

Bit Of Bread

Bailed Prelate's Secret Ritual Brings Mass To China Prison Cell

By ROBERT SMETT

A cracked nation and the long war within a year after his consecration... Chinese communists commenced a siege of continuous bombing... Finally on June 23, 1948, the Red army and troops entered Kai-feng.

For two years the Archbishop was under house arrest. On Christmas Eve, as he was about to begin Mass, he was handcuffed and taken off to prison.

During the six months of his imprisonment, he was dragged to night-long questionings and other sessions during the day, each lasting from five to ten hours — 32 "hearings" in all.

The trumped up charges against the Archbishop stated that he was a spy for the United States, that he had received up to \$20,000 a year to organize activities against the communist.

Members of the Legion of Mary, refusing to leave the Archbishop's side when he was arrested, were also imprisoned.

Archbishop Follio recalls the case of little Siao Mei, a four-year-old child who had been imprisoned with her young Christian mother. Even the unfeeling prison guards relaxed their vigilance on the tiny tot and she was allowed to roam at will through the corridors of the filthy prison.

The little girl served as a messenger between the Archbishop and the group of faithful imprisoned women. He learned that the Fathers at the Mission house were able, through the women's families, to smuggle into the prison some bread which contained, inside, some consecrated hosts.

The girls would communicate by themselves early in the morning, but one host would be kept in the cell, and in turn, the girls would spend hours in adoration until night time when they would consume the Host.

THE COMMUNISTS had not been able to separate the group of girls from their religious beliefs, the Archbishop said, nor had they been able to completely isolate young Josephine. Ly. placed in solitary confinement because she was the president of the Legion of Mary.

The girls concealed one host... There was little peace for Archbishop Follio from the time he took up his episcopal duties. The people were still suffering from the Japanese occu-

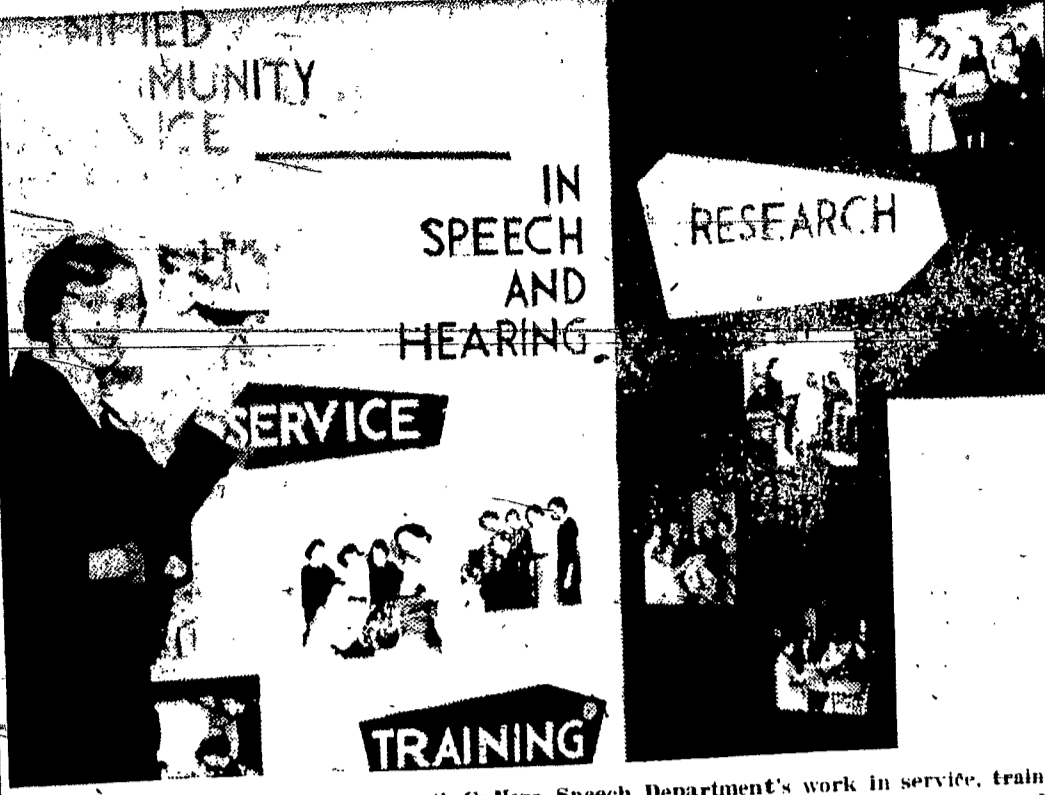


EXHIBIT DISPLAYING THE Nazareth College Speech Department's work in service, training and research in speech and hearing is shown above. Colorful display was executed by Sister M. Magdalen, S.S.A., chairman of the Nazareth College Art Department...

Nazareth College Takes Lead Role In Speech Meet

Students of Nazareth College's Department of Speech were in charge of registration last Friday and Saturday for the 15th Annual Conference of the New York State Speech Association held at the Hotel Sheraton.

The two-day conference was highlighted by meetings, exhibits, lectures and general sessions, many of which were led by Rochester speech educators...

On Oct. 1, he was taken to his Cathedral, where he was forced to officially hand over his rights and duties as Archbishop to a Chinese party priest.

"The Catholic Church is Communism's number one enemy," the Archbishop said.

"Materially the Church is destroyed, but knowing the Catholic Chinese, the Faith will live on," Archbishop Follio concluded.

Living Rosary To Be Held By Geneva Blue Army

Plans for an outdoor ceremony of the Living Rosary were discussed by the Blue Army of Our Lady at a meeting in St. Francis de Sales School hall.

The program is scheduled for Sunday, May 5 and will be followed by Benediction in St. Francis de Sales Church.

The local unit plans to dramatize a scene from the Apparition of the Blessed Virgin to the children at Fatima when she asked for prayers for the conversion of Russia and peace in the world.

If weather is favorable, the program will be held outdoors, otherwise it will be held in the church.

Geneva — One hundred and Betty Crocker Award Goes To Mercy Senior

Jeanne Kiek received an award from the Betty Crocker judging board for a home-making knowledge exam administered to 20 seniors at Our Lady of Mercy High School.

DeSales Juniors Satirize TV Shows

Geneva—Comic versions of nine TV programs and commercials highlighted the show, "Playhouse 36" presented by the Junior class of DeSales High School last Saturday evening in the school auditorium.

The Rev. Daniel Torrey, assistant pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, Sister Agnes, Catherine and Sister Helen Cecilia, of the school faculty, assisted in the production of the show.

Included in the cast and staff were: Artie Palmer, Jack Hastings, Bob Fennell, John O'Connell, Donna Roberts, Melaine Smaldone, Steve Poway, Leo O'Neill, Pat O'Brien, Mike Donahue, Sam Pane and Tom Higgins.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED Newark — Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence B. Marro have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Jane to Anthony J. Valentino Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Valentino Sr. A Fall wedding is planned.

Genevan Wed In Church Rite

Geneva — Miss Rosaria Vincenze Cembrano of Seville, Spain, St. Stephen Church, Geneva.

The Rev. Raymond P. Nolan, and Moses T. Albino, Geneva, were married on March 16 in pastor officiated at the nuptial ceremony.

The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Espinell of Auburn. Mrs. William J. Glunz of Geneva, acted as interpreter for the bride, who does not speak English.

Mr. and Mrs. Albino were married by proxy last July in Seville's San Isidoro Cathedral.

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SHRINE OPENS MAY 5

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