## Japan to Export Beauties to America

**Tokyo— (NC)** —Five thousand imitation pearl rosaries are among the Japanese products ordered by certain buyers in the first U. export contracts signed since occupation control between Japan and overseas private firms.

The rosaries, made of glass beads with pearl dyes by an Osaka handware factory, are priced from 14 to 18 U. S. cents each, F.O.B. Japan. They will be subject to a 60 per cent import tax entering the United States and will probably meet the retail customer with a half dollar price tag.


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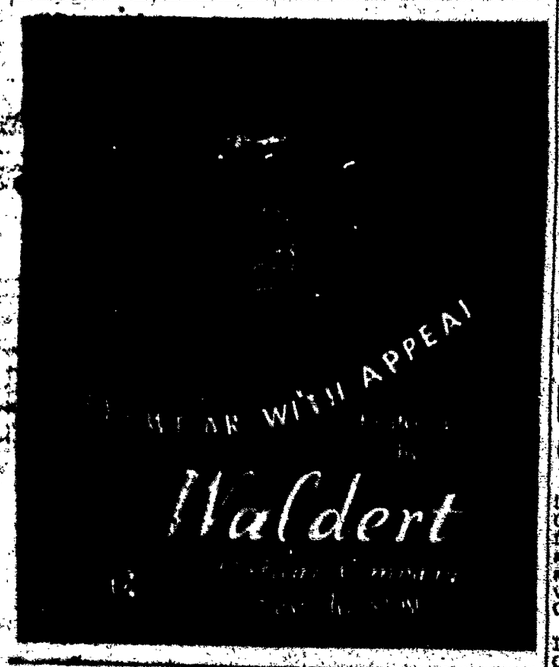




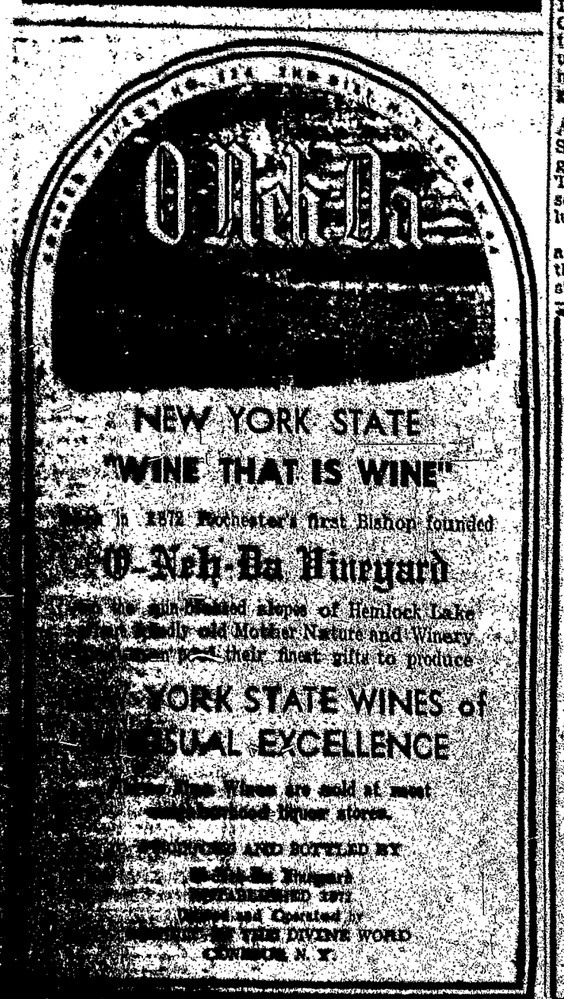



### Bishop's Plea

# Democratic Way On Trial As Europeans Starve

By GEORGE W. MONTGOMERY, Jr.
Rochester Catholic Charities

This is the season in which we Americans dedicate a day of Thanksgiving for our many blessings. God has been generous to our people. Our democratic way of life, our freedom, our material wealth—what other people have so much?

There are some things we lack — but as we look at the rest of the world today, we humbly thank God for permitting us to be the most fortunate nation of the earth.

G. Montgomery

Our Most Reverend Bishop has asked that from our plenty we share with those less fortunate peoples of Europe and Asia. Certainly the Catholics of the Rochester Diocese will respond generously to this appeal, as they have in the past.

Contributions will be handled through the National Catholic Welfare Conference and its affiliate, War Relief Services. The N.C.W.C. is one of the great sectarian relief agencies in the field. These privately supported agencies are striving desperately to stem the tide of disease and death which threatens to destroy whole populations.

**WARS OF WAR** — modern war, with its efficient agents of destruction—have left widespread devastation in Europe. Cities were virtually wiped out; homes and factories leveled; roads, railroads and canal destroyed; farm lands ruined; farm animals killed or stolen. England, which you will remember was never invaded, had one quarter of its homes destroyed. The extent of destruction in the areas in which "total war" was waged cannot be calculated.

That meant that millions were left without food or shelter. Worse, they were left without the means of providing these since the means of production—industry, agriculture and transportation—were destroyed.

These millions, remember, are not the "displaced persons" whose plight we have discussed before; these millions are hungry and shelterless in their own homeland, where they intend to remain. Friend and former foe alike are suffering.

**IN GERMANY** alone, about 14 million are homeless. Nearly 7 per cent of the German people are dependent on public relief for their support. Austria, Poland, Italy, Greece, France, Japan, all are suffering.

Of the Russian dominated countries we do not know too much, but certainly there must be suffering in these lands.

There are these millions, totally dependent on some type of relief. Part of the burden is carried by allied military governments. In some areas, local public and private relief agencies are functioning, with assistance from the various American agencies.

The number requiring total support, however, gives only a part of the picture. Whole populations are in need of certain types of assistance. These devastated countries, by mobilizing all their available resources, and inaugurating a program of rationing, are still able only to provide a diet which will barely sustain life. This diet is inadequate for the workers who must rebuild industry and agriculture. It is inadequate for children, for pregnant women and nursing mothers, for the ill and for those already weakened by years of privation.

**FOR THESE** people, the private relief agencies must supply supplementary food, if they are to survive. The resources of modern medicine must be brought to these nations, lest disease epidemics add further suffering.

Hungry, suffering people, facing starvation, disease and death, may prefer a democratic way of life, but do they have the strength to withstand the pressures from those who hold to other ideologies?

We have, therefore, a selfish interest in helping these people. It is a form of insurance.

In the spirit of charity, we have a duty to help. Our American Bishops in their statement on secularism say, "God created man and made him brother to his fellow man. He gave man the earth and all its resources to be used and developed for the good of all." We in America have been blessed by God with more than enough for our own needs. Our suffering brothers look to us for help. One of the best ways we can thank God for our blessings in this Thanksgiving season, is by doing His will, in helping these less fortunate children of His.

### CARING FOR THE LEPERS

*Missionary Sisters cheerfully dedicate their lives to the care of the lepers in far away mission fields. It is to advance their work that the annual Christmas Leper Fund Appeal is made by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.*

# Project Aids Chinese Orphans, Prelate Says

**(Archbishop Yu-pin of Nanking, China, is the Catholic representative on the Coordinating Committee of United Service to China and has also been asked to serve as an advisor on the Child Welfare Council of the Chinese Ministry of Social Affairs.)**

By ARCHBISHOP PAUL YU-PIN

**Nanking, China — (NC)** — A special one-year medical care training course inaugurated at Aurora University, for workers in Catholic child welfare project that has tremendous possibilities for Chinese Catholic orphanages and mission dispensaries.

The course has been established by a grant-in-aid from United Service to China, Inc.

The new project calls for a mobile clinic which will make regular trips to orphanages in Shanghai and its vicinity, providing physical check-ups and medical care for all the children in Catholic orphanages in that area. The clinic's services will also be available to non-Catholic institutions.

**THE NEW COURSE**, with its mobile clinic project, is a striking instance of benefits of cooperation. The Canadian Allied Relief has furnished the ambulance to be fitted as a clinic. United Service to China will pay for the nurse, doctor and the chauffeur. Workers in the institutions will be responsible for keeping the records of each child and for providing the after care prescribed by the physician. The plan might be copied with wonderful results in many other areas. Most of the 30,000 Catholic mission stations scattered all over China have dispensaries.

Another grant by USC has enabled the Fu-Jen Catholic University in Peiping to develop a child welfare training course in connection with its kindergarten, nursery school and primary school. Eighty students are already registered for the course.

**WHEN UNITED CHINA** Relief, later known as United Service to China, was set up in 1941, Catholic welfare work in China already had two important coordinating agencies of its own: the Chinese Catholic Medical Service and the Chinese Catholic Cultural Association, the former representing Catholic hospitals and dispensaries, the latter Catholic schools and colleges.

During the difficult war years the Cultural Association, whose scope is broad, made special grants to schools to keep them going, paid teachers' salaries, subsidized needy students, and indirectly arranged for scholarships for exceptional students.

It is my strong conviction that welfare agencies, to do the greatest good, must work closely together, dovetailing activities to avoid duplication, exchanging ideas and experience. Therefore, when I was invited to serve as the Catholic representative on the Coordinating Committee of United Service to China, I was very glad to accept, being thoroughly in sympathy with the objectives of the Committee and of USC.

**UNITED SERVICE** to China, which has greatly helped Catholic welfare agencies during the war years, is still aiding them today. A major USC interest is child welfare, they have received a large share of USC child welfare funds.

Early in 1946 USC made a straight grant of about $64,500 in U. S. currency to Catholic orphanages. At the present time Catholic institutions receive more than 60 per cent of the USC funds earmarked for orphanages by the American Advisory Committee, distribution agency in China for Church World Service, one of the member bodies of USC.

# Recreation Needs Religion Confraternity Meet Told

**San Antonio— (RNS)** —Warning of a tendency among adult Catholics "to divorce religion from recreation," Sister M. Rosalia of Townson, Md., urged the adoption here of planned supervised play in connection with Church vacation schools.

Speaking at the first regional Inter-American Congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, the nun pointed out that unsupervised play can present a moral hazard to both boys and girls.

Sister Rosalia's plea came after Archbishop Robert E. Lucey of San Antonio, patron of the Congress, had criticized proselyters. The archbishop cited the social services used by Protestants "to lure away Catholic youth."

"For catechism they substitute a swimming pool," he said, "for the rosary a scouting troop; instead of sacraments, a summer camp."

Archbishop Lucey added that he did not attempt to minimize the "subsidiary" value of athletics, handicrafts and scouting "as a means to an end—at times an indispensable means because some youth will not begin to come to our centers for religious instruction alone."

### Vandals Smash Statue

**Perusalem— (RNS)** —Unidentified persons broke into the garden of the Ratisbon Monastery here, occupied by the Fathers of St. Pierre, a French Roman Catholic teaching order, and smashed a statue of the Virgin Mary. The monastery is situated in the Jewish quarter of the city.

### At Our House

# Markie's Homework Gains Boost in Family Budget

By MARY TINLEY DALY

There was a good movie at our neighborhood theater today—on the A list. Allowances had been saved, Sunday dinner over, Eileen, Markie and Mary were all set to see the movie through twice — as usual — and still get home before dark.

As they were putting on their coats, I said: "Let's see your homework."

Mary Daly

Eileen and Mary handed over carefully done papers. Not so Markie. One time she did her home work on Friday and had to stay home Monday with a cold. She has never gotten over the futility of it.

Eileen and Mary went their way, stuffing candy bars in coat pockets for movie munching.

"I'll get this out of the way fast," said Markie. "See you!"

**UNFORTUNATELY**, this was not the "fast" sort. Fifth grade arithmetic, it seems, goes in for "think problems."

Markie read the first problem aloud: "Mrs. Miller's budget allows $75 a month for groceries. She spent $2 a day for 30 days. How much of her $75 did she have left?"

(And what did she do with it, I wondered—get a new hat?)

Markie chewed her pencil. "Let's see $2 a day for 30 days makes $60—and she had $75. So now she has $135. There's one done!" she announced triumphantly. "I'll catch that first show."

"Markie," I said, exasperated "How could Mrs. Miller have more left after buying groceries for a month than she had to begin with?"

"You mean it's wrong?"

Mrs Miller and her groceries were a sore trial but finally Markie gave her the right change. "I see," she said, "you just multiply the last two figures and take 'em away from the first . . ."

**PROBLEM NO. 2** was about William. William, it seems, was setting himself up in business. He paid $50 for rent, bought 25 pounds of coffee at 23 cents a pound, and the author wondered how deep William was thus far in his business venture.

Markie knew at once, now that she had the magic formula: multiply 25 by .23 and take it away from the $50 store rent and William still had left $44.25!

"That's wrong, too, Markie," I said, growing impatient. "Think!"

Markie thought—and cried. She glanced at the clock, dried her eyes on her skirt, glanced at the clock again.

Between tears, pencil chewing —and some help—we got William straightened out. (I should have seen that she did her homework when she could put her mind on it—but I hadn't—so . . .)

**AS WE STARTED** Problem 3, some ladies came to call.

"Daddy's in his study," I said. "When you get that next problem finished, get him to look it over and then go on to the movies."

While we were having tea, Markie came in quietly and asked: "What did you pay for the leg of lamb we had for dinner? Daddy wants to know."

"It cost $4.20," I whispered.

In a few minutes the back door slammed and Markie was off to the movie, her troubles behind her.

**NEXT MORNING**, I gave Markie's final problem a glance —then a hard stare. It read:

"Mrs. Lane bought a 6-lb. leg of lamb at 20 cents a pound. How much did she have left out of $3.00?"

Markie's answer read. "Mrs. Lane had to go home and ask Mr. Lane for $1.50 cents more. Her leg of lamb cost $4.50.

Of course Markie, her mind on the movie, had added the cost of the meat to Mrs. Lane's modest allotment!

Sternly, I confronted the Head of the House.

"I do think," I began, "that you could at least help her with one problem."

"But I did," he said. "Markie said a lady was getting a leg of lamb and the figure she got for an answer was pretty close to the one you said you paid for our leg of lamb—so I knew the problem must be right. These problems are supposed to be realistic, aren't they?"

**WHOOPS!** I thought, inspired to act on the advice I had been giving Markie—maybe I'd better start thinking out my problems too. If the Head of the House ever saw how economically Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Miller and the other women in the book handled their households—and that they always had change to bring home —that allowance of mine never would be increased.

"You did just right," I smiled at him. "And these problems show how much it costs to live these days, don't they?"

"Yep," answered the Head of the House. "I hadn't quite realized it before. Maybe you need a little more money . . .?"

Fifth-grade arithmetic properly approached—can certainly be made interesting!

## Gandhi Gets Book On 'Little Flower'

**London— (NC)** —Bishop Francis T. Roche, S.J., first native Bishop of Tuticorin, India, told a Manchester audience that he sent Mohandas K. Gandhi a copy of St. Teresa's autobiography while the Hindu spiritual leader was in prison for political activities.

"Whether he read it or not, or again whether it did him any good or not, I cannot say," the Bishop added. The autobiography is titled "The Little Way."

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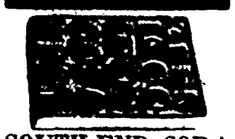
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