

China Reds Jail Group Of Laymen

Hong Kong — (RNS) — Communist authorities in Canton have arrested a group of Chinese Roman Catholic laymen charged with being members of one of the largest bodies of "counter-revolutionaries" and "criminals" in the southern area of Red China. It was learned here.

The information came with the arrival of two months old copies of the Canton Communist newspaper, Nan Fang Jih Pao, which said that the group consisted of eight leaders and "many others" it said all were arrested at a Catholic mission in Canton by orders of the local public security bureau.

THE PAPER did not say exactly when the Catholic laymen were taken into custody, but it stressed they will be "punished to the full extent of the law."

According to the paper, the men utilized the Catholic mission to collect information on Communist China's military, political and economic affairs, working under the guidance of "imperialists" in Hong Kong.



Byzantine Post

Philadelphia, Pa. — (NC) — Bishop Ambrose Senyshyn, O. S. B. M., has been named by Pope Pius XII to be Exarch of the newly-established Exarchate (diocese) of Stamford, which will comprise parishes in New York State and all New England that had been under the jurisdiction of Byzantine Rite Apostolic Exarchy of Philadelphia. Bishop Senyshyn has been Auxiliary of the Apostolic Exarch of Philadelphia since 1942.

Cardinal Hits 'Opening To The Left'

Venice — (NC) — His Eminence Cardinal Roncalli, Patriarch of Venice, has called upon the clergy and faithful to take an open stand against the "opening to the left" in a pastoral letter. "Opening to the left" is a term used to describe closer collaboration between Catholic political parties and the Communist and allied parties.

The Cardinal criticized the erroneous attitude of Catholics who, in the political field, desire complete freedom from episcopal authority so that they may support the "dangerous opening to the left" even in the face of his authoritative pronouncements of the Supreme Pontiff.

THE PATRIARCH of Venice said:

"With regard to Catholics, this constitutes a serious mistake and a flagrant violation of Catholic discipline. The mistake is that of practically sharing the Marxist ideology which is the negation of Christianity. The violation of discipline lies in openly disobeying the living Christ."

Irish Protest Visit Of Russians

Dublin — (RNS) — Members of a Catholic Action group picketed headquarters of the Irish Peat Company here in protest against the visit of three Russian peat experts at the company's invitation.

The pickets, belonging to the Flinn (Truth) organization, carried placards reading: "Catholics On Guard," and "Bord na Mona Insults Christ the King."

Bord na Mona is the Gaelic name of the peat company, a private group set up under an act of parliament to develop Ireland's peat resources.

The Russian visitors had been asked to Ireland to inspect the country's peat bogs and its peat-fired electricity generating stations.

It was recalled here that Russian experts had attended a peat symposium conducted by the company two years ago without any protest being made. Ireland is one of the three leading countries in peat development, the others being Finland and Russia.

'Finns Ignorant Of Church,' Says Nun From Helsinki

St. Louis — (NC) — Conversion of Finland is still a long way off, according to two Sisters of the Precious Blood who were among the first nuns to enter the Baltic country since the Reformation.

Sisters Mary Koska and Clare Marie are visiting at their order's motherhouse in suburban Ofallon. Sister Koska is correspondent for the N.O.W.C. News Service in Helsinki.

THEY FOUNDED their order's first foreign mission in Helsinki in 1830. Today they run the first Catholic school of its type to be established in Finland since the 16th century.

Sister Koska pointed out that because there are only 2,500 Catholics in a country of 4,000,000 people, most Finns are ignorant of most facts about the Church. "It is our job," she said, "to

Vatican Examines Cardinal's Writings

Vatican City — (NC) — The Sacred Congregation of Rites has examined the writings of Cardinal Merry del Val in the process for the cause of his beatification.



Carnegie, Pa. — (NC) — Sisters of St. Agnes, who teach at St. Joseph's School, here are taken to safety by members of the Glendale Volunteer Fire Department when flood waters threatened to inundate the convent's first floor. Photo looks down Carnegie's Third Street toward Main Street.

'Lord Left Me Fingers, Eyes,' Says War Hero

Convert Artist Likes To Paint Christ

New York — (RNS) — A Netherlands-born artist who was converted to Roman Catholicism at ten and was a fighter in the Dutch resistance movement during the war has today, at 41, probably painted more pictures of Christ than any artist in the world.

He is William L. Van Dijk, a direct descendant of the famous 17th century Dutch master, Sir Anthony Van Dyck. The artist arrived here from Rio de Janeiro on his first visit to the United States.

MR. VAN DIJK, who has traveled throughout Europe and South America and now lives at Petropolis, near the Brazilian capital, disclosed he has painted "Christ" every Sunday of his life since he was given a box of paints at the age of four.

"I spend my Sunday after Mass," he said, "painting new heads of Christ or finishing old started the previous Sunday."

The only time he interrupted this practice, Mr. Van Dijk said, was during the three years he laid aside his brushes to take up a rifle in the Dutch underground movement. His fighting terminated six months before the war ended when the Nazis machine-gunned him and he lost both legs below the knee caps.

"But the good God left me my fingers and my eyes," the painter said, "minimizing the fact that he must now get around on artificial limbs. Normally he spends 16 hours a day painting or writing poetry, which is his second love."

He had spent much of his time during the voyage painting in one of the ship's lounges, pausing occasionally to chat and joke with the children clustered about his easel. Passengers reported he had never once missed morning Mass during the voyage and never sat down to meals without saying grace.

The painter-poet, who was born of Dutch Reformed parents, explained that his conversion to Catholicism came about because "my art very early attracted me to that religion."

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Church Spire Taken Down

Troy, N.Y. — (NC) — For more than 9 hours, the 4-ton steeple of St. Augustine's Church, here, teetered precariously at a 45-degree tilt, as it was being removed for repairs. Steeplejack William Mullins rode with the steeple to the ground as crowds in the streets watched the unusual sight.

Louis Budenz U.S. Reds Adopt New Kremlin Anti-Stalin Line

Anyone who reads the "discussion" pages of the Daily Worker nowadays—and they are quite extensive—will be struck by the Communist confessions appearing there. Leading and rank-and-file Party members join in accusing their "vanguard" Party of "serious errors,"

bureaucratic practices, complete lack of democracy, and complete subversion to Soviet Russia.

To put it more bluntly, they admit at great length that the so-called Communist Party in this country is a conspiracy, not a Party, and a tool of Moscow.

In doing that, these "discussion" contributions agree in effect with the charges made against the Communists in the Smith Act trials. Yet other sections of the Daily Worker vitriolically declare these charges to be the product of "tainted evidence" brought forward by "paid professional informers."

WE MIGHT BE impressed by these Red admissions were they not a repetition of the same performances that accompany every change in the Communist line. The very tone of the present "discussion" is permitted because of orders from Nikita Khrushchev that the Communists should seek new alliances, in order to exercise new influences in the non-Soviet world.

The same rigamarole to a different tune, was carried forward at the time when Earl Browder, was demoted and "the cold war" was embarked upon under the Kremlin's directives. Anyone who doubts that should re-read Chapter IX of my first book, This is My Story, which recounts what happened then. It is appropriately entitled "Communist Confessions."

OF THE MANY selections we could make, we turn to the week-end edition of the Daily Worker dated August 5. In its pages, Carl Hirsch of Chicago, a leading Red member, makes so bold as to say: "The goal of Socialism in America suddenly seems more remote as we realize the extent

to which Socialism in general has become stigmatized by the practices rampant under the Stalin regime." He then goes on to state, however, that despite these excesses "Socialism will unquestionably emerge as the great 'problem-solver' of this historic era."

This man Hirsch knows full well, as a rational being, that he is suddenly converted to criticisms of the "practices rampant under the Stalin regime" because Nikita Khrushchev has ordered this to be done. If Khrushchev had given no such instructions, Hirsch would still be proclaiming Stalin — despite his known crimes — to be the embodiment of the "perfect man" which Communism is endeavoring to develop.

If it were not for Khrushchev's plan to put a false face on the international Communist conspiracy, Hirsch would still be declaring Stalin to be "the center of the universe."

But, as a Communist, Hirsch must persuade himself that he and his fellow American Reds are somehow or other responsible for "the Stalin cult" and for the line that Stalin laid down which they so servilely followed. This is an evidence of that peculiar psychological hypnotism which the Communists practice upon themselves in order that they will be able to say that the Kremlin does not dictate to them!

In typical Communist fashion, Hirsch must also hold fast to the now refuted idea that Socialism will be the great "problem-solver" for us all. The aim of the Communists in bringing about Socialism and then Communism is to produce "the perfect man" as an animal.

Instead, they have produced the horrors of Stalinism, which have even gone to the extent of killing off and continuing to a living death loyal Communist Party members.

PEOPLE WITHOUT A CHAPEL

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