

AROUND THE WORLD

Bishop Pleads With Striking Students

Mexico City—(RNS)—Auxiliary Bishop Francisco Orzoco Lomelin of Mexico City, in the face of demonstrations that have paralyzed universities here since last July, has urged the students to help build "a better Mexico."

"We cannot permit excited passions to disturb and damage the peace and prosperity that our country has achieved after so many sacrifices," the Bishop said.

Meanwhile, a group of priests has formed an association to analyze the turmoil among Mexican youth. In their first public statement, the priests said that inefficiency in teaching both in the universities and in the secondary schools, was a major cause of disturbances.

Service To Show Wish For Peace

Mexico City—(RNS)—A huge "Service for Peace" Oct. 10, will open formal religious observances related to the Olympic Games here.

The ecumenical service, to precede the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games by two days, will be held in the Olympic Stadium on the southern outskirts of Mexico City.

Its purpose will be "to demonstrate the religious cooperation of all Mexican Churches and the desire of all people for peace," said the Rev. Robert J. Jones, a local Episcopalian rector.

Japan's Catholic Increase Slows

Tokyo—(NC)—Figures released by the National Catholic Committee show that, as of last June 30, Catholics in Japan numbered 344,343 out of a total population of 101 million. The increase, 5,366 over the 1967 figure, is the lowest annual increase since 1947.

For nine Japanese priests were ordained, to bring the total of native-born priests to 713. The 291 Japanese Sisters who made final vows brought their total to 4,984.

The ratio of priests to people continues to be one of the best in the world. At present, there is one priest for every 175 Catholics. (A recent survey indicates that the ratio in the U.S. was about one priest to every 780 Catholics.)

Candidate Plans Birth Clinics

San Juan, P.R.—(RNS)—The New Progressive Party candidate for mayor of San Juan said here that if elected his administration would establish municipal birth control clinics.

Mr. Romero Barcelo, candidate for Puerto Rico's second largest political party, said many persons in San Juan who have religious beliefs "do not frown on birth control."

Mr. Barcelo said his program could stress free choice on the part of individuals wishing to use the centers' services. Commenting on reaction to his proposal by the Catholic Church in San Juan, the candidate said:

"How can you apply church law to people who are already outside the Church? Of the many people who need birth control information, most are not married and their children are illegitimate."

Job Corps Set Up For Girls of India

Cochin, India—(NC)—A corps of 1,000 Catholic women volunteers has been set up here to organize employment opportunities for poor girls in the Archdiocese of Ernakulam.

The corps, under the patronage of Archbishop Joseph Parakkal of Cochin consists of 750 laywomen from 150 parish units and 250 Sisters from some 100 convents.

Immediate plans to provide employment include opening a garment-making center, a pickle factory, a poultry farm and a horticulture nursery.

Pentecostals Warn Against Taxation

Toronto, Ont.—(RNS)—If Ontario decides to tax places of worship and religious education, it will drive the Christian church underground, the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada warned here.

"... the power to tax is the power to destroy economically when used inequitably. Taxation has been used as a tool by dictators," said a brief filed with Ontario's Select Committee on Taxation.

Argentina Sends Meat For Needy

Vatican City—(RNS)—The people of Argentina have sent 37 tons of canned meat to the Pope for distribution to those in need.

The gift, acknowledged here by Amleto Cardinal Cicognani, the Vatican's Secretary of State, will be distributed to Biafran and Palestinian refugees.



Milk Break

Little Africans, kindergarten pupils in a school at Moudou, Chad, are shown as they queued up for their daily "milk break." Milk and other foods are supplied to school children through the efforts of UNICEF. The United Nations agency marked World Children's Day on Sept. 20. (RNS)

Hunter-Bishop Hits Wrong Target

London—(NC)—A bishop has roused the anger of animal lovers in Britain for saying that his favorite pastime was shooting birds and rabbits.

Bishop David Cashman of Arundel and Brighton had told the Catholic Herald, a national weekly, in an interview that he is "mad" about shooting.

"I've got a blood lust in my veins," he added. "I've never had a chance of shooting big game and I think this might revolt me. Pheasant, partridge, rabbits and pigeon are my level. The fun is in the shot and in the excitement."

"I don't know anything on earth that gives me personally more excitement than waiting for a bird to come over my gun. It's the nearest thing to heaven in human terms that I know."

Ark, the Catholic study circle for animal welfare, protested immediately. Its chairman, Father Basil Wright, a pastor in the nearby Birmingham archdiocese, said: "It seems unbelievable that a man of God should hold such views and that he should be prepared to publish them. As a Christian society we are automatically against blood sports. Our aim is that animals should be treated with respect and dignity. It is scandalous that a bishop should admit such feelings."

Bishop Cashman, a popular and very likeable and liberal bishop—he has been one of the most moderate in the controversy over Pope Paul VI's encyclical on birth control, Humanae Vitae—was quite frank about his remarks later when questioned by national pressmen.

"A lot of it was off the cuff. These are words I regret saying, but I am not going to deny them," he said. "What I said was meant to be funny. There is, of course, no blood lust in shooting."

The bishop—who often shoots with his neighbor, the Duke of Norfolk, a Catholic and a noted sportsman—also admitted that he always has "a little tussle" with his conscience when he goes shooting.

Bishop Cashman, who is 55, was at one time secretary to the late Archbishop Gerald O'Hara, who came from the United States to be apostolic delegate in Britain. He was later an auxiliary bishop of Westminster, now Cardinal Heenan's See.

His new diocese of Arundel and Brighton, of which he became the first bishop three years ago, covers much of London's stockbroker belt and is probably the most affluent in the country. The bishop lives in one of the most beautiful bishop's houses in Britain, set in magnificent grounds in the Sussex village of Storrington. His diocese embraces many professional-class Catholics.

Washington, D.C.—(RNS)—Lecturers for 12 seminars on "Approaches to Morality" at Catholic University of America here will be predominantly non-Catholic, according to Dr. Jude P. Dougherty, dean of the School of Philosophy.

Roderick Chisholm of Brown University, George Schrader of Yale, Francis H. Parker of Purdue University, and Henry Veatch of Northwestern.

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Some of those scheduled to participate, Dr. Dougherty said, include Charles L. Stevenson of the University of Michigan, Wilfred Sedgers of the University of Pittsburgh,

Chicago—(RNS)—Msgr. John M. Kelly, 49-year-old editor of The New World, weekly newspaper for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, died here Sept. 18.

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Intercommunion Held At Latin Meeting

New York—(RNS)—Intercommunion took place at the last session of the Second General Conference of Latin American Bishops in Medellin, Colombia, with five Protestant delegates observers taking part, it was learned here.

Four of the participants were American citizens: Dr. Dan Green of the United Methodist Church and Dr. Curtis Taylor of the United Church of Christ, both representatives of the National Council of Churches; Anglican Bishop David Benson Reed of Colombia and Lutheran Pastor Manfred K. Bahman. The fifth was Brother Robert Giscard of the Taizé community in France.

Although it was reported in the Colombia press and filmed by a Dutch television crew, the intercommunion has remained generally unpublicized outside of Colombia.

Dr. Green confirmed here that the intercommunion had taken place and that leaders of the Bishops' Conference had known of it in advance and permitted it. Dr. Green is the executive director of the NCC's Latin American Department.

The intercommunion took place at a private ceremony in the chapel of a seminary when the bishops' meeting was held.

The event is believed to mark a new development in ecumenical relations. Intercommunion has taken place frequently in recent years but never before, so far as is known, at a meeting of such importance, held under Catholic auspices and with such authoritative acceptance.

Intercommunion is reportedly accepted as a matter of course in many underground churches. But on the official level, it has not yet passed beyond the stage of theological discussion between Catholic and Protestant authorities except in very special, limited circumstances.

The delegate observers presented a formal petition to the presidents of the Bishops' Conference.

The bishops' response, they said was that there would be no impediment to the intercommunion. "This gave us a reassurance that the unity we thought we had heard and seen and touched during the Conference was of such nature that it could be carried to the altar."

In their petition to the bishops for permission to join in Communion, the delegates observed cited Paragraph 55 of the Directory for the Application of the Decisions of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican Concerning Ecumenical Matters.

This section of the document, which was issued by the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity, notes that the sacramental signify "the oneness in faith, worship and life of the community." While it indicates that intercommunion is not generally acceptable at the present stage of relations among Churches, it does allow for present exceptions and future developments.

It mentions that in certain circumstances of "urgent need" the "separated brethren" may spontaneously ask a Catholic priest for the sacraments of Penance, the Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick.

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Priests Beat

Washington—(RNS)—A Methodist minister and a Methodist ministerial assembly charged vigil in memory of Dr.

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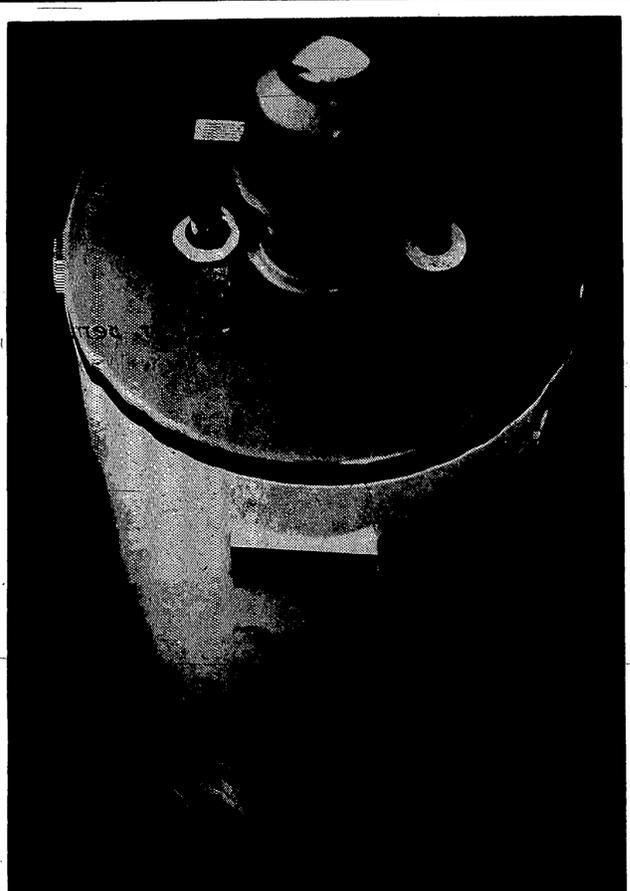
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