

### Church-State Tensions

## Yugoslav Bargain Eases Conflict

Belgrade — (RNS) — Roman Catholic Archbishop Jozep Ujck of Belgrade left here for the Vatican, taking with him the Communist government's answer to a memorandum of the hierarchy in Yugoslavia aimed at normalizing Church-State relations.

The government's answer was not immediately disclosed, but official sources said it was "favorable in essence."

Twenty-four of the country's Catholic bishops submitted to the government in October an 18-point memorandum that called for greater freedom of religious activity in return for greater loyalty to the Tito regime. Yugoslav Communist officials and experts in charge of religious affairs in various parts of the country later held meetings to work out an answer to the memorandum.

Archbishop Ujck, 80-year-old chairman of the Bishops Conference, departed for Rome for the announced purpose of attending sessions of one of the commissions set up by Pope John XXIII to help prepare for the Second Vatican Council. But informed sources said he would meet with the Pope to discuss the government's answer to the bishop's memorandum.

Relations between the 6,000,000-member Catholic Church in Yugoslavia and the Belgrade regime have been strained ever since the war and they have only recently shown signs of improving.

The bishops' memorandum contained also specific demands. They were:

1. Greater freedom for the religious press and permission to publish more religious newspapers and magazines. At present only one Catholic monthly is now published in the country.
  2. Return of some church property, particularly buildings confiscated by the government since the war.
  3. Permission for priests to visit private homes for religious purposes, as well as hospitals and prisons, which is now forbidden.
  4. Guarantee protecting from possible unfavorable consequences parents who enroll their children for religious instruction.
  5. Permission to build chapels in new Catholic cemeteries.
  6. Equal facilities for children attending religious schools.
  7. An agreement that the government act directly with the hierarchy in the settling of problems rather than through the government-sponsored priests association, which the bishops do not recognize.
  8. Returning to the Church's custody the registers of births and deaths.
  9. Correction of abuse against the Church at the hands of local authorities.
- In return, the bishops expressed their readiness to influence the Catholic faithful through their priests, to adopt a loyal attitude toward the state and strictly to observe the laws.
- They also agreed that priests

would refrain from any act that might be construed as using religion for political purposes. In addition, they undertook to contribute to some kind of direct negotiations between the Yugoslav State and the Holy See that would normalize Church-State diplomatic relations with the Vatican in 1952.

The government was reported to have taken a favorable view of the bishops' latest move, particularly since the bishops had declared that their aim was to ensure that all problems would be settled on the basis of the Vatican's Constitution. The government's answer, it was said, regards this as a full acceptance of the regime's secular authority.

### The Twang Has Met

Eaches — In algebra, A plus C equals AC, but in Korea, A for American plus C for Chinese equals K for Korean.

At least that's what two newly ordained Chinese priests, Fathers Peter Lee and Luis Wei, found to be true recently. Though members of the parish work in the Chinese colony here, they soon discovered that it was essential to speak Korean.

Since no Chinese-speaking teacher was available and because both priests speak English, they asked an American Maryknoller, Father Michael Bransfield, M.M., of Chicago, Ill., who speaks Korean, to serve as their teacher.

In a few months there will probably be two Chinese priests here speaking fluent Korean — with a Midwest drawl.

### Protestant Clergyman Elected To Congress

Washington — (RNS) — Four Protestant clergymen have been elected to the 87th Congress.

A fifth may have been elected in the 11th Congressional District of Missouri, but a recount will be necessary to determine this.

The clergymen who will serve in Congress include three who were re-elected — two of them in the face of landslide defeats of their party. They are Rep. Marvin Coad (D-Ia.), who was re-elected to a third term, and Rep. Walter H. Moeller (D-Mo.), who won a second term. Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. (D-N.Y.) was elected to his 10th term.

Rep. Henry C. Schelderer, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church, Burlington,

### Pickets At Lord's Vineyard

New Orleans — (NC) — Parents who discourage their children from religious vocations are "picketing the vineyard of the Lord," a seminary rectory said here.

Father Anthony Tassin, O.S.B., pastor of St. Joseph's Minor Seminary in St. Donald, La., said too many parents oppose their son's wishes to enter minor seminaries. He speaks before 1,200 persons at the annual luncheon of the Council of Catholic School Cooperative Clubs.

He said that when parents ask their children to delay their vocational decisions until after graduation from high school, the children lose their desire for religious life.

Father Tassin also said that there are too many popularity contests, too many boys competing with the Blessed Virgin, and too many parties.

"We have failed to give proper challenge to Catholic youth," the Benedictine priest added. "We need a St. John the Baptist to cry out in the wilderness of Mardi Gras."

### Monroe County Parishes Report On Campaign

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REGION III	
AREA A	
*St. Patrick .....	33,853
*St. Augustine .....	109,207
*St. Peter & Paul ..	49,760
*Holy Ghost .....	44,551
*St. Nicholas .....	1,000
*St. Anthony .....	28,250
*St. Lucy .....	17,800
*St. Vincent .....	7,150
*St. Pius X .....	35,028
*St. Mary Family ..	118,178
*St. Helen .....	59,536
AREA A TOTAL .....	514,583
AREA B	
*Good Shepherd .....	27,200
*St. Monica .....	111,900
*St. Anne .....	82,904
*Immac. Con. ....	42,243
*O. L. Good Counsel ..	75,172
*St. Mary .....	118,178
*Guardian Angels ..	.....
AREA B TOTAL .....	354,498
REGION III TOT. ....	869,081
REGION IV	
AREA A	
*O. L. M. Carmel .....	30,513
*St. Joseph .....	27,186
*St. Bridget .....	15,180
*O. L. Victory .....	8,330
*Corpus Christi .....	78,940
*St. Mary .....	75,201
*Assumption .....	44,673
*Blessed Sacrament ..	146,964
AREA A TOTAL .....	427,887
AREA B	
*St. Boniface .....	38,987
*St. Thomas More .....	25,229
*O. L. Lourdes .....	83,351
*St. Paul .....	7,130
*St. Joseph .....	40,842
*St. Jerome .....	39,131
*St. Louis .....	34,830
*St. Catherine .....	2,209
*O. L. Q. Peace .....	.....
AREA B TOTAL .....	408,613
REGION IV TOT. ....	836,500

### Japan Jurist Noted Convert

Tokyo — (NC) — Japanese Chief Justice Kotara Tanaka, one of the nation's leading Catholic laymen, has retired.

Mr. Tanaka, who became a convert in 1926, left his post on reaching the compulsory retirement age of 65 (Oct. 25).

### Religious Unity

## Time, Patience Needed

Ferrara — (RNS) — Augustin Cardinal Bea, president of the secretariat for Christian unity set up by Pope John XXIII to help prepare the Second Vatican Council, declared in a speech later broadcast by the Vatican Radio that the work of reunion "will need a great deal of time, charity and patience."

The German-born cardinal, only 65, gave the inaugural address at the opening of the new academic year at the Gregoriana Institute of Religious Culture. The institute was founded by Count Vittorio Chini, leading Italian industrialist in memory of his son who was killed in an airplane crash.

In his address, Cardinal Bea stressed two elements which he said must determine the attitude of Catholics toward Christian unity.

"On the one hand," he said, "there is their firmness in the Faith and the awareness of how necessary it is to safeguard the complete integrity of Catholic dogma. And on the other, there is the awareness of the need for real understanding and of charity toward those of other Christian beliefs."

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### Pope Sends Congratulations

## Vatican Cites U. S. Tolerance

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope John XXIII sent a message of congratulation to Senator John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) on his election to the Presidency of the United States as Vatican quarters joined in expressing satisfaction over his victory.

The Pope added a prayer "that Almighty God may assist you in discharging the duties of the Presidency" and "that you may be able to do for the well-being of yourself and your family and for the happiness and prosperity of the beloved American people."

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