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Memorial Church Dedicated In Atom-Bombed Hiroshima

Hiroshima, Japan — (NC) — A memorial church dedicated to Mother of God now dominates this rebuilt city of more than 200,000 people. Members of the non-sectarian League of the War Dead and relatives of the blast victims from all over the Hiroshima Prefecture followed with reverent interest what must have been to them an unusual service.

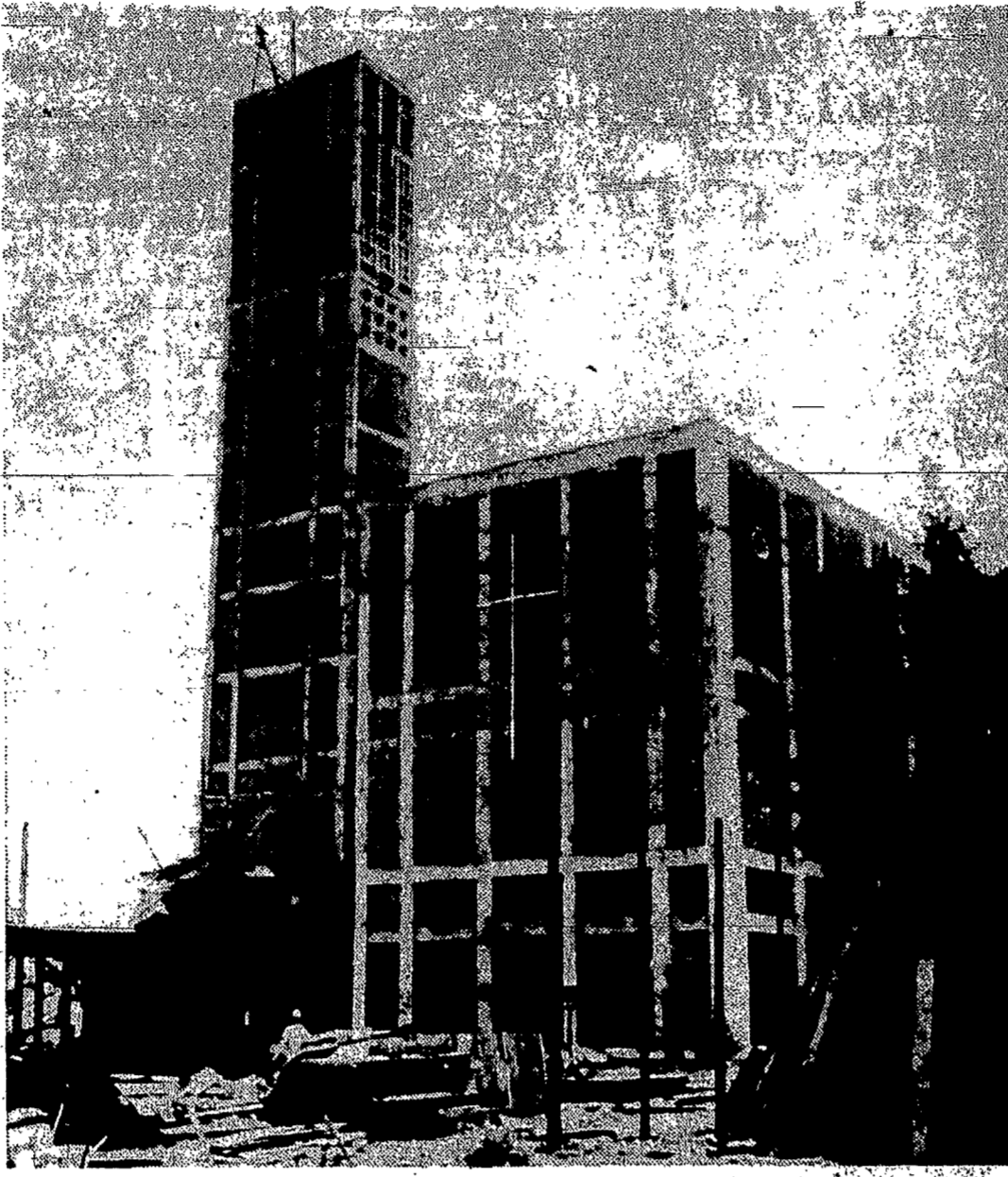
THE CONSECRATION of the memorial church, which is built along modern lines and is much larger and richer in its details than are most churches in a mission country, will climax nine days of religious, cultural and civic festivities to commemorate the opening of what local citizens, mostly Buddhists, have hailed as "a palace of prayer to represent our city in heaven."

A striking feature of the new church, which was designed by the Japanese architect Togo Murano, will be a perpetual crusade of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for world peace by cloistered Franciscan nuns from Cleveland, Ohio.

More than \$60,000 was collected in Japan for the memorial church. From the beginning it had the enthusiastic support of Buddhist leaders, who welcomed it as an outstanding event and of deep spiritual significance for Japan and all peace-loving countries.

Most of the funds were donated from abroad, principally by people in the United States and in South America. One anonymous American donor contributed \$100,000. Gifts in kind—statues, bells, altars, stained glass windows, tabernacles, and the like—poured in from European countries, chiefly Germany and Spain.

Hiroshima Peace Church



Hiroshima, Japan—This World Peace Memorial Church of Our Lady of the Assumption here will be consecrated on Aug. 6, the ninth anniversary of the atomic bomb explosion that wrecked the island during World War II. The new modernistic steel and concrete structure is on the site of the former Church of the Assumption leveled by the atomic blast. The church, 200 feet long and 80 feet wide, has a copper cross glistening from the top of a 450-foot tower. Total cost of the structure is estimated at \$250,000, with most of the funds being contributed by people in other countries, especially the United States. The Rev. Hugo Lassalle, S.J., who has served in Japan for 25 years, is the pastor. (RNS Photo)

Turkish Delegates Give Reds 'Bad Time' At UNESCO Meeting

By J. J. GILBERT

Washington — (NC) — Some people thought the Russians would behave themselves at the recent Geneva Conference on Education, the first they ever attended. Such hopefuls must have been sorely disappointed.

There were those, apparently, who believed that political questions would not be intruded in a cultural meeting of this sort. As a matter of fact, delegates from Soviet Russia and its satellite states showed the same insolence, cynicism and assured arrogance they displayed at the Geneva Asian Peace Conference. Observers summed it up by saying totalitarian boldness exploited the moral feebleness of the West.

THE CONFERENCE, the 17th of its kind, was held under the auspices of the UNESCO and the International Bureau of Education. It is an annual assembly of the departments of education of nearly all the governments of the world.

Soviet Russia joined UNESCO in May, and this was the first conference on education at which they put in an appearance. Observers say their advent was hailed with juvenile enthusiasm. It was regarded as a giant step toward international understanding and cultural cooperation.

Mrs. Z. V. Doubrovina, Deputy Minister of Education in the USSR, was promptly elected vice-chairman of the session. This required that, in addition to the official French and English, another translation be made when ever Mrs. Doubrovina presided.

But this was not the point that observers stressed. The Red delegates had a field day in propagandizing for their own educational set-up and in harpooning the efforts of other nations.

Then, after each delegation had presented, to the conference an oral summary of the educational situation in its homeland, it was subjected to a veritable barrage of well-prepared, carefully-planned questions from the Soviet ranks.

Pravda Lauds Opposition To Missioners

Madras, India — (NC) — The purpose behind a recent editorial in Pravda lauding the current anti-foreign-missionary movement in India, has been examined by The New Leader, Catholic paper here.

THE MOSCOW Communists, according to a report published here, rejected over the anti-missionary movement and congratulated the Indian government on its awareness of "this form of western imperialism". The Red paper drew a lurid picture of a swarm of American and other foreign missionaries allegedly threatening the freedom and independence of India.

THE PAPER said that Communists stand to benefit most from such a reduction of mission work. For missionaries, apart from the work of conversion, are propagandists against Communism, the Catholic paper declared. It added that this is the reason why Communists wage war against Christian missionaries wherever they are to be found.

The New Leader said: "The spread of Christianity, especially of Catholicism, in any country of which it has cast long shadows, is gall and wormwood to Communism. Hence we can understand Pravda's opposition to the coming of missionaries to India and the spread of Christianity among its people."

Daily Press Lauds Parochial Schools

Springfield, O. — (NC) — Commenting on a property gift made by a local family to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati for a central high school, The Springfield Sun, secular daily here, called the parochial school system "a fountainhead of Christian citizenship."

"The parochial schools of this city have contributed many generations of valuable citizens to our nation," said a Sun editorial. "At the same time, they have eased the tax-supported public school burden to an extent almost impossible to calculate. A good parochial school plant is not simply desirable; it is an absolute necessity."

The P. J. Shouvlín family gave the land of their 50-year-old homestead to the archdiocese.

Tito Regime Arrests Aide Of Jailed Bishop

Graz, Austria — (NC) — The Vicar General of an imprisoned Yugoslav Bishop has been placed under house arrest and is believed headed for imprisonment, according to information reaching here.

He is Magr. Andrija Majic, 43-year-old vicar general of Mostar and acting head of the diocese since the imprisonment of Bishop Peter Cule in 1948.

Intensive questioning by the Tito police preceded the arrest of Monsignor Majic, the reports state. The OZNA (secret police) agents reportedly threatened the Monsignor with torture and imprisonment unless he revealed the source which informed the outside world of Bishop's Cule's illness. Stories on the jailed prelate's illness were recently carried in the Catholic press in the U.S. and other countries—report-

edly to the great embarrassment of the Tito regime.

Coincident with the prelate's arrest came a sharp attack against him by the communist paper at Sarajevo, Oslobodjenju (Liberation). It charged him with being a fascist collaborator.

The action against Monsignor Majic is regarded as a reprisal by the Tito Regime for the prelate's persistent refusal to join the government-supported "SS, Cyril and Methodius Association" of priests. Similar to the "patriotic priests" groups of other communist countries, this association aims at bringing all clergymen under the absolute domination of the regime.

Pilgrimages Set New Record In England

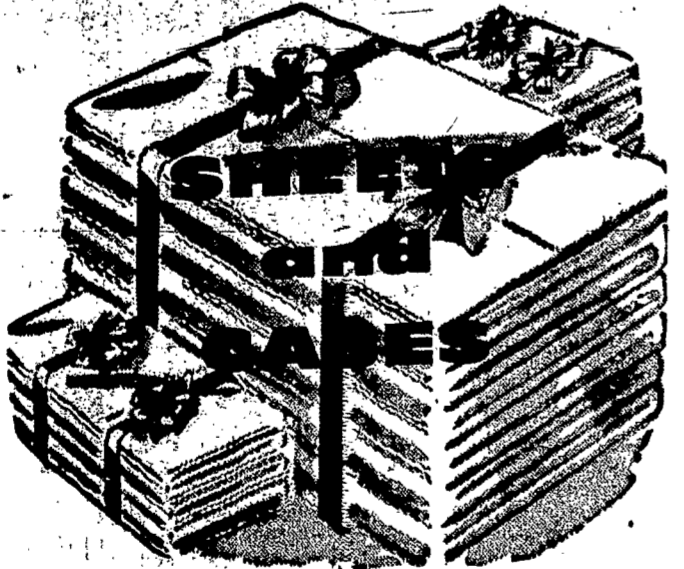
London — (NC) — England, a country once so studded with shrines of Our Lady that it boasted the title of "Mary's Dowry," is marking the summer of the Marian Year with more pilgrimages than ever before since the Reformation.

As the pilgrimage season reaches its peak, hundreds of thousands have already taken part in one or other of the regional or national ceremonies now being held weekly at restored shrines of Our Lady or those of newly-remembered martyrs and saints.

THOUSANDS more are spending their annual vacation making longer pilgrimages to the great shrines of continental Europe, Lourdes, Fatima, Rome or even the Holy Land itself. Within England, weekly pilgrimages go to the great Marian shrine at Walsingham, in Norfolk, one among the most famous pilgrimage centers of West Europe; to London's own new shrine of Our Lady at suburban Willesden; or to that of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at Aylesford, Kent, some 25 miles out of London. This is the mother house of the English Carmelites and the place where Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock and started the Carmelite scapular devotion.

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