

Rochester Jesuit Describes Expulsion By Chinese Reds

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and obtain the latest books in that field in order to teach at the University of Taipei in Formosa.

Father Dowd was one of six Jesuits teaching at the Jesuit school in Nanking who were imprisoned by the Reds in 1950 after having been forbidden to teach. They later were released and expelled. Father Dowd went subsequently to Hong Kong and to Manila.

THEIR EXPULSION followed months of propaganda attacks through the Communist press, and public demonstrations during which they were accused of being "imperialists" and "cultural aggressors."

"Our greatest crime against the government," Father Dowd said, "was telling the people to accept oppression, poverty and suffering for the sake of Christ."

He described the Red methods of discrediting the work of missionaries and nuns by charging them of "neglect" and "murder" of children they were trying to help.

PARTICULARLY heroic, he said, were the Franciscan Sisters of Mary who conducted Sacred Heart Hospital in Nanking. He said how the bodies of babies who had died of starvation or neglect were dug up from public burial grounds and laid on the doorstep of the hospital as testimony of the "bestial brutality" of these foreign imperialists.

The popular, especially the children, were asked to march by, and many threw stones at the hospital. Subsequently the hospital was taken over by the Reds, who now use it as an indoctrination center. Many of the nuns are still there and are forced to work for the Communists.

Father Dowd said he never will forget the strong faith of some 30 youngsters whom he had organized into a Sodality. They remained steadfast under many hardships, and several of them left the city rather than submit to the Red anti-God campaign.

Communism had brought the loss of the Sacred Heart of St. Mary's, Father Dowd said. "It had brought me within inches of their stifling me."

...-suffer and death. The possibility of either has a way of keeping your prayer. I am grateful for that.

"But I am especially grateful to Communism for a preview of its ultimate futility.

"AT A TIME when the free world plays with half measures, when generals pin their hopes on larger guns and bigger explosions, and diplomacy stumbles blindfolded, I saw the war on a level the West has consistently ignored. And I saw Communism defeated decisively.

"In Nanking I saw that monstrous apparatus grind to a halt before the unflinching faith of those 30 Chinese boys in the Sodality who had a profound vision of good and an uncompromising aversion for the evil that is Communism.

"The Reds may have taken the lives of some of them since then. I do not know. But this I do know—they have not taken their souls."

Father Dowd is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Louis J. Dowd, formerly of Rutgers Street, Rochester, now living in Chatham N. Y. He has four sisters: Mother Ruth Dowd of the Madames of the Sacred Heart, a teacher at Manhattanville College, New York; Mary and Dorothy Dowd, Rochester, and Mrs. Thomas J. (Grace) Maloney, Rochester.

HE ENTERED the Jesuit Order in 1931 two years after his graduation from Aquinas. He was ordained in a Japanese concentration camp in 1944 while a Japanese prisoner. Offered repatriation in 1947, he had elected to risk the internment and remain at his missionary post.

He arrived in America from the Philippines last June. He was ordained Feb. 1. He expects to be here about another week when he expects to make a retreat at Aurdenville.

Japanese Student Converts Increasing
Yokohama, Japan—(NC)—Of the 600 students enrolled in the St. Mary's College here, 133 or 22.2 per cent are Catholics. These include 34 converts who were baptized recently. When Joseph Patrizi established the school last year a half year ago, only ten students were Catholics.

New Ordinary
Bishop Edmund A. Mack (above), Chairman of the Diocese of Stone Falls, N. D., who has been named by Pope Pius XII to be Bishop of Bismarck, N. D. The Bishop-elect was named to the see made vacant by the death of Bishop Vincent J. Ryan last November.

Dionne Quints Meet U. S. Archbishop



Archbishop John Gregory Murray of St. Paul presents a Miraculous Medal to each of the Dionne Quints during their visit to his city for the winter carnival. Left to right the quint are: Cecile, Marie, Yvonne, Annette and Kamille. Wide World Wirephoto. (NC Photos).

Red Tyranny Prompts New Pilgrim Center

Munich—(NC)—The Czechoslovak Reds have unwittingly prompted the creation of a new pilgrimage center in the Silesian district of Teschen.

It centers about a small chapel built on a hill at Koubowa near Jablunkau some years before World War II.

WHEN THE RED RULERS of Czechoslovakia swept down on monasteries and convents, reports Christ Unterwegs, a Catholic refugee journal published here, four monks managed to escape and found refuge as hermits on the Koubowa hill. Soon the good people of the region heard of them and helped to provide them with food. The monks in turn held services for the people and administered the Sacraments.

Thus started a secret pilgrimage, unknown to the communist bosses. It lasted a whole year. Then communist boy scouts discovered the chapel and reported the presence of the monks to their superiors. Soon the monks were arrested and deported.

BUT NOW the pilgrimage has started in earnest, says the magazine. Aroused by the brutality of their overlords, the people keep trekking to Koubowa chapel although there is no priest there. The monks are popularly regarded as martyrs. People come from afar in long columns, praying and singing hymns. No one knows. But the incident is seen as again revealing the true feeling of the people under Red tyranny.

'Wolfhound' Regiment Gives \$100,000 To Orphanage

Tokyo—(RNS)—Members of the "Wolfhounds" regiment, 27th Infantry Division in Korea, have contributed almost \$100,000 to a Roman Catholic orphanage at Osaka, Japan, which they "adopted" in December, 1949, it was announced here.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT coincided with the turning over of the Wolfhounds' 28th regular monthly donation of \$3,720 to the Holy Family orphanage in Japan's second largest city.

In a message of thanks to the regiment, Sister Jeanne Cattin, who is in charge of the orphanage, said that its generosity was "outstanding" and a tribute to the American soldier "which will never be forgotten by the children."

AT THE TIME the 27th adopted the orphanage, undernourished children were crowded in a dilapidated and unheated ex-Japanese army barracks. Through voluntary donations, the soldiers have subsidized besides food and clothing, a new home, a playground and a summer camp. They also have helped to provide for proper medical treatment by donating an X-ray machine.

The companies in the regiment compete every month to see which will provide the largest single contribution. After the money is collected, a man is selected to convey it personally from Korea to the orphanage in Japan. Plans are now on foot to build an additional building to accommodate more children.

Low Family Incomes Cited In St. Louis School Survey

St. Louis—(NC)—More than half the families in the United States received less cash income than is required to maintain the "city worker's family budget" during 1949, a study by the Institute of Social Order at St. Louis University discloses.

The results of the study are detailed in the February issue of the Institute's monthly magazine, Social Order. The study showed that during that year more than 4,700,000 families in the country had less than \$1,000 cash income; that some 2,000,000 families received

between \$1,000 and \$2,000, while more than 8,000,000 families received from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

The study disclosed several notable groups among the 10,500,000 families in the country with income of less than \$3,000 a year, and "each group presents slightly different problems." Farm families, the study disclosed, constitute 3,470,000 of the total, while non-white families constitute a much larger proportion of the low income categories than they are in the general population.

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