

Vatican Paper, Freedom and Popularity

Canadians Launch Aid To India

Ottawa—(NC)—An "Aid for India Fund" has been established at the secretariat of the Canadian Catholic Conference here.

An office to handle public contributions for India was established March 28, it was announced by Archbishop Louis Levesque of Rimouski, Que., president of the CCC, national organization of the Catholic cardinals, archbishops of Canada.

Archbishop Levesque said offerings made by a number of Catholic individuals and groups made it advisable to organize a formal means of receiving and handling them.

The office, at the CCC Secretariat, 90 Parent Ave., Ottawa, 2, Ont., will be responsible for receiving money and transferring it to Pope Paul VI, the archbishop said.

He recalled that Pope Paul said in a recent address that from India today "a cry for help rises up like a mighty groan from a people undergoing a terrible famine without any possibility of finding by themselves an adequate remedy." He added that the Canadian people have responded to the plea with offerings over and above their usual contributions to church and public charities.

Cardinal Plans Rochester Visit

London—(NC)—John Cardinal Heenan of Westminster, will preach in the Anglican cathedral of Rochester near London later this year.

The cardinal will be the first speaker in a course of lectures on "Belief in Christ" starting Oct. 13. The following week the lecturer will be a Presbyterian and the third week an Orthodox archbishop.

Rochester cathedral was once the spiritual home of St. John Fisher, its bishop, executed by King Henry VIII at the Reformation for refusing to take an oath acknowledging Henry as his spiritual as well as his temporal lord.

Ecumenical Good Friday

Las Vegas—(NC)—Bishop Robert J. Dwyer of Reno is speculating that the Good Friday liturgy planned for gambling-conscious Las Vegas will be "an ecumenical and liturgical triumph."

For the first time all parishes in the area will be closed during the traditional noon to 3 p.m. hours on the day. The bishop said the closing was decided so all churches may emphasize in producing the liturgical event which will combine the talents of the various religious faiths in the area.

There will be a 200-voice chorus, composed of members of church choirs, the Bishop Gorman High School Choir and other singing groups. Instead of recitation, there will be a dramatization of the Passion with Michael Rodney, who is not a Catholic, in the role of Christ. Actress Brenda Joyce will be the first woman to take part in the liturgy, playing the role of the mad who accused Peter. Danny Thomas of movie and TV fame will narrate the drama.

To Lecture
New Orleans—(NC)—The Student Union of Loyola University here will sponsor a lecture on the Vietnam crisis by Gen. Maxwell Taylor, former U.S. Ambassador to Vietnam, on April 23.

By JAMES C. O'NEILL
Vatican City—(NC)—The little giant of the Vatican City's publications is slightly known but often quoted weekly newspaper magazine L'Osservatore della Domenica.

"We get hundreds of letters every week, many from the United States," says its editor, Enrico Zuppi. The magazine has practically no circulation in the United States.

The reason is, of course, that the magazine, like its more formal daily companion, L'Osservatore Romano, is taken by newsmen to be the "voice" of the Vatican, the Holy See and even the Pope.

The fact that neither one is "official" in the formal sense of the word does not discourage

newsmen from seizing on articles published in the magazine and banner them under such headlines as "VATICAN FROGNS ON MODERN DANCERS" or "VATICAN SCORES FOREIGNERS NEARLY NUDE AT ITALIAN BEACHES."

Attributing to the Vatican or the Holy See what is published in the daily newspaper and the weekly magazine is usually inaccurate, but particularly so in the case of the magazine.

Zuppi, a handsome, hardy and thoroughly engaging Italian, says he has a free hand in publishing what he will and that his only real limitations are money and staff. He ought to know since it is a fact aside from a proofreader he is the



Daily Prayer for Peace

Vatican City—(RNS)—Ruth Frank Rosenwald of Westport, Conn., stands in front of St. Peter's Basilica where she prays daily for peace in Vietnam. Mrs. Rosenwald, mother of a ten-year-old daughter, hopes that Pope Paul VI will call for a Geneva conference to settle the Vietnamese war. She says she has participated in peace movements for 20 years.

Polish Reds Put Limit On Visitors for Feast

Bonn—(NC)—Poland's communist government has ordered a slowdown in the issuing of visas so as to keep to a minimum the number of foreigners able to join in the main celebration of the millennium of Poland as a Christian nation, it was asserted here.

KNA, German Catholic news agency, said that the foreign ministry in Warsaw has sent instructions to this effect to all embassies, legations and consulates throughout the world. KNA said that the secret order specified that no visas be granted for the period from May 1 to May 8.

The eight days involved include the feast of Our Lady, Queen of Poland, on May 3, the date set by the Polish bishops for the main ceremonies of the millennium year, and May 8, the feast of St. Stanislaus, 11th-century bishop of Cracow who was martyred by the king.

The German agency said that Polish officials have notified

only full-time member of the staff.

The magazine's office is housed in one room of the L'Osservatore Romano building in Vatican City. Yet out of that one room, smaller than most people's living room, there comes every week a 16 to 32 page magazine that is not only readable but eye-catching.

Relying heavily on the impact of action pictures, Zuppi regularly turns out a lively product that contrasts with the rather heavy and formal style of its daily companion L'Osservatore Romano.

"We have a great variety of readers," explains Zuppi, "and our style cannot be too heavy. At the same time it shouldn't be too light."

He is not understating his case, since his readership runs the gamut from the Pope in the Vatican to teenagers in southern Sicily. The magazine was founded in 1933, during the fascist period, because there was no popular Catholic or diocesan weekly in Italy.

Its first editor was Guido Gonella, who later went on to become Italy's Minister of Justice and of Education. While Mussolini was anxious to train Italy's youth in fascist youth organizations, L'Osservatore della Domenica, which at that time had a special section devoted to young people stressed the principles and

School Starts Too Early

By FATHER VINCENT T. MALLON, M.M.

Caracas—(NC)—Auxiliary Bishop Luis Henriquez has finally stated in a loud, clear voice what the Venezuelan students and teachers of Caracas knew all along—that school starts too early in the morning.

It's getting so bad, said the Caracas prelate, that it endangers the spiritual life of the teaching Sisters, is harmful to

the mental and physical health of the students, and indirectly contributes to the city's traffic problem.

Charities Groups Form New Agency

Utrecht—(NC)—Representatives of seven national Catholic relief agencies agreed here to form a world organization to coordinate their work with headquarters in Brussels.

Among the member organizations is Catholic Relief Service National Catholic Welfare Conference, the overseas aid organization of American Catholics. The other agencies come from West Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, France and Holland.

Jean Chenard, head of the CRS-NCWC office in Geneva, was elected chairman of the new body's executive committee.

A spokesman for CRS-NCWC in New York explained that the world organization will coordinate the various national aid programs and act as a clearing house for information without having a controlling voice in how relief funds collected in each country are spent.

He said the Brussels organization is not to be confused with the proposed Vatican Secretariat for International Development and Justice which was suggested during the ecumenical council by Bishop Edward E. Swannstrom, CRS-NCWC executive director. Dismissal on the proposed secretariat is continuing, he said.

Bernard Cardinal Alfink of Utrecht presided over the meeting here. The main topic on the agenda was where to locate the central offices of the new or

spirit of the Boy Scouts. Zuppi was in charge of the youth section at the time.

At the end of the war the magazine grew and reached a total of 40 editors for dioceses throughout Italy. Each of the editors had one special page devoted to individual diocesan news and features.

Today, due to changing situations, the magazine only publishes 10 editors besides its "home" edition for the diocese of Rome, which has no weekly popular magazine of its own.

Among its special editions is one that comes out every 15 days and is tailored for the interests of the 500 volunteers of the Palatine Guard of Honor. This corps, composed of young men, mostly from Roman families, is present at all papal functions and has a regular schedule of duties and posts within the Vatican.

Another special edition is published for distribution through Italy's jails to bring news and religious guidance to prisoners.

Zuppi explains that the policy of the magazine is not only to publish religious news but also to bring a "moral point of view" to bear on the happenings of the day. "We are trying to apply Christian morals to daily news and we are trying to do so by making it inter-

esting as well as instructive," he said.

Zuppi almost single-handedly lays out the paper and plans its weekly editions, but he has built up over the years a solid and reliable corps of correspondents who contribute articles on a variety of subjects.

Besides his Italian correspondents, many of whom live in Rome, he has correspondents in London and Paris. Currently he is looking for one in the United States, preferably living in New York or Washington.

The most formidable project the magazine ever undertook was a special edition of 228 pages devoted entirely to the recent ecumenical council. To help him with this he had one assistant.

The edition is a real gold mine of facts, documentation and comment. So successful has it been that there are arrangements to bring it out in English, French, German and Spanish.

While he is distressed because of limitations of money and staff, Zuppi is the living embodiment of the spirit he wants reflected in the magazine: "We want to present not a narrow view of the Church in the world, but a worldwide experience of the apostolate. We want to sound a note of optimism and Christian hope."

Changing the school hours, however, mean tampering with the traditional family bedtime at noon, and parents will have none of it. Citizens of Caracas have long accustomed themselves to getting up early. Men in the building trades often begin work at dawn. Many government offices are open at 7 a.m., and some officials are at their desks by 6:30.

Anglican Order Study Eyed

London—(NC)—John Cardinal Heenan of Westminster has told Anglicans that he would support under certain conditions a study of the validity of Anglican orders.

This matter, which is central to the whole question of Christian reunion in Britain and other areas where Anglicans predominate, relates to the authority Anglicans have in ordaining, offering Mass and ministering the sacraments in 1838 Pope Leo XIII issued a bull declaring that a historical investigation had found Anglican orders to be invalid.

The cardinal declared that if a commission of historians "found from the evidence that the Anglican clergyman is offering a true Mass, in our sense, we should not object. If the investigation could be carried out without raising false hopes and without the danger that it might be a fresh cause of strife, we would be willing for that commission to be set up."

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Act of Faith, No 'Rebaptism'

Regina, Sask.—(RNS)—Nine of 11 adults received into the Roman Catholic Church here were not re-baptized, but made a profession of faith and, after confession, received Communion.

The nine were formerly of the Anglican and Lutheran communities. Investigation by officials at Regina's Catholic Information Center showed they had received valid baptisms in their original Churches. Conditional baptism was given in two cases where definite confirmation was impossible.

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BURMA OUST MISSIONERS

Calcutta—(NC)—The left government of Burma, which last year seized virtually all schools run by missionaries, has asked all foreign missions who entered the country in 19 or later to leave.

It was understood here that more than 200 Roman Catholic missionaries, mostly French, are affected by the oust. Other groups having foreign missionaries here include Anglicans and Baptists.

While Buddhists constitute an overwhelming majority, Burma's 24 million people, Christian missionaries had founded and run more than half the country's schools until nationalization decree of 19 years ago. Catholics, who totaled only 200,000 (0.8%), ran 10 schools with a total enrollment of over 60,000. The 49 Catholic high schools and middle schools were taken over on April 1 last year.

Austrians Aid India

Vienna—(NC)—The Catholic and Lutheran Churches here scheduled a nationwide collection for famine areas of India on April 8. It is the first time the two major Christian bodies have undertaken such a joint enterprise.

An urgent appeal for fur was signed and issued by Franziskus Cardinal Koenig, Vienna and by Lutheran Bishop Gerhard May. They direct that all church bells be rung the day before the collection publicize the need for money.

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By FATHER

The aphorism that "is not universally true. We can dull our feeling of awe like live or of F casual sublimity that nature W became most is a tinct where" presence by which

This presence of God with the Holy Spirit. It is of sanctification to God's love and the Holy Spirit is God's own living love.

Consequently St. Paul can rightly ask, "Do you not know that your members are the temple of the Holy Spirit, who in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?"

However, with the Holy Spirit in the soul are God the Father and God the Son. It is actual an indwelling of the Blessed Trinity. Jesus makes this clear when He says, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our abode with him."

By His presence within us God gives us a new dimension of existence. Sharing with His own nature, he raises us to a supernatural level of being. If a dog could be given human soul, with the accompanying power of rational thought and speech, the result would be less stuporous than is our own transposition into the indwelling of God.

This sharing in God's own life, this new quality which added to our previously natural soul, is what we commonly call sanctifying grace. We do not become "a part of God", much less do we become lesser gods in our own right. But two marvelous things do happen to us.

ONE EFFECT is that all our free actions (sin excepted which hinders the work of human actions and of transience significance, now become supernatural actions in which God actively shares. Assuming that we have the habitual desire of attention to God's will, a of our actions reverberate through eternity and add everlastingly to our stature in heaven. We are active partners with God, sharing with Him His work of creation and of redemption.

THE SECOND great effect sanctifying grace, of God's gift shared, is that we become capable of seeing and knowing God as He really is. We have the capacity to enter into the current of knowledge-loving which the intimate life of the Blessed Trinity. For the explosive happiness of this total union with God we shall have to await the end of our apprenticeship in this world of time. B