

Pope Paul Meets Sudan Victims

Vatican City — (RNS) — Some 200 missionaries recently expelled from Sudan in a climax to a bitter anti-Christian campaign in that largely Muslim country, were received in special audience by Pope Paul VI following their arrival in Rome.

In a moving speech, the pontiff said: "We welcome you all in one embrace of paternal affection and with a heart filled with sadness and emotion in this difficult moment of great anxiety for you, for the faith of your mission, for the charitable and educational activities which you have been forced to abandon."

"At the same time, Pope Paul stressed that 'hope can still be maintained that the Sudanese authorities may re-examine the entire issue with serene objectivity.'"

According to the Vatican Radio station, 210 Catholic missionaries have been expelled from the Sudan, including one Apostolic Vicar and two Prefects Apostolic. In addition, it noted, 30 American Protestant and 20 Anglican missionaries have been forced out of the country.

In his address, Pope Paul said it was "with intense pain that we have followed the developments of the situation which has now come to such a grave crisis."

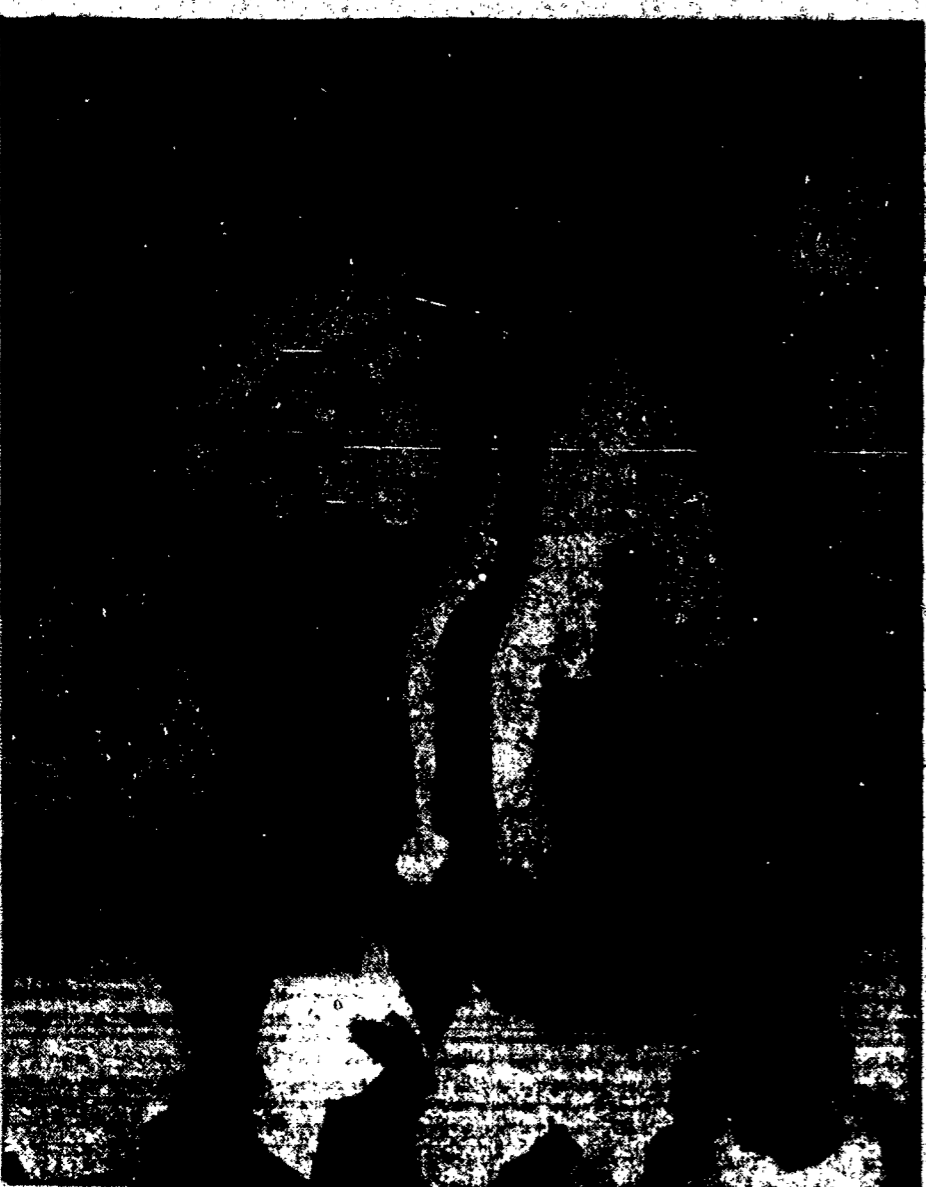
"It is with a most lively urgency," he stated, "that we have desired to receive you immediately here at the home of the common father, which is also your home so that the first greeting upon your sorrowful arrival should be that of the Pope who wishes to you in order to prove to you his benevolence, his support, his consolation."

Jesuit Priest Nazi Victim

Munich — (RNS) — An ecclesiastical tribunal convened here under Julius Cardinal Dopfner, Archbishop of Munich and Freising, has completed the preliminary process for the beatification cause of Father Rupert Mayer, S.J., famed foe of Nazism.

A native of Stuttgart, Father Mayer was ordained in 1899. An Army chaplain in World War I, he was wounded and underwent amputation. Fitted with a wooden leg, he continued for 30 years as a preacher and church organizer in Munich.

An outspoken opponent of Nazism, he was arrested several times by the Gestapo; at the outbreak of World War II he was sent to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp. Later Father Mayer was released from the camp and confined to the Benedictine Monastery at Ettal until the end of the war.



Pope Paul's 'Sunday School'

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI converses with Roman youngsters in a "Sunday School" format. After attending evening services at the Our Lady of the Sacred Church in Rome, he stopped to a group of children, ranging from 8 to 14, to gather around as he asked questions about the Church. Here the pontiff and his audience smile broadly as he quizzes an altar boy.

Northwest Bishops Favor 'Fullest' Liturgy Reform

Portland — (NC) — The five Archbishop Edward D. Howard bishops at the Portland area of Portland, metropolitan, to meet here have agreed to recommend the fullest application of the Second Vatican Council's permissions when the U.S. Constitution or the Sacred Liturgy.

An announcement said the bishops agreed to recommend fullest use of permissions in regard to the vernacular in the Mass, the sacraments, the Divine Office, other parts of the ritual and revision and simplification of the various ceremonies.

In addition to Archbishop Howard, those present at the meeting in the Chancery Office were: Bishop Francis P. Leitz of Baker; Bishop William Condon of Great Falls, Mont.; Bishop Sylvester Theinen of Boise, Idaho, and Bishop Raymond Hunthausen of Helena, Mont.

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Is the Church in the United States getting fat? Americans pay 40 million dollars a year for pills to take off fat. Is there not some need of the medicine of the Gospel to take off our spiritual fat? Do we need large gymnasiums in our high schools when Africa needs a Eucharist? Can we afford elevators in three-story rectories when an Asiatic diocese needs its first dispensary? Can a missionary society be justified in making Wall Street investments while their missionaries struggle to live on the interest? Does the Church in America resemble the Church of Laodicea of the Apocalypse? A frightening thought!

Catholic people, we call on you to preserve the spirituality of the Church in the United States. This is the way to do it! Start with this truth: "This is my Body" are the words which proclaim the Eucharistic presence of Christ in the Church. But remember that Christ also has another body, another presence which might be called a Sociological Presence. He lives in the poor. The Eucharist is the "Francis Paul" or the Breaking of Bread, and charity to the poor is the sharing of our daily bread. In the early Church, you would not have received the Eucharist without bringing an offering to the poor.

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Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI held a special audience for about 200 missionaries forced out of Sudan on charges of anti-state activities in that predominantly Muslim nation. During the audience some priests approached the pontiff to kiss his ring. In a moving address the Pope told the priests he had been following developments in Sudan "with intense pain." He expressed the hope that the Sudanese authorities "may re-examine the entire issue with serene objectivity." Meanwhile the Vatican Radio announced that more than 200 Catholic priests and nuns have been expelled from Sudan, including an Apostolic Vicar and two Prefects Apostolic.

Council's Close Seen in Autumn

Vatican City — (RNS) — Expectations that the Second Vatican Council will be finally terminated with its third session in the fall were seen strengthened by an article in Osservatore Romano.

The article, written by Msgr. Fausto Vallina, secretary of the Council's press office, strongly indicated that it was Pope Paul VI's own wish that the Council be brought to a close this year.

"It appears evident," he said, "that it is the Pope's hope that the third period of ten weeks — from Sept. 14 through Nov. 12 — will be the last session of the Second Vatican Council, inasmuch as it should bring to a successful close long elaborated work carefully matured."

It was recalled here that last December, Pope Paul, responding to Christmas greetings from the College of Cardinals, spoke of the third session as constituting the "ultimate phase" of the Council, with many "solemn and decisive" aspects.

In a New Year's address the Pope also hinted strongly that the third session would see the Council's work finally concluded. He did so by remarking that the Council was to be "conducted to a good end" during the year.

In his article, Msgr. Vallina pointed out that much Council work had been done in commissions and by consultations in writing with all the Council Fathers.

"This," he commented, "will permit the inauguration of a new method of discussion that will be more expeditious and without useless repetitions. He said the intention is to respectively,

Cathedral Like Wife's Hat

San Francisco — (NC) — A wealth of reaction had greeted the unusual design for new St. Mary's cathedral, Archbishop Joseph T. McGucken disclosed.

A third of the reaction, he said, was critical. The proposed cathedral was compared to a tepee, a sports arena, a launching pad, cracker box, orange squeezer, washing machine agitator — and one writer said it "looks like my wife's hat."

But others have praised the design, he said. An architect, magazine, asking photos, plans and descriptions, said it "does not mimic monuments of other times." An Episcopal clergyman said: "Your wisdom in this matter has been reinforced by a boldness one finds too seldom." A Texas-called it "The Cathedral reinforced concrete masterpiece."

"The majority of the messages were favorable and encouraging," the Archbishop said. "Both the compliments and the criticisms reflect very sincere and healthy interest in the cathedral project."

Germans Aid Latin America

Colony — (RNS) — The third special Christmas campaign for financial support for the Catholic Church in Latin America netted \$3,600,000.

The announcement was made at a meeting here of the German Bishops' Commission for Latin America presided over by Joseph Cardinal Frings, Archbishop of Cologne. The amount exceeded by \$2,100,000 donations to the 1962 campaign.

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