

Vatican by Augustinus

Lefebvre tries to head off the Pope

The heretic archbishop is touring Ibero-America to regroup his Gnostic supporters in the face of Vatican attacks.

Pope John Paul II's recent efforts to bring peace to Central America and crack down on subversive pseudo-religious movements have drawn a furious counterattack from the forces of defrocked Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre. The Pope visited Ibero-America in October, denouncing "the agents of neo-Malthusianism who want to impose on peoples a new neo-colonialism." He is scheduled to return for another tour in January.

Lefebvre landed in Argentina from his home base in Switzerland on Nov. 14, and proceeded to attack the Pope head-on. In a speech in Peru, he declared that there are political and religious motives behind the pontiff's trip which are grounds for "doubt and scandal for faithful Catholics who defend the true principles of the Church taught by Jesus." At a press conference in Bogota, Colombia Nov. 26, Lefebvre charged that "the Vatican has given discreet support to communism." The archbishop is stopping off in the same countries that the Pope will visit.

Lefebvre's renewed attack against the Vatican is a response in part to the expulsion from Venezuela of the Tradition, Family, and Property (TFP) cult on Nov. 13. It was a Gnostic priest ordained by the heretic Lefebvre and deployed by the TFP who attempted to assassinate the Pope in Fatima, Portugal, in 1982. Now Lefebvre is seeking to regroup the armies of the Gnostic heresy in Ibero-America.

The para-military TFP operation was officially closed down in Vene-

zuela after authorities confirmed *EIR's* reports of the threat to public security posed by the cult, which was brainwashing youth to become terrorist shocktroops. Church moderate Eugenio Cardinal Salles, the prelate of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (the TFP's operations center), provided additional information which led to the Venezuelan government's decision. The closing of the TFP's facilities in Venezuela was endorsed by the local cardinal.

Furthermore, the Vatican arbitrated a solution to a border dispute between Argentina and Chile which had repeatedly brought the two countries to the brink of war—despite Lefebvre's efforts to stop the mediation effort. Now the Chilean Navy has suddenly repudiated the treaty.

From the Vatican perspective, the "conservative" Lefebvre is working in tandem with the communist-backed forces of social dissolution which use "liberation theology" to destroy the nation-state. As Rio's Cardinal Salles puts it, Rome is working with almost agonizing patience to purge the Church of the evil leaders of Gnostic frauds, while bringing back into the fold the radicalized portion of the faithful who have fallen under their sway. Cardinal Salles is now asking when the Church will wear out its patience and complete the job of excommunicating Lefebvre, reported *O Globo* Nov. 25.

Lefebvre's crusade is aimed not merely to restore rituals like the Latin Mass, but to restore the world domination of the oligarchical blood-lines which ran the Holy Roman Empire

during the Middle Ages. Lefebvre's Swiss-based operations are financed by the Thurn und Taxis family, which claims to be the world's richest family and controls huge holdings in Brazil. In Brazil, Tradition, Family, and Property is stirring up civil war to rip apart the country which so rudely evicted the Thurn und Taxis' relatives, the Braganza family, from their imperial throne in 1889.

In Argentina, Lefebvre discussed with TFP President Cosme Beccar Varela how to prevent the TFP from being expelled from additional countries, according to *El Nacional* of Caracas. The daily reported that lawyer Beccar Varela's firm is under investigation as the law firm for the Swiss holding company Italo, which was paid 10-times book value for its electric utility during the military dictatorship by Finance Minister José Martínez de Hoz. De Hoz, who was recently jailed for his actions in this case, is Henry Kissinger's frequent host in Argentina. The Beccar firm also reportedly serves the U.S. embassy, which unsuccessfully ordered Argentine leaders not to meet with Lyndon LaRouche during his June visit there.

In Chile, Lefebvre rallied 4,000 supporters and blessed the resurgence of the brutal repression which led local bishops to threaten Gen. Augusto Pinochet with ex-communication.

Lefebvre arrived on Nov. 24 for a nine-day stay in Colombia, where he has family roots, to set up his "Saint Pius X Fraternity" to destroy the government of President Belisario Betancur. Lefebvre described his doctrine to reporters there: "It is absurd to think we are all equals. . . . Inequality exists in the world because God wanted it that way, and these inequalities are necessary so that those who have can share their goods with those who have not."