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## Protestant Bishop Challenged On **Pro-Red Statement**

Council of Churches meeting by a Hungarian Protestant clergyman that religious freedom still exists in his country was contradicted here by two witnesses appearing before a Nuns Make



Walshingham, D. C.—Msgr. Bella Varga, president of the National Hungarian Council in Exile (right), is shown following his appearance here before a House Committee Investigating Communist seisure and control of Hungary. With him are Rep. Charles J. Kersten (R-Wisc.), chairman of the committee (center); and Major Gen. John H. Stokes, Jr., U. S. A., who also testified. Msgr. Varga was the last freely-elected speaker of the Hungarian Parliament before the government came under Communist control. (RNS Photo).

select congressional committee investigating communist ag-

Msgr. Bela Varga, president of the Hungarian National Council and exiled speaker of the Hungarian Parliament, told

**Evanston Delegate** 

Called 'Informer'

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Peter restricts him from travel

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Montreal -(NC)- Sacristans

regulates procedures in case of disputes The Union and the com-

mittee of priests also agreed to

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the committee that "communism and religious freedom are mu tually exclusive as fire and water," "He who tells the con-trary," he added, "does not know communism or religion or he is a conscious tool of the commu-

Another witness, Maj. Gen.

John H. Stokes, Jr., commander of the Military District of Washington — (NC) — Bishop of the Military District of Washington, who served for three man, of Red-held Hungary was described by U.S. State Depart as deputy commander of the ment spokesmen here as an "in American Members of the Military District of Washington, who served for three war described by U.S. State Depart as deputy commander of the ment spokesmen here as an "in the Military District of Washington, who served for three war described by U.S. State Depart as deputy commander of the Military District of Washington, of Red-held Hungary was described by U.S. State Depart with the Red menace. Also, all phases of Sodality work are being churches in the United States as possible before they ded.

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With their trailer hitched to their sar, they have visited thous. feetified that by the Fall of 1948 from the communists. The olic Church resistence."

members asked Monsignor Varga to tell what he knew of Bishop Janos Peter, the Hungarian Protestant churchman who told the World Council of Churches that there is still religious freedom in Hungary and that conditions in pulpit since he became a church the communistrum country are official in 1949. One of his funcfavorable for the growth of tions under the Red regime, how-

Monsignor Varga said that ne's Catholic priest he was re-luction; to "attack" Bishop Peter, He said he would leave that for some prominent Hun-garing Protestants who would testify before the committee in New York, However, he said: "A man who leaves the country with a communist passport and returns ig a communist agent because he must do what he is commanded by the com-munist government in order to get the passport"

General Stokes called the prelate's statement on passports significant because, he said, passports/in Hungary are given out by the communists "only to trusted confidents who will do their work and return."

Chairman Charles Kersten of Wisconsin said that there is a the World Council meeting was possibility that Bishop Peter's held. He may hold no press conrecent statement is in line with ferences, speak at no gathering the communist program of de jourside the World Council, and telling by attempting to show make no recordings to be rethere is religious freedom in Hungary, and that he is over here as part of this program. In Munich, Germany, Congressman-Kersten said, the committee re-Kersten said, the committee received testimony that the Hun- Get Union Contract garian communists were keeping few big churches open as in about 100 parishes of the "showplaces" to prove religious Archdiocese of Montreal are asfreedom whereas in fact they had sured a minimum weekly salary closed 3.000 churches

of \$50.70 and two weeks vacation Congressman Bonin comment with pay each year under air ed that it is the communists agreement signed by the Sacrisfamiliar "pattern of confusion." tans Union of the Confederation He said it was much the same of Canadian Catholic Workers He said it was much the said a committee of priests rep Civil War where the communists resenting the parishes. kept a couple of churches open . The agreement also provides for propaganda purposes and that new employees must be closed the rest and killed the come members of the Union and

IN HIS STATEMENT, General Stokes said that the Roman Catholic Church In Hungary under the strong spiritual leadeiship of Cardinal Mindszenty." refused to surrender after the other churches capitulated and fought every communist move reset in a new mounting at a subjugate the shurch to the severe to subjugate the shurch to the severe state of the severe state other churches capitulated and NATIONAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY



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ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 27, 1954

#### Nine Mercy Sodalists Attend Action School Final Vows Nine novice nuns of the Sis ers of Mercy pronounced their final vows at impressive rites held Sunday, August 22, in the Motherhouse Chapel on Blossom Road. The ceremony climaxed six years of novitiate and juniorate

religious training for the nine The Rev. Charles J. Azzi, pastor of Mount Carmel Church, Rochester, presided at the ceremony and was assisted by the Rev. Richard Tormey, Motherhouse chaplain.

"The harvest is great, but the laborers are few" was the theme of Father Azzi's sermon to the young sisters and their families. Father stated the work of these sisters would succeed not because of their own natural talents but because Christ had chosen them to do His work.

The following are the young women who pronounced their final vows:

Sister Mary Annette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D'Amico f St. John the Evangelist Par-

Sister Mary Pius, daughter of Mr. Martin J. Keough of St. Pat-Sister Mary Bryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan E. Ford of Old St. Mary's, Parish.

Sister Mary Lisette, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Elmer O'Brien of Corpus Christi Parish.

Sister Mary Frances Cabrin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed-mond Schiabl of St. Pius Parish, Cohocton, New York.

Salome's Parish. Sister Marie Martin, daughter

on the Reformed Church of Hun- the white-veiled novices. At the and end tomorrow. TWO OF THE committee gary prelate while heattended the Communion of the Mass when sembers asked Monsignor Varge World Council of Churches meet. Peter has not performed ecclesiastical functions or been in a

> In the ceremony following the ster. holy sacrifice of the Mass each the communists against anticommunist clergymen, the offidials said.
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> communists would be successful. After the ring were bestowed.

> former anti- the new sisters prostrated while Holy Rosary, Rochester, the the choir sang the "Te Deum." Rev. James Marvin, moderator). orities also said that the Bishop was the only leading Hungarian

Mr. Martin J. Keough of St. Patrick's Parish, Aurora, New York.

Area Teen-Ages Attend Sociality Summer School

AMONG 175 DELEGATES from the Diocese of Rochester attending the Sociality Summer School

of Catholic Action at Fordham University are: (from left, front row) Margaret Fox, Wayland;

Joan Cook, Nazareth Academy; Vicki Vitali, Watkins Glen; Joan Ruby, Mercy High; (back,

from left) Kathy Whalen, St. Agnes High; Darlene Stecke, Nazareth; Louis Guard, DeSales High, Geneva; Rev. Edward Stellakirchner, Katle Moynihan, Solality Union of Rochester; An thony Giannora, Holy Family High, Auburn; William Cotterill, Aquinas and Rev. Richard Tor-

Visiting Churches

(N.C.W.C. News Service)

New York—More than 1,600 students are registered for the Sodality Summer School of Satholic Action now being conducted at Fordlam University with a representation from the Rochester diocese of about 175, according to the Rev. Rich-ard Tormey, diocesan director of the Sociality of Our Lady. The Retired Couple Spend Last Years

Sister Marie, daughter of Mr. Rey, Daniel Lord, S.J. is playing and Mrs. Harold Marshall of St. a leading role despite his illness. SOME OF THE Bestions being offered treat such topics as of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Quinn of youth guidance, mental prayer, St. John the Evangelist Parish. Vocational guidance, the Mass, Sister Marie Eavmond Million. Catholic answer to race preju-

30 girls; Our Lady of their car, they have visited thous-Mercy High School, 57 girls; St ands of churches. The past nine cept the Roman Catholic Church Peter's service to the community the Veni Crestor, the nine wom. Aquinas Institute, 3 boys, Mod. miles and land that Bishop As the community the Veni Crestor, the nine wom. Aquinas Institute, 3 boys, Mod. miles and land the community the Veni Crestor, the nine wom. had been forced to capitulate . . . government in its political and en attired in white church closics erators of the four Rochester high church in Florida, Georgia, North and the arrest of Cardinal Minds- military system, was reason and carrying lit candles process. schools are also present for the and South Carolina, and nearly and transfer of Catulat which specific placing restrictions ed into the chapel, preceded by exercises which began Monday every one in Virginia.

the diocese are: St. Mary, Au their daughter, a Sister of St. Joof sisters said their names and burn, (the Rev. Charles J. Mc- seph. ACCORDING to the State Description of the Stat chastity, obedience and the serve Brady, moderator); St. Joseph, retire in 1949 following the last ice of the poor, sick and ignor- Wayland, (the Rev. Gerald Kreig, moderator); Holy Trinity, Web-

> Also, Holy Family High School. Geneva, (the Rev. Dr. Joseph L. church. William White, moderator); SS. Peter and Paul, Rochester; and

Present in the sanctuary were Other priests attending are: Rt. Rev. Msgr. John Enderbrock, the Reverend Fathers Edward Trenton New Jersey; and the Steinkirchner, assistant diocesan Reverend Fathers Paul J. Wohl director of the Sodality Unions: rab, John Lane, and John P. Nor. Robert Downs, Richard Orlando.

Elected



### Educator Named Scranton Bishop

Washington (NG) Mon-signor Jerome D. Hannan, vice Twice a year they return to: OTHER GROUPS representing St. Paul to visit their friends and rector of the Catholic University of America since 1951, has been named Bishop of Scranion, Pa., the Apostolic Delegation announced this week.

Bishop-elect Hannan was operation on his eyes, he and his born in Pittsburgh in 1896. He wife told their daughter of their was ordained at St. Vincent's plans to visit as many churches Archabbey, Pa, in 1921. A stuas they could and to say two dent at the Catholic University decades of the Rosary in each from 1920-21 and 1931-34, he joined the faculty in 1940.

#### Holy Father

# Immodesty In Dress 'Serious Plague'

Vatican City-(NC)-Pope Pius XII has appealed to the Bishops of the world to take action against immodesty in dress, which has "spiritually ruinous effects, especially on young people" and is "a most

The Holy Father's appeal was conveyed through a letter written at his express instruction by His Eminence Pietro Cardinal Cirlaci, Prefect of the Sacred Con-gregation of the Council, and published in the Acta Apostolicae Sedis, official Vatican bulletin.

serious plague of the present

THE LETTER recalled that one of the punicipal aims of the Marian Year is a salutary reform

"This is true not only of the holiday resorts, but of the city and village streets and others places both private and public,' Cardinal Ciriaci wrote.

"Even in the house of God there is a tendency to wear dress that is unworthy of the occasion and irreverent, and whose spiritually ruinous effects, especially on young people, are easy to imagine."

CARDINAL CIRIACI said that of morals among Christians. It even such pagan leaders as Cic-said that one step toward such ero and Seneca had spoken out reform should be directed against against styles of dress offensive indecencies of fashion which, to modesty and decency. He especially in the summertime, stated that an additional reason furnish a sad and blameworthy for Christian and additional reason spectacle." is the Catholic teaching that the body is the temple of the Holy Ghost and should be preserved from any profanation.

The Cardinal suggested that appeals be made to fathers and of its meaning by a priest, the mothers to give their children good example as well as teaching them to avoid the dangers of immodesty. He invited Catholic organizations to regard the matter among the most important to be considered in their apostolic endeavors.

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# U. S. Catholics

# Give 71 Percent Of Mission Aid

Notre Dame, Ind.—(RNS)—American Catholica have contributed 71 per cent of all the mission funds available to Pope Pius XII, Auxiliary Bishop Fulton J. Sheen of New

## Moscow Goes All Out For Atheist Drive

Washington, D. C. - (NC) ess new propaganda drive to stamp out religion from one end clared in a dispatch to its over-

THE DISPATCH cited a Vatican radio statement of August aries, the prelate and because 18 which, it said, had called attention to a new anti-religious their approach to the pegane of campaign, the most intense and foreign lands. He added that best organized since that of 1930, most Americans are themselves had begun in Russia."

AIM OF THE NEW Soviet drive, the U.S. Information Agency said, is to use "every conceivable means to destroy religious faith and create instead a 'scientific, communistic approach' toward life."

The Agency reported that com-Vatican history as one of oppres. 180. sion. It said the Odessa Radio much in search of land as they had reported early in August are for the minds of men Bishop that "3,490 lectures on scientific Sheen observed. Souls again are and anti-religious themes were back in style," he said. and anti-religious menns were delivered for the workers of the Odessa region in the first half which send missionaries abroad attended the sessions.

York said here.
Addressing the fifth annual meeting of the Mission Sending
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countries and 653 mission area some 100,000 missionaries abor 4.500 of them Americans, are Moscow is conducting a "relent. operating 45.000" elementary schools, 10,000 secondary and professional schools 1350 hos pitals, 1,300 orphanages and a of the Soviet Union to the other" variety of other institutions, the U.S. Information Agency de Bishop Sheer lauded in the control of the Soviet Union to the other" missionaries who, he said have withstood trial and persecution

as well as any in the world." Americans make good mission "they are never nationalistic" in only a few generations removed from foreign countries and have an "international spirit" which makes their work particularly effective.

Camparing the present state of the missions to Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane, the Blah op lamented the loss of one mil-The Agency reported that communist writers are turning out stacks of anti-religious pamphlets," one of which, entitled, there were \$500 missionaries in "In Satan's Service," pictures China, there are now only about

The Communists are not so

#### Archbishop Alter

### Unity Comes From God. Cannot Be Man-Made

Notre Dame, Ind. (NC). The religious missionary el-fort of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade is an approach that holds out the final and most effective hope for man-

#### Protestant Asks White Rose For Marian Year

Dayton, O .- (NC) -A white ose named in honor of Our Lady hás been promised as a Marian Year tribute to the Mother of God. And when the promise is fulfilled., a Protestant woman can take credit for setting the move into action.

Mrs. Velma Miller, regional director of the Ohio Association of Garden Clubs, personally brought men." the idea to her.

The firm wasn't quite sure about. But Mrs. Miller pressed her point. "Imagine me, a Pro-Catholic about the Blessed Virgin!" she recalled.

In the end, she succeeded in retting the firm's promise that will develop a sturdy white rose in honor of Our Lady and make it available to gardeners as the Archbishop said, " a so-called ecumenical council of churches.

#### Television Mass 'Sells' Non-Catholic On Church Rite

Albuquerque, N. M.—(NC). television broadcast has changed the opinion of a non-Catholic who wondered why Catholics were "so foolish as to stick to something as old and outmoded as the Mass

After viewing the Sacrifice of the Mass over station KOAT TV and hearing an explanation same woman said she was "completely sold on the Mass and I can easily understand why Catholics attach such great importance to:it."

The special televised Mans was the result of a layman's committee in Holy Ghost Parish neeking ways to make the Church known to others.

Our service Includes flowers by-wire anywhere. And a specia for busy hospitals. Flowers already arranged in appropriate containers in water, protressed prolong their beauty. At Blan-chard Florist, 58 Law Ava. EAlor 1404.—Adv. unity and unity among nations.
Archbishop Karl J. Alter clared here.

BISHOP ALTER Who is no tional president of the CSMC as well as chairman of the Adminis trative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, de livered the keynote address at the opening of the 16th national convention of the CSMC at the University of Notre Dame:

He told the more than 3,000 student delegates that "in any attempt to achieve religious uniy we must start with the concept that God Himself haarwilled that there be such unity among

"Unless God has decreed the idea for a Marian Year rose definite plan for this purpose. rose growing firm. She acted aft. he said, "it is futile for men te er a Catholic friend had broached try to search for it and even more absurd to try to invent one.

The divine plan to attain reliwhat a Marian Year rose was all glous unity can indeed be discovered by the mind of man, if sincere and enlightened by God's testant. telling another non- result of some human comprograce, but it will never be the mise or the product of some mechanical organization."

"WE HAVE witnessed within the past weeks at Evanston, Ill." perpetual memory of the Mar- striving to attain some degree of unity in the midst of their di versity and contradictions.

"To the extent that they subscribe to the idea of unity in the human family we can sympathize with their efforts. But to the extent that the concept of unity and the plan to achieve it is to be conceived as the result of human ingenuity or the product of man's creation to that extent at least we differ radically from these exponents of either international or religious unity?

"We believe with the win conviction," he continued was there is such a divine plant We believe that Christ lished a Church, one lesty Catholic and apostolic, for if purpose, And we believe for thermore, that Christ wast Church watch He formers to ton as it is a same of

#### Pope Leads Aprelia Over Vatican Rutts

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#### churchman who receives a pay-ment of approximately \$400 a and George Schmitt. month as a "supplement for danger," usually given by the Boy Convert In Red China communists government to police. and soldiers who have special Has Spirit Of Martyrs The visa issued to Bishop except for direct transportation

Hong Kong—(NC)—Salesian missionaries here vouch for the truth of what they regard as one of the most unitsual convert stories to come out of Red China. It concerns a teen ager named Tre who used to study at a Saleslam school in Peking? Tze's father had steadfastly refused to allow him to be hap-tized, while two of his brothers

were far advanced in the Chl-nese Communist Party. Not long ago, the Reds asked the students at Tze's school to sign a "loyalty" pledge to the Mao Tre Tune government. Which contained the phrase. small group of Catholic boys refused to sign, and so did Tse. Red police officials wanted to

"Because," the Catholic boys replied, "communism is mater-latistic and contrary to our

One official turned to Tre. saying : You haven't been haptized. Why don't you sign? "For the same reason," the oy answered. "But you are not a Catholic."

"I believe in God all the same," "Ne makind That sight Tre secretly visithaptized "so that they won't be able to xet the better of me when I uphold Christian ideas without being a Catholic."

"Also, once I'm baptized," the boy added, Till feel much stronger for any battles in the furture."

Tre passed a test im catechism and was baptized, the same week. He has continued to be a staunch champion of resist-

ance to communism in his

Pertinent information on the Rochester Diocesan schools is presented in this issue on pages 1-A. 2-A. 5-A. 6-A. 6 and 7

Back-To-School News is featured in this edition of the Catholic Courier Journals Early next month the vast and growing educational system of the Rochester Diocese, including almost 90 parish schools, 15 high schools, and 12 other institutions of higher education, will welcome to the classroom over 42,000 students.

**Our Schools**