

Help Needed By India. Prelates Warn

Sydney, Australia. (RNS) — A warning that India needs the aid of other countries if it is to avoid the threat of Communism was issued by Indian Roman Catholic prelates attending the National Eucharistic Congress here.

At a symposium on the East and West, and the future of Australia, Valerian Cardinal Gracias, Archbishop of Bombay, said that his country "needs the help of Australia and other countries if it is to develop in the way it should and also if it is to be kept free of the Communist menace."

ON THE same theme, Archbishop Joseph A. Fernandez of Delhi and Simla asserted that the average Indian has "no real interest in Communism" but is attracted by Communist promises.

"In the difficult period of famine," he said, "the average Indian would be delighted to take help from the West, if necessary," adding that he was certain there would be "no Communism in India if the needs of the people are met."

Archbishop Fernandez said reports of Communist progress in India had been exaggerated and that the large Communist vote recorded in the last national elections was simply a vote against the government Congress Party.

New Bishop



The Most Rev. James A. McNulty, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, has been named Bishop of Paterson, N. J., by Pope Pius XII. Born in New York City in 1906, Bishop McNulty was educated at Seton Hall College, South Orange, N. J., and Louvain University, Belgium. He was ordained in 1932 and consecrated Titular Bishop of Methone and Auxiliary of Newark on Oct. 7, 1947. Bishop McNulty is Moderator of the National Federation of Catholic College Students, which is under the direction of the Youth Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference.

'Little Mo' Hopes To See Holy Father

San Diego — (NC) — Maureen Connolly—the "Little Mo"—plans to accomplish two goals this Summer.

She hopes to visit the Holy Father in Rome and she's set her sights on becoming the first woman in history to capture the Australian, French, British and American tennis championships in the same year.

SHE CONFIDED her tennis "grand slam" hopes to Charles G. Johnson, sports editor of Tidings, Los Angeles, Archdiocesan newspaper. "And don't call 'Little Mo' about," commented Mr. Johnson. "She's just the girl who can do it."

The 18-year-old tennis champion will make her first tournament appearance in Rome on May 5. Until then, she'll continue as a part-time student at the San Diego College for Women, conducted by the Religious of the Sacred Heart.

THE SISTERS report that "Queen Maureen" remains unsophisticated and popular with her schoolmates, although she was just one jump behind Queen Elizabeth and Mamie Eisenhower in the 1953 Associated Press "Woman of the Year" poll.

Triplets Baptized By Archbishop



Boston—These triplets had the unusual honor of being baptized by an Archbishop—The Most Rev. Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, shown holding them following the baptismal rites. The infants are Marilyn, Richard and Maureen, children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doherty of Roseland, Mass., who already have a family of six. (Religious News Service Photo)

World Awaits Russia's Answer To Peace Bid

(N.C.W.C. News Service)

Western leaders continued this week to speculate on what reply Moscow would make to the key questions set forth in the historic appeal for peace voiced by President Eisenhower on behalf of the free world.

Whatever the reply may be, there seemed no doubt that the President had achieved his main objective of putting the Soviet government in a situation where it must show by deeds that its "peace offensive" is really sincere.

WHAT Mr. Eisenhower wanted to know was, in brief: Is Russia prepared to use its influence in the communist world to bring genuine peace in Asia, to allow nations now under Soviet domination a free choice of government and to cooperate in world disarmament?

Mr. Eisenhower's appeal was embodied in a speech—hailed by British Prime Minister Winston Churchill as "massive and magnificent"—before the American Society of Newspaper Editors just at the moment when sick and wounded prisoners were being exchanged in Korea.

HE CHALLENGED the Russians to tell the world whether it wants to continue the devious and treacherous policies of Stalin.

Speaking to the leaders of Western Europe, he appealed for the unification of Germany and the creation of a strong and united European community.

Clearly echoing the sentiments of the American people—as evidenced by the almost unanimous approval of his speech by both parties in the Congress—President Eisenhower called for an honorable armistice in Korea leading to a political conference with a view to the reunification of Korea on the basis of free elections.

He said an armistice in Korea must be accompanied by an end also to communist attacks on Indo-China and Malaya.

ALSO, HE added, Moscow must show its good intentions by ceasing to block a peace treaty with Austria and by releasing the thousands of prisoners still held in Russia since the last war.

Balancing these stiff political stipulations for a general settlement of East-West differences was President Eisenhower's generous offer of economic concessions if the terms are met.

Stevenson Predicts Defeat For Reds In Indo-China

Saigon, Vietnam — (NC) — The communists will lose the war in Indo-China.

So predicted Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Democratic candidate for President of the United States, after completing a week's tour of the country.

Mr. Stevenson also declared in an interview here that only Mao-tse-tung can order a Red invasion of Vietnam. A truce in Korea alone, he said, will not prevail.

HE FRAMED the role played in the war by Vietnamese troops and emphasized the importance to America of defeating the communist attempt to conquer Southeast Asia.

During his stay here, Mr. Stevenson visited Saigon and Hanoi, at opposite ends of the country, and was received by the nation's top leaders, including Chief of State Bao Dai and high French officials.

He also went to Nakhon and

It's 'Comrade Mama' In Czechoslovakia

Rome — (Radio, NC) — It's "Comrade Mama" and "Comrade Papa" now in some parts of communist dominated Czechoslovakia, according to reports received here by the Vatican Press Agency.

One report from Brno, in Moravia, said that for children from six to 14, the expression "Comrade" has been introduced for their schoolmates, their teachers, and even their parents. Teachers themselves address the youngsters as "Comrade."

According to other reports received by Vatican, there have been demonstrations of protest in central Moravia by parents incensed over being addressed by their own children in the typical communist manner.

Procession On River Planned At Exhibit

St. Louis, Mo. — (RNS) — A religious procession of rivercraft on the Mississippi will be a highlight of the World Mission Exhibition here, May 17-21.

The exhibition will portray the work of 175 Catholic missionary societies which operate in 613 areas throughout the world.

The river parade, comprising some 50 vessels of various sizes, will escort a 200-year-old statue of the Blessed Virgin, Queen of the Missions. The statue was rescued from an early mission at Kaskaskia, Ill., and has been enshrined in recent years at St. Louis University.

Chaplain Goes To Fires In Style, Firemen Buy Him Engine-Red Car

Montreal — (NC) — Montreal's firefighters have seen to it that from now on Father Dandard Morin will travel to and from fires in style.

Catholic chaplain of the Montreal Fire Department, Father Morin for some years has shown up at every fire if any consequences—always ready to risk his life if necessary to bring spiritual consolation to any injured in a fire.

And during the years, Father Morin, who has a rick at his bedside to keep him posted on alarms, has been travelling to and from the fires in taxicabs.

The firefighters started a collection among themselves two years ago to show Father Morin their appreciation. Of course, the priest knew nothing of what was going on until one day he was presented with a small British-made auto.

The car is painted fire-engine red. It has a white area painted on the door and atop it is a red fender which also shows a cross. The firefighters also presented Father Morin with a fund to maintain the car.

Students Promote Prayer Campaign

Tulsa, Okla. — (RNS) — A two-day campaign to induce fellow Catholics to join with them on April 28 and 29 in praying for peace was conducted here by Catholic parochial school students.

Catholic President? Chances 'Slim Indeed', Survey Shows

St. Paul, Minn., April 17 — (NC) — The chances of a Catholic moving into the White House are "slim indeed," according to a nationwide survey by The Catholic Digest.

The Digest survey revealed that over half the U. S. Protestants and three and one-half million Jews (31 per cent) would not vote for a Catholic as President of the U. S.

At the time, 92 per cent of American Catholics said they would vote for a Protestant for President and 57 per cent said they would also vote for a Jew for President.

Protestants are less willing to send a Jew to the White House, the Digest reported. Only 23 per cent of the Protestants said that they would be willing to vote for a Jewish candidate and 61 per cent admitted frankly that they would not.

The Digest article included no figures on how many Catholics would like to see a Catholic president in office at this time.

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HANDYMAN, TEACHER, CARETAKER, NURSE. All in one person—our wonderful brothers. Our services in South India will clear his doors if we don't find generous souls to give \$200. It costs for the year's training of a brother. Can you help?—AMBASSADOR of Christ—that's what a priest is called. Joseph hopes to become one but needs the \$100, the annual cost of his training, for six years at St. Joseph's Seminary in India. Can you help send this ambassador? ANGEL of Mercy perfectly describes our Sisters. How we need them! Can you help Sister Ouphrata, a novice with the Poor Clares at Trichur, India. She needs \$150 for each of the two years training.

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