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Cambodia Paradox

Canteen in hand, M16 on shoulder, peace ring on finger, young GI heads into the Cambodia fighting. (RNS)

Cambodia Invasion Criticized

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From Courier-Journal Services

Religious leaders around the world, including Pope Paul VI, expressed disappointment at the United States decision to send American troops into Cambodia.

President Nixon announced that troops would enter Cambodia for a limited period of time to wipe out North Vietnam and Vietcong "sanctuaries" from which attacks are made into South Vietnam.

He said the measure was necessary to protect U.S. troops and supplies in South Vietnam.

The Pope, speaking to a group of Vietnamese expatriates, said of the war, "Its extension during the past few days risks multiplying the burden of miseries it carries with it and at the same time the number of victims."

"May your prayers join our own to sustain the efforts of all those who sincerely work for peace and to obtain from God that so - greatly desired peace which men do not seem to have the power to establish."

Meanwhile the Vatican weekly newspaper has blamed expansion of the war on both the United States and the Soviet

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My Dear People:

My recent trip to Latin America brought me many personal blessings. Among them is a deeper awareness of the value of the extension of the Church of the Rochester Diocese thousands of miles beyond the geographical borders traditionally assigned to our apostolate. Our Southern Tier now stretches to a mission staffed by our Sisters of Mercy; it is a parish called San Luis in Santiago, Chile.

Bishops everywhere during the long journey of some 20,000 miles thanked me for the presence of the Church of Rochester in Latin America. I join them in praise for the valiant efforts of our nineteen missionaries who are making a dent upon a society which seems to be totally deaf to

the desperate needs of the vast majority of its people.

Their mission of love and mercy includes the teaching in community schools, establishing and maintaining medical and dental clinics, and promoting the Christian family and Cur-sillo movement to develop leadership. All of this effort is sustained by the hope of an eventual evolution of a sick society.

It is, then, with the conviction of an eyewitness to the value of their work that

I appeal to you today to keep the hands of our missionaries extended in benediction over God's poor in Latin America. As my visit, thank God, proved to be a great assurance to them that the Diocese of Rochester has not forgotten them, so too, will your generous financial and spiritual support.

With a blessing, I am

Joseph P. Hogan
Bishop of Rochester

Wednesday, May 13, 1970

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