

Red Bid To Kill Religion In China Failure, Says Report

Maryknoll, N. Y. — (NC) — Communists in China are having difficulty stamping out religion despite the large scale expulsion of foreign missionaries during 1952, according to reports reaching Maryknoll mission headquarters here.

Statistics compiled at the headquarters disclosed that 1,046 Catholic foreign missionaries were expelled by the Reds in 1952 from China. It seems likely, the headquarters said, that the remaining 787 Catholic foreign missionaries will be forced out of the country during 1953.

However, the reports indicated that there is a steady growth in religious zeal in the country and that more than 2,500 Chinese clergy are carrying on the work of religion inside China.

In districts where religious persecutions especially have been severe, according to advices, some 500 priests, working either under cover or in attire of the laity, have been keeping religion alive. The reports said that 2,000 Chinese priests are working openly at their posts.

Maryknoll headquarters reports that to date 115 Chinese priests either have been executed by the communists or have died in prison. The advices stated that more than 200 Chinese priests now are in jail.

Maryknoll headquarters said that during 1952 the communists singled out the Catholic hierarchy for special attack. Since China was taken over by the Reds, two Archbishops and two Bishops have died at communist hands. One of the Bishops was the Most Rev. Francis X. Ford, Brooklyn-born Bishop of Kaying and a Maryknoller. At the present time, according to reports, 14 Bishops are in prison and three are under house arrest. Forty-three Bishops were expelled during 1952.

THE REPORTS stated that during the last year, 24 priests who occupied positions of responsibility in their dioceses were put to death by the communists.

On the basis of the reports, the Maryknoll headquarters assessed as the communists' greatest failure in the war on religion during 1952, the collapse of attempts to set up an "independent" church.

The reports said that once the Catholic clergy and laity understood that the "independent" church meant schism, they carefully avoided it. In 77 Chinese dioceses, the reports said, there is not a single "independent" congregation.

Despite arrests and executions, the reports said that the faith among the laity is stronger today than when the persecutions began. The reports told of ingenious methods employed by the laity to visit imprisoned priests and those in hiding to receive the Sacraments; how priests are smuggled into villages for Sunday Masses, and how priests consecrate large numbers of Hosts, which are distributed among Catholics by members of the laity.

Reds Oust Yank Flyer's Benefactor

Hong Kong — (NC) — A Spanish Jesuit missionary who had sheltered an American pilot in his home for a week during the Sino-Japanese war arrived here after being expelled from communist China.

He is 53-year-old Father Jose Rodriguez, S.J., who was ousted after laboring 20 years in Anhwei Province and spending 21 months under house arrest.

During the war between China and Japan, an American pilot named Cooney was shot down near Father Rodriguez' mission. Parachuting to safety, he remained in the priest's home until friendly search planes — after being signalled to — flew him out of a small landing field prepared by the Chinese.



Quints Receive First Communion

Argentine's famed nine-year-old Diligent quintuplets are shown about to receive their first Holy Communion in the Metropolitan Cathedral, in Buenos Aires. They are left to right: Franco, Maria Fernanda, Maria Ester, Maria Cristina,

and Carlos. Born of Italian descent on July 15, 1941, the quint live with their parents at Belgrano, a suburb near Buenos Aires. All of them are linguists, speaking Spanish, Italian, French and English. Kneeling with them is their chaplain. (Religious News Service Photo).

Cardinal Spellman Donates \$10,000 To Nuns Operating Clinic In Korea

Pusan, Korea — (NC) — His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman had difficulty getting inside the Maryknoll Sisters

Nobody wanted to keep him out. But scores of anxious mothers with ailing children strapped on their backs wanted to get in, and it was hard for the visiting Cardinal to make his way through them to the door.

AS THE ARCHBISHOP of New York arrived, 25 Korean children dressed in bright native costumes sang "Sidewalks of New York" to welcome him.

Milwaukee, a medical doctor who is a graduate of Marquette University, conducted the Cardinal through the clinic. He noted improvements that had been made since his first visit here a year ago, and took special interest in the laboratory and pharmacy which had been donated through him by Catholics of his archdiocese.

During his tour of the clinic, Cardinal Spellman presented a check for \$10,000 to Sister Mercy from "the Catholics of New York."

HE JOINED in distributing rice to some of the more than 200 families helped by the "Adopt a Family" plan of the National Council of Catholic Women in the United States.

And in the course of his visit, the Cardinal commissioned James McLoon, field officer of War Relief Services — National Catholic Welfare Conference, who arrived here recently, to buy fire extinguishers for the clinic buildings, which are now dangerously vulnerable to fire.

Fourteen Maryknoll Sisters — two of them physicians — and 26 Korean Sisters of Perpetual Help, along with seven Korean doctors and other lay workers now staff the clinic here.

Catholics Exceed All Religious Groups In Canada Census

Ottawa — (NC) — Catholics form 44.7 per cent of the total population of Canada, according to the 1951 census figures announced at the close of the year.

Pope Named Beneficiary In American Will

Massachusetts — (NC) — Pope Pius was named a beneficiary in the will of Jose O'Grady, which was filed for probate here.

Miss O'Grady's estate is valued at \$21,000. She directed that \$500 be given to the Tabernacle Society of St. Joseph's Church here and that \$500 be set aside for Masses.

She provided that her home and its furnishings be sold and the proceeds be used for the education of candidates for the priesthood.

She also directed that farm property she owned in Carro Gordo County be sold and the proceeds be given to the Oblate Fathers of Belleville, Ill. Miss O'Grady also provided a \$2,000 bequest for her sister.

Her will then directed that the remainder of her estate, both real estate and personal property, be given to His Holiness Pope Pius XII to be used as he may desire.

Of a total population in Canada of 14,008,429 there are 6,086,466 listed as Roman Catholics and 190,831 listed as Ukrainian (Greek) Catholics, a total of 6,277,297.

COMPARED WITH the last census in 1941, when Canada's total population was 11,508,655, the percentage total is slightly higher. In 1941 there were 4,936,431 listed as Roman Catholics and 185,948 as Ukrainian (Greek) Catholics, or 43.4 per cent of the total population.

During the past 10 years the proportion of Roman Catholics has remained within a range of 38 to 43 per cent. Figures have not always been available for Ukrainian Catholics as they were for some years listed with the Greek Orthodox.

THE 1951 census shows the five largest religious groups for Canada in the following order:

- Roman Catholics, 4,086,466 or 43.5 per cent;
- United Church of Canada, 2,872,711 or 20.5 per cent;
- Church of England, 2,000,730 or 14.7 per cent;
- Presbyterians, 781,747 or 5.6 per cent;
- Baptists, 519,586 or 3.7 per cent.

While all are up numerically compared with 1941 only the Catholics and United Church show an increase in percentage according to higher population. Catholics are up 1.5 per cent; and the United Church up 1.3 per cent. The Church of England shows a percentage decrease of one half of one percent; the Presbyterians are down 1.6 per cent and the Baptists are down one half of one per cent.

First Lady Honors Portuguese Mothers

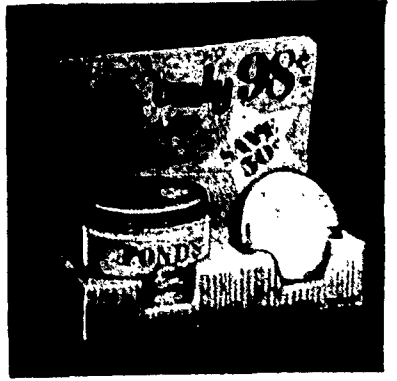
Lisbon — (NC) — Mrs. Bertina Craveiro Lopes, wife of the Portuguese President, distributed awards to large families to climax the sessions of Mothers' Week here.

The week was opened by a Pontifical Mass offered by Archbishop Trindade Salgueiro, Auxiliary of Lisbon. The sessions included an exhibition of coats and layettes and visits to nurseries, orphanages and a maternity home for working mothers.

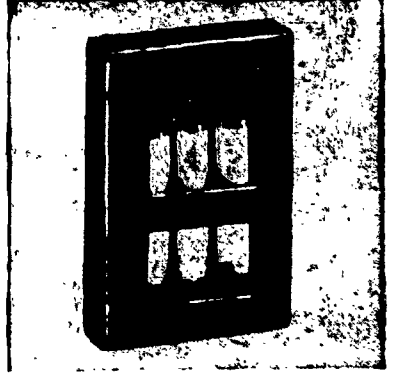
Bishop Under House Arrest

Hong Kong — (NC) — Bishop-elect Gaspar Liechering of Taining, a Hungarian Jesuit, has been placed under house arrest by the Chinese communists, it was learned here.

Sibley's JANUARY SALES TOILETRIES



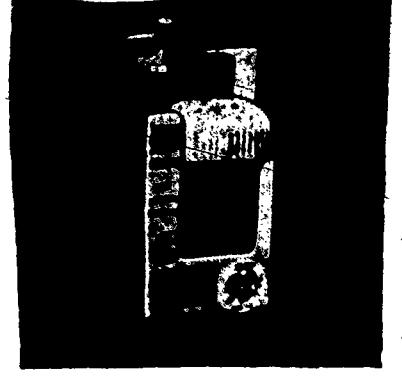
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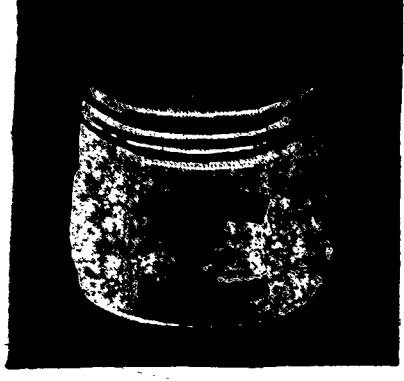
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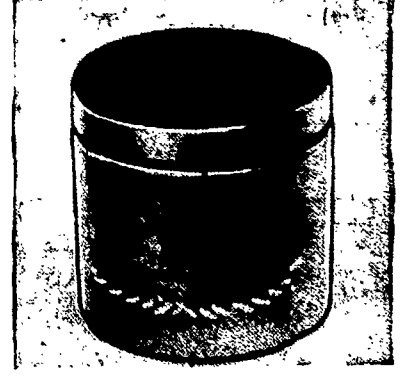
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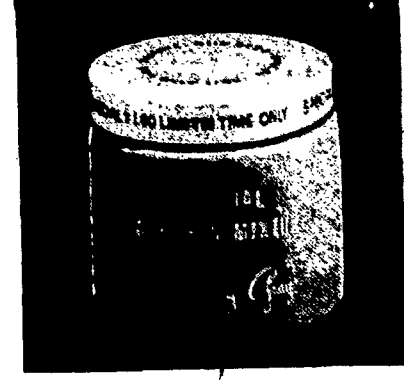
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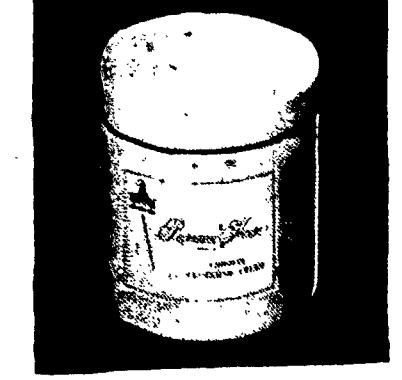
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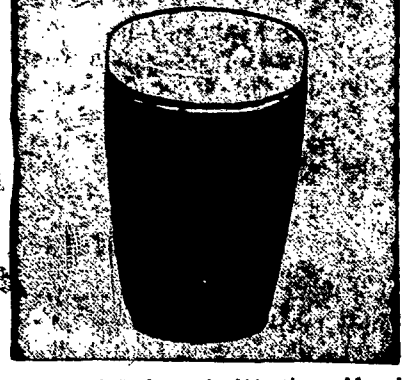
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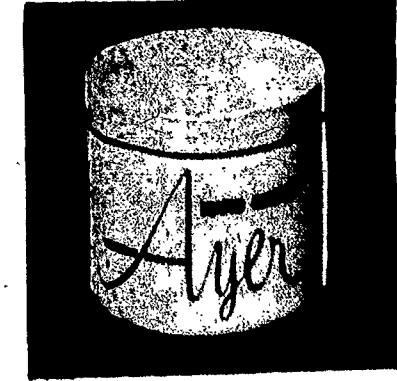
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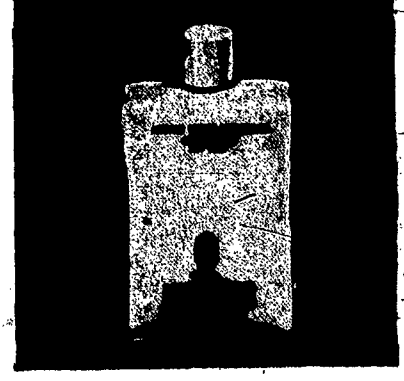
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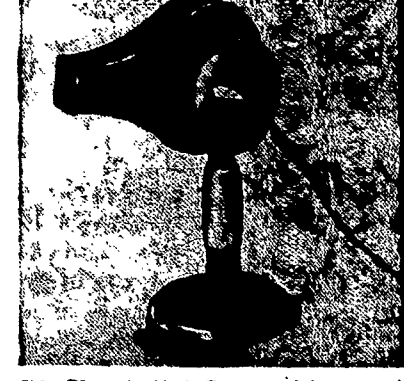
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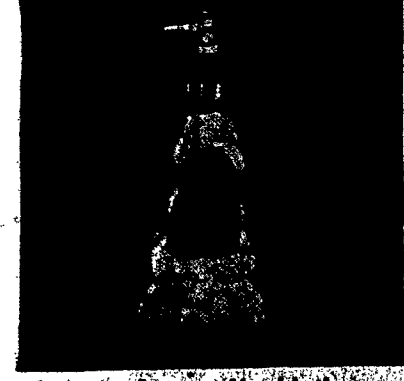
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