Vietminh Still Violate Geneva Pact By Blocking Refugee Trips To Freedom

Nearly all these refugess are

Catholic. When some 300 Cath-

olics set out from a village in

the Thai Binh province, the

Vietminh barred them from

using row boats, without which

it was impossible to cross the

river. In another place, men

who operate bicycle rickshaws

On September 2, the Inter-

national Control Commission.

whose responsibility it is to su-

pervise carrying out the Geneva

agreement, issued a statement

reminding each side of Clause 14

which gives civilians full free-

dom to change residence from

one zone to the other.

nothing about it,

told the people, "If you're Catholics, we can't take you?"

By FATHER PATRICK O'CONNOR

Hanoi - (NC) - The Vietminh minh mortars opened fire in (communists) continue to violate their direction. No boats were the Geneva agreement of last hit, but the threat was obvious. The boats, each loaded with fam-July by hindering Vietnamese villagers from leaving their zone. files, had no choice but to turn

back

Refugees who have succeeded in reaching Hanoi and Haiphong from various areas concur in their reports of difficulties in leaving the Vietminh zone. They also report that thousands of their fellow villagers who want to leave are prevented by the Vietminh

EACH SIDE is bound by the Geneva Agreement to authorize and assist those who so desire to Leave one zone for another. Instead, according to accounts given independently by refugees in recent weeks, the Vietminh are obstructing the villagers' departure by force, intimidation and removal of the means of transportation.

This correspondent talked to refugees from Thai Binh and Phat Diem provinces who have seen Vietminh manhandling Catholics who were trying to leave their villages

-Many report the Victminh tactics of grabbing infants from their mothers' arms to prevernt families from departing. One family showed me a fouryear-old boy whom Vietminh officials tried to take forcibly from his mother's arms after the family had stepped aboard a river boat. In the tugof-war that followed, with the unforturnate buby in the middle, the child's head hit the side of the boat, I saw the agly bruise five days later at Hanol.

The boat was already loaded with passengers who resented the Vietminh actions, so officials | tary of State, praised the theme thought it better to let it go. In of the congress "Christ refugee camps at Haiphong, Humanism and a Profession." Vietminh agents tell the people any relatives they've left behind Non-Catholic Gives will be penalized if the refugees don't go back Hospital To Order

FESHERFOLK of one riverside village departed in their boats with the apparent permission of local Vietminh authorities. As they came into the estuary, Viet-



Tokyo -- (NC)- Many of the 500 students enrolled for the fall semester of the International Diand sairmen.

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With the star of the

Over Million Want Out Of North Vietnam

Paris - (NC) - There are 1,400,000 Christians in North Vietnam who wish to escape the dominstion of the Viet-Minh, declared Father George de Rochecau, who has recentlyvisited Indo-China as the representative of His Emin Maurice Cardinal Feltin, Arch bishop of Paris. This number, he said, represented those "who wish to save!

the freedom of their conscience at the price of abandoning all their poss sions." Father de Rochécau stresse the extraordinary self-denial of those Christians. "For the most part," he said, "they are peas, ants who have only a straw

hut, a little rice paddy, one or The Commission asked each two buffalo and a primitive command to give "widest possible dissemination" to this plow, but they are very atclause. Actually, since just about tached to their land and are that time, Vietminh have tightsfraid of the unknown.

ened restrictions on people's "Viteminh know this," he conmovements out of their zone. To tinued, "and to stop the exodus date, the International Control of people, they try to prevent Commission apparently has done the village priests from leav ing.

Pope Says Conscience Pharmacists' Best Guide

Vatican City -- (NC) -- Pope Pius XII has sent a message conveying his counsel and blessings to the delegates at the third international congress of Catholic pharmacists at Zaragoza, Spain,

The message, sent in the THE LETTER pointed out that Pope's name by Msgr. Giovanni proper legislation can be most B. Montini, Vatican ProSecrehelpful to the pharmacist, for example "legislation in a matter of the congress "Christian which is in accord with Catholic morality, which, in turn, confirms and elevates natural law.

"Of still further help to the harmacist will be an ethical formation that will illustrate for him the application of those laws and principles," the letter Matauyama, Japan -- (NC)--A

non-Catholic has turned over a went on. 16-building hospital he built and But the greatest help, the letmaintained here to the Spanish ter said, will be "the honesty of Dominican Fathers. The gift in his Christian conscience - the cludes all the hospital's equipimmediate judge and guide of his (the pharmacist's) actions."

ment and furnishings. Mr. Ishimari, who had drected The first congress of Catholic the hospital for the past 25 years, pharmacists, a section of Pax made the presentation on the Romana, was held in Rome durvision of Sophia University here eve of his retirement. The 500 ing the Holy Year of 1950. The are' American soldiers, sallors, bed hospital is one of the largest second was held at Spa, Belin this city of 200,000. gium.

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Indians Visit Martyrs' Shrine

Aurieaville, N. Y .- The Rev. Louis A. Devaney, S.J., director of the National Shrine of the North American Martyrs here" (eff); explains the story of St. Issac Jogues to a group of Mohawk Indians who made a pilgringe to the shrine. St. Isaac Jogues was one of three Jesuit missionaries killed near the alte of the wrine by the Mohawka more than 300 years ago. While a slave at the ancient Mohawk village of Ossernenon near here, he used to carve the Cross and the Name of Jesus on hundreds of trees in the forests. The statue shows the saint carving a tree. The other two Jeauits whose marginion is honored by the shrine were Sts. Bene Goupil and John de Lande. (RNS: Photo).

Vatican Recognizes Mail Response Staggers A 'Widow's Mite' **Convert Pamphlet Writer**

New York—(NC)—A recent convert has found that what she needs most now that she is in the Church are full-time, top-quality secretaries and two jumbo-sized filing

rack one day. I am praying

olics' extending gracious greetings, some from mature or elerly Protestants," she said. "One very touching letter came from a Protestant minlater. who said: I got your booklet from a Church book Attlee Faces Critics On Return From

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London-(NC)-Clement Attlee, leader of the Britis Labor Party, and his team have stored up plenty of trouble for themselves when they return home from their tour of the Communist world.

Tour Of Red Lands

Their "fact-firading" visit to This lists the names of 166 China has doubtless warmed the priests, brothers and nuns mur hearts of Mao Tse tung and dered by the Chinese Commu-Chou En-lai but many secular nists with the date and place of papers here - in addition to the each murder. It also gives other Catholic Press — have criticized details of the persecution, the their "glow of good fellowship" martyrdom of thousands of (as one paper put it) and rather Chinese Christians and the oblipuzzling conclusions. teration of Christianity, in the NEWSPAPER correspondents country.

"Did Mr. Attlee hear all this?" accompanying the group have written reports criticizing the the Universe asked. "Almost cerrather naive acceptance by the tainly no." The two solitary Laborites of the propaganda "Chinese Church leaders" he met showered upon them in every in Peking were two discredites way and form, in sharp contrast renegade Catholic priests. to the journalists' scepticism, and "It is significant, that no

gates," said the Catholic Times These were of a political or in "Did the Labor delegates see ternational aspect generally but anything of the real life in

the Catholic Press has been more China ? Perhaps they were too concerned with the evasive tac. Shy to ask Mao how he treated tics regarding moral and religi-Christian missionaries." ous matters aclopted by Mr IN AN ARTICLE written by

Mr. Attlee and distributed by the THE UNIVERSE pointed out United Feature Syndicate, Inc.,

that Mr. Attlee, possible future he spoke of a "long tession with Prime Minister of Britain, has representatives of the churches," ended his tour without apparent. He said the "representatives" ly having discovered anything of told them that freedom of rethe vicious persecution launched ligion was allowed and that the against the Catholic Church in only arrests of Bishops and China in the past lew years. At priests had been due to their a press conference in Hong Kong political and not to their religi he could find no shorager term ous activities. than "antipathy" to describe the

"I was somewhat skeptical as and not very impressive, especi-

His actual reply, as reported, ally the leading personality, who was: "I formed the impression seemed almost as devoted a that the Chinese antipathy to foreign missions and Churches of Canterbury, If, as a matter was nationalistic rather than of fact, the People's Govern-Communistic, an objection to ment is in favor of religious foreign influence, although final freedom, it will mark it off very judgment is difficult."

THE UNIVERSE west on t remind Mr. Attlee once again

and its marry thousands of readers who vote for the Labor Party, of a few of the facts, quot History of the Diocese of Cov-ing a report entitled "The Sys ington," a book by Father Paul tematic Destruction of the Cath J. Byan, administrator of St. olic Church in Chrins" published Maty's Cathedral parish, here; in New York earlier this year: has been published.

Calacala, Bolivia-(NC)-The happiest person in town these days is an elderly Indian woman who recently received a letter from Valican City," reported Father John J. McCabe, mtely." A few months ago the worn an gave Father McCabe \$3 to send to the Holy Father, As a

child many years ago she had heard that the Holy Faiher needed funds. The sum; of \$3 represented her savings over

the years. "For her gift, the woman received a letter of thanks from the Vatican Secretariate of State," continued Father Mc-Cabe, "She also received the Apostolic Blessing of His Holfness Pope Pius XII."

cabinets. one for answered mai and the other plainly marked: "Letters to be answered immedi-MISS MARJORIE Hoagland, of this city, authored a pamph-

let telling the story of her conversion. She has been virtually covercome with mail, and finds keeping up with it a real job. ber. "Some was from 'born Cath-

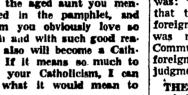
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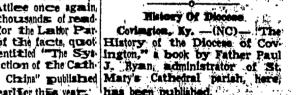
that the aged aunt you mentioned in the pamphlet, and whom you obviously love so much and with such good rea son, also will become a Catholic. If it means so much to you, your Catholicism, I can see what it would mean to

"'God walk with you both,' is what he wrote," she said. Miss Hoagland's pamphlet is called "The Foothills of Heaven" and was published by Ave Maria

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listing the things and the facts other Catholic priests, whether which were not explained and about which questions were not presented to the Labor dele Attlee's tour group.

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