

# 141 Missioners In Red China Jails

Hong Kong — (NC) — The names of 141 foreign Catholic missionaries jailed in Red China have been released by responsible Church officials here.

The list includes the names of 18 Bishops and Archbishops, four of them American. In addition to the four Bishops, ten other American missionaries are listed.

The list carries the name of one Canadian-born Bishop and 14 other Canadian missionaries. It also includes 22 Italians, 26 Germans, 41 French missionaries, 12 Belgians, three Dutch priests, two Irish priests, five Spaniards and one Polish nun.

THE NAMES of all the American and Canadian missionaries and of the other foreign Bishops and Archbishops follows:

Americans: Bishops Philip Cote of Suichow, a Jesuit of Lawrence, Mass.; Francis X. Ford of Kaying, a Brooklyn Maryknoller; Rembert Kowalski of Wuchang, a Franciscan of Calumet, Ill.; and Ambrose Pinger of Chongtuan, a Franciscan of Lindsay, Neb.

Also Magr Eugene Fahy, S.J., Prefect Apostolic of Yanchow and native of San Francisco. The Revs. Paul Ullinger, C.P., of Pittsburgh; Raymond Gaspard, M.M., of Minneapolis; James Thornton, S.J., of San Francisco; Fulgence Gross, O.F.M., of Omaha; Sigfried Schneider, O.F.M., of Louisville; William Ryan, S.J., of Santa Barbara, Cal.; Harold Ripney, S.V.D., of Chicago; and Brother Matthew Swift, S.V.D., of Waseca, Wis. and Sister Joan Marie Ryan, a Maryknoller of the Bronx, N. Y.

Canadians: Bishop Cuthbert O'Garra of Yuanling, Passionist from Ottawa, Magr Gustave Prevost, Prefect Apostolic of Lintung and Quebec Foreign Missioner from Montreal, the Revs. Arceneus Mullen, O.F.M. of Montreal, Didarch Aran, O.F.M., of Three Rivers; Eugene Lauzon, S.J., of Alberta; Maurice Begin, S.J., of Montreal, and Philippe Quimet, S.J., of Montreal.

Also Sisters Alphonse du Remedeur of Ste. Dorothee, Que.; Marie Germaine of St. Prosper, Que.; Victor of Nashua, N.H. (with Canadian passport); Ste. Fol of La Baie de Fevre; Paule Alex and Raymond Marie of Hannord.

Italian Archbishops and Bishops: Archbishops Petronio Lachio, O.F.M. of Changaha, and Luke Capozzi, O.F.M. of Talyuan, and Bishops Fulgence Pasini, O.F.M. of Sanyuan; Ferruccio

## Ousted



Rev. Mark A. Tennison, of Pittsford, Vt. (above, 51 Maryknoll missionary in South China for the past 23 years, arrived in Hong Kong with this long beard, following eleven months in a communist jail. The priest will be remembered by many Americans who have seen him on television in the film, "The Miracle of Blue Cloud Country," which narrated the tremendous conversion movement launched by Father Tennison in the Wuchow diocese.

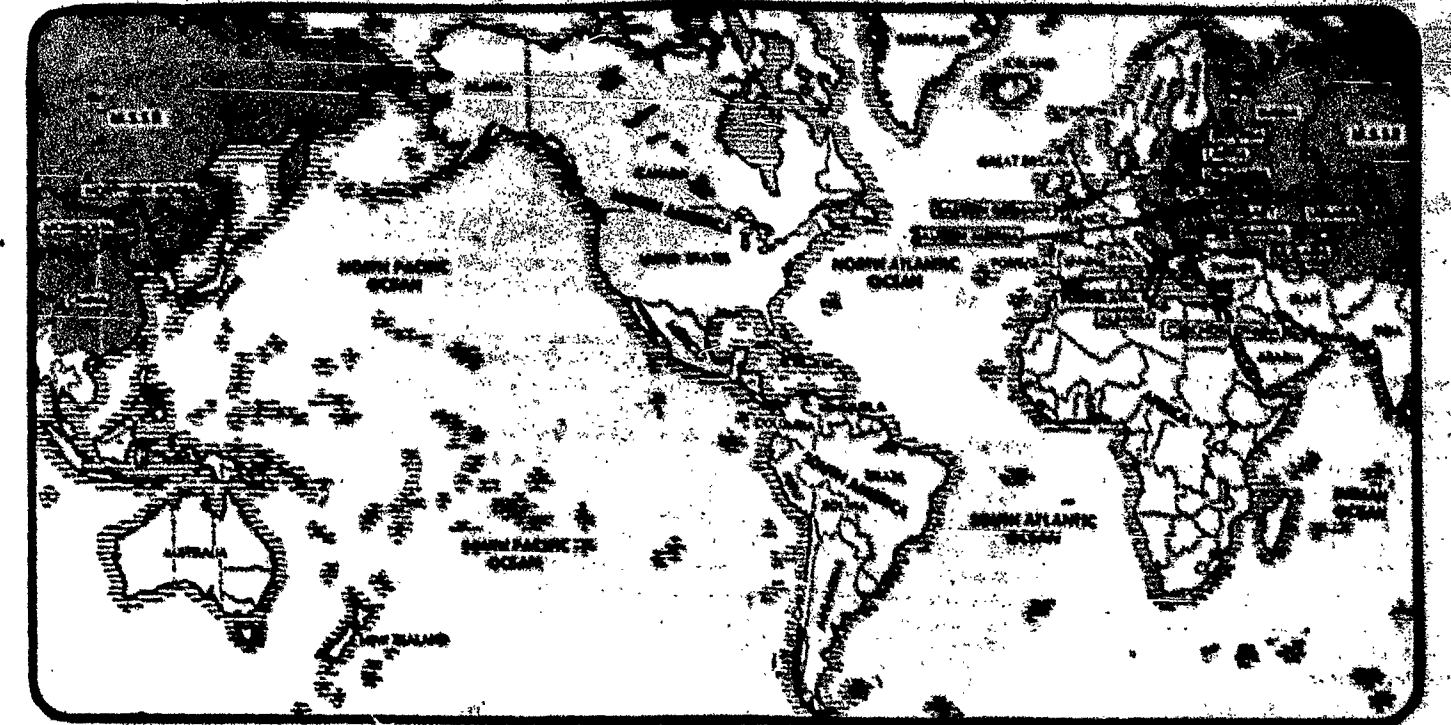
Ceol, O.F.M. of Kichow and Joseph Maggi of Hanchung, a member of the Pontifical Institute of Foreign Missions.

German Archbishop and Bishops: Archbishop Rudolph Jarre, O.F.M. of Tsinan, and Bishops Karl Weber S.V.D. of Ichow, and August Olbert, S.V.D. of Tsinan.

French Archbishops and Bishops: Archbishop Louis Jantzen, Administrator Apostolic of Chungking, and Alexander Derouineau of Kuming, and Bishops Silvester Valentin of Kangting, Rene Boisguerin of Suifu, and J. Paulin Albouy of Nan.

All are members of the Paris Foreign Mission Society.

# Where Reds War On Church—17 Countries



In the call to a nationwide day of prayer and reparation, Sunday, December 30, the American Bishops have focused attention on the countries where persecution of the church now rages. In this map of the world the artist has shaded the 17 countries, all behind the Iron Curtain, where countless millions are suffering from the Red persecutors warring on Christianity.

—a persecution without parallel in modern history. The countries specifically named by the bishops of the United States in the call for a day of prayer are: Russia, the Ukraine, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Eastern Germany, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Soviet Austria, Mongolia, China and North Korea. (NC Photos)

# Blackout Hits China Christmas

Hong Kong — (NC) — This year's Christmas in Red China had none of the joy and triumph of singing angels and rejoicing shepherds. It reflected only the poverty and privation of Bethlehem's stable.

China's three and one-half million Catholics were deprived of public midnight Masses. The privilege of celebrating the first Mass of the newborn Saviour on the afternoon before Christmas was one that could be exercised in only a few of the larger cities of that vast land.

Most of the 1,500 foreign missionaries offered the Holy Sacrifice privately in the confines of their rooms. For over 300 Chinese and foreign priests Christmas was just another drab day in a prison, marked only by the fervent recitation of the Rosary counted on their fingers.

The Church and Christianity, which owe their birth to the original Christmas, have been marked for destruction in Red China. A year ago the Peking regime changed its methods from pretense of religious freedom to active, although at times disguised, persecution of the Church.

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## Columban Fathers Plan Seminary

Boston — (NC) — The Columban Fathers have announced plans to build a major seminary in Milton, Mass.

The contract has been let to the Walsh Bros. firm of Cambridge, Mass., and work on the first two units of the four-unit, \$1,000,000 project will begin in March, it was disclosed. At present the major seminarians of the Society of St. Columban study at the society's major seminary near Omaha, Neb.

## American Bishop Again Tortured By China Reds

Taipei — (NC) — Bishop Adolph Feschang of Keelung, China, an American-born Maryknoller, has again been tortured by the Reds in an effort to extort money from his American religious supporters, according to word received here.

The Bishop was reported savagely beaten when money failed to arrive after the seven-day deadline set on November 26 by the Chinese Reds. Eyewitness reports stated that the Bishop "suffered grievous bodily maltreatment. His face is still black and blue from the blows."

The communists are said to have threatened the Bishop with further beatings if their demands for money are not met. He had previously been tortured by the Reds.

counter-revolutionary program" and "the people's patriotic independent church movement."

Since last Christmas almost 1,500 foreign missionaries have been forced out of China. Some 300 Chinese and foreign priests have been jailed. Thirty-five Bishops were imprisoned or expelled.

THE ONLY RAY of light in the otherwise dark picture in China this Christmas was the deep faith of its Catholics. They celebrated the feast like the early Christians of the catacombs, in fervent but silent prayer.

The externals of the Church are being systematically destroyed. But the solid faith of Chinese Catholics, the ousted missionaries are confident, will survive the destruction of the material Church.

German Bishops Grateful Washington — (NC) — The members of the German hierarchy have sent to the Catholic Archbishops and Bishops of the United States a handwritten "expression of deeply felt gratitude for all the help given to the needy in Germany."

# Peace Talks Ignore Missioners, Civilians

By REV. PATRICK O'DONNAN (Editor, N.Y.W.C. News Service)

Panmunjom, Korea, Dec. 22 — Will civilian prisoners be included in the armistice talks? Will the "forgotten men and women" of the Korean armistice talks?

There is no sign that religious prisoners held by the North Korean communists will be discussed during the armistice talks here.

AT THE CLOSE of today's session of the intergovernmental conference on prisoners, the Korean government put the following question to Mr. Gen. William F. Nuccio, British officer and spokesman for the United Nations Command:

"Is it possible that the armistice talks will be completed and the armistice signed without the question of civilian prisoners, including religious missionaries, being raised?"

General Nuccio answered: "I cannot make any forecast as to what the future course of action will be."

On the previous day, General Nuccio had said that the communists have not been asked for a list of civilian prisoners, either foreign or Korean whom they hold.

THE U.N. COMMAND's representatives insisted on getting a list of military prisoners as a necessary basis for discussing "arrangements relating to prisoners of war." Item Four on the armistice talks agenda. The U.N. Command therefore has taken no such step indicating that the fate of missionaries and other civilian prisoners will be brought up at Panmunjom.

It now appears possible that the liberation of these civilian victims of the Reds will not be debated until a political conference is convened after a military armistice is finally arranged — if it is. Such a political conference would be between the governments concerned, held under U.N. auspices, and might drag on at least as long as the current protracted armistice talks.

Meanwhile, apparently, not even a list of civilian prisoners will be formally required. Those from South Korea have now been held incommunicado for 12 months, nobody knows where, and those from North Korea two and one-half years.

## Chaplain Missing On Prisoner List

Taipei — (NC) — The list of prisoners of war, as demanded by the communists, does not include the Rev. (Chap.) Earl Kasper of Wuchow, Szechwan, the Rev. (Chap.) Lawrence Kasper, S.J., of Lanchow, Szechwan, and Father Eugene Lee, S.J., of Kowloon, Hong Kong. The names of these three missionaries are missing from the list of prisoners of war.

A group of 114 prisoners of war, including the Rev. (Chap.) Earl Kasper, S.J., of Wuchow, Szechwan, and Father Eugene Lee, S.J., of Kowloon, Hong Kong, are being held in a prison camp near the border of the Reds.

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## Churches Damaged In Philippines

Manila — (NC) — Reports circulating in Manila indicate that in Leyte Province ten churches, eight schools and six convents have been totally destroyed or greatly damaged by the typhoons that struck the Visayan Sea area recently.

Reports also state that Father Peter Red Cross, helped by Catholic organizations including the Knights of Columbus, was able to extend aid to a Manila hospital of victims.

Army Medical Post St. Louis — (NC) — Dr. Martin A. Casberg, dean of the St. Louis University School of Medicine, has been reported as the chairman of the Armed Forces Medical Policy Council, Secretary of Defense Robert A. Lovett, has announced.

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