

Freed Bishop Says China Reds Ending Public Worship

HONG KONG — (RNS) — Bishop Frederick A. Donaghy, M.M., of New Bedford, Mass., said here that public worship will "soon be wiped out" in China if the Communists continue their present policies.

The Maryknoll missionary, Bishop of Wuchow since 1933, was expelled from China on charges of subversive activities. He is the first American Catholic missionary to be released by the Chinese Reds in nearly a year.

The 52-year-old prelate had spent 26 years in China. His expulsion leaves only two American bishops in China, Bishop Ambrose Henry Pinger, O.F.M., of Lindsey, Omaha, and Bishop James Edward Walsh of Cumberland, Md. Bishop Pinger, whose see is at Chongtun, was last reported in jail. Bishop Walsh is under close surveillance in Shanghai.

AT A PRESS conference, Bishop Donaghy branded as "completely false" Chinese Communist Premier Chou En Lai's statement at the recent Bandung conference of Asian-African nations that freedom of religion exists in China.

Citing examples in his own Wuchow diocese, he said Catholics were forbidden to attend Mass at two missions under threat of arrest. At two other missions, "Mass" was "allowed" but Catholics were forbidden to attend, the bishop declared.

Seven missionaries, he added, were used by the Communists for the storage of rice and as public meeting halls, and chapels were transformed into government offices.

He said the independent Church movement sponsored by the Communists has met with complete failure. Despite anti-Catholic measures, Bishop Donaghy said, church attendance in the Wuchow diocese is up to 60 per cent since the Red takeover of China.

Where services were permitted, the prelate said, Communist agents listened to sermons and then harassed churchgoers with constant questioning on why they became Catholics, what they knew about foreigners and the source of church funds.

BISHOP DONAGHY said the Communist campaign had kept some young people away from church. He also noted that there had been a decline in the number of converts to Roman Catholicism since the Red regime took over the country.

Looking pale and tired, Bishop Donaghy told newsmen he was imprisoned for five months in 1950 on trumped-up charges of espionage, sedition and opium. He said he spent two months in solitary confinement, then was moved with another American priest, the Rev. Justin Kennedy of West Shokan, N. Y., to a larger cell. Father Kennedy, he



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said, was subsequently expelled from the country and he himself was kept under house arrest at a mission compound, until his expulsion.

Prior to being expelled, Bishop Donaghy declared, he was summoned before Chinese officials and charged with exceeding the authority of the Church, an action that they said was "not in conformity with the laws of China."

Communist authorities, he said, also accused him of asking Catholics not to sign statements supporting government action against Roman Catholic Arch-bishop Antonio Riberi, Papal Intermunio to China, who was expelled from the country in September, 1951, of telling a young priest not to join the Communist youth movement, and of establishing the Legion of Mary in Wuchow.

Bishop Donaghy said the recent release of four American missionaries by the Chinese Reds reflected a change in their policy. Release of the missionaries was front-page news in the Communist press, he said, side-by-side with bitterly anti-American reports.

LAST FEBRUARY, the American prelate was the target of a mass meeting in Wuchow at which Red Chinese speakers denounced him, wanted against the Catholic Church, and attacked local Chinese priests and nuns.

Following the meeting, Catholic authorities in Hong Kong said, Christians and non-Christians alike were forbidden to go near the Wuchow Catholic mission.

For some time, Bishop Donaghy was forced to support himself by raising rabbits and chickens.

360,000 Priests Listed In World

Freiburg, Germany — (NC) — There are about 360,000 priests in the entire world, or one priest for every 1,270 Catholics, according to a survey by the Herder Korrespondenz, Catholic documentary magazine published here.

This would place the world's Catholic population at approximately 450,000,000.

THE RATIO of priests to Catholics, the survey revealed, is highest in countries where there is only a very small Catholic population, notably the Scandinavian nations, Japan and Israel.

The lowest ratio is in traditionally Catholic Latin America.

The extremes, according to the survey, are Iceland, where there is a priest for each 65 of that country's 500-odd Catholics, and Guatemala, where there is only one priest for each 18,400 of the faithful.

The ratio of priests to faithful in the United States is one to 690. In Canada it is one to 560.

THE NUMBER of Catholics to each priest in other countries is as follows:

Norway, 105; Finland, 125; Japan, 175; Israel, Jordan and Cyprus combined, 210; Denmark, 270; Sweden, 340; Switzerland, 440; Netherlands, 490; Belgium, 530; Great Britain, 530; Ireland, 560; France, 620; Italy, 690; Austria, 940; Spain, 970; Germany, 1,000 and Portugal, 1,690.

Honolulu Bishop Confirms Marines



Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, T.H.—Bishop James J. Sweeney of Honolulu talks to some of the 4th Marine Regiment of the U.S. Marine Corps Air Station at Kaneohe Bay. (RNS Photo)

Vietnam Bishop Answers British Author Criticism Of Cardinal Spellman's Visit To Vietnam Branded 'Untrue, Unfair'

By REV. PATRICK O'CONNOR
Saigon, Vietnam — (NC) — A Vietnamese Bishop here denounced Graham Greene's published criticism of the Vietnam visit of His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, as "untrue and unfair."

Bishop Peter Pham-goo-Chi, Vicar Apostolic of Buichu, who heads the Catholic Committee for Refugees, accompanied the Cardinal throughout the latter's four-day visit last January. Mr. Greene did not arrive until more than a month afterwards.

HIS Eminence left an impression of great Christian kindness on Catholic and non-Catholic alike, the Bishop said.

He protested against the British Catholic novelist's alleged quotation from an unnamed "Vietnamese priest" regarding what Cardinal Spellman told Vietnamese listeners.

(Mr. Greene wrote of Cardinal Spellman's visit as "unfortunate" and quoted a Vietnamese priest as stating "He spoke to us much of the Call of Gold but

less of the Mother of God.")

"I believe I heard every talk His Eminence gave in Vietnam," the Bishop said. "He praised our people for their strong faith and the missionaries from France, Spain, Canada, etc., for their work. He commended the French Navy and Air Force for their humanitarian efforts in bringing two-thirds of the refugees south, and the American Navy for bringing the rest. When he encouraged our refugees by assuring them of assistance, everybody recognized it as a mark of Christian charity."

THE BISHOP, who first met Mr. Greene in December, 1952, met him again here this year.

"Mr. Greene," he said, "will re-

member I told him explicitly of the good done by the Cardinal's visit, and I objected when he criticized it in my presence. Why did he not quote my words instead of an alleged statement that I cannot imagine coming, either as regards its wording or its meaning, from any Vietnamese priest."

Bishop Chi censured Mr. Greene also for criticizing the visit to Vietnam of His Eminence Norman Cardinal Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, and Archbishop Eris O'Brien of Canberra, Australia.

"The kindly visit of Cardinal Gilroy and Archbishop O'Brien was likewise welcomed, everywhere here," the Bishop said.

Cardinal Mindszenty Health Improved

Vienne, (NC) — A report received here from reliable sources in Budapest says that the health of His Eminence Josef Cardinal Mindszenty, imprisoned Primate of Hungary, has greatly improved.

Now in his seventh year of imprisonment, Cardinal Mindszenty was arrested on December 26, 1948, and condemned the following February 8 to life imprisonment. He is now 63.

The report said that the Cardinal's mental capacity, in particular, seems fully restored.

According to the report, the Cardinal's aged mother, Mrs. Pehm, has again received permission to visit him in the near future. The Cardinal was born Josef Pehm, but changed his name later in life, adopting the name of the village in which he was born.

Vietnamese Faith Impresses Men On U. S. Rescue Ship

Salon, Vietnam — (NC) — The engine of prayer throbbed mightily in every U.S. Navy ship carrying Vietnamese refugees south.

Thousands of Catholic peasants would chant their prayers to God, during Mass, weekdays and Sundays alike. In compartments below decks, they gathered in groups, by parishes or families, to say the rosary.

"It was wonderful in the evenings to hear the prayers and hymns wafted up the ladder wells," Father (J.A.) Deane C. Kane, O.F.M., of Des Moines, Ia., chaplain of the U.S.N. General Brevint, said.

"When the refugees prayed alone in the open deck, you'd see the crew standing on the bridge and watching them. Our men admired them for their great faith."

The Brewster (home port, San Francisco) took its first refugees aboard on September 16 and its last on May 14, when nine adults and one infant were taken aboard off the coast. It was one of some 40 ships of Military Sea Transportation Service that helped in the Vietnam "Passage to Freedom."

THE U. S. NAVY sent ships for this operation at the urgent request of the Vietnamese government. Some of these vessels carried as many as 5,000 refugees on one trip. In all, 233,000 civilians, refugees and 19,000 military personnel were shipped, out of a grand total of 700,000, of whom 608,000 were civilians.

Father Kane's experience was typical of what all the chaplains witnessed.

"For Mass, the refugees would pack the deck so tightly that it could hardly stir at the altar," he said. "The reverence at Mass was very remarkable."

A priest in navy khaki was a novelty to the people. But when Father Kane donned his white Dominican habit and the Mass vestments, they knew him as a real "Cha" (Father). Many of them came from provinces evangelized by the Dominicans in North Vietnam.

THE MAJORITY came aboard poorly dressed; some were dirty and bearded.

"I reminded the crew that these people were not tramps," Father Kane said. "They were."

Ad Campaign Draws 20,000 Inquiries

London — (RNS) — More than 20,000 inquiries have been made in response to a Roman Catholic advertising campaign launched 16 months ago. It was announced here by the Catholic Missionary Society, sponsor of the project.

The inquiries were sent to the Catholic Enquiry Center here, established by the society in connection with the campaign.

The ads were designed to explain Catholic teaching to "millions of non-Catholics of goodwill suffering from a religious and spiritual hunger." Approved by the English Catholic hierarchy, the drive is patterned after the Knights of Columbus advertising campaign in the United States.

WANTED—ONE CHAPEL

The good but poor people of a small village in Iraq, who have been driven from their homes by a recent flood, are now in a desperate need of a chapel. We can give them another chapel—this time of God—for only \$100. Can you do it? Write to: Catholic Missionary Society, 1000 Broadway, New York 10, N.Y. Every day we will be rebuilding the chapel for these lovely people. Everybody in CHERRITA, IRAQ will pray for you forever.

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GIFTS FOR GOD'S ALTARS

Our Near East ALTAR SOCIETY, THE MONICA GUILD, supplies all the sacred articles for the altars of our mission chapels. Perhaps you might be able to send a DOLLAR-A-MONTH to your Eucharistic Lord for His altar. Maybe you will like to give a sacred article in memory of a loved one.

Mass Bell	15	Pictures	11K	Vestments	35K
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Crucifix	225	Mass book	225	Statue	52K

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THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS is daily in our thoughts during the month of June. Perhaps you might like to give a statue of the Sacred Heart to a Near East Mission chapel—\$30—a most precious gift indeed to the Poor who cannot buy one themselves.

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