



Jews in Rome demonstrate outside the Iraqi Embassy following the hanging of 14 persons in Baghdad and Basra on charges of having spied for Israel. (RNS)

Pope Hits Hangings, Warns of Prejudice

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul declared that the execution in Iraq of 14 persons — including nine Jews — on espionage and subversion charges has "given rise to the suspicion that race prejudice has played its role."

At his weekly general audience Jan. 29, the Pope said that he had asked mercy for those executed in Iraq. (This confirmed a report in the previous day's L'Osservatore Romano, Vatican City daily, that the Pope had sent his envoy in Baghdad to government authorities to plead for the lives of the men.)

He warned of a "tragic epilogue" of the executions, making an already dangerous situation still more dangerous.

After speaking of hopes for peace in Vietnam and Nigeria, and a detente in Czechoslovakia, Pope Paul said:

"Then you know what has happened recently in Iraq, where numerous executions have taken place.

"This has aroused great dismay and great execration in the world. Since no fewer than nine of the executed men were of the Jewish race, this has given rise to the suspicion that race prejudice has played its role, something we would like never to see again in the already painful problem of the co-existence of civilized peoples."

"We have no intention of intruding into the rights and wrongs of this painful event, for lack of knowledge and competence. Yet it is a source of affliction for us too because we had respectfully asked that the accused be dealt with mercifully, and because its tragic epilogue can perilously exacerbate the very delicate situation."

"Therefore we must pray that, not the conflict of temporal interests, not hatred, not the spirit of vengeance, but a higher sense of humanity and a common sentiment of faith in God may render those difficult problems capable of solution."

London Times 'Slanted' Cardinal Heenan Warns

London — (NC) — John Cardinal Heenan of Westminster warned Catholics to be very careful about reading The Times, a London daily, because, he said, some of its Catholic news is slanted.

Explaining to a meeting of 200 parents at St. Michael's Assumptionist School at Stevanage in Hertfordshire why the former headmaster, Father Benedict Sketchley, resigned, Cardinal Heenan said much error had been published. "I don't mean lies have been told, but error has been published and many misunderstandings have arisen," he said.

"I would warn you to be careful in reading the Times when things of Catholic interest are reported. There is a member of the staff of the Times who is a Catholic — who seeks every opportunity to produce slanted news which is not trustworthy."

The Times itself, which printed the cardinal's remarks fully, quoted an unnamed staff man as completely refuting the suggestion that he slanted news and claiming that in fact he had nothing to do with reporting or publishing the recent Father Sketchley affair.

Cardinal Heenan's outburst against the Times follows his recent letter to the paper in which he complained that it was "overexposing" English Catholic affairs through exceptional publicity given recent incidents of unrest, even the most minor ones.

2-Year Sentence Demanded for Priest

Madrid — (RNS) — The trial of a Basque Roman Catholic priest ended here with the prosecution demanding a two-year prison sentence and a \$300 fine for his preaching of a "political" sermon.

Father Juan Manuel Olaverria was charged with preaching a sermon a year ago, "Christianity and the World of the Oppressed," in which he accused the Franco government of persecuting the Basques. Sentencing of the defendant was postponed.

POPE RECEIVES NATO GROUP

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI received in audience (Feb. 5) participants in the 33rd session of the Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). He told them to be "resolute partisans of the spiritual, of all that can bring men and nations closer together and unite them."

ENGLAND

English Newspapers Rake Rev. Paisley

London — (RNS) — A storm of English indignation still swirls around the head of the Rev. Ian Paisley, militant Northern Irish Protestant leader, following unprecedented demonstrations in St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral here during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The "Rev. O'Hooligan" is the way one mass circulation lay newspaper described him, while another called him a "bigot" and a "fanatic." (Subsequently, Mr. Paisley was sentenced to 30 days in jail for demonstrations in Northern Ireland.)

The occasion was as unprecedented as the scenes which marked it. For the first time, a Roman Catholic cardinal — in this case John Cardinal Heenan of Westminster — was preaching in St. Paul's, one of Anglicanism's greatest shrines. And Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury was there to welcome him.

Mr. Paisley and more than 100 militant Protestants gathered at St. Paul's for the cardinal's arrival. They carried such banners as "Through Christ to Glory, Through Rome to Purgatory."

The real trouble occurred inside the building as Cardinal Heenan was invited to take the pulpit.

Boos and shouts rang out, and his sermon was intermittently interrupted with cries of "You are a liar, a traitor." Police removed about 50 people from the Cathedral, one of whom, a clergyman, later appeared in a police court.

The Daily Telegraph declared that the demonstrations were "an affront" to both the Church of England, the host, and the Church of Rome, the guest, and were "inexcusable."

The Evening News said editorially, "On the day the Rev. Ian Paisley (doctor of divinity of the Bob Jones University, South Carolina) finally finds himself before St. Peter at heaven's gate, we shall have said goodbye to a very stupid but a very dangerous man."

This newspaper added, "it was insolent of this anti-papal bull to parade himself here. And it was a pity, as he was showing himself in his true bigoted spirit, that anyone troubled to throw a tomato at him."

"Gently, nobly, Cardinal Heenan faced his detractors. And if Ian Paisley's aim is to win converts for Roman Catholicism he was certainly doing a good job."

IRELAND

Premier Wins Confidence Test

Belfast, Northern Ireland — (NC) — Prime Minister Terence O'Neill of Northern Ireland, in his toughest political test in six years in office, won a vote of confidence Jan. 29 in the Ulster parliament for his handling of the country's four months of civil rights conflict between Catholics and Protestants.

O'Neill's confidence motion was approved without formal vote after an amendment critical of him was defeated 31 to 3. It was the second vote of confidence within seven weeks.

The resignations in recent weeks of three members of O'Neill's cabinet had indicated varying degrees of opposition to his policies within the ruling Unionist party.

The government has proposed amendments to the Public Order Act which would make it illegal to participate in a demonstration banned by the government or to interfere with a demonstration the government had authorized.

The amendments would also make it illegal to carry weapons in public, to stage sitdowns in the streets, or to occupy public buildings. Quasi-military organizations would also be banned.

At the same time, the country's largest Protestant denomination, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, denounced Protestant extremists and urged attention to the betterment of community relations.

HUNGARY

New Bishops Sworn In

Budapest — (RNS) — The Roman Catholic bishops newly appointed in Hungary by Pope Paul VI have taken an oath of allegiance to the Hungarian Republic and its constitution, government officials announced here.

Present at the swearing-in ceremony as representatives of the government were Pal Losonczy, president of the praesidium; Lajos Csereki, secretary of the presidential council; and Dr. Josef Prantner, president of the State Office for Church Affairs.

The bishops who took the oath are Archbishop Jozsef Ijjas of Kalocsa, Archbishop Pal Berezanoczy of Eger, Bishop Jozsef Bank of Vac, Bishop Jozsef Csereki of Pecs, Bishop Imre Szabo, apostolic vicar of Esztergom; Bishop Imre Kisberk, apostolic vicar of Szekesfehervar; Bishop Jozsef Kaciba, apostolic vicar of Győr; Bishop Jozsef Uvardy, apostolic vicar of Csanad; Auxiliary Bishop Gyorgy Zempleny of Esztergom and Auxiliary Bishop Jozsef Vajda of Vac.

Losonczy said that the passage of time has "vindicated those in the Catholic Church who were the first to recognize that the interests of believers do not run counter to the aims and endeavors of our Socialist order."

He said present Church-State relations in Hungary are "satisfactory from the viewpoints of both parties."

The government's decision to continue subsidies to the Church, agreement on the new appointments and "many other moves by us," he said, "testify for our readiness to contribute actively to the consolidations of lastingly good Church-State relations."

In a press conference, Dr. Prantner said discussions have taken place recently on the possibility of establishing permanent, perhaps diplomatic, relations between Hungary and the Vatican, but such a development "is not so close at hand that it can be discussed in a more concrete form."

He praised the priests' peace movement for helping to improve Church-State relations and for demonstrating that they could be loyal both to their Church and their country. The government subsidy to the Churches is "not merely a financial measure, but an expression of confidence," he said.

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