

Rochester, N. Y.

Nun Received by John Bosco Dies on Saint's Feast Day

LONDON — (NCN) — Sister Adele Gatto, of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, who died at Chertsey, London, was the last nun living in England who had a direct connection with St. John Bosco, founder of his congregation and of the Salesian Fathers.

The saint, then an old and ached man, himself received her profession at Nizza Monferrato, Italy, in August, 1885.

"Our father was so feeble that he had to sit down during the whole of the ceremony," Sister Adelaide said in her own account of the event. "Two priests attended him on either side. In his sermon he referred to the crosses that he was about to give us and prepared us for the real crosses that Jesus would ask us to carry during our religious life."

After the ceremony the future Saint was taken into an adjoining room where he received the Sisters. His secretary, Father Bonetti, was standing by his side.

"He looked on all with a loving smile; there was a light in his eyes," Sister Adelaide remembered. "He said, 'Our Lady Help of Christians is pleased with you. She is here.' Then Father Bonetti added: 'She is here and blessing all her children.'

Sister Adelaide recalled that St. John Bosco appeared a little agitated and repeated: "She is

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and then turning to the Sisters, he added: "I see Our Lady Help of Christians is the roof of this house and she is spreading her mantle over us."

Sister Adelaide was also privileged to see St. John Bosco on his deathbed. She worked later to France and finally for many years at a home for poor boys in London. She died on the Saint's feast day.

Cholera Leaves After Father's 7-Hour Rosary

St. Columbus, Nebraska

The tremendous faith of a sick child's father in Mary's Rosary showed like a bright beacon in the cholera-stricken city of Nanjing, China. This heart-warming, soul-inspiring story was related in a letter just received from Father Hugo Bennett, Co-Custos of the Chinese and Tibetan Father who has just arrived back to China.

Little Mary was one of the first cholera victims and was sinking fast. She was taken to St. Columban's temporary hospital in Nanjing. At her bedside sat her father and grandmother.

At about noon, the father stood up and faced a picture of the Sacred Heart hanging on the wall. He began to say the rosary over and over, pleading for the life of his six-year-old daughter. At five o'clock he was still facing the picture.

At seven the child was gasping the crisis and still the father prayed, tears streaming down his face. The crisis passed, the child began to recover, and the father cried with joy.

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House Hears Attacks on Communism

Washington — (NCN) — House members, not only in this country, but throughout the world, in the day's primary problems, and its greatest menace is red fascism. Representative Everett Dirksen of Illinois, asserted in a speech in the House of Representatives here.

Following Mr. Dirksen, Representative John McCormack, al-

so publicly charged that "the failure to bring about permanent peace today is due to the unwillingness of the representatives of the Soviet Union to co-operate with the understanding necessary."

The Massachusetts legislator bated the conditions which prevail in Tito-ruled Yugoslavia and cited the "unfair trial, persecution and imprisonment" of Archibishop Alojzije Stepinac of Zagreb, as an example of this tyranny.

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VICTIMS TO COMMUNIST FURY



Britain Seen Surrendering Poland to Reds

London — (NCN) — Britain's moderate government, consisting of Conservatives, Labourites, and the Liberal party, has reluctantly handed over Poland to the Soviet Union, the Foreign Secretary said yesterday.

This admission of loss of the Polish territories, which were won in World War II, was made by Sir Alexander Cadogan, Foreign Secretary, in a speech to the House of Commons.

Sir Alexander said: "The Foreign Secretary has reluctantly accepted the fact that Poland is now part of the Soviet sphere of influence."

Major Hopkins told the House that the present Warsaw regime, which gained power by terror, came after an international agreement and stated Britain and the U. S. were to be allowed to exercise the power it had given Poland at the recent "Yalta" without action by Britain, now at the signature of the Yalta agreement.

He admitted, however, that the Foreign Secretary gave a speech earlier yesterday.

"Our information regarding the conduct of the Polish authorities unfortunately contains reports from reliable British correspondents which have all recently been published. The points of view of the Polish Provisional Government were extensively used to reduce to a minimum the value of those opposed to the German bloc."

Opposition Repudiated

"Opposition has of candidates in areas covering 25 per cent of the electorate were completely suppressed. Candidates and voters names were removed from the lists and candidates were arrested. Government officials, members of the Armed Forces, and many others were made to vote secretly, and other forms of intimidation and pressure were used."

"The court was conducted in conditions entirely controlled by the Government bloc."

"The Polish Government cannot regard these elections as genuine. The election conflict which the Polish Provisional Government entered into with them and with the United States Government and the Soviet Government that free and unbiased elections would be held. They cannot, therefore, regard the results as a true expression of the will of the Polish people."

"On January 8, the United

Government, which had been in office since the October 1945 election, was replaced by a coalition government.

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