

AROUND THE WORLD

Foreign Investors Blamed for Low Pay

Santa Cruz, Bolivia — Foreign capital investors are to blame for the low wages paid Bolivian miners, Jose Cardinal Maurer, C.S.S.R., of Sucre told a rally here.

He said that the government has the will to improve the lot of the Indian miner, "but there are hard directives from foreign capital that do not allow it to increase wages for the time being."

The cardinal has been active in securing a government agreement with labor and Church representatives to improve social benefits and conditions at the tin mines, Bolivia's main dollar-earning industry. However, the main goal of the miners, better wages, was not achieved.

Argentine Priests Criticize Expenditures

Reconquista, Argentina — (NC) — A group of priests in this diocese have issued a statement criticizing growing military expenditures while the government neglects development projects. "Where is the enemy?" they asked.

"High-sounding phrases still roar in our ears on community and regional development, but the community is left to die in our midst," the priests' statement said.

The priests stressed the plight of hundreds of families in Tucumán, a sugar mill complex that is laying off workers. A similar move has brought sharp unemployment in the neighboring diocese of Tucuman.

"And to show its total indifference to this problem, the government refuses to even acknowledge the legal, fair claims filed by the workers," the priests stated.

Plaque Honors Martyr



London—John Cardinal Heenan, Archbishop of Westminster (left), and Anglican Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury bend heads to read plaque in floor of Westminster Hall commemorating the trial of Sir Thomas More, 16th Century martyr to his faith. Sir Thomas More was condemned to death for high treason at the trial in Westminster Hall in 1535. (RNS Photo)

Armenian Patriarch to Visit America

Etschmiadzin, Soviet Armenia — (RNS) — Catholicos Vazken, the Supreme Patriarch of the Armenian Church, will begin a visit to the United States during the last week of April, the patriarchal office announced here.

He was invited to make the visit by Bishop Torkom Manougian of the Armenian Church's Diocese of America. Before coming to the United States, he will spend a week in Austria and officiate at the dedication of a new church in Vienna.

The Catholicos told reporters that he is "looking forward to the visit to the U.S.A. because many of the faithful of my Church live there."

(According to the 1968 Yearbook of American Churches, the Diocese of America has a membership of 138,000. Another 125,000 American members of the Armenian Church are affiliated with the Cilicia Patriarchate whose headquarters are in Lebanon.)

India to Deport Spanish Missionary

New Delhi — (RNS) — Father Vincenzo Ferrer, a Spanish missionary, has been ordered to leave India because of alleged political activity at Manmad, about 120 miles north of Bombay. He was accused also of using "illegal methods" to convert Indians to Christianity.

A silent march through Bombay was staged by approximately 10,000 Christians to protest the order.

In a statement to the press, Father Ferrer said that the number of Christians in the area was the same now as when he came 18 years ago. His "political activity," he said, consisted in aiding the people to organize the digging of wells, delivery of seeds and fertilizer and building of roads, dams and dikes.

\$159 Million Budget Adopted in Montreal

Montreal — (NC) — The Montreal Catholic School Commission (MCSC) has adopted a \$159 million budget, some \$38 million more than last year.

MCSC President Andre Gagnon also announced receipt of a \$7 million special grant from the Quebec provincial government.

MCSC operates all the English and French-speaking Catholic schools in the province of Quebec. It comes under the authority of Quebec's department of education and, in effect, is the chief public school system of the province, where the majority of people are Catholic.

Gagnon said the largest single expenditure in the budget is salaries. At \$108 million, they are nearly \$20 million more than last year.

Church Panel to Study Cardinal - Nun Dispute

Washington, D.C.—(RNS)—A special four-man committee has been appointed by the Vatican to "examine the issues" in the dispute between Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Archbishop of Los Angeles, and the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, it was announced here.

The committee, designated by the Sacred Congregation for Religious and Secular Institutes, includes three bishops and a member of the staff of the Apostolic-Delegation who has already made two visits to Los Angeles in investigating the case.


The points of dispute between the cardinal and the IHM Sisters include questions related to the modernization of their dress and community life, training and varieties of work. It is not certain whether the committee will also consider these issues, on which the Sacred Congregation has already made temporary rulings.

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