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Missionaries Carry On In Red Held China

Hong Kong, (NC) — Reports received here from seven separate mission areas in Red-held China indicate that the Church is carrying on its work, but amid increasing difficulties. These difficulties vary from area to area and seem to depend largely on the attitude of the local communist officials.

Word from the Kaileng arch diocese in Honan province states that the Red policy of toleration has lightened considerably since the first months of communist rule. In some towns the missioners have been unofficially asked to leave. Both in Kaileng and in the surrounding towns mission buildings have been occupied.

A FEW CATHOLICS are reported to have fallen away but the religious fervor of most of the faithful has been strengthened. The cathedral is crowded for Sunday Mass, and it is estimated that a third of the Catholics receive Communion each Sunday.

At Lih in the Ichow diocese, lying halfway between Peiping and Shanghai, the missionaries and nuns have been warned by authorities that it would be "unsafe" to carry on work at outlying mission posts. Services are being held regularly in the cathedral, but army officers have occupied the mission compound.

REPORTS FROM Sinsiang, the capital of the newly created province of Pingyuan, state that the Catholic middle school, Fu Yu, has obtained recognition from the authorities. Enrollment is heavy. The Catholic primary school at Sinsiang and three primary schools in outlying towns have also received permission to continue. However, some 14 smaller primary schools and 21 prayer or rudimentary schools have been closed.

The Catholic hospital at Sinsiang remains open and is widely patronized, the clinic giving about 80 free treatments to the poor daily. Three smaller outlying hospitals are carrying on. Two dispensaries, at Tsiaotao and Wangyu, have received official recognition and will soon reopen.

Two Fathers of the Society of the Divine Word at Sinsiang got into trouble with the Red authorities. One of the Fathers, a teacher at Fu Yu school, was cited for having boxed the ear of a pupil who had kicked him. The other, the Rev. John Schiette, founder and director of the school, was accused of hiring a former nationalist soldier as a teacher, and of deterring Catholic students through religious instructions and sermons, from joining Red party movements. When the Red officials found they could not get the support of the people in their cases against the priests, the cases were dropped.

There has been no interruption of church services in Sinsiang. However, obstacles are growing in the rural areas. In some villages, Catholics have been prohibited from going to church, praying in public or having contact with priests. Priests in Sinsiang have not been given travel permits to visit outlying missions.

REPORTS FROM Tsiangto state that five Chinese priests there are carrying on pastoral work without much interference. Convert classes are continuing, the mission is still issuing its publications and attendance at

Mass is described as very good. However, the Red demand for taxes makes it improbable that the mission can reopen its schools.

From Pongpu diocese the word is that priests as well as nuns will be barred from teaching in the Catholic schools. The schools, with some 10,000 pupils, are said to be only nominally in the hands of the mission. Religious tracts explaining the Catholic religion, which were printed for distribution among interested inquirers, have been seized by police.

Reports from Tungchow in Shensi province state that the missionaries are continuing their work without molestation. However, because of the unsettled situation they have not attempted to reopen the seminary.

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Church In Japan Increases Nine Percent

Tokyo, (NC) — The Catholic population of Japan as of June 30, 1949, totaled 130,388, an increase of 9.4 per cent as compared with the previous year, according to statistics just released by the Apostolic Delegation here. This figure is 19.3 per cent above the 1947 total.

Six of the dioceses showed an increase of 2 per cent or more in their Catholic population for the year, viz. Hiroshima (28 per cent), Kyoto (25 per cent), Yokohama (24 per cent), Sendai (22 per cent), Tokyo and Miyazaki (20 per cent). Five others had an increase of more than 15 per cent: Nagoya (19 per cent) and Sapporo, Niigata, Shikoku and Urawaza each of which showed an increase of roughly 17 per cent.

TWO DIOCESES netted more than 1,000 adult baptisms last year. Tokyo (11,727) and Osaka (11,229), while four others had over 500, as follows: Yokohama (903), Hiroshima (714), Kyoto (600) and Sapporo (569). The total of adult baptisms for the year was 8,226, an increase of 20 per cent over 1948 when the total was 6,875.

The total of all baptisms, including children and those in danger of death was 18,854, as compared with 17,606 last year, an increase of 7 per cent.

A HOPEFUL SIGN for the future is to be seen in the statistics for catechumens, who now number 19,693, as compared with 15,278 last year, an increase for the past 12 months of 29 per cent.

Two dioceses had an increase of more than 100 per cent in the number of their catechumens during the past year, viz. Yokohama (182 per cent) and Nagoya (162 per cent). Three other ecclesiastical areas showed an increase of more than 30 per cent in their catechumens, viz. Osaka (35 per cent), Sendai (33 per cent) and Niigata (31 per cent), while two others showed an increase of more than 20 per cent: Shikoku (26 per cent) and Kyoto (22 per cent).

Society Helps Unbaptized Japanese Girls

Tokyo, (NC) — A special feature of a two-day retreat preached by Father Kyuno at Futaba Girls' School in Tokyo was a ceremony marking the admission of new members into the Society of St. Emerentiana. The society was established there in 1932 by Father Arvin of the Paris Mission Society for girls who wish to be baptized but cannot get permission from their parents.

The society has had a total of about 150 members, of whom about one-half have since entered the Church. All members pledge themselves to live like Catholics and to receive baptism as soon as they are free to do so. Many of the original members are now nuns.

Negro Missions Grow In Mississippi

Hattiesburg, Miss. — (NC) — The tenth mission for Negroes in Mississippi under direction of the Society of the Divine Word, has been established here by Bishop Richard O. Gerow of Natchez. The patron for the mission has not yet been decided, but Bishop Gerow has named the Rev. Thomas Megan, S.V.D., as pastor, and the Rev. Joseph Paul, M.M., assistant pastor. "Teach Ster, S.V.D., assistant pastor. Ye All Nations."

Society's Origin In 'Comic Book'

New York, (NC) — The origin of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is described in a comic-style booklet released here in preparation for Mission Sunday, Oct. 23. The booklet was prepared and published by the Catechetical Guild of St. Paul, and the Rev. Joseph Paul, M.M., assistant pastor. "Teach Ster, S.V.D., assistant pastor. Ye All Nations."

1948 Report—Propagation of Faith Society—Diocese of Rochester

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Mission Sunday	\$ 54,214.68	Foreign Missions	\$ 24,547.94
Wills	1,264.37	Home Missions	13,204.73
Miscellaneous Income	293.76	Catholic Near East	1,445.13
Designated Gifts	41,148.59	Donations	25.00
Mass Stipends	39,980.88	Designated Gifts	31,513.20
Missionary Plan	49,813.75	Mass Stipends	39,980.88
Holy Childhood	21,491.22	Missionary Plan	49,006.33
		Holy Childhood	15,925.83
		Office Expenses	15,544.01
Total	\$ 208,207.25	Total	\$ 191,193.05
		Balance	\$ 17,014.20

*Mission Sunday receipts include Ordinary Memberships, \$27,754.50; Special Memberships, \$1,686.60; Perpetual Memberships, \$2,016.00; Missionary Union of the Clergy, \$4.00; Collections, \$16,836.97; Donations, \$3,393.31.

Chinese Watchmaker Fixes Missioner's Aching Tooth

Laiho, China. — (NC) — Thanks to a watchmaker, a Maryknoll Missioner stationed here no longer suffers from toothaches.

The Rev. Joseph W. Regan, a native of Fairhaven, Mass., lost a filling recently. Since China's dentists are few, he had to travel 80 miles to Kwelin to obtain relief.

GUIDED BY a Chinese lad, Father Regan visited a doctor in a large office building, where a white-coated man painted the tooth with iodine and wrote a prescription for throat gargle. The Maryknoll priest thought this was a strange procedure, when the boy said:

"We made a mistake. That man was an ear and throat doctor, not a dentist." They finally located a dental office, but the dentist said he had no material for filling teeth. He recommended they visit a doctor at the hospital, who how-

ever, was on a two-week vacation.

SINCE THERE were no more dentists, Father Regan thought he would have to suffer for two more weeks. But the Chinese lad suggested they visit a watchmaker. The watchmaker had a stand on one of Kwelin's main streets. Before a crowd of curious bystanders, the watchmaker filled the cavity with cement.

"I do not know how hygienic the job was," said Father Regan, "but the filling stayed in my tooth. The next day I returned to Laiho without my toothache. Thanks to a watchmaker in Kwelin who had a tube of all-purpose cement!"

'Knapsack Missioners' Aid Priest-Less German Areas

Frankfurt, Germany — (NC) — "We are just knapsack missionaries," said the two young priests when first they set out on an adventurous visit to some lonely villages in the Schleswig peninsula districts where Mass had not been said in many a month and numerous Catholic refugees had virtually lost all contact with their Church.

THE KNAPSACK was meant literally, for the two priests, members of a religious congregation, were using their vacation and proceeding without a cent in their pockets. Their knapsacks held all their belongings, and they were meager indeed. The Roman collar was their only identification when they stopped at farm houses along the road.

Wherever good people offered them a place to stretch out, and

perhaps a modest meal, they would accept, and then concentrate on their priestly duties as best they could, straightening out marriage problems, baptizing children, hearing confessions, and often saying Mass in barns and stables to bring Our Lord to people starving for the Bread of Life.

BY NOW THE "knapsack missions" have become widely known in those parts. Other priests have taken up the idea, filling a need that is truly immense—for every fifth Catholic in Germany today is a refugee or expellee, and of these stranded millions, the majority reside in districts formerly predominantly Protestant and deprived of Catholic churches and priests.

One of the "knapsack missionaries" relates that he covered "800 miles by rail, 3,000 miles by bicycle and 308 miles afoot in foot months."

Mexican Mission Seminary Dedicated

Mexico City, (CN) — Five hundred persons, including 18 members of the Mexican Hierarchy, were present at a Mass in the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, which preceded the blessing and dedication of the Mexican Foreign Mission Seminary.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS' REPORT 1948			
	Designated Gifts	Holy Childhood Stipends	Total
St. Bernard Seminary	\$ 3,638.73	\$5.00	\$ 3,643.73
St. Andrew Seminary	773.00		773.00
Nazareth College	1,416.87		1,416.87
Aquinas Institute	19,000.00		19,000.00
Academy of the Sacred Heart	153.75		153.75
Nazareth Academy	1,433.88	\$100.00	\$ 1,533.88
Our Lady of Mercy High	2,911.35		2,911.35
St. Agnes Institute	85.50		85.50
Nazareth Model School	18.00		18.00
Nazareth Hall	464.50		464.50
St. Joseph's Villa	18.00		18.00

HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, MISSION GROUPS		
(1948 Report)		
	Mission Sunday	Designated Gift Total
St. Anne's Home	\$ 179.25	\$ 229.25
	Mass Stipends . 50.00	
St. Mary's Hospital	133.90	133.90
St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira	504.00	504.00
	Mass Stipends . 504.00	
Soldiers' Home, Bath	50.00	50.00
Veterans' Hospital	36.00	36.00
Catholic Mission Guild	481.00	481.00
	Mass Stipends . 1.00	
Little Flower Guild	147.00	147.00
Holy Name Society, St. Salome's Parish	23.00	23.00
League of the Sacred Heart, St. Jerome's Parish, East Rochester	75.00	75.00
Sacred Heart Society, St. Michael's Parish, Newark	100.00	100.00