

Vatican Radio Charges

Sudan Violates UN Agreement

Vatican City — (RNS) — Persecution of Christian missionaries in the Sudan is in flagrant violation of the country's obligations as a member of the United Nations, it was charged here in a special broadcast over Vatican Radio.

The broadcast, Vatican Radio's second in four days on the situation, strongly condemned the wide-scale expulsion of Christian missionaries from the southern Sudan in recent weeks.

Both Protestant and Catholic missionaries have been severely restricted in their activities or forced to leave the country by the Moslem-dominated government. Of Sudan's 12,000,000 people, 8,000,000 are Moslems.

Freedom of religion, the Vatican station pointed out, is guaranteed under the Sudanese constitution. It also is a right sanctioned by the Declaration of Human Rights contained in the U.N. Charter "which the Sudan pledged itself to respect," the broadcast stated.

It noted that the Sudanese Minister of Information recently asserted that the Khartoum government is determined to respect freedom of worship, but was placing drastic limitations on the activities of Christian missionaries because they had become involved in political questions in the country.

"It is difficult to understand," Vatican Radio commented, "how the methodical effort to stamp out Christianity can be reconciled with the proclaimed respect for . . . freedom of religion."

If Catholic missionaries had become involved in politics, the broadcast suggested, the Sudanese government could have stopped them by approaching the proper ecclesiastical authorities to have the Holy See replace them.

"The government did not do this even though they were completely aware of the full loyalty which the Catholic Church has always observed towards the new republic," the broadcast noted, adding: "It is an obvious conclusion that they found it impossible to prove the accusations."

Vatican Radio said the Church has not been asked by the Sudanese government to discuss any grievances it might have.

"The government has preferred to attack her in her most sacred rights even while verbally confirming a respect for those rights," the station complained.

\$400,000 To Priory

Portsmouth — (NC) — Portsmouth Priory and School, conducted by Benedictine Fathers, has been left a bequest of about \$400,000 under the terms of the will of Katherine Renee Corlazzo, a Newport resident for 50 years, who died at age 94 recently in a Middletown nursing home.



Mission Bishop Says Thanks

Bishop S. David Maricanayagam of South India shows Father John Duffy of the Rochester Propagation of the Faith Society a map of his 6000 square mile diocese with a scant 37,000 Catholics. Contributions from the Rochester Diocese have enabled the prelate to build in four years 3 churches, 15 chapels, an orphanage, schools for 1000 pupils and homes for 80 families. He is on a tour of the United States seeking added funds and came to Rochester to say thanks for contributions already given.

Don't Feel Sorry for Nuns

Cincinnati — (NC) — Don't feel sorry for the "poor Sisters," one of them advised, because their religious vows are "more a source of joy than of restraint."

Speaking at public receptions sponsored here and in Dayton in the past two weeks by the Archdiocesan Vocational Endeavor (AVE) program, Sister Daniel Miriam, vocational director of the Sisters of Charity,

declared: "The vows often are defined in a negative sense — 'Poor Sister, she can't have any money because of her vow of poverty; or she can't have a family because of her vow of chastity; or she has no will of her own because of her vow of obedience.'"

"The truth of the matter," she said, "is that by our vow of poverty we are relieved of the stress and worry connected with financial matters; by our vow of chastity we have the privilege of engaging in a love affair with Almighty God; and by our vow of obedience there is order and unity in our family circle."

Sister Daniel Miriam is chairman of an vocation committee which recently established "vocational centers" at the Catholic Learning Library in downtown Cincinnati and at the Loreto in downtown Dayton.

Sister Daniel Miriam expressed the opinion that "youth today need and want a meaning (ul, vital) awareness of how to love and serve a personal ideal. They need to be told that their happiness lies in fulfilling the role which from all eternity God chose for them," she said.

But they need to have this pointed out to them, she said, and added that "the clergy, laity, and sisters working together can give them this information and understanding."

Court Test

On Textbooks

Winnipeg — (RNS) — A test case neared a court hearing here on the question of distributing free textbooks from public funds to pupils attending Catholic parochial schools.

The public school board of suburban St. Vital is seeking the question by bringing suit against several Catholic parents whose children received free texts by enrolling in public schools. Later, the children were withdrawn and registered at St. Emile's parochial school, maintaining possession of the books.

July 22 to August 16

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Reservations may still be made for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for people of the Rochester Diocese.

The July 22 to August 16 tour is sponsored by the Courier Journal and will be led by Rev. Henry Atwell, editor.

TOUR MEMBERS will travel via Air France Jet Economy Service from New York to Beirut and thence to Jerusalem, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Israel, Greece, Italy and France.

The Courier pilgrimage will receive the assistance of the Franciscan Friars in the Holy Land, from the Holy Land Commissariat in Washington, D.C.

The tour will include Beirut and Damascus, Baslebeck, Jerash, the ancient city of Philadelphia, Amman and the Mountains of Moab across the River Jordan into Jericho and up to Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem, Mass will be celebrated on Mount Calvary at the Tomb of Our Lord, at the Manger Altar at the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem and in the Basilica of the Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

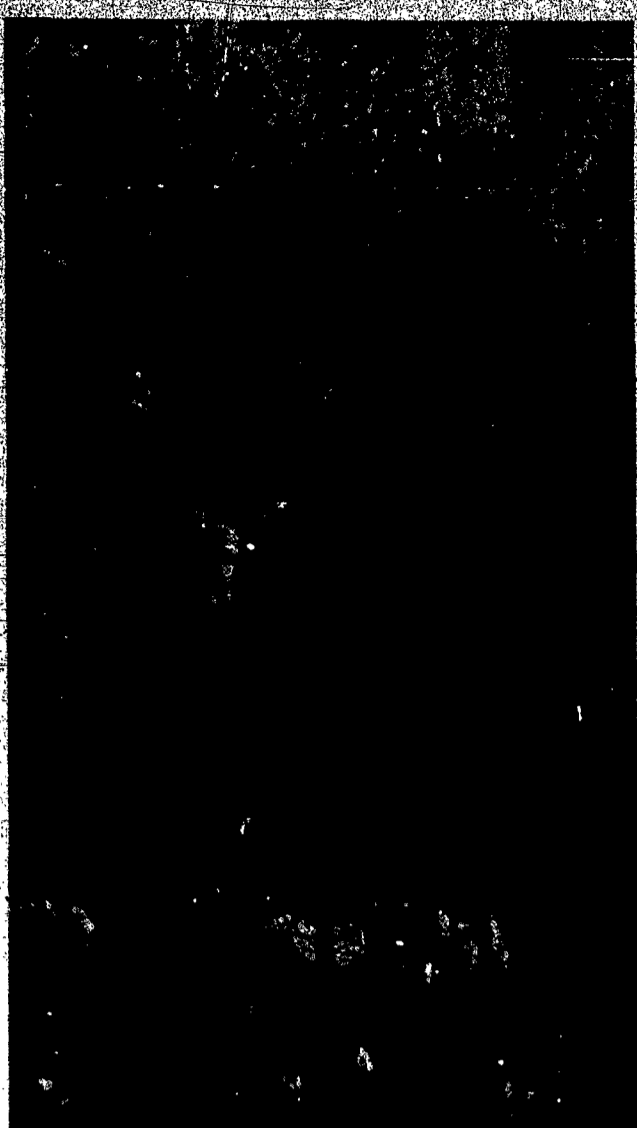
Pilgrims will have the opportunity of visiting all the Holy Places and participate in the Way of the Cross with the Franciscan Fathers in the afternoon of Friday, July 26th.

Crossing into Israel, pilgrims will visit the places of the Last Supper, assist at Mass in the Franciscan Chapel of the Cenacle, the Annunciation, the Place of the Crucifixion and the birthplace of the Virgin Mary.

Announcements and details of the pilgrimage are available at the Tabor, Nazareth, Capernaum, Cana of Galilee and Mount Carmel, before departing for Istanbul and Athens.

Three days will be spent in Rome, "The Eternal City," with visits to the principal places of interest in ancient and modern Rome. It is anticipated that Pope John will receive tour members in an audience during their stay in the Eternal City.

Pilgrimage brochures with complete details of itinerary are available from the Courier Journal, 35 Scio St., Rochester, N.Y., or the Catholic Travel Office, Dupont Circle Bldg., Washington 6, D.C. Reservations should be made as early as possible because the number participating will be limited.



Franciscan friar prays in the Garden of Gethsemane, surrounded by olive trees similar to one where the Saviour prayed on the night before He died.

Scant Hope for Release of China Prisoners

Washington — (NC) — A change for the release of the State Department spokesman expressed scant hope that a food exchange would win the release of four Americans, including a Catholic bishop, imprisoned in Red China.

Assistant Secretary of State Frederick C. Dulton said the department is willing seriously to consider such a plan, but past experience does not permit optimism that it would work. He was replying to a suggestion by Sen. Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut, that the U.S. give Red China food in exchange for the release of the prisoners.

My Husband Won't Talk To Me, Do All Wives Live in Silence?

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How can a wife get her husband to talk to her? My husband is a wonderful man and I feel we really love each other, but I just can't get the guy to talk. When he comes home from work and I ask, "What's new?" he generally says, "Nothing," or "Nothing much," and that's it. Sometimes I feel he's in the category of "I lead, you live," since I learn so little about his activities when he's away from home. Shouldn't couples talk about what happens during the day when they're apart so that they have more to share in common, or is this expecting too much?



As in most areas calling for mutual adjustment in marriage, Sheila, it's not primarily a matter of expecting too much or too little but of trying to help each other develop as fully as possible and then learning to live with that.

Some husbands and wives spend so much time bemoaning assumed deficiencies in their partners that they never get around to appreciating their good qualities. This doesn't mean that you shouldn't aim high or continue . . . to improve your relationships, but you must always maintain a healthy concern and respect for reality and its inherent limitations.

Every marriage is the cooperative creation of this one particular man and this one particular woman, so that considered from the viewpoint of the individual couple, the question concerning what traits man and woman ought to possess becomes rather academic.

Among the characteristic differences usually associated with men and women perhaps none is more clearly defined than their attitude toward talking. Whether it expresses a need or is merely an acquired habit, women in all known societies appear to be much more talkative than men. This is doubtless very fortunate for mankind, because if babies had to depend upon their fathers in learning to talk, most of us would probably remain dumb or be forced to rely on sign language and a few symbolic grunts!

Of course your real concern is not with talking but with sharing through communication. Although some (masculine) cynic has remarked that all women like the strong-silent type of man because they think he's listening, this statement apparently does not apply to you — and a great number of other wives. You rightly regard talking as a two-way street, as an important medium for the sincere, intimate exchange and sharing of attitudes, views, and experiences. There are other means of communication and other elements to be shared in marriage. Talking retains primary significance both in range of expression and intimacy of personal revelation.

Since talking is such a characteristically human trait, why should it become a problem in marriage? Why do we say we can always recognize a married couple in a restaurant because they are the ones not talking to each other? I suppose if you asked such couples why they were silent, they would reply that there was nothing to talk about. Yet they probably talked freely enough during courtship and may still display skill and charm when conversing with others. What has happened?

There are several possibilities, Sheila. Conversation involves the maintenance of a judicious balance between talking and listening — two related skills that few possess together, while some have developed neither one or the other. Some lack skill in talking because they have never learned to give verbal expression to their ideas or experiences and apparently feel no desire to do so — we say they keep things to themselves. Others don't talk because they don't think that is, they are the non-reflective, unimaginative, passive type who live chiefly by habit or routine and find little to excite their wonder, interest, or curiosity. On the other hand, some people talk too much, in the sense that their words reflect intellectual interests too shallow or too narrow to be of interest to others.

Lack of skill in listening may result from shallow self-centeredness or an exaggerated estimate of the importance of one's own insights. Far more annoying is the person who listens but doesn't hear; that is, he gives you plenty of time to talk, but his

next remark shows he hasn't heard a word you said. A really exasperating version of this approach is to ask a question involving one's opinion or considerable explanation and then pay no attention to the answer. The art of listening well implies sincere respect for and interest in what another has to say.

I suspect that many married couples don't talk because they no longer listen, and they have ceased to listen because they have lost interest in their partner's viewpoints or feel they have nothing to say. Yet marriage is divinely designed to bring masculine and feminine personality to full development through the couple's continued sharing of their mutual complementarity, so that the failure to foster communication implies failure to understand the real meaning of marital union. Spouses who have no interests in sharing their partners' feelings, attitudes, and experiences, miss one of the most fulfilling aspects of marriage.

How can you get your man to talk? Well, Sheila, start by checking whether you are a good listener. Do you know what his interests are? Most men have some subjects they like to discuss — start with these. Some men don't talk about their work experiences because they find their wives too curious about details or too critical of the world of men. If he talks, show real interest, but let him do it his way. Finally, if you can prime him in no other way, try asking his opinion about various matters. He'll be a taciturn man indeed if he resists the implicit compliment in this approach.

Advertisement for McCurdy's bridal salon. It features a large illustration of a bride in a white gown with a long train, standing in a garden. The text reads: 'IT'S A BRIDE'S WORLD AT MCCURDY'S'. To the right, it says 'our bridal salon will serve you magnificently' and lists various wedding attire options like 'breathtaking new collections for spring and summer' and 'elegant fabrics, silk faced peau de soie, silk linen, cotton organdy, silk organza, imported Brussels laces'. It also mentions 'Complete bridal collection, formal or informal, from \$5.00 to \$25.00' and 'Bridal Salon, Second Floor (collection of gowns also at Geneva)'.