

AROUND THE WORLD

Polish Premier Counters Brutality Charge

Warsaw — (RNS) — Polish Premier Jozef Cyrankiewicz sharply denied charges here by five Roman Catholic members of parliament that the state militia had used brutal methods to quell student riots in Warsaw.

Disagreeing with the deputies, Mr. Cyrankiewicz said there was no brutality and if the deputies said so, then they were "identifying themselves with those reactionary, imperialist Zionist circles who instigated and organized the March riots."

Cardinal Heenan Wants No Eulogy

London — (RNS) — John Cardinal Heenan, Archbishop of Westminster, has served notice he doesn't want any eulogy preached over him when he dies. The cardinal, who is 63, disclosed he had made this a condition in his will.

Addressing a congregation at a requiem Mass for a local parish priest, Cardinal Heenan explained that no panegyric was being preached because the pastor had made known he would not want one.

Going on to mention his own wishes, Cardinal Heenan commented: "When someone who has been all but canonized, people might feel there is no need to say prayers for the repose of his soul."

Vietnam Relief Passes \$1.6 Million

Saigon — (NC) — In a second report on how U.S. Catholic Relief Services helped the victims of the Viet Cong Tet offensive, Father Robert L. Charlebois, CRS director for Vietnam, said that the relief agency had distributed commodities valued at \$1,623,474 between Feb. 1 and March 31.

The Saigon office of the U.S. Catholic agency for overseas aid gave out commodities valued at \$528,661. Supplies drawn from the U.S. Agency for International Development warehouses and sent directly to refugee centers, hospitals, schools, institutions were valued at \$1,623,474. These were distributed in all four corps areas under the supervision of CRS personnel in the field offices.

Bishops Ready Pidgin English News

Madang, New Guinea — (NC) — A newspaper in both Pidgin English and standard English for Christians of the South Seas is nearing publication here.

Commissioned by 17 Catholic bishops of Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, it will take a general Christian direction rather than a purely Catholic one, in the hope that other Christian groups in the South Pacific will eventually join in its operation.

Father Francis Mihalic, S.V.D., is in charge of the project.

Latin American Nuns Seek Planning Role

Medellin, Colombia — (NC) — Latin America's 140,000 women Religious should have a share in planning the Church's pastoral work, a group of nuns said here.

The religious needs of the Latin American will go partially uncared for "unless women Religious become part of the Church's pastoral work at the executive, thinking and programming levels," the nuns said.

The statement was published at the end of a three-month course at the Liturgical Institute here attended by 41 nuns from 18 religious communities and nine countries.

Christian "Untouchables" Lose Privileges

Bangalore, India — (NC) — The Mysore state government has ruled that members of the scheduled castes shall forfeit special concessions upon conversion to Christianity.

Also called Harijans, scheduled castes are the former "untouchables" or outcasts of Hinduism, who have been granted some privileges and concessions on account of their primitive economic and social condition.

The local Christian Federation said the order was aimed at preventing further conversion of Harijans to Christianity. Pointing out that the Indian constitution guarantees religious rights and liberties to all citizens, the federation urged the government to revise the order.

Vietnam Nursing School Opened

Qui Nhon, Vietnam — (NC) — The Medical Missionary Sisters of Philadelphia, Pa., have opened a new nursing school here.

Starting with 16 students this year, the school will build up to classes of 30 girls. Educational prerequisites set by the Vietnamese government include a minimum of two years of high school. The girls range in age from 19 to 23. Instruction will be in the Vietnamese language. Graduates of the school will be able to work in any public or private hospital in Vietnam.

Harmony Reported In Hungarian Church

Bonn — (NC) — Magyar Kurir, the Catholic Church's official news outlet in Hungary, says that the Hungarian Church seems to be free of the dissension that exists in the Church in many Western countries.

Harmony in the Hungarian Church, the agency said, is demonstrated by the generous financial support given by Catholics to repair church buildings and facilities for the care of aged and infirm priests and Religious.

The agency also reported that increasing numbers of people receiving Communion often required the services of three priests at Mass in Budapest.

French Non-Practicing Believers

Paris — (NC) — Thirty-three per cent of adult French people say they believe in Christ although they do not practice the Catholic religion in which they were baptized, a study conducted by the French Institute of Public Opinion shows.

Georges Hourdin, director of the magazine La Vie Catholique illustree, requested the institute to make the survey.

It was aimed at believers who do not practice their religion at all or only minimally. These constitute 61% of the adult population in contrast to 21% who are practicing Catholics.

Of the 33% of non-practicing believers in Christ, one-quarter have doubts on matters of faith. For the most part, disaffection comes less from serious doctrinal objections than from the conditions of modern life. Thirty-seven per cent, particularly women, give the fact of a too absorbing family or professional life as the reason for their lack of practice. Only 6% justify their abandonment of practice by condemning some aspect of the Church.

One-quarter of non-practicing believers abandoned practice between 10 and 15 years of age and 36% between 16 and 30 years of age.

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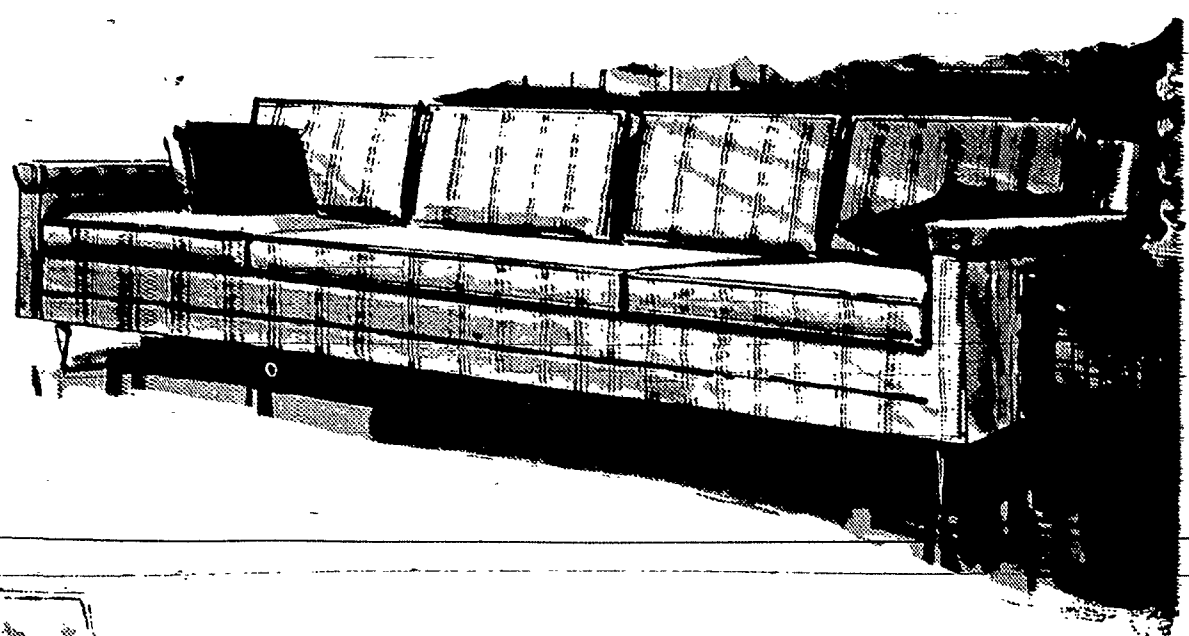
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It said the "major ences of those who followed."

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Mormons

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Seminary To

St. Nazianz, Wis. — Seminary here will beco interested in social serv Kennedy Preparatory S

Father Myron Wag to develop in students the disadvantaged sick

The school has be priesthood. Enrollment last year.

Diocesan

Detroit — (RNS) — out white racism," win to those "trapped by th bishop John J. Dearden

The prelate said th Development Fund Coll diocese May 5-20 amon after "certain previous money realized from the anti-racism programs.

The announcement fund-raising drive is as lion would be left for

Priest Heads

New Orleans — (R St. Pius X Church here Relations Committee of

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The committee is were named in a city-w divided into six areas, wit elected from each.

Seminarian

St. Paul — Student diocese of St. Paul-Min forth at the College of

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