594 Missioners In Red China

Hong Kong — (NC) — Only 594 of the once 5,700 foreign Catholic missionaries were still in China as the Red regime set in motion a new wave of persecution against the Church.

This total of foreign missionaries has already been further reduced by the arrival here of almost a score of ousted missionaries wthin the past few days.

THE AMERICAN Catholic missionaries in China now number only 30, 17 of whom are in jail. Another five are under house arrest. The total of American Catholic missionaries still in Red China is but a small fraction of the close to 500 who carried on the apostolate there before the Reds seized control.

Following is a complete list of the American Catholic missionaries still in Red China.

BISHOPS

Bishop Philip Cote of Suchow (Jesuit), Lawrence, Mass. (imprisoned), Bishop Frederick Donaghy of Wuchow (Maryknoll), New Bedford, Mass; Bishop Rembert Kowalski of Wuchang (Franciscan), Calumet, Mich. (imprisoned); Bishop Ambrose Pinger of Chowtsun (Franciscan), Lindsay, Neb. (imprisoned); and Bishop James E. Walsh (Maryknoll), Cumberland, Md.

PRIESTS

DOMINICANS: Joseph E. Hyde, Lowell, Mass.; James G. Joyce, Clinton, Mass.; and Frederick A. Gordon, Somerset, O.

FRANCISCANS: Sigfried Schneider, Louisville, Ky. (imprisoned); Fulgence Gross, Omaha, Neb. (imprisoned); and Cyril Wagner, Pittsburgh, Pa. (imprisoned).

JESUITS: Thomas Philips, Butte, Mont. (imprisoned); Joseph I. Gatz, Los Angeles (imprisoned); John A. Houle, Glendale, Calif. (imprisoned); John Palm, Baltimore (imprisoned); Charles J. McCarthy, San Francisco (imprisoned); John W. Clifford, San Francisco (imprisoned); and Armand Proulx, Lowell, Mass. (imprisoned).

MARYKNOLLERS: Joseph A. Sweeney, New Britain, Conn.; Carroll L. Quinn, Baltimore, Md.; and Joseph P. McCormack, New York (imprisoned).

PASSIONISTS: Linus Lombard, Ipswich, Mass. (under house arrest); Lawrence Mullin, Jersey City, N. J. (under house arrest); Justin Garvey, Ridgewood, N. J. (imprisoned); Jerome Does, Winthrop, Mass. (under house arrest); Marcellus White, Waltham, Mass. (imprisoned); Ernest Hotz, Brooklyn, N. Y. (under house arrest); and John Baptist Maye, Scranton, Pa. (under house arrest).

SOCIETY OF THE DIVINE WORD: Harold Rigney, Chicago, Ill. (imprisoned).

SISTERS

Sister Eva Stella Du Gay (Carmelite), Boston, Mass.

Pontiff Receives Adlai Stevenson

Vatican City — (NC) — His Holiness Pope Pius XII has received in special audience Adlai E. Stevenson, who arrived in Rome from Athens on his tour around the world.

Southern Bishop Warns Women On Beauty Contests

Lafayette, La.—(NC)—Girls and women of the Lafayette diocese have been reminded by Bishop Jules B. Jeanmard that they may be denied the Sacraments if they participate in bathing beauty contests.

The reminder was published by order of the Bishop in the Lafayette edition of Catholic Action of the South, diocesan newspaper, over the signature of Msgr. John A. Vigliero, Chancellor. The announcement called on pastors to remind the Catholic woman not to "forget her dignity, her self-respect and the elementary principles of Christian modesty" by taking part in a bathing beauty contest "in which her person is indecently exposed."

The warning said that one who does take part in such a contest may be denied the Sacraments until she has repaired to the best of her ability the scandal given. If she is a minor, her parents shall be required to make the same reparation under penalty of being denied the Sacraments.

Restoration Of Religion In Public Schools Urged By Bishop

(N.C.W.C. NEWS SERVICE)

Rochester, N. H. — Bishop Matthew F. Brady has called for the restoration of religion in the schools of the nation.

He declared "the alarming trend in American life toward indifferentism in religion and unstable morality is adequate proof that the home and church are insufficient in themselves for the burden placed upon them."

Addressing more than 7,000 persons at the third annual state Holy Hour at the Rochester Fairgrounds, Bishop Brady added:

"To educate for the objective of 'good citizenship' is laudable in itself, but it inevitably places the welfare of the state as a principle above and beyond the welfare of the individual. It tends to make the citizen a servant of the state and become depersonalized in the process. It is the corollary before the thesis."

Bishop Brady, former Episcopal chairman of the Education Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference, said modern history presents "a shocking picture of enslaved and miserable peoples as the logical consequence of the all-powered state," and warned that "the fate of Babylon, Greece and Rome may be upon us and perhaps much nearer than we care to believe."

The Bishop declared that a brief glance at contemporary American morality with its mounting divorce rate, broken homes, youthful delinquency, dishonesty in business, disregard for truth, "corruption and treason in high places and the rampant perjury in its courts of justice is indicative of growing moral decay." He added that it also indicated that "the home and the church have failed to preserve a moral tone in the whole nation."

Former Businessman Now Priest

New York—The Rev. Patrick J. Norton of Dubuque, Iowa, 70-year-old former businessman, relaxes with his twin grandchildren following his arrival here from Rome where he was ordained a priest last December. The grandchildren, Jane and Michael, Jr., 4, are being held by their father, Michael Espejo of New York, the priest's son-in-law. Father Norton, who began studying for the priesthood after his wife's death seven years ago, has 12 living children and 20 grandchildren. Of his children, one is a priest and another is studying for the priesthood in the Dominican Order. Father Norton will return to his home and parish at St. Raphael's Cathedral, Dubuque, where he attended daily Mass for many years. (RNS Photo).

Former Businessman Ordained At 70

New York — (NC) — A 70-year-old former Iowa businessman, recently ordained to the priesthood in Rome, was reunited here with one of his 12 children and two of his 20 grandchildren.

Father Patrick Norton, a widower for the last seven years, who became a priest last Dec. 21, arrived in New York after completing advanced studies at the Beda Pontifical College.

When he offers his First Mass in his home Archdiocese of Dubuque on Aug. 9, the sermon will be delivered by one of his three sons Father Claude Norton, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in Vinton, Iowa.

Another son, John Norton, who is Brother Charles, a Dominican about to enter an advanced seminary in Dubuque, will be the master of ceremonies at the Mass. Grandchildren of Father Norton will serve as acolytes.

Father Norton had 14 children. Two of his sons died. All nine daughters are living. During a three-day visit in New York he is staying with one of the daughters, Mrs. Michael Espejo, her husband and their twin son and daughter, Michael and Jane, four years old.

From New York, Father Norton will go to Chicago where six other of his children reside. He plans to offer Masses in their respective parishes.

He also is looking forward to meeting again his two sisters, both of whom are nuns.

Prelate's Help Asked In Ousting Sisters From Public Schools

Louisville, Ky.—(NC)—A Protestant group seeking removal of nuns from Kentucky's public schools has asked Archbishop John A. Floersch of Louisville to intervene with local school boards regarding Sisters.

The Archbishop replied that to ask an ecclesiastical official to interfere in the operation of public school boards seemed a "strange" request from a group that professed allegiance to the principle of separation of Church and State.

Affiliated with Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, the committee has announced its intention to seek a court ruling to bar more than 100 Sisters now employed as public school teachers in the State.

THE GROUP, called the Kentucky Free Public Schools Committee, is comprised mainly of Protestant clergymen. A delegation which called on Archbishop Floersh included five officers of the group, and the Rev. E. N. Wilkinson of Parkland Baptist Church, Louisville, and Judge Eugene Siler of Williamsburg, Ky., unsuccessful candidate for the governorship of Kentucky.

Regarding the meeting, the Louisville Chancery issued the following statement:

"Archbishop Floersch assured them that none of these public schools are operated by the Catholic Church, every one of them being under the complete and exclusive control of the respective local school boards.

"DURING THE conference various members of the committee aired some particular grievance from their own district of the State and asked the Archbishop to intervene with the local school boards to eliminate these alleged abuses. To this the Archbishop replied that it seemed to him that matters of this nature should be taken up directly with the local school boards in question. It seemed strange to him that they should be asking an ecclesiastical official to interfere in the operation of legitimately constituted school boards, while at the same time they were professing alliance to the principle of separation of Church and State.

"The Archbishop assured them that as far as he knows religion is not taught during school hours except in conformity with the released time program authorized by the Kentucky Legislature.

"Finally some of the committee members asked the Archbishop to forbid the members of Catholic sisterhoods to teach in public schools in Kentucky. Here again the Archbishop reminded these men that wherever the Sisters teach in public schools they are employed by the lawfully elected representatives of the school district in question and that it would be undemocratic, not to say antidemocratic, for an outsider to dictate what teachers are to be employed.

"FURTHERMORE, he cautioned them that they would be going contrary to the whole spirit of our American ideals if they would seek to bar a teacher from being employed because of religion."

Last year 101 Sisters were employed as public school teachers in the Archdiocese of Louisville and 15 in the Diocese of Owensboro. Altogether, 20 elementary schools and four high schools in the Archdiocese of Louisville and two elementary and one high school in the Diocese of Owensboro are involved.

The committee also suggested that it will seek to change Kentucky law which now permits parochial school children to ride public school buses if supplemental funds are provided by fiscal courts.

Seminarians Fight Red China Police

Hong Kong—(NC)—Seminarians in Tientsin, China, fought police when they attempted to arrest three Chinese Jesuits there in the middle of last month, it has now been learned here.

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