

Religious Agencies Given Wider Roles In Foreign Aid

Washington, (NC) — U.S. colleges, universities and volunteer agencies — including those under religious sponsorship — will play a large role in the government's new foreign aid set-up outlined here by Foreign Operations Administrator Harold E. Stassen.

The plan, described as a move towards "people-to-people" rather than government-to-government operations, will transfer an increasing share of U. S. technical projects for underdeveloped nations to colleges and agencies which will receive government aid for their work.

REPRESENTATIVES of 20 philanthropic organizations were briefed on the program at a special meeting called by Stassen and attended by Mgr. Luigi G. Ligutti, executive director of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, and Father Francis A. McGuire, C.M., executive secretary of the Mission Secretariat.

Present plans call for the setting aside of specific funds for the private agencies for technical aid work. U.S. colleges and universities would enter into the project through exchange programs for students and faculty members.

THE PLAN is designed to decentralize present activity and to cut back the government's multimillion dollar "Point Four" program, Stassen said, with "greater emphasis on getting things done without the government doing it."

Under the Eisenhower Administration's government reorganization program, Point Four was shifted from the State Department and merged with the Mutual Security Administration to form the Foreign Operations Administration with Stassen as head.

Hiroshima's Catholics Ask Prayers For Peace

Hiroshima, Japan — (NC) — Catholics in this atom-bombed city have called for a Crusade of Prayer for Peace. Through a Jesuit priest, Father Hubert Schiffer, S.J., Japanese Catholics who survived the holocaust in 1945 have asked Catholics the world over to join with them in a Perpetual Rosary Crusade for peace among all nations.

1 In 10 Attend Church In Britain

London — (NC) — Only one person in 10 in Britain goes to church on Sundays, according to Britain's "radio priest," Father Agnellus Andrew, O.F.M.

Addressing an annual pilgrimage to the Passionist monastery at Sutton St. Helens, Lancashire, he said: "Today, Sunday, 45 of the 56 million people that inhabit this country have not worshipped God in church. The great bulk of the people are completely unchurched although not entirely dead to religion."

"They are not devoid of goodness, not even devoid of God's grace and supernatural life, for about 90 per cent have baptisms."

The pilgrims had gathered at the tomb of the Ven. Fr. Dominic Barberi, who established the Passionists in Britain after the restoration of the hierarchy.

Museum To Get Chalice Replica

Dublin, Ireland — (NC) — A silver replica of the Ardagh Chalice, one of Ireland's most famous treasures, is to be presented to the Cork Museum.

The replica was in the possession of the late Father Dominic O.F.M. Cap., when he was chaplain to Cork's patriot Lord Mayor, Terence McSwiney, in Brixton prison, England. It was presented to him in 1922 by Fintan Murphy, an active worker in London for the cause of Irish independence.

Murphy's son, Fintan Murphy Jr., has now written to Lord Mayor P. McGrath of Cork informing him that his stepmother, who resides in London, has decided to donate the replica to the Cork Museum.

ABP. MITTY AT CENTENARY



SAN FRANCISCO — Archbishop John J. Mitty of San Francisco bestows his episcopal blessing while entering the Civic Auditorium here to preside over a solemn Pontifical Mass marking the 100th anniversary of his archdiocese. The Mass, attended by some 10,000 persons, was the first afternoon Mass ever celebrated in the history of the archdiocese. Created by Pope Pius IX on July 29, 1853, the archdiocese now numbers 775,000 Catholics in 222 parishes, with 875 priests and two auxiliary bishops. Archbishop Mitty has headed the See since 1935. He had previously served as Co-adjutor Archbishop from 1932. (RNS Photo)

Pope Hails Century Of Achievements In San Francisco See

San Francisco, (NC) — His Holiness Pope Pius XII has praised a century of achievements by the San Francisco Archdiocese, accomplished despite such obstacles as the great earthquake of 1906.

Sending his apostolic blessings to Archbishop John J. Mitty, the Pope declared:

"At the close of the first century since the happy founding of the Archdiocese of San Francisco it is most fitting to make solemn celebration."

"For in the course of these hundred years, by reason of the industry and abilities of her holy Archbishops, because of the solicitude and labors of her pastors, on account of the good will and assistance of her virtuous faithful, the authority of the Archdiocese has known felicitous and no mean growth."

"THIS IS TRUE in spite of many and serious obstacles, in particular the great ruin which befell her principal city in the earthquake of the year 1906."

"We pray the Lord that your Archdiocese may rejoice and flourish in a constant increase of Divine favors," the Pope added.

His Excellency Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, wrote Archbishop Mitty that "his glorious record of accomplishment and progress has been written by the Church in the Archdiocese of San Francisco."

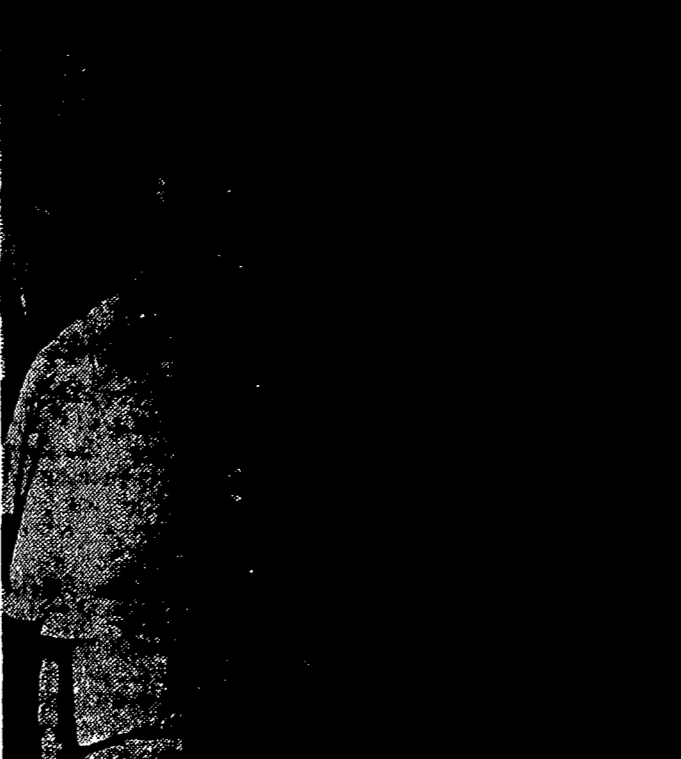
"Each passing decade bore a wider and more expansive testimony to Christ the King by multiplying ecclesiastical institutions, churches, schools and charitable undertakings," the Apostolic Delegate said.

"THE CATHOLICS of the Archdiocese, clergy and faithful, may well be proud of the sacrifices and efforts they have made to achieve the present flourishing status of the Archdiocese."

Archbishop Mitty, in his own centennial message, paid tribute to "the innumerable little men and women who have kept the wheels of life moving in our great Archdiocese."

"We have in mind," he said, "the parents of our priests; our nuns and Brothers and all the faithful who have carried the burdens of our early foundation; who fought through the crises which we periodically faced and who, by their cooperation with their archbishops, have seen the City of God take firm root and grow in the area of God's vineyard apportioned to us."

POPE GREET'S PROFESSORS



CASTEL GANDOLFO, ITALY — Pope Pius XII today greeted the university professors from 12 nations attending the International Congress of Genetics in Rome after he had addressed them during a visit they made to his summer residence there. The Pope, who was suffering from strained muscles in his right hand, was not wearing the Ring of his office. (RNS Photo)

Guild Prepares Booklet On 'Christ In Christmas'

St. Paul, Minn. — (NC) — A comprehensive guide on organizing campaigns, to "keep Christ in Christmas" is being prepared by the Catechetical Guild Educational Society here. To be made available to any individual or group interested in sponsoring the "Christmas is Christ's Birthday" drive in his area, the publicity kit covers about every conceivable angle on running a successful campaign. Included for co-operation with Protestant and secular groups, and way to get a community to co-operate in observing a Christian Christmas season.

Materials accompanying the kit include sample press and radio publicity releases concerning poster contests, window displays and Nativity contests, lists of books for Christmas reading, and of plays for presentation at Christmas time.

When completed the kit will be available free of charge from the Catechetical Guild, 161 East Fifth St., St. Paul 1, Minn.

4 Marist Brothers Off For African Missions

Montreal — (NC) — Four Marist Brothers have left for missions of Rhodesia, in Africa. They are Brother Ivan Maurice, (who was Maurice Beaudreault of La Tuque); Brother Victor Arthur, (Gaston Beaulieu of La Tuque); Brother Jean Raul, (Jean Marc Willett, of Granby); and Brother Charles Bernard, (Powell Prieur, of St. Vincent de Paul, Que.)

Convert Who Became Nun Now Top Psychologist

Cleveland, (NC) — She entered St. Catherine's College in St. Paul as a non-Catholic seeking a medical degree but ended up with a doctorate in psychology and wearing the garb of a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

This is the story of Sister Annette Walters, just back from a year's study at the University of Louvain during which she visited 12 countries as part of her research studies.

Sister Annette hopes to interest more Catholic young people in entering the field of psychology where she sees a definite need for trained Catholic psychologists.

UNTIL HER ENROLLMENT at St. Catherine's, she had never seen a Sister of St. Joseph. Before she had completed her freshman year she was in the Catholic Church and by the end of sophomore year she had made the decision to give up a medical career to serve humanity in another status — as a Sister.

Missionaries Study Japanese Language

Tokyo — (NC) — Eight religious communities are represented among the 32 newcomers missionarists who have started what's going to be a life-long tussle with the Japanese language at the Franciscan language school here.

At the direction of her superiors she pursued the subject of psychology, received a master's and a doctor's degree from the University of Minnesota and continued her studies at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. the University of Chicago and Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Besides teaching psychology at St. Catherine's, Sister also directs the school's Department of Psychological Services and finds time to write the many pamphlets and articles she contributes to professional magazines.

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