

Night Of Horror

Vatican Radio Describes Red Raids On Czech Monasteries

Vienna — (NC) — Horror and terror mark the latest reports of persecution of the Catholic Church in Czechoslovakia as brought to light by Vatican Radio broadcasts corroborated by reports gathered through refugee channels.

Only now details are becoming available of what is described as a "night of horror" April 13-14, in Czechoslovakia, and especially in Slovakia. This was the night when large numbers of monasteries were raided and religious were taken to "concentration monasteries."

According to witnesses, they performed their duty in such a way that no one was hurt. Many were seen resting among the ruins.

CONSECRATION FOLLOWS



3000 Rev. Fr. Joseph (right), 30, pictured leaving Santa Maria Dei Anima Church in Rome, following his consecration as Cardinal Archbishop of Vienna. He will assist Cardinal Inzoli, Archbishop of Vienna, in April, he caused a world-wide sensation by rescuing the post and declaring during ceremonies that he considered himself unworthy. Pope Pius XII rejected his decision. He is shown with Bishop Alois Hudal, of the Austrian Church in Rome. (Wide World Photo) (NCWC)

THE BLACK NIGHT of April 13-14, according to the Vatican Radio, is one that Catholics are not likely to forget. All through the night Catholic religious were arrested and rounded up by communist police and taken in jammed trucks to the "concentration monasteries," which are about the only ones that still exist. They have become prison camps surrounded by cordons of Red police.

On that night Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, was in a state of siege, refugee reports said. The police surrounded the monasteries of the Jesuit Fathers, Franciscans, Redemptorists and Salesians in the capital, the Jesuit and Franciscan monasteries at Trnava and the monastery of the Holy Comforter Fathers near Bratislava. Churches belonging to these monasteries have been pillaged.

POLICE REFUGES said, forced their way into these monasteries with rifle butts and bayonets and occupied them after they were evacuated. Valuable objects such as chalices and Mass vestments disappeared.

The "concentration monasteries" are places of horror, they say. The Red police took most of the basic necessities, even handkerchiefs. They are packed into small rooms in large numbers. Masses begin at 2 a.m., with the small supply of Mass wine vanishing. Refugees also said it is reported that the religious held in the concentration monasteries will be indoctrinated with Marxism and forced to break away from the Church or forever lose their right to do their pastoral duties. Forced labor camps saw many deaths.

Forced inmates of brutality were said to have accompanied the invasion of the monasteries. After friars opened the doors, the people outside heard screams and commotion inside. Priests were carried from one monastery to another, some had to seek first aid for bleeding wounds.

Hostilities discontinued occurred in many of the devoted churches. Some of the ordinary Slovakian police were said to have helped in making these raids, and the factory militia, who fortified themselves with wine, were called upon. Ac-

Judge McGohey Red Foe, Lauds Budenz Efforts

New York — (NC) — Among the many letters received by the Very Rev. Laurence J. McGinley, S.J., president of Fordham University, commenting on his statement in defense of Louis F. Budenz, was one from Judge John F. X. McGohey.

Now on the Federal bench, Judge McGohey successfully prosecuted the 11 communist leaders before Federal Judge Harold R. Medina last year. Mr. Budenz was one of the government's chief witnesses at that time.

WITH JUDGE McGohey's permission, Father McGinley released the text of a letter written to Mr. Budenz after the Fordham professor had been attacked by Senator Dennis Chavez of New Mexico on the Senate floor. The attack had been made in connection with Mr. Budenz's testimony on communists in a Senate committee investigation.

Judge McGohey writes: "I am now sufficiently out of the shock of the most recent attack upon you to write you. I've read in the Daily Worker and heard in the court room similar things about you, and about myself too. I had never believed it possible that they would be repeated on its floor to foul the atmosphere of the United States Senate. What has now happened, however, shows how much must sometimes be suffered for truth, for justice and for our country."

"THE RECORD demonstrates that your testimony always in response to subpoena, has never been successfully refuted. The reason is, of course, your meticulous regard for truth, as I know from extensive personal experience. If more is needed, it is only necessary to cite the records of the Department of Justice. They will reveal that Attorney General have called on you and, through their assistants and United States Attorneys, successfully based important criminal and deportation cases upon your testimony. They thus watched for you as a man to be believed by others as they themselves believed you. It is unthinkable that they would have called you if they did not thus vouch for you."

"You will never, I'm sure, refuse duty through fear of personal discomfort. May God give you health to continue your patriotic service which millions of Americans, including my family and myself, value and thank you for. With all good wishes to you and your lovely family."

Second Motor Chapel Columbia, S.C. — (NC) — The Dominican missionaries of the South Carolina have launched their second motor chapel.

And Who Is Jim Brennan?



Three student-lawyers, who claim to be "Jim Brennan," argue their cases before Rev. Edward A. McGrath, S. J., professor of jurisprudence and regent of Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee. Baptismal records prove that each is right. Left to right they are: James Edmund Brennan, Sioux City, Ia.; James Boden Brennan and James Butler Brennan, former Notre Dame football star, Milwaukee, Wis. Father McGrath was convinced. (NC Photos)

Million Dollar School Dedicated

Sioux City (NC) Archbishop Henry P. Bohman of Duquesne presided at the dedication of the new million-dollar Aetna Catholic High School here.

The new school was officially named Heelan High School by Bishop Joseph M. Mueller of Sioux City, in memory of the second bishop of Sioux City who began the project but died before the new school was completed.

The co-educational high school is staffed by diocesan priests. Sisters from several religious communities, and Catholic laymen and women.

Red Persecution In Europe Reported 'In Full Flood'

London — (NC) The Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain, Archbishop William Godfrey, has warned the Catholics of this country against any tendency to forget the communist assault upon the Church in Europe or to think that it is diminishing.

Speaking he said, "on instructions, Archbishop Godfrey told a Catholic conference at Wording, Sussex: 'The persecution in Europe is in full flood'."

"THERE IS A Cardinal in prison," he said. "There is an Archbishop in prison. Priests and layfolk are deprived of their liberty because of their Faith."

"As memory grows dim there is a danger of our becoming complacent. We must not let the matter go by default. Very scanty space is allotted by the press to these matters, yet here is a question of life and death. We even see the persecutor painted as a gentleman, as a man who is merely doing in his country a job of 'domestication' — 'domestication, not persecution.' We Catholics cannot accept that. A theistic communism originated in godlessness and has developed in godless."

British Bishops In School Fight

London — (NC) — The Bishops of England and Wales have declared their determination to continue their fight for equal assistance to Catholic and state schools despite the latest government refusal to extend full financial assistance to Catholic schools to meet the costs of new requirements.

"The fight will continue," declared Bishop Andrew Beck, chairman of the Catholic Education Council. "The hierarchy, he stated, has not withdrawn its proposals for Government help to reduce the colossal bill of 50,000,000 pounds (\$140,000,000) facing them to enlarge, improve and establish school premises under latest legislation. The Bishop said that efforts to continue the schools fight are being prepared and he called on all Catholics. In a statement issued to the press, to keep worry-

ing their Members of Parliament and local authorities. Despite the failure to secure any assistance, the Bishop pointed to the increased sympathy for the Catholic voluntary schools shown in the recent parliamentary debate as an indication that the campaign was bearing fruit.

Crowds Watch Yokosuka, Japan — (NC) — Crowds estimated at 20,000 looked on as 2,000 persons paraded through the main streets of this naval base city in the annual procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

Hungarian Priests In Labor Camps

London (RNS) — Many Roman Catholic priests are among political prisoners being sent to concentration camps in the eastern part of Communist controlled Hungary, a Vatican Radio broadcast charged. The broadcast was transmitted in several foreign languages.

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