

# International News



Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury, England, head of the worldwide Anglican Communion, enters Canterbury Cathedral to open the 10th Lambeth Conference. The decennial gathering has brought 462 Anglican bishops together for sessions extending over a month. (RNS Photo)

## Theme: 'The Renewal of the Church'

# 500 Bishops at Lambeth Meet

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(NC News Service)

London — Nearly 500 bishops of the Anglican Church from all over the world have gathered in London for their equivalent of Vatican Council II—the 10th Lambeth Conference.

Official Catholic and Orthodox observers were attending for the first time since the conference, normally held every 10 years, was first convened in 1887.

The general theme is "The Renewal of the Church."

The bishops, while passing resolutions and making recommendations, do not have the ultimate responsibility of laying down new mandates for the worldwide Anglican Church. They only advise, leaving it to regional hierarchies to implement their advice if they wish.

The conference from its stately opening at Canterbury cathedral, mother church of Anglicanism, for July 25 until its final service in St. Paul's cathedral, London, on Aug. 25, will be held in pleasant surroundings

in central London at the most pleasant time of the city's year.

The conference is named after Lambeth Palace, London headquarters of Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury, Primate of All England and conference president as senior bishop of the Anglican Communion.

Its general theme of renewal has been subdivided into three main issues — renewal in faith, renewal in ministry, renewal in unity.

The problems are very much those of the Catholic Church. How should we speak to God in the 20th Century and communicate a vivid Christian faith relevant to the secular world? What are the roles of bishops and priests and the growing role of the laity? How should the Anglican Church respond to the movement for unity and union with the other churches?

Discussions with other churches are taking place in almost every section of the Anglican Communion. And the Lambeth Conference will take counsel about reunion schemes already in progress or contemplated as well

as Anglicanism's relationship with the Catholic Church and the Orthodox Churches.

Finally the bishops will be considering whether the central and regional structures of the Anglican Church are adequate for its tasks in the present world.

Relations with the Catholic Church will specifically occupy the time of committee No. 29 under the chairmanship of Bishop John Moorman of Ripon, with personal experience as an observer at Vatican II. The bishops working on this committee has been provided with a preparatory paper written by Catholic Father Gregory Baum, O.S.A., of St. Michael's College, Toronto.

Committee No. 30 will look at relations with the Orthodox Church, while committee No. 28, "A Review of Current Schemes," will be principally concerned with present controversial plans for Anglican-Methodist reunion in this country and the effects such a merger might have upon future relations with Rome.

## Nine Bishops From U.S. Skip Lambeth

New York — (RNS) — At least nine U.S. Episcopal Church bishops are not at the Lambeth Conference in London.

According to Bishop Ralph Dean, executive officer of the Anglican worldwide communion, the American bishops are not attending because of racial trouble in their dioceses.

Bishop John Crane of Indianapolis said his failure to attend the conference was not because of fear of riots in his city. "There's no impending crisis here any more than in any other American city," he said, "but I feel my job is to be with my people."

Stressing that he has great respect for Lambeth, Bishop Crane con-

tinued: "I question very much whether the conference method of advancing God's kingdom can be justified where the particular group does not have real authority."

(The Lambeth Conference, while its deliberations carry great weight in the Anglican world, can act only in an advisory capacity. Some British critics have favored its assumption of a central authority or disbanding.)

Most Rev. George W. Barrett, Bishop of the Rochester Episcopal Diocese will attend the conference.

## Czech Affair Will Set Religion's Course in East

United Nations, N.Y. — (RNS) — The future of religious freedom in Czechoslovakia depends very much on the outcome of the eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation between Moscow and Prague.

Those Czechoslovak diplomats at the United Nations who approve the liberal policies of Communist Party chief Alexander Dubcek see unprecedented opportunities for the church if Dubcek wins, and automatic resumption of repressive policies should the Soviet Union prevail and scuttle the democratization program of the past seven months.

Visitors here from Czechoslovakia tell stories of a united people which has temporarily healed past divisions to face up to a common threat — a reimposition of a cruel, Soviet-made system of alien ideology. Catholics, Protestants, Communists, former political prisoners and their arbitrary jailors of yesterday stand together so that the nation may survive Soviet intervention in the internal life of Czechoslovakia.

There no longer seems to be any concern about the degree of liberalization or its appropriate speed. There is only a common desire not to be crushed and plunged back into the darkness of the past two decades of Stalinist rule.

Recent visitors to Czechoslovakia say that church attendance in the past few weeks has welled into quiet crowds seeking strength and determination in prayer. But there are no sermons pointing to the Soviet threat. People realize that open manifestations of an anti-Soviet mood could provide the necessary pretext for even cruder Soviet intervention.

A Czech Communist correspondent at the United Nations recently made a brave attempt to raise the issue of Soviet violation of various U.N. resolutions dealing with principles of sovereignty and independence. But he could get no comment from Secretary General U Thant, and eventually was rebuffed by the Foreign Ministry in Prague

which said that such questions at this time were not in the country's interest.

There has been public pressure on U Thant to come to the aid of the hard-pressed Czechoslovaks by making at least a sympathetic statement reaffirming some of the obvious principles compromised or violated by Moscow. But the Secretary General, who has often volunteered comment and advice on other seemingly internal affairs, has chosen silence. It is reliably reported that he had indirectly inquired of Czech diplomats here whether there is anything they felt he could do to help resolve the situation peacefully. He was reportedly told that he could best help by saying nothing.

The Prague government has done nothing to create an irreparable affront to Moscow. But it has left the door open to use the U.N. machinery should all other means of negotiations fail. The diplomatic argument here, however, is not whether the U.N. can sign the Soviets from crushing Czechoslovakia if Moscow so decides, but whether and when international publicity in support of Prague could be helpful.

The majority fears that once a military intervention is underway, U.N. resolutions, even if not frustrated by a Soviet veto in the Security Council, would have no influence on the actual state of affairs.

It is no exaggeration to say that the outcome of the fateful crisis in Czechoslovakia will greatly influence communism's attitude to religion in other East European countries. If in a liberal Czechoslovakia religion is allowed to prosper it will in the long run be difficult for the neighboring regimes to maintain strict controls on the Churches.

If, on the contrary, Moscow should prevail and re-install a regime hostile to expressions of freedom, the Churches in Eastern Europe could expect worsening relations with the states and an increase in atheistic propaganda.

## Czech Cathedral Reopened -- First Mass Since 1950

Vienna — (NC) — The Eastern-rite Catholic Church in Czechoslovakia has regained its cathedral in Presov as the re-establishment of the rite continues in that country, it was learned here.

The keys of the cathedral were turned over to the Eastern-rite Committee for Renewal in accordance with an agreement between the committee and the Orthodox Church authorities.

An Eastern-rite Mass was celebrated in the cathedral on July 7 for the first time since the suppression of the rite in 1950. An overflow congregation attended the service.

In June the new Czechoslovakian Communist government granted permission for the re-establishment of the Eastern-rite Catholic Church. The action was a step to ease the disabilities of the churches in Czechoslovakia and to relax the Church-state conflicts of previous years. It followed the return of four Roman Catholic bishops to their sees 15 years or more after they were ousted by the Communists.

In 1950 Eastern-rite Catholics were ordered to join the Orthodox Church by the Communist regime with the disestablishment of the Eastern-rite Church. Eastern-rite bishops who refused to join the Orthodox were imprisoned. Last March, as a result of the first meeting of the country's four active Catholic bishops and representatives of the government, the authorities undertook "no longer to impede the function of the Eastern-rite diocese of Presov, which the government had declared suppressed in 1950."

It was reported that, to date, 147 parishes have been returned to the Eastern-rite Church and 47 Orthodox priests have declared their willingness to work for the Eastern rite. This is in addition to 138 priests who registered for service at the convention of the Eastern-rite Church last April at Kosice.

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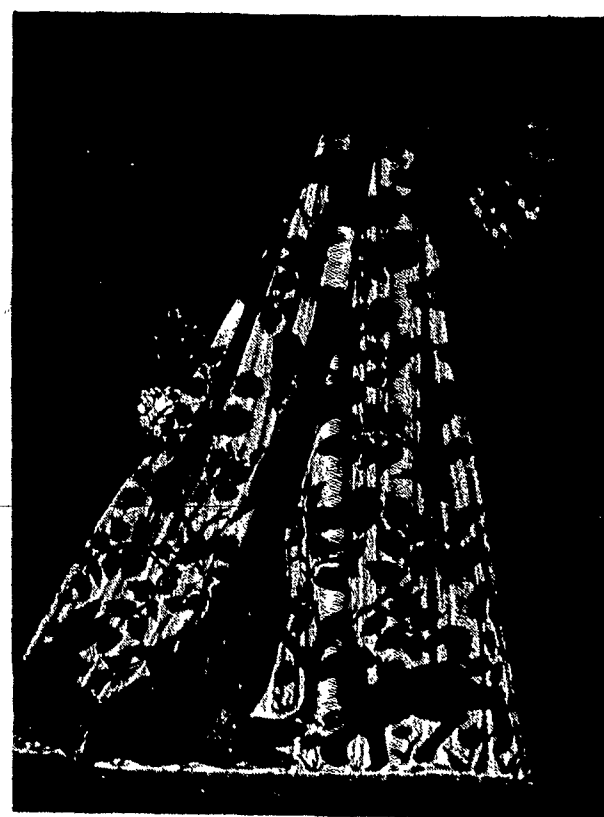


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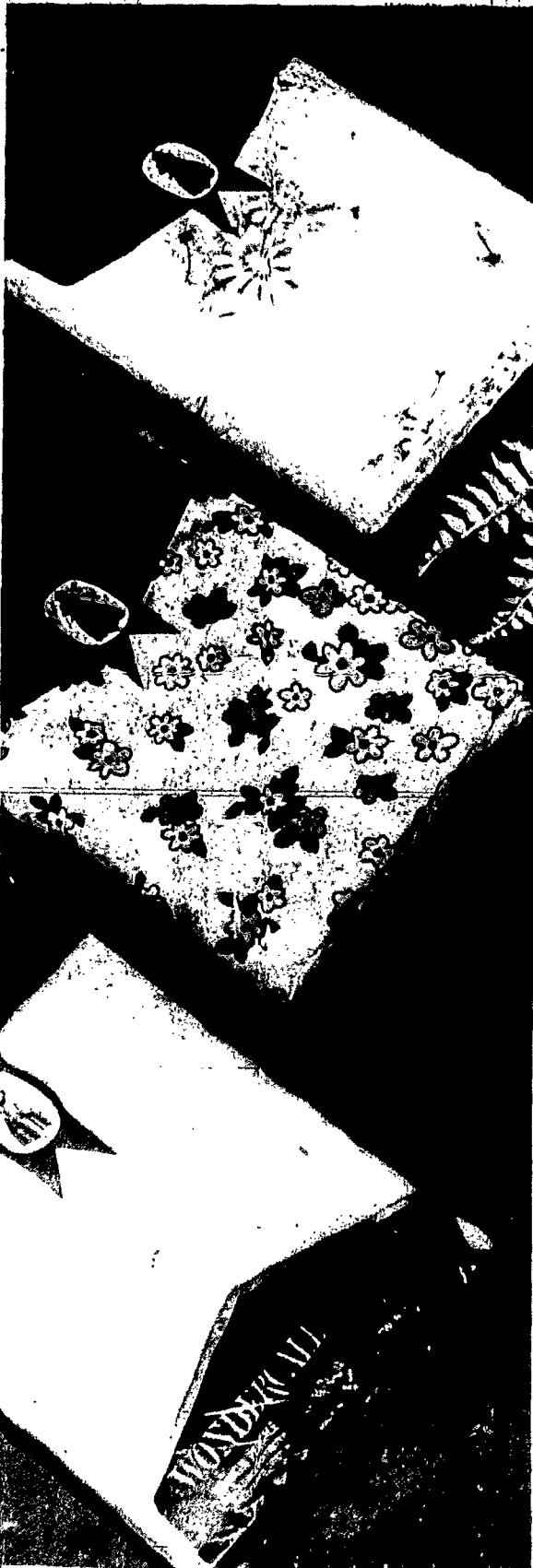


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double flat or fitted	7.79	6.79
queen flat or fitted	9.99	8.99
king flat or x-lg. hollywood	13.49	12.49
standard cases (per pair)	4.48	3.98
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	reg.	sale
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double flat or double fitted	7.79	6.79
standard cases (pr.)	4.48	3.98

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	reg.	sale
twin flat and twin fitted	4.59	3.99
double flat and double fitted	5.59	4.99
¾ fitted*	5.69	5.29
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double foam fitted*	5.59	4.99
72 x 120" & x-lg.		
twin fitted*	5.69	5.29
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double fitted*	6.69	6.29
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