

Paper Stresses Vatican Stand On Jerusalem

By G. M. BRUNNETT
Rome (NC) - The Holy See Army adheres to its traditional position that an international regime for Jerusalem and its environs is essential in order to guarantee respect and safety for the Holy Places.

This was made clear in a front-page editorial in Il Quotidiano, Italian Catholic Action paper, in commenting on reports of a new "compromise" proposal worked out by Netherlands and Canadian delegates to the United Nations along with Swiss experts.

The proposal abandons the idea of an international status for Jerusalem and substitutes a mere guarantee for Holy Places based on an extra-territorial status.

Il Quotidiano's editorial points out that the Holy See's position has been made clear four times beyond any possibility of error in the encyclical Multiplicibus and Redemptoris Nostri, the apostolic exhortation of November 16, 1949, and the Christmas message of His Holiness Pope Pius XII of that year.

The editorial summarizes the position of the Holy See on the question as follows:

- 1. An international regime for Jerusalem and its environs;
2. Protection and safety of Holy Places outside of that territory, with free access;
3. Liberty for all Catholics in Jerusalem;
4. Protection of historical Catholic rights.

Regarding reported references in the "compromise" plan to the juridical position of Vatican City in Italy, the editorial reserves judgment pending further clarification, but reminds that the Vatican City State arose from a 70-year-old de facto situation.

It is not correct to speak of the "extra-territoriality" of Vatican City, the editorial says, pointing out that "Vatican City is juridically an independent sovereign state like any other."

League Admission Refused In Texas

Austin, Tex. (RNS) - A request for the admittance of private and parochial schools into the Texas International League was turned down at a meeting of the league's advisory council.

Mear East Missions

Francis Cardinal Spellman, President
Rev. Thomas J. Mahoney, Nat'l Sec'y
Rev. Wm. Keith Dunn
Rev. Andrew H. Rogosh
Rev. Joseph E. Connolly

Building Bishop

Typical of the vigorous Catholic Eastern Rite leaders is energetic young Bishop Isaac Obadiah of Thebes in Egypt.

After a recent tour of his territory stretched along the Nile in the ancient land of the Pharaohs, he wrote, "If the material condition of the Diocese of Thebes leaves much to be desired, the moral and spiritual aspects are remaining and healthy the hope of rich harvests."

Church and schools are the greatest need right now for his 12,000 people, especially in Tama, Kom-Oshib and Mathia.

"Upon this rock I will build my Church," he quotes and points out that "rock," "build" and "Church" are the key words therein contained.

Will you help this building Bishop? \$2000 raises a chapel; \$75 gives it an altar; \$10 will furnish a table, seats or set of benches. Which will be your memorial in ancient Thebes?

Dean Acheson Asked To Protest University Seizure

Chicago (NC) - The Rev. Ralph Thyken, S.V.D., national director for the Society of the Divine Word, Catholic Universities, has requested the State Department to protest the seizure of its Catholic University of Peking (Fu Jen) by the communist China government.

In a letter addressed to Secretary of State Dean Acheson, Father Thyken wrote: "We have been urged by thousands of our friends and benefactors to place a request before you asking the State Department to launch a complaint against the present Communist Government of Peiping, China, for having taken over by sheer force, the administration and property of our Catholic University of Peking (Fu Jen) in Peiping, China. This university had been founded and maintained with American money and had been managed under American auspices," wrote Father Thyken.

"Since 1926, when the University started, we Americans have financed it and our friends and benefactors feel, and rightly so, that our Government should protest to the present Communist Government in Peiping that they are molesting American property. We likewise beg of you to give proper and secure protection to our American Fathers who are still in Peiping, China," concluded the letter.

The Society of the Divine Word Fathers also conduct Catholic Universities in Nagoya, Japan and San Carlos, Philippine Islands.

'Souls Before Buildings' Japan Missionary's Slogan

Kyoto, Japan (NC) - "Catholics before property; souls before buildings," is the formula of an American missionary who now has 200 villages under instruction in this area.

The Rev. Leo J. Steinbach, Maryknoll Missioner from Iowa, has demonstrated what "first things first" means in his own work. While keeping expenses for mission property and buildings at a minimum, he has emphasized ways and means of reaching masses of people.

THROUGH THE St. Vincent de Paul Society founded by Father Steinbach three years ago, 1200 poor families receive food every week. Through a mobile "church on wheels" he and a group of volunteer catechists from the Maryknoll parish here are providing doctrinal instruction for some 1,500 people in 20 nearby villages.

"We know that the communists have made great strides in this country," he says. "But they are not, however, spending much money on property or buildings. Rather, they concentrate on training leaders, distributing vast amounts of literature, printing all kinds of posters, providing their agents with loudspeakers and sending them from place to place to spread their teachings."

"If they have won many to their way of thinking by such means, why should not we Catholics use similar tactics even though we should be forced thereby to curtail some of our property and building expenses?"

"While some solid bases of operation are necessary, we do not need as many as formerly because of our improved means of transportation," he goes on. "By locating a number of priests in one place, some will be free to visit outlying villages by jeep, using local town halls as churches. In 20 separate places in Kyoto area we use village halls free of charge for catechetical instruction and for Mass."

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Other reports given by the refugees read like this: "There is no religious life. Our church has been closed. Our priest has disappeared. We have not been at Mass for a long time. When our family meets in the evening we pray. We try to listen to Vatican Czech broadcasts but they are heavily jammed. We know nothing about neighboring parishes. We know nothing about our Bishop."

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Czech Monks In Russian Slave Camps

By JOSEF WENZL
Linz, Austria (NC) - Refugees recently escaping from communist Czechoslovakia are convinced that numerous monks ousted from their monasteries have been taken to slave labor camps in Russia.

News from these refugees is often second-hand and vague in details. But the one fact of which they seem certain is that large numbers of monks - priests and lay brothers - have been deported to the Soviet Union.

ONE REFUGEE related that Slovak villagers on the Russian border in Cernna, easternmost Slovakia, managed to speak with prisoners passing through there. The prisoners were being hauled in box cars and believed they were headed for Siberia. The prisoners, numbering about 300, stated they were monks. They had long been without food or drink. Many were sick. Most were dressed in rags.

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Christ's Mother 'Will See Me Through,' George Bernard Shaw Once Told Nun; Catholic Press Pays Old Foe Tribute

London (NC) - Britain's Catholic press paid surprisingly generous tribute to the late George Bernard Shaw.

Despite heavy newspaper rationing, all four principal Catholic papers devoted lengthy articles and precious space to the Catholic Times put it. "The Tragedy of Shaw," their redoubtable opponent in this country for so many years.

An old antagonist, W. R. Titterton, poet, essayist and ardent follower of those two great British Catholics, the late G. K. Chesterton and Hilaire Belloc, writes in the Catholic Weekly, The Universe:

"SHAW BEGAN as a complete anarchist without anything-God or country - to be loyal to, except his impregnable loyalty to himself. And so, of course, he ended up as a totalitarian with himself as one of the potential bosses."

"So he who began as the author of Mrs. Warren's Profession" the campaign against literary censorship, ended by justifying the bloody censorship of Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia. "

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Soviets Bar Christmas In East Germany

By MAX JORDAN
Berlin (NC) - War on Christmas has been declared by the Red rulers of Soviet-occupied Eastern Germany.

A special decree orders toy manufacturers in Thuringia entirely to discontinue the production of Christmas tree trimmings - except for export purposes - and especially of angel and Santa Klaus figures on the ground that "they are unimportant and not in keeping with the social conditions of our day."

TO PROVIDE a substitute, the manufacturers are told to produce toy soldiers and dolls dressed in the uniforms of the Communist Youth organizations and carrying communist emblems.

At the same time all public Christmas observances bearing a religious note are formally banned. In the state-controlled factories the customary Christmas celebrations will be replaced by broadcasts of the Russian jolka (Christmas tree) festival directly relayed from Moscow and carried by all stations of the Soviet zone.

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BOY, DOG AND ROSARY



Considered the best of many pictures taken during Father Patrick Peyton's Rosary Crusade Rally in the Diocese of Crookston, Minn., in this shot of Kenny Baker, who insisted on keeping his dog at his side while saying the Rosary. Photo was taken by an amateur photographer, Dianne Ellington, 19, news editor of "Our Northland Diocese" of Crookston and an editor of that paper's daily newscast. (NC Photos)

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