

## Go Back To Your Camps Native Prelate Orders

Salisbury, So. Rhodesia — (RNS) — Native-born Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Malula of Leopoldville prevented a major clash between Congo rebels and Belgian paratroops who had been dispatched to the city.

When the two factions met, the broadcast reported, the bishop, dressed in white robes with a crimson skullcap, intervened, telling the Congo rebels to "go back to your camps." At the same time he told the Belgian troops, "Each side will have to make concessions."

The broadcast stressed that Bishop Malula's "great dignity and courage" undoubtedly prevented bloodshed. It said that meanwhile a number of Belgian missionary priests have been busy tending the wounded of both sides and have also succeeded in preventing further bloody encounters.

## 'Frustration' Caused Riots

Arlington — (RNS) — A Belgian Catholic missionary priest said here that there was no "anti-white feeling as such" in the newly-independent Republic of the Congo.

He added, however, that the natives thought the granting of independence by Belgium on June 30 would solve all their problems, and now "they obviously feel frustrated."

The Rev. Joseph Van de Walle, newly-appointed acting promotion director of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mission Society with offices here, spent 20 years in the Congo and was director of St. Theresa's Seminary in Kabwe, near Lusitania, the new capital. He also was pastor of an integrated parish in Lusitania.

FATHER JOSEPH, as he is called by his colleagues, declined to discuss the "pittier" of the attacks by Communist Army rioters on whites.

"I have seen an evolution in improved relations between blacks and whites," he recalled. "For five years I worked to bring the two groups together. I founded an integrated association, and soon black and white families were visiting each other."

"They also staged plays together and held sporting events at a recreation center in the native section of the town."

Father Joseph said that of the Congo's 12.5 million inhabitants, about 1.5 million were Catholics. Saying that many ways not serious about their religion, he declared: "Our main work now is to satisfy the religious feelings of the converts."

Father Joseph said the young Catholics were very practical — "they see that only by learning can they advance." He noted that while half the young people were completing grade school, there were not enough schools to accommodate all those who wanted to continue their education.

"I love the people there," he added. "They are good people."

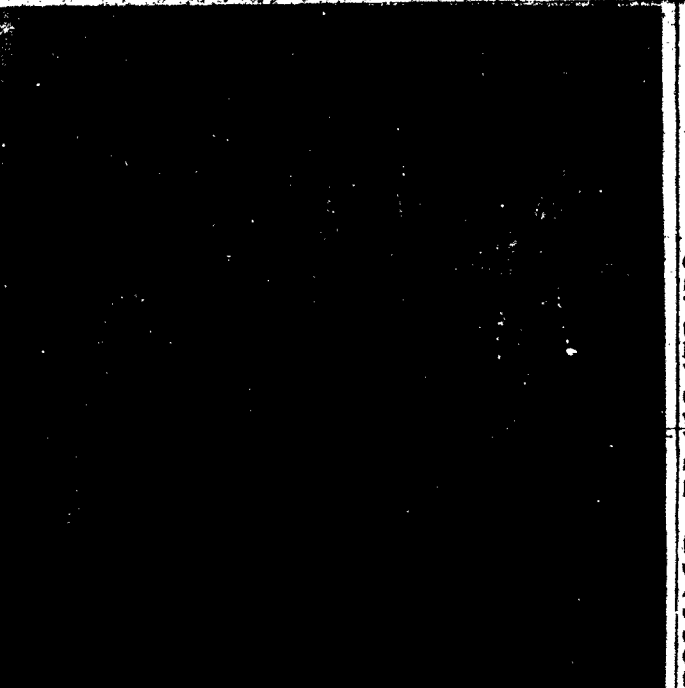
## School Closed, Nuns Lacking

Norman, Okla. — (RNS) — St. Joseph's Catholic parochial school here announced that it will terminate high school classes because of a shortage of nun teachers. The parish opened an ultra-modern high school building last September.

In the announcement, Father Joseph Duffy, the pastor, warned that within a decade Catholic parochial schools may be reduced to teaching only four grades.



Wives join in escape from Congo.



Congo refugees at Mass.

## Prelates Named To Council

Vatican City — (NC) — Five North American prelates are among 37 churchmen named by Pope John XXIII to liturgical and theological commissions preparing for the Second Vatican Council.

They are Bishop John J. Wright of Pittsburgh, Auxiliary Bishop James H. Griffiths of New York, Msgr. Joseph Fenton of the Catholic University of America, Auxiliary Bishop Lionel Audet of Quebec, and Archbishop Marime Hermanuk, C.S.S.R., of the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Winnipeg.

As in his previous appointments to preparatory commissions, Pope John has carried out his declared policy of giving an international character to their membership. Among the new members of the liturgical commission is Bishop Franco Franic, Apostolic Administrator of Split, Yugoslavia.

All but eight of the consultants of the theological commission are members of religious societies.

## Trujillo Makes Church Truce

Port-Au-Prince — (NC) — The regime of Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo is easing its pressures against the Catholic Church in the Dominican Republic, according to reports from that neighboring country.

The respite is clear, if only partial and possibly only temporary, the reports state.

Generalissimo Trujillo, strongman of the Dominican Republic, has declared a truce with his bitter adversary of only a month ago, Bishop Francisco Panal Ramirez, O.F.M. Cap., of La Vega.

THEIR DISPUTE burst into the world news late last winter, when Bishop Panal shouted over a loudspeaker to break up a Trujillo-inspired rally protesting against a joint pastoral of the country's Bishops. The pastoral dealt with human rights and was taken as a denunciation of mass arrests by the Trujillo regime.

Bishop Panal then excommunicated provincial authorities who staged the rally. Among those reported at the rally was Mrs. Della Garcia Godoy, governor of La Vega province.

Generalissimo Trujillo, who holds the reins of power al-

## Miss Kirk Requiem

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Among her many activities outside her regular work were as a founder of the Catholic Women's Club. She organized the Rochester Diocesan Council, National Council of Catholic Women in 1932; was in charge of hostesses for the United Service Organization during World War II and was a leader in scores of fund-raising campaigns.

HER FIRST fund raising activity began with the building of Nazareth Academy in Lake Ave. She took a major part in drives that provided for purchase of the Catholic Women's Club building in Alexander St., the new St. Mary's Hospital, Nazareth College and most recently the School of the Holy Childhood.

Miss Kirk was also active in the Big Sister Organization, the Christian Culture Lecture Series, the Charles Settlement House, the Child's Helpers Camp Madonna, formerly on Canandaigua Lake and the Catholic Youth Organization.

Before a chapel was built at Iola Sanatorium, Miss Kirk headed a group known as the Iola Workers. Each Sunday the group prepared an altar at Iola for the celebration of Mass and during the week visited younger patients to give Catholic instructions.

At her death Miss Kirk was a member of the board of directors of the Catholic Women's Club, on the board of volunteer department of the Council of Social Agencies, an advisor on the board of Charles Settlement House, and a member of the School of the Holy Childhood board.

SHE IS SURVIVED by two sisters, Miss Kathryn Kirk and Mrs. Agnes Kirk White, a nephew, E. Kirk McMahon, and a grandnephew, Tracy McMahon, both of California.

Arrangements were by Marie Funeral Service Inc.

## Refugee Law

Washington — (NC) — President Eisenhower has signed legislation aimed at facilitating entry into this country of European refugees and alien children to read the Bible and Gospel in English.

## Ageless Question Of Age Differences In Marriage

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How important are age differences in marriage? For in my early thirties and had started dating an attractive woman who has just turned forty. If I'm any judge of feelings, I think I'm falling in love with her. Will the fact that she's considerably older than I affect our happiness in marriage? I want to do what's best for both of us.

You have two separate factors to consider in your case, Terry. First, there is the relationship between age at marriage and the likelihood of having a family; and second, the significance of age differences for marital happiness. Both factors merit serious consideration so we shall discuss them separately.

Because most women in our culture experience the termination of their child-bearing ability during their forties, there is some probability that your marriage would be childless or, at least, blessed with a few children. Of course there are fortunate exceptions to the general rule, but you must consider this possibility and accept its consequences realistically.

Further, it is quite understandable that women who have not borne children before forty may be reluctant to attempt motherhood at a later age. They may feel physically and psychologically somewhat inadequate for the task since the bearing and rearing of children is normally associated with a much earlier age in our society.

Although your prospective partner may share none of these sentiments, prudence demands that you discuss this problem honestly and frankly before marriage. Some late marriages encounter difficulties on this score either because the partners gave little thought to the practical implications of parenthood or implicitly assumed that their marriage would be childless.

The factor of age differences in marriage probably generates more popular concern than it deserves. Some couples are highly sensitive about their differences in age, particularly if the wife is older or the age difference is over five years.

There are no solid grounds for such concern.

Within reasonable limits, age is not necessarily related to the development of mutual love and companionship. Besides, even if the wife is older at marriage, it appears that after women reach 25, many have fewer birthdays than men. According to census reports, there's an unusual number who are 29 or 39, going on — indefinitely.

When couples marry in their early twenties, as a good percentage in our society do at present, husbands



tend to be several years older than their wives because among other things they must be able to support a family before they can prudently marry. A fair estimate would be that the husband is older in about three-fourths of the cases, the wife is older in roughly one out of ten, and the couples are the same age in the remainder.

Because you will be older than the average couple at first marriage, the general pattern need have no significance for you. Success and happiness in your marriage will depend, as it does in all marriages, upon your ability to develop unity and companionship by welding your individual differences into a loyal partnership. Happy couples are not merely individuals who are capable of interacting; they are partners who have learned to look in the same direction.

Your major difficulty will not stem from difference in age. Because you are marrying late and probably have developed well-defined individual life patterns, your main problem will consist in modifying your established habits and personality maturation aims to fit into the intimate unity required by marriage.

Up to the present, your way of life, your plans and goals, have centered primarily on yourself. When you marry, you must learn to feel, think and plan not only in terms of another, but with another. That is, you share a common destiny that focuses on the "we" rather than the "me."

The most common areas of disagreement in late marriage are: the wife's job (should she abandon a highly lucrative, promising career?); finances (she may have saved a considerable sum and wish

to control its use); life goals (she may have more ambitious goals than her husband); style of life (partners may cherish different ideals concerning travel, entertainment, saving, living arrangements, social aspirations, and so on.)

Of course young couples must work out adjustments in many similar areas, but since they are younger, they have not developed such clear-cut individual patterns. If a problem is handled satisfactorily by intelligent couples, Terry, provided they are faced up to and settled realistically before marriage. If you are as wise as you are willing, you will discuss them now so that you can both see the full dimension of your commitment when you marry.

## A Quotation To Memorize

New York — (RNS) — The American Jewish Committee has called on all voters to be the "smiles" in the Presidential campaign by keeping it "clean" and insisting that candidates be judged by their records and platforms, not by their religious or national origins.

In a statement urging establishment of local Fair Campaign Practices Committees where none exists and support of their existing ones, the Committee pointed out that "Americans of varied races, faiths and national origins have held office and have served all their constituents without playing favorites."

"Memorize these words from the U.S. Constitution," the statement suggested: "No religious test shall ever be required as a qualification for any office or public trust under the United States." This quote will come in handy.



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