Czech Reds Hold Church In Iron Grip

Mass, according to "Expulsus," information bulletin issued by the Catholic refugee center of Magsaysay Attends Koenigstein near here.

recent escapee from Czeshoslovakia. He also remorted that Archbishop Josef Beran of Prague is being moved from one iail to another. The prelate is now said to be in the neighborhood of Kolin.

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AUXILIARY BISHEOP Anton Eltschkner of Prague still manages to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Bishop Stephan Trochta of Leitmeritz is gravely ill. He, too, is reported to be jaxled in the neighborhood of Kolim. Bishop Josef Hlouch of Budweis was released from jail, the informant says, but is not per-

mitted to function in any capacity, except to say Mass privately. In Moravia, Archbishop Josef Matocha of Olmuetz also till is completely cut off from all con- King Permits Priest tacts with both clergy and people. Bishop Karl Skou py of Brno In Saudi Arabia is kept in custody.

ALL CLERGY and faithful are forbidden contact with the Holy See, under the most severe

A large number of the clergy are still in jail. All ranonasteries and convents - some 700 in all were closed down. Very few Sisters engaged in hospital work are allowed to carry on their

their former religious associa- that oil port. tions, all Catholic societies have Some 5,000 Americans alone

posed to a relentless stream of air base.

Frankfort, Germany — (NC) — Czechoslovak Reds tried by every possible means to get priests recently released from jail to promise they would never again say

The information came from a Mass On Birthday

Manila - (NC) - President Ramon Magsaysay began the celebration of his 48th birthday by attending Mass in Malacahang palace chapel and receiving Holy Communion together with Mrs. Magsaysay and their three children.

The Mass was offered by Archbishop Rufino J. Santos of Manila, assisted by Father (Lt. Col.) Nicolas Ortega, chief of the armed forces chaptain corps and Malacanang chap-

Later in the morning, the President drove to Castillejos, Zambales, to spend the day quietly with his aged parents.

Cairo-(RNS)-Special permission for a Catholic, priest to locate permanently and carry on a Christian ministry in Saudi Arabia has been granted by King Saud, it was reported here.

The report said the king had approved the application of the Rev. Carlo di Matteo O.F.M., a Franciscan missionary in Auswork. The majority of them tralia for the past nine years, for a residence permit at Dhahran on as Catholic chaplain for the large The laity is deprived of all foreign population in and around

paper, except for "Katolicke No- or ministers. Observers here sugviny" which is pro-communist. gested the action might fore-Despite all repressive meas shadow the granting of similar states. ures, services in the chaurches are permits to representatives of other Christian religious groups. 156,000 will be registered in ele school year.



New York-The Rev. Thurston N. Davis, S.J., associate editor of America, Jesuit weekly published here, has been named its editor-in-chief. The 41-year-old priest succeeds the Rev. Robert C. Hartnett, S.J., who held the post since 1948. Father Davis joined the American staff two years ago, after teaching for two years in the graduate school of Fordham University and serving for four years as dean of Fordham College. (RNS Photo)

must do forced labor in factor, a residence permit at Dhahran on Catholic Schools In N.Y. Enroll 195,000 Pupils

ing been suppressed. The faith- are in the area, either as workers New York — (NC) — Catholic mentary schools and 39,000 in ful are constantly spled upon at the Arabian American Oil elementary and secondary schools the archdiocesan high schools. offered to her. This is something Company installations there or in the Archdiocese of New York There are 410 Catholic elementhat even a pagan can under-THE YOUNG generation is ex. servicemen at the nearby U.S. anticipate an enrollment of tary and high schools in the 195,000 pupils this Fall, accord archdiocese.

atheistic propaganda. Religious | Christian communities in the ing to Msgr. John Paul Haverty, The students enrolled in the instruction in the schools is practicularly previously had not been superintendent of schools. This New York archdiocese schools figure, Monsignor Haverty points plus the students enrolled in the

Prelate Scorns Louisiana Peron Bid To Fix Churches

do not wish to see profane hands

store churches burned and looted the 1955-56 school year. by peronist mobs during the

"These semi-demolished walls, hese accumulated ashes, these images brutally profaned, these missals and books destroyed are sacred to us," declared Msgr. Gustave J. Franceschi in Criterio, the Catholic magazine of which he is editor. "We alone have the right to staunch the lood of these wounds."

THE MONSIGNOR, who was nimself seized and jailed overnight by the peronist police, went on to ask: "Why should the state take upon itself this task? Was it, by chance, because the state itself had burned, directly or indirectly, these buildings, these archives, these robes, these books of the Cardinal of Buenos Aires and of his priests?" Monsignor Franceschi said that "if the old union of Church and state had been maintained," t might have been proper and logical for the state to repair the damage to the churches.

"However," he added, "both chambers of the Congress have adopted legal measures to sever the bonds which united these two institutions, and the executive power has sanctioned them. The Church, insulted more than once in speeches made in parliament, and accused of avarice, among other things, could not do less than spurn the money stand."

Prelature Nullius

School Board Restores Bus Service Buenos Aires — (NC) — "We For 382 Parochial School Students not wish to see profess bands

ouch these wounds of the New Orleans - (NC) - Re | The board said that all the ported on the public school versing its previous decision, the children who were transported busses last year would not be With these ringing words, one Orleans Parish (county) School in the 195455 school year will be accommodated in the coming of Argentine's most respected Board has decided against cur- accommodated in the 1955-56 year. The board said, at that relates has told why ecclesias tailing the number of parochial year.

tical authorities have rejected the school students to be transported SOME WEEKS ago, the board of the busses and if the 382 offer of the Peron regime to re- on public school busses during ruled that 382 of 598 parochial parochial school students were

DEPARTURE FOR MEDICAL NUNS pousses and to more drivers.



Philadelphia-Archbishop Lawrence Graner, C.S.Sp., of Dacca, Parkistan, conducted a departure ceremony for eight nuns of the Medical Mission Sisters at the order's motherhouse here. Shown with him are three of the nuns who were assigned to the newly-built Holy Family Hospital in Dacca. They are left to right: Sister Mary Ligouri of Philadelphia, an X-ray technician; Sister Mary Angelius of Cebu City, the Philippines, a plearmacist. The remaining five will work at the Our Lady of Coronoto Hospital in Maraciabo, Venezuela. Archbishop Graner, a native of Franklin, Pa., is making his first visit here. (BNS Photo)

Arab League Plans Delegation To Pope

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope delegation from the eight count the league's secretariat which expense of each educable child. There is not a single church of worship or maintain priests out, exceeds the combined total Diocese of Brooklyn, will total Plus XII has named Italian-born tries belonging to the Arab noted that the organization's sector regardless of what school the public elementary and secondary and secondary and secondary an estimated 312,000 children en. Father Diego Parodi as Apostolic League will go to the Vatican retary general, Abdel Khalek child attends. On this basis, the an estimated 312,000 children en. Father Diego Paroni as Apostone shortly to thank Pope Pius XII for "the sympathy expressed in Pressed similar septiments in a chial school students were en-OF THE TOTAL 195,000 pupils, York City alone for the 1955-56 lished Prelature Nullius of San recent papal declarations" on the pressed similar sentiments in a chial school students were en-Antonio de Balsas in Brazil. Arab refugee situation.

Cairo -- (RNS) -- An unofficial This was announced here by

time, there was to be a rerouting school students who were trans- to be transported, it would require the purchase of four new busses and the hiring of four

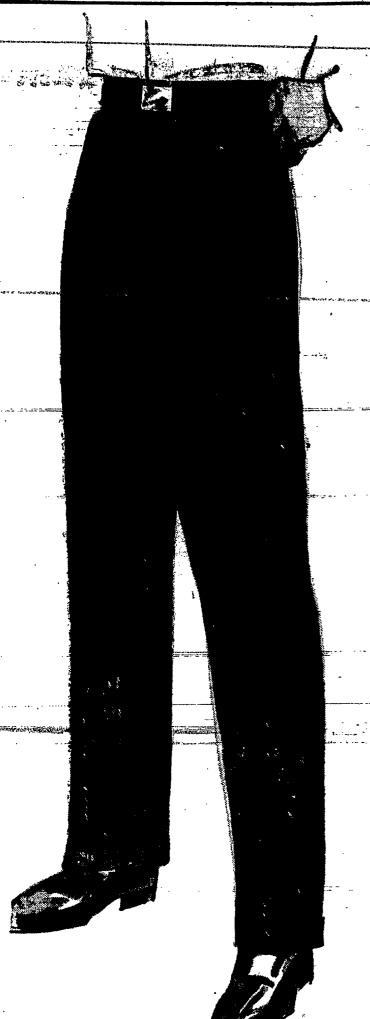
The board's ruling brought protests from Msgr. Henry C. Bezou, superintendent of schools of the New Orleans archdiocese, from Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society groups, and State Senator Harry H. Howard.

Monsignor Bezou told the board that the decision to curtail bus service to the 382 students might cause an increase rather than a decrease in expense. He cited the possibility that many, or all, of the 382 might register in public school and demand transportation. He also pointed out that if the 382 did enroll in public schools, the board would be forced to provide additional teachers as well as additional classrooms. Louisiana public school policy

regarding school bus transportation is that public school busses must transport parochial and private school students hose schools are on the bus outes, providing there is room the busses.

IN ITS DECISION to continue he service given parochial school tudents last year, the board said hat a readjustment of bus chedules had been worked out which would eliminate the need or four new busses. The board xplained—that—some—busses will ave to begin making trips to school as early as 7 and 7:30 a.m., and make the return trips as late as 4:45 and 5 p.m.

Senator Howard, in protesting against the board's order to curtail the service, pointed out that the board's appropriation from the State is based on per capita



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