

# Hindu Group Urges Foreign Missioners Get Out Of India

Nagpur, India — (NC) — Police stood by to prevent disturbances when a group of volunteers of the Hindu Mahasabha staged a demonstration in front of Christian missionary establishments here.

Led by N. B. Khare, vice-president of the ultra-Hindu organization, the demonstrators marched to the premises of two mission houses and shouted slogans like "Foreign missionaries, quit India."

# India Reds Fail To Ban Foreign Nuns

Trivandrum, India — (NC) — Communists of Travancore-Cochin have suffered a defeat in their attempt to ban the services of foreign Catholic nuns in this state.

The state government has no intention of taking such a step, the Modern state health minister declared in the legislative assembly.

THE HEALTH minister rejected Red charges that the Sisters are attempting to convert non-Christian patients to Christianity. There has not been any complaint from any quarter that these Sisters are behaving heartlessly towards patients with particular political leanings, he also said.

It is generally admitted, he added, that these Sisters carried on their great humanitarian work without caring about the political leanings, caste, creed or community of patients entrusted to their care.

Communist legislators had charged that in one particular hospital the Sisters were creating a "Catholic atmosphere" and were discriminating against patients with communist leanings.

Catholic members of the assembly immediately took the floor to protest against the statement.

Not all Hindus, however, have been blinded by the cry of "Hindulism in danger," which the Mahasabha has raised in its campaign against missionaries. Writing to the Bombay Times of India, a Hindu of Poona has objected to the campaign which he branded as a "senseless anti."

HE SAID: Foreign Christians establish schools, colleges, dispensaries, hospitals, leper institutions, tuberculosis sanatoria, houses for the blind and deaf, homes for women, orphanages and agricultural and industrial settlements in our country. We Hindus do nothing of the sort even for our own people and yet are not ashamed of pretending to be spiritually superior to western nations.

Some Hindus accept Christianity on account of material considerations. It only points to our past and present neglect of them.

However, the Mahasabha campaign has raised fears among Catholics over the safety of their mission. Catholics fear that the campaign, if unchecked, by government authorities might even lead to violence against missionaries.

# Pope Pius At Castle Gandolfo



Rome — Pope Pius XII acknowledges the presence of people who gathered outside his summer villa at Castel Gandolfo to welcome him after his arrival by automobile. This was the Pontiff's first appearance outside the Vatican since he became gravely ill last January. Although supposedly spending a vacation, the Pope will continue to carry on the business of the Church from his summer residence. (RNS Photo)

# Tito Police Took Notes Jailed Yugoslav Prelate Popular Hero Since Sermon Against Red Atheism

Dublin, Ireland — (NC) — How a Yugoslav prelate incurred the hatred of the Red authorities in his country for his outspoken criticism of communist atheism has been revealed in *The Standard*, Catholic weekly published here.

He is Msgr. Andrija Majkic, recently arrested vicar general of Mostar and active head of that diocese since the imprisonment of Bishop Peter Culo in 1948.

An incident that took place in the Mostar cathedral in July has made him a hero to his country's anti-communists, according to *The Standard*.

Every Sunday, the newspaper reported, two police officials came to the cathedral and took shorthand notes of Monsignor Majkic's sermons. He ignored their presence.

But, the report continued, on July 4 a remark by a police agent who was busy taking notes was overheard.

"Comrade," he was quoted as saying, "will you please help me. I did not properly understand what Monsignor Majkic said about communists being enemies of freedom."

The police agent put this question to one of the faithful who was sitting in front of him.

But the staunch Catholic who was addressed by the communist agent did not get embarrassed. He answered in a loud voice: "Better ask Monsignor Majkic."

Monsignor Majkic, who heard both the remark made by the police agent and the answer given by the Catholic, smiled and said to the congregation: "I see that the police agent who was sent by his superiors to take shorthand notes of my sermon did not understand the meaning of 'I will, therefore, help him.'"

He is a loud voice, reiterated that atheism, communism is a danger to the moral progress of youth in Yugoslavia, and that true freedom will come only if the principles of Christianity are accepted by the government and the local authorities.

The eyes of five hundred members of the congregation were focused upon the police agent. *The Standard* reported. He got visibly embarrassed, his face changing from pale to red, and ultimately he left the cathedral.

# College Girls Try Street Preaching Invalid Father Sees 3 Sons Ordained

River Forest, Ill. — (NC) — Two students from Rosary College for girls here have begun two weeks of street preaching in South Caplina. Jeanne Ellis of River Forest and Margaret Cremer of Freeport will be accompanied by Rosemary Lauer of the faculty of the Rosary College Department of Philosophy.

All members of the Passionist Order; they are Fathers Linus Lombard, C.P., of Ipswich, Mass., Lawrence Mullin, C.P., of Jersey City, N.J., and Ernest Rotz, C.P., of Brooklyn, N.Y.

A FOURTH member of the Order, Father John Baptist Maye, C.P., of Scranton, Pa., who also was among six Americans whom the Chinese Communists at the Geneva Conference promised to release, came here from Changsha seven days earlier.

On their arrival here, the three Passionists said that while in Red China they were not under arrest or mistreated, although they had frequently been insulted and mocked because of their faith.

The Passionists reported that many purges of local Communist officials were in progress throughout China.

Knowing your limitations is the first step towards overcoming them.

Santander, Spain — (NC) — A father of nine children, seven of whom embraced the religious life, wept with joy when his three newly ordained youngest sons celebrated their first Masses in the chapel of the University of Comillas here.

He was Lamario de Clairac, former member of the Spanish parliament, who was wheeled into the chapel in an invalid's chair. A victim of paralysis, he had prayed God, he said, to let him witness the ordination of his three sons, Juan, Ignacio and Luis.

Accompanying the invalid was the new priest's mother who, years before she was married, had embroidered the chasuble worn by Father Juan for his first Mass.

# Red-Freed Bishop Not To Use Office Word 'Catholic' Can Only Be Applied To Church Established By Christ

By MSGR. JOSEPH CLIFFORD FENTON Editor, The American Ecclesiastical Review (Written for N.C.W.C. News Service.)

Catholics in this country are frequently startled at the efforts of non-Catholics in this country and in England to apply the word "Catholic" to their own religious organizations and conventions. One such effort was made early this month when "The American Church Union of the Episcopal Church" sponsored what it called a "Chicago Catholic Congress." The chairman of this gathering is listed as the president of the "Chicago Catholic Club."

Participating in the gathering were various Episcopalian clergymen and leaders from the Jansenistic and "Old Catholic" groups in Europe and the Polish National groups in this country.

REAL CATHOLICS are instinctively aware that the term "Catholic" is used improperly when it is used to designate any religious groups other than the society which Our Lord Himself instituted during His public life on this earth. They should know exactly why this is so.

In the first place they should know that the word "Church" itself has a very particular and almost indescribably rich meaning in Christian doctrine. The term does not mean merely "a religious society" which professes some sort of attachment to Jesus Christ.

Both before and after his "trial" in Bucharest the Bishop was reportedly forced to join a slave labor gang working on the proposed canal linking the Danube River and the Black Sea. It was reported in 1952 that the Bishop had been injured in an accident during the canal construction work. The Rumanian legation here announced that the Bishop was released because of ill health.

Other reports from Communist Rumania stated that the aged Bishop had been severely mistreated during his imprisonment because he persistently refused to assume leadership of a schismatic "national Catholic Church."

In its religious significance, the Greek word of which the English term "Church" is the translation signifies in the New Testament nothing less than the chosen people of God, the Kingdom of God, the social unit which is called in St. Paul's Epistles, the "Body of Christ."

THE PEOPLE of Israel constituted the "Church" under the old dispensation (see Acts 7:38). The old Israelitic religious commonwealth lost its own privileged position as the "ecclesia" or the company of God's chosen people by its rejection of Our Lord.

Thus, when Our Lord died on the Cross, the society into which he had organized His disciples began to operate as the Kingdom of God on earth, possessing this dignity in a much more perfect manner than the old Israelitic community had ever possessed it.

This society was so organized by Our Lord that His Apostles were given responsibility for and authority over it, so that they, as His instruments and ministers, might guide its members to their eternal salvation. The Holy Father and the other Bishops of the Catholic Church are the successors of the Apostles, ruling and teaching and sanctifying this Church as the ambassadors of Christ.

AS THE ECCLESIA or the Kingdom of God on earth, the Church is necessarily one by the very force of its divine institution. It can never become a part of any higher religious unity into which it and other religious organizations might be expected to enter. Men may legitimately desire to enter the Church, but they are obviously opposing the will of God when they try to contrive a religious unity into which the Church itself would be expected to enter.

There are many other terms which are frequently and rightfully put with the term "Church." It must always be understood, however, that these terms such as the word "Catholic" are not in any sense qualifications of the term "Church." Their use does not mean that there is actually an ecclesia which is God's, but which is not Catholic or universal. The only reason why such added words are used is for the sake of greater clarity in the designation of the ecclesia.

One of these words is "Catholic." The first document which has survived until our own time and which contains the expression "Catholic Church" is the letter of St. Ignatius of Antioch to the Church in the city of Smyrna in Asia Minor. It was employed in this letter in exactly the same sense as it is used today, to designate the genuine Church of Christ as something distinct from the various dissident sects which attempted to imitate it.

The word meant "universal." The expression "Catholic Church" meant "the Church that is to be found everywhere." In the early part of the second century, when the followers of Christ who traveled were accustomed to bring with them letters of introduction to the Christian communities of the cities they were going to visit, one of the most remarkable things about the true Church was the fact that its members could be expected to be received everywhere, while the members of the various heretical sects, which had come into existence long after the establishment of the Church, and which had only a very limited geographical extension, would be received within the space of a very restricted area.

THE CREED of Nicea and Constantinople, the one recited or sung in the Mass on Sundays, designated the true Church as "the one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church."

The real name of the society over which the Bishop of Rome presides as the Vicar of Christ is "the Church." Also genuine names, which apply to this religious group and to no other, are "the Kingdom of God," "the city of God," "The Catholic Church" and "the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ."

Non-Catholics may be expected to use these and other designations of the Church to designate their own religious units, but this use will always be inaccurate and improper.

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