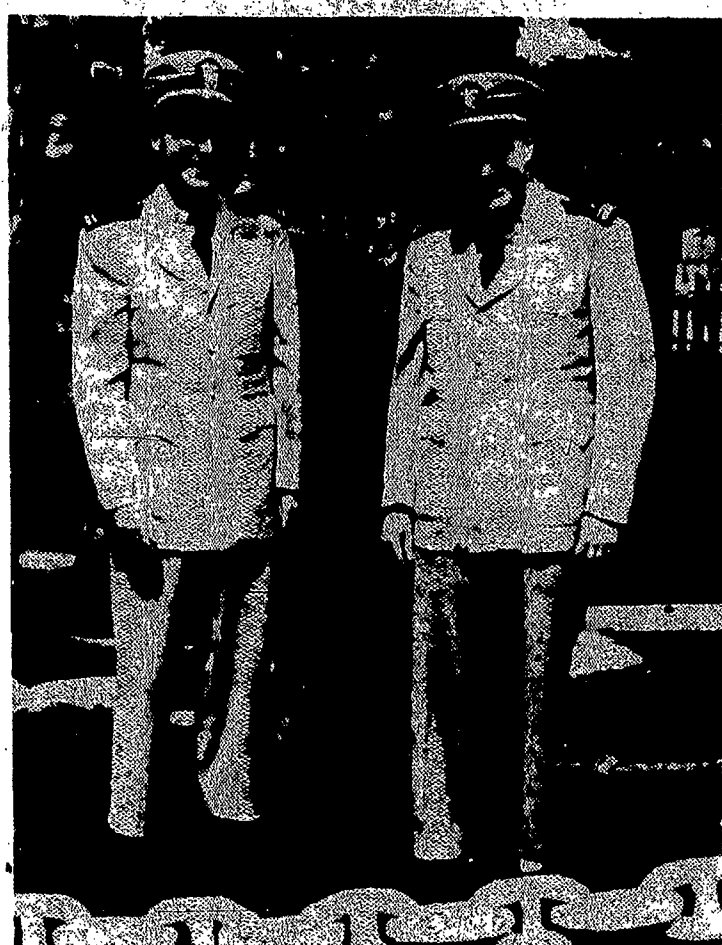


FAR EAST GREETINGS



Diocesan priests serving in U.S. Navy as chaplains have brief visit to Japan. The Rev. Elmer McDonald (left), en route to Korea, is shown with his classmate, the Rev. Patrick Grace at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan.

Navy Chaplain Classmates Meet In Yokosuka, Japan

Two priests of the Rochester Diocese who were classmates during their Seminary training and are now serving as chaplains in the United States Navy have met in Japan.

The Rev. Patrick Grace, Lt. jg., has been doing duty at the Naval Hospital at Yokosuka, Japan, since last November. The Rev. Elmer McDonald, Lt. jg., while on his way with the First Marine Division to Korea, stopped in Japan and chanced to have three days' wait at Yokosuka.

Both priests were ordained in 1949 and after four years in parish work, enlisted in the Navy in 1953. Father Grace was Assistant St. Monica's, Rochester, and Father McDonald was at Holy Rosary, Rochester.

Before entering military service, both priests were well known for their work with Catholic young people of their parish.

'Soviet Spy'

Hungarian Delegates To World Council Of Churches Meeting Called Red 'Tools'

New York — (RNS) — The five Hungarian delegates scheduled to attend the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches which opens in Evanston, Ill., Aug. 15, are "tools in the hands of the Communists," Mr. Bela Varga declared at a press conference here. But he said four of them are "unwilling tools."

The Roman Catholic priest, a former president of the Hungarian Parliament, is president of the National Hungarian Council, at whose headquarters the press conference was held.

MSGR. VARGA said Bishop John Peter of the Reformed Church of Hungary was a known spy and secret police agent for the Soviet.

Bishop Peter, Msgr. Varga said, was secretary to the puppet President Zoltan Tilly of Hungary in 1946. At that time he made several journeys to Russia and was known to

have the confidence of Stalin, the priest said. Msgr. Varga charged that Bishop Peter was directly responsible for the execution of Dr. Victor Osovov, Hungarian Minister to Egypt, who, he said, was released, tried on trumped-up charges of espionage for the United States and hanged in 1949.

Msgr. Varga warned that any speeches made by the five would be "composed in Moscow." "I believe four of them will appreciate this being said in public," he continued. "These unfortunate men, whom I know, are unwilling tools."

The "unfortunates" are Bishop Albert Bereczky and Dr. Laszlo Pap, both of the Reformed Church of Hungary, and Bishop Lajos Veto and Laszlo Deszery of the Lutheran Church of Hungary.

MSGR. VARGA said that in the early days of the Red re-

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Czech Bishop Gets 25-Year Term

Berlin — (RNS) — Roman Catholic Bishop Stefan Trochta of Litomerice has been sentenced to 25 years in prison by the Supreme Court of Communist Czechoslovakia, the official East German news agency A.D.N. reported. Bishop Trochta was convicted of spying for the Vatican.

THE AGENCY said three Catholic priests tried with him were given seven to 20-year terms on

Protestants Honor Missionary Nun On Pacific Island

Likiep, Marshall Islands (NC) — The entire Protestant community here paid a formal visit to a Maryknoll nun to express gratitude for her work in ministering to sick islanders, Protestants as well as Catholics.

The nun honored was Sister Rose Leon, who, with two companions, Sister Mary Camilla and Sister Rose Patrick, operates a "clinic" on the ground floor of the nun's convent and also visits the homes of those unable to move from their thatched huts. During their visit, the nun's Protestant admirers serenaded her and presented her with a variety of gifts, including quantities of fruit and foods native to the island.

During an eleven-month period, Sister Rose Leon, a registered nurse, treated a total of 6,181 cases. Besides delivering babies,

Czech Bishop's Trial By Reds Called 'Judicial Terrorism'

Vatican City — (RNS) — The trial of Bishop Stefan Trochta of Litomerice, Czechoslovakia, and three of his priests, was labeled a "new episode of judicial terrorism," by Osservatore Romano, Vatican newspaper.

Federico Alessandrini, co-editor, ridiculed the charges of treason and anti-state activities against the bishop because, he said, they allegedly took place during periods when the priest was under house arrest.

"Since 1949," Mr. Alessandrini said, "Bishop Trochta has been isolated in his residence, controlled day and night by a State official, and later made a prisoner. Thus, the announced trial seems to concern crimes committed not by him but by his Communist guards."

The Vatican editor added that "once again there are condemned bishops and priests who are innocent because they have not committed any crime, not even according to 'the People's Democratic' legislation."

charges of supporting the bishop's "criminal activities."

It named them as Father Frantisek Rabus, Frantisek Vlcek and Bohumil Landsmann.

All four defendants were accused of spying for several years "by order and on behalf of the Vatican."

(Bishop Trochta, a popular, 46-year-old Silesian, spent several years in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II. He was liberated from the notorious Dachau camp by American troops shortly before the end of the war.)

(In Vienna, Catholic sources said Bishop Trochta's trial might be a prelude to the trial of Archbishop Joseph Beran of Prague, ranking Catholic prelate in Czechoslovakia.)

(Archbishop Beran was banished from his See in March, 1951. Since then he has been reported under detention at various places in Czechoslovakia.)

BISHOP TROCHTA was one of four Czech prelates to take an oath of loyalty to the Communist regime in 1951. At that time, Catholic leaders in Vienna said they had information that the four had been tortured before the oath was administered and that Bishop Trochta and one other had been given injections that led to partial brain paralysis.

HEROIC NURSE VISITS U. S.



Miss Genevieve de Galard, heroine of Dien Bien Phu, is in the U.S. on invitation by a special Congressional resolution. She is pictured above on the day of her release by the Communists, praying in the chapel of the Lamassan Hospital, Hanoi. Lt. de Galard, a Catholic, was the only woman in the recently besieged Indo-Chinese garrison before and after its fall.

Dien Ben Phu Heroine Hailed On Arrival In U.S.

Washington — (NC) — "I want to tell you how touched we were in Indo-China by the understanding and moral backbone that so many Americans gave us during those last battles," Lt. Genevieve de Galard-Terraube, the "Angel of Dien Bien Phu," declared as she arrived here in the nation's capital.

The French Air Force nurse, who remained with the wounded in the besieged fortress until its capture by the Reds, was welcomed at National Airport here by representatives of the State Department, Congress, the French Embassy and the three Indo-Chinese states, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. Miss de Galard is a member of one of France's oldest Catholic families and belongs to a Catholic Action group of young women.

AFTER RECEIVING the key to the city, Miss de Galard went

to the Capitol where she watched the House of Representatives in session. With her was Representative Frances P. Bolton of Ohio who sponsored the Congressional resolution inviting her to visit this country.

Speaking of the honor extended to her by Congress — she is the only foreign citizen ever officially invited by Congress to visit the United States — Miss de Galard said it was "completely undeserved." She accepted the honor, she continued, "as a tribute to the gallant men who fought and died at Dien Bien Phu — and to the nurses who, wherever they may serve, devote themselves to the sick and wounded."

A SMALL GOLD ornament was on the right wrist of the heroic French nurse as a symbol of the faith that had helped her carry on during the 53-day siege of the fortress of Dien Bien Phu.

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There is a parallel between the bravery of Miss de Galard and the saint. The nurse showed courage as the lone woman caring for the wounded French garrison under Red siege. Saint Genevieve rallied Parisians in the fifth century when Attila's Hun army threatened the city and her inspiration gave them assurance that the attack could be repelled.

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Vietnamese See Nation 'Extension Of Red China'

By FATHER PATRICK O'CONNOR

Saigon, South Vietnam — (NC) — "Our situation is disastrous," said an authoritative Vietnamese source here in speaking of the Geneva agreement on Vietnam.

He blamed the French government for failing to defend Vietnam, a member of the French Union, with enough troops and for virtually abandoning Vietnam in a diplomatic deal.

"IN GENEVA, France negotiated with the communist world concerning the fate of Vietnam, and informed our delegation only vaguely about what was going on," he charged.

"Our country, from the 17th parallel northward, now becomes just an extension of communist China," he said.

Vietnamese Catholics in particular are bound to suffer, he declared. He pointed out that three quarters of Vietnam's Catholic population is in the region turned over to the communist Vietnam. He is pessimistic about the implementation of the project to transfer all who wish to leave the north for the south.

The SOURCE questioned the possibility of holding free elections in the region occupied by the Vietminh.

"How could an anti-communist candidate appeal in person to the people?" he asked. "Could his supporters dare cooperate in his election campaign? Who would risk voting against the communist front nominee if there is the slightest danger of the communists staying on? Who will trust the secrecy of the ballot under the circumstances?"

The speaker pointed out that that Vietnam, by implicit threat, can influence the majority since 13,000,000 more than half Vietnam's population will be in their zone. He described the provision for a "neutral" commission with a unanimity requirement as "hypocritical."

THE GENEVA convention is loaded in favor of the communists regarding military aid from outside, he said.

"It would take an army of a million men to defend the land frontier between North Vietnam and China," he said. "It would be impossible to detect supplies and personnel coming across. Chinese can easily pass for Vietnamese, he observed."

"On the other hand, the only entrance to the south are in practice a few airports which are easy to supervise."

"THE VIETMINH will remain allied with communist China and Moscow and will be in permanent geographical contact with China," he emphasized. "We are the only ones effectively barred from receiving foreign military aid or advisors. This restriction comes when our army is not yet unified, fully trained or equipped."

"While the Vietminh are ready, they will find a pretext for attacking the south," the source said. "The Geneva agreement seems designed to keep us from having a real army to defend ourselves. And the communists know that the free world won't unite to resist them."

K. of C. Offers Faith Facts At County Fair Booth

Ironton, O. — (NC) — The Knights of Columbus will be selling nothing but faith from their booth at the Lawrence County Fair.

Amid the fair-barker's members of Waterbury (O.) Council 1488, K of C, will set up their booth to distribute Catholic literature to all comers. The Knights will take names and addresses of people who want additional material or would be interested in consulting a priest. No money down, no wheel of fortune and only one prize—the Catholic faith.

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"We have become so accustomed to accepting them as full-fledged Christians for 19 centuries," he writes, "that to look upon them as Jewish converts might seem a bit strange at first. That's why I call them 'Jewish Converts Anonymous.'"

Mr. Paul goes on to speak of the many early Christians who were converts from Judaism and how many of them died martyrs to the Faith. "In our own times," he says, "during the dark days of the Nazi persecutions, many Jewish converts who were Dominicans, Carmelites and Trappists, also paid with their lives when they were dragged from their Dutch convents and monasteries and sent to the gas chambers."

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Marian Amnesty Given Prisoners

Madrid — (NC) — As part of the nation's Marian Year observance an amnesty affecting some 25,000 prisoners in Spanish jails has been granted by Chief of State Francisco Franco.

Only prisoners in jail for minor offenses will be freed, according to the terms of the amnesty decree. Those serving longer terms will have them reduced.

Greek Rite Diocese Names Chancellor

Pittsburgh, Pa. — (NC) — Msgr. John K. Powell has been appointed chancellor of the Greek Rite Diocese of Pittsburgh by Bishop Daniel Ivancho, it was announced here. Other appointments in the Greek Rite Diocese included Msgr. George Michajlo as rector of the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of St. Cyril and Methodius and Msgr. Nicholas T. Elko, vicar general of the diocese and formerly seminary head, as pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic.

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Work On New Elmira School Progresses



RAPIDLY TAKING shape on Lower Maple Ave., Elmira, is the new Notre Dame de Lourdes High School. Steel erection is completed and brick work is progressing rapidly. The gymnasium-auditorium unit at the left in the background.