

Twenty Thousand Hear Bishop Sheen

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to be penetrated and converted, it will be by the Sisters," the Bishop stated.

The Bishop said that in the country of Tibet there is only one Catholic. This man is a mule who travels over the Tibet border into India on his selling trips. His conversion was accomplished by a group of Catholic monks whose monastery lies just over the Indian border and who spend their lives in prayer for the conversion of Tibet.

COUPLED WITH this statistic is the amazing fact that Tibet is one of the most "religious" countries in the world. One son from every Tibetan family must become a Buddhist monk, taking a vow of celibacy and spending his life under the strictest of monastic rules, the Bishop remarked.

He said the Tibetans pray daily, though they themselves do not know why, to the white lotus blossom. The Bishop found the idea of the white flower surviving in its purity on the filthy bog, a simple metaphor of the mystery of the Immaculate Conception.

On stage for Sunday evening's talk were His Excellency Bishop Kearney who introduced Bishop Sheen, the Most Rev. Paul Yamaguchi, Bishop of Nagasaki, Japan, local missionaries of the Scenerama.

In his address to the day's second audience of 10,000, Bishop Sheen stated that "foreign missions exist in order to liquidate themselves," that their purpose is to establish the Church in mission areas as a self-sufficient organization staffed by native hierarchy, priests and religious. He pointed out Bishop Yamaguchi as an example of this progress in the missions of Japan.

The Bishop cited the faith, piety and penitential practices which characterize the devout

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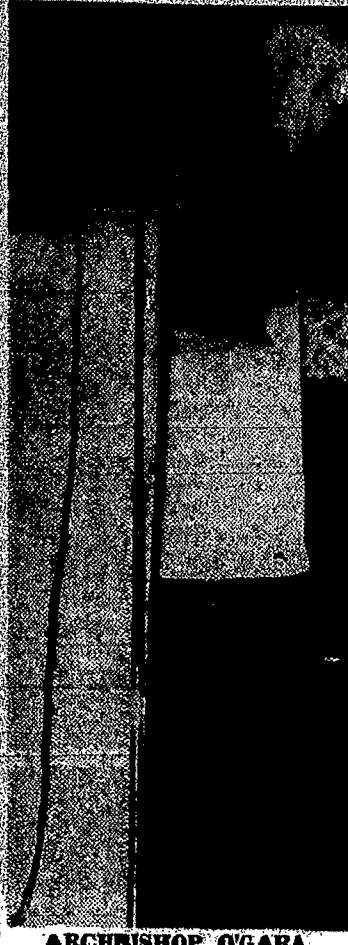
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Far East Prelates, Trappist Describe Church Status In Mission Countries

East met West last Thursday evening in the Community War Memorial auditorium when His Grace Mar Gregorios, Archbishop of Trivandrum, India offered Holy Mass in the ancient oriental Syrian Malankara rite.



MAR GREGORIOS Mass in Aramaic



ARCHBISHOP O'GARA "coexistence illusion"

Over 6000 people saw for the first time the Sacrifice of the Mass said in the ceremonial and language dating back to the days of the apostles.

Mar Gregorios was assisted at the Mass by Father Francis Lukaczky, O.F.M., a Franciscan of the Byzantine-Slavonic Rite stationed in New Canaan, Conn.

Much attention was accorded the Archbishop's colorful robes as he proceeded down the aisle of the auditorium.

The Archbishop's staff was designed of silver forming two serpents meeting at the top, reminiscent of the serpent lifted up by Moses in the desert. The crozier belonged to his predecessor, Mar Ivanios as did the ruby studded pectoral cross, handed down to Mar Gregorios at the former's death. The pectoral differs from the usual Bishop's cross in that it has a double cross bar, designating the office of archbishop.

In his hand, the Archbishop carried a gold "blessing" cross from which hung a long red kerchief representing the Precious Blood.

At the altar, Mar Gregorios vested in a wide gold veil, which was placed over his head, and a cape-like chasuble, also of cloth of gold. Both vestments were encrusted with jewels and heavily embroidered.

IN HIS SERMON, the Archbishop told the audience that the particular rite of which he is the leading prelate traces its origin to the year 52 A.D. when the faith was brought to India by the apostle St. Thomas.

In 1653, the members of the Malankara Church severed relations with Rome and remained a schismatic sect until 1830. During Edward Cardinal Mooney's appointment as Papal Delegate to India, the whole sect, under the leadership of Archbishop Ivanios, was reunited with the Holy See. Cardinal Mooney, now Archbishop of Detroit, later became fourth bishop of the Rochester diocese.

MAR GREGORIOS thanked the

Seniors Win Essay Award

George W. Schaefer of Aquinas Institute and Emanuela Cazoneri of Notre Dame High School, Elmira, took top prizes in the Mission Scenerama Essay Contest, announced Sunday evening by Louis Longie, contest chairman, at the Bishop Sheen lecture in the War Memorial.

WINNERS receive a full year's tuition free at St. John Fisher College for men, and at Nazareth College for women. Two years' tuition was granted by the college and two will be financed by the Diocese of Rochester.

Second prize of \$200 cash was won by William Joseph Greigton, Notre Dame High School, and Beverly DeLuca, Sacred Heart Academy. Third prize of \$100 cash was won by John Rife, Aquinas Institute, and Deanna Sarkis, Nazareth Academy.

Sophomore and freshman high school winners included: John M. McInerney, Notre Dame High School and Laurie Valerio, St. Agnes High School, \$150 cash; Gerald Locklin, McQuaid Jesuit High School and Patricia Miller, St. Joseph Commercial, \$100 cash; David Northrup, McQuaid Jesuit High School and Carolyn Merlet, St. Agnes High School, \$50 cash.

ELEMENTARY school winners were: 8th grade: Michael Hotta, St. Eileen, \$50 cash; Joseph Scollan, St. Mary, Auburn, \$25 cash; John Stamplin, St. Thomas, \$15 cash.

7th grade: Karen Kirby, Holy Ghost, wrist watch; Frank Morone, Holy Family, Rochester, camera; Margaret Kramer, St. Francis Xavier, pen and pencil set.

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Eastern Rite



Rev. Nicholas Wolensky, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Rochester, brings bread and wine to altar in impressive Byzantine Mass celebrated Saturday, Oct. 22, at Mission Scenerama, in War Memorial auditorium (Thomas Casey Photo)

an inspiration for the imprisoned clergy still in Red China, a living prayer for the churches behind the Bamboo and Iron Curtains.

He told of his own imprisonment for 2 years in Red China, where he was taken while saying Mass.

He told of his becoming a Catholic under the instruction of Mar Ivanios. Because of his conversion he was forced to leave his home since his family would no longer accept him.

In 1944, he was ordained a priest and brought his family into the Church. At 36 years old, in 1952, he was consecrated Auxiliary Bishop to Mar Ivanios and succeeded him on the latter's death the following year.

Mar Gregorios spoke of the deathbed statement of his predecessor, that he hoped to intercede in heaven with the Blessed Virgin and St. Thomas for the return of all schismatics.

THE ARCHBISHOP said that in Trivandrum, Malabar, coast of India, there are now 100,000 Catholics, 20 thousand of whom were converted during the Marian Year. Mar Gregorios personally brought 4,000 into union with the Holy See last year.

He said the great need presently in Malabar was the construction of churches, and American Catholics whose funds had helped build 10 churches last year in his archdiocese.

Highlight of Friday evening's Mission Scenerama events in Rochester's new War Memorial was a Mass celebrated by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Tien, S.V.D., exiled archbishop of Peking, China and only native Chinese to be honored with the cardinalate.

Sermon was given by the Most Rev. Cuthbert O'GARA, C.S., Bishop of Yanching, Hunan province, China, who spent two years as a prisoner of the Chinese Reds.

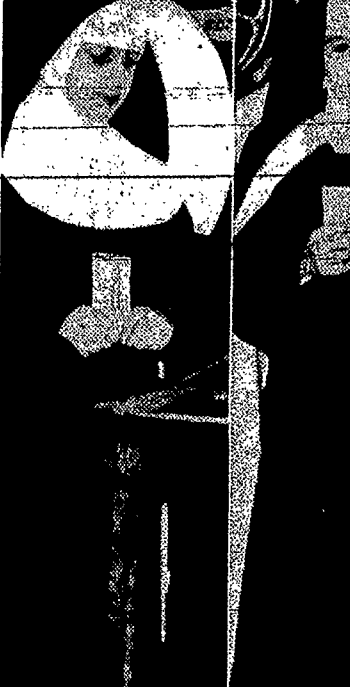
Escorted by priests of the diocese and visiting missionaries, the Cardinal was preceded down the aisle of the Memorial auditorium by Bishop O'Gara and the Most Rev. Raymond A. Lane, Superior General of Maryknoll.

CARDINAL TIEN was assisted at the Mass by the Rev. Donald Lux, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece, and the Rev. Frederick Bush, assistant pastor.

The Rev. Clifford King, S.V.D., acted as chaplain and interpreter for Cardinal Tien.

BISHOP O'GARA, in his sermon, hailed the Scenerama as a

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Grammar school children of Rochester area assisted "Big Sisters" at booths during Scenerama exhibit. They were dressed in miniature habits of the various orders. Shown above are children garbed as (from left) Missionary Sister of the Holy Ghost, Carmelite Sister, and Franciscan Missionary of the Divine Child, (Thomas Casey Photo)

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