes Lay Apostolate in China

London — (INC) — After having gone some 100,000 miles across the world in the cause of the Church in China, the Most Rev. Paul Yu-Pin, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, arrived in this country by plane from the United States.

At a press conference Bishop Yu-Pin told newspapermen of a new plan he hopes to put into effect to hasten the conversion of China. China needs an enormous number of business and professional men for her reconstruction and modernization after the war, he said, and at the same time the Church in China wants all the missionaries she can get. Why not secure both at the same time? he asked.

The 60-year-old Bishop's plan is to get young Catholic professional men and women from abroad to take up work in China and to carry out an individual apostolate while they pursue their daily work.

To do this he intends to open in the near future an employment bureau in Washington (where he recently founded an Institute of Chinese Culture) to be followed, possibly, at a later date by others in London and European capitals.

These will be linked with a center at Nanking which will be in touch with agencies throughout China. Young professional Catholics will be encouraged to apply. They will state what kind of post they desire, what part of the country they would prefer to work in and what scale of salary they would require.

Their applications will then be sent on to Nanking, where efforts will be made to find the appropriate post. The candidate will be expected to stay in China for a few years, but he will be under no obligation and can return whenever he likes.

Bishop Yu-Pin is seeking workers on the professional level for his apostolate because China needs intellectual and cultural apostles to influence the people, he said. The Bishop foresees no difficulty in being able, if required, to find posts for thousands of professional people in post-war China.

Meanwhile, he said, the country's needs in the missionary fields are too urgent to brook delay, and one of the principal purposes of his visit here is to explore possibilities for recruiting priests and laymen to become Chinese missionaries.

Pauper Leaves Large Fortune to Prelate For Works of Church

Chicago — (INC) — The Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, has been named by the court trustees of the \$250,000 estate of Chelstino Chiessi, 89, and has been commissioned to use the income for works of the Church.

Mr. Chiessi, who died last month in the Cook County Hospital, had lived as a pauper. A key found in his scant belongings led investigators to a safe deposit box containing his fortune in gilt-edge securities. Mr. Chiessi's will, found in his 20-cent-a-day room, provided that \$300 be used for Masses for the repose of the souls of the Chiessi family. The remainder was to be divided between a brother and a sister, unless they died before him, in that case the money was to go to the Archbishop. Stritch to distribute it among the poor. The brother and sister are dead.

Q.—A reader asks if children of World War I veterans can receive compensation after the age of 18? —
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