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They help the Haitians because they're 'people'

By BOB O'STEEN
Voice News Editor

"I don't even ask about their legal problems," says Mrs. Willie Williams of St. Mary Cathedral parish, referring to the Haitians she is teaching English to in the evenings. "They want to work and I'm helping them."

"I help them because they are human beings," echoes Martin Conze of the County Manager's office and who also teaches the Haitians at night.

BOTH HAPPEN to be members of St. Mary's but they began their involvement with the Haitians separately a few years ago out of concern for people in need and later combined their efforts when they accidentally discovered each other's activities.

Mrs. Williams is a secretary in the Dade County mayor's office and Conze works with the citizen information program at the Edison Neighborhood Center. Both steadfastly refuse to get involved in the Haitians' problems with the Immigration Service which has classified some 800 as illegal immigrants subject to deportation. Their status is being reviewed by the government and is also being fought in the courts and may take a year or two to decide.

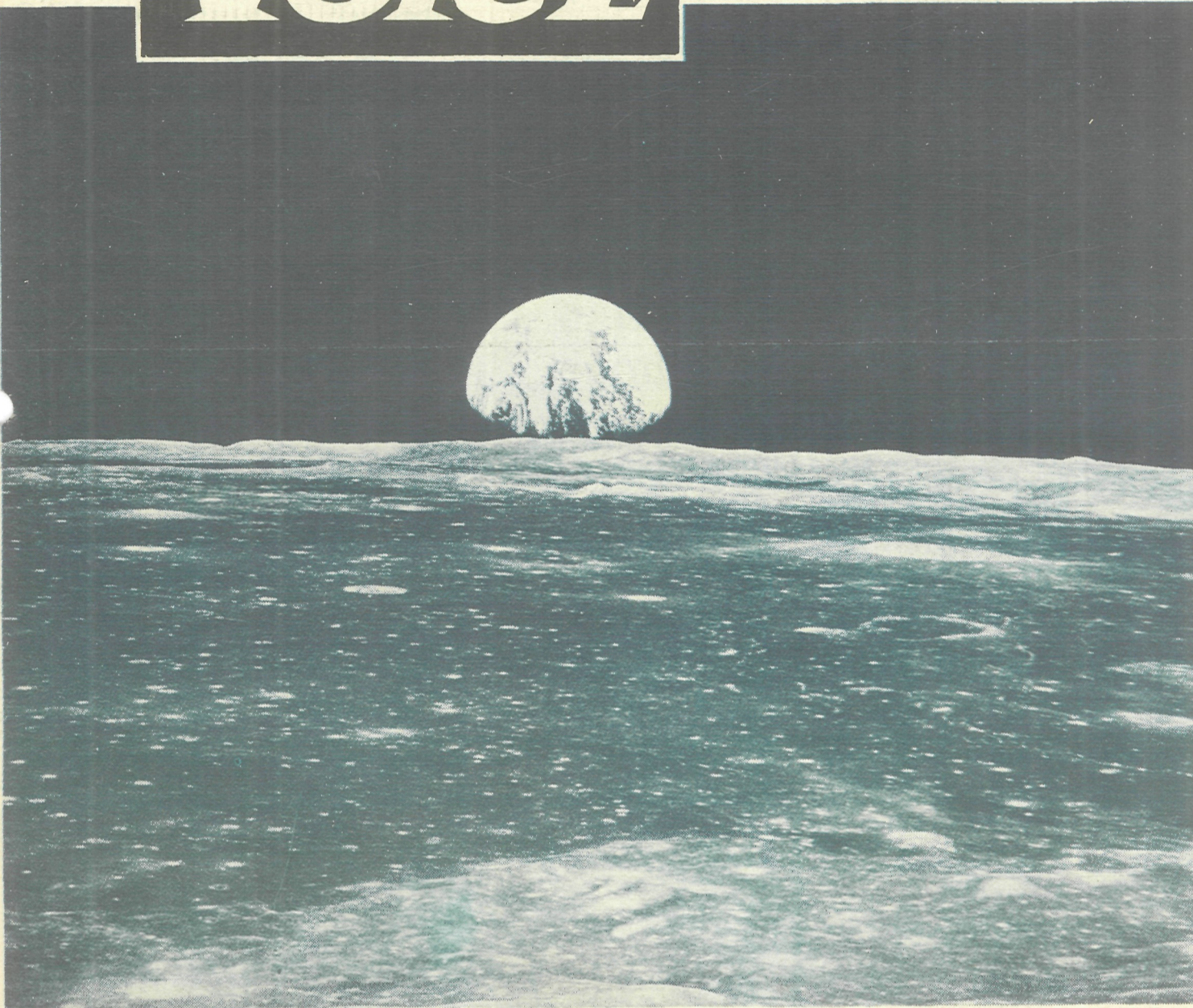
Meanwhile, many Haitians are denied work permits, and others who can work have a language and cultural problem. That is where Mrs. Williams and Conze come in.

"I find that they would rather work than just take handouts," says Mrs. Williams, whose father is Haitian and mother is Jamaican.

"I **STARTED** working with the Haitians with Mrs. Athalie Range when the first batch of them came a year or two ago. I was helping two or three of them in my home at first, then worked up to about 15. So I had to move out the classes and got permission to take them to Edison High where a community program was being conducted.

"I met Mr. Conze at my office one day by coincidence when he was trying to

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EARTH RISE—When Apollo 11 astronauts circled the moon July 20, 1969, they saw what few humans had ever seen — an earthrise. The journey to the moon was called by Pope Paul "most singular and marvelous . . . It is more astonishing to note that it is no longer a matter of dreams. Science fiction has become a reality."

Court says election unfair

How workers 'rejected' Chavez

By GERARD E. SHERRY
SAN FRANCISCO — Agri-business concerns have recently been flooding the country with alleged details of a "secret" election at the K.K. Larson ranch in Thermal, Calif., through which farm workers "repudiated" the United

Farm Workers of America led by Cesar Chavez and chose the Teamsters union to represent them.

It is also claimed that the "secret" election was supervised by Father Richard Humphreys, pastor of Our Lady of Soledad in Coachella.

On April 15, 1974, the Lar-

sons signed a contract with the Teamsters union that resulted in a strike called by Cesar Chavez. In May, the Larsons went to court to enjoin all UFW strike and boycott activities under the California Jurisdictional Strike Act. They asked the court for a preliminary injunction pend-

ing trial for a permanent injunction. The hearings lasted four and a half weeks.

EARLY this month, Judge Fred R. Metheny in Indio, Calif., issued a preliminary ruling and opinion. The court did not declare that a jurisdictional dispute existed and did not issue a jurisdictional strike injunction. Thus, the UFWA can continue to strike, picket and boycott against the Larsons in the effort to convince them to renegotiate. The judge did enjoin the UFWA from secondary boycott activities pending the outcome of the case, but this has little real significance to the UFWA now inasmuch as it is not conducting a secondary boycott.

The most important part of the judge's ruling came when he said that the Larsons probably "interfered" with their workers' right to choose a union. He added that "the court also feels compelled to enjoin the plaintiffs in this case from coercing or compelling any of their employees not to join or to join any labor organization as a condition of securing or continuing in their employment until final judgment in this case."

According to lawyers involved in the case, the judge's ruling means that no worker need join the Teamsters as a condition of employment. Without this clause, there is no real Teamster contract. In other words, the court has declared the Teamster contract at Larson null and void.

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ARCHBISHOP Coleman F. Carroll welcomes Mrs. Roberto Clemente during ceremonies renaming a Miami park for her late husband. The Archbishop gave the benediction during the program which attracted state and Puerto Rican dignitaries. See additional photo, P. 2.



DEACON Edward Lynch, shown talking with a security guard at Boca Raton Hospital, is one of four future priests working in S. Florida parishes this summer. See additional photos on P. 7.

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He died helping others to survive

Roberto Clemente, baseball star of the Pittsburgh Pirates, earned many distinctions during his 18 years in the major leagues. He won four National League batting championships, made 3,000 hits and received a most-valuable-player award. He could hit (.317 lifetime average), field, run and throw.

Roberto Clemente died with the same intensity with which he lived.

In January, 1973, while the world mourned the loss of life in the tremendous earthquake in Nicaragua, Clemente took a personal hand in raising \$150,000 in cash and tons of clothing and foodstuffs to aid the victims. He insisted on personally accompanying a plane carrying relief goods from his native Puerto Rico to the stricken area. Badly overloaded and not in good condition, the plane crashed, and Roberto Clemente was dead. Three days of mourning were decreed by Puerto Rico's governor.

Roberto Clemente was born in 1934 into a financially

comfortable family in Puerto Rico. His father was foreman of a sugar plantation. The boy's exceptional ability in baseball pointed him towards the major leagues, which he reached in 1955 despite color quotas (he was black) and prejudice against Spanish-speaking players. He seldom rested when home during the winter because local people and officials kept him busy responding to civic needs. At the time of his death, he was on the way to building a "Sports City" for Puerto Rican youngsters, to whom he was a folk hero.

"It was so typical that he'd meet his death in such a fashion - helping people less fortunate," commented Danny Murtaugh, who managed the Pirates in their 1960 and 1971 World Series victories. Such an epitaph is something for us all to aspire to.

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FLORIDA'S Governor Reubin Askew and Miami Mayor Maurice Ferre join Mrs. Roberto Clemente in unveiling the plaque renaming Wynwood Park, 101 NW 34th St. in memory of her late husband, star out-fielder of the Pittsburgh Pirates. At right is Gov. Rafael Hernandez Colon of Puerto Rico.

From Archdiocese Women's refuge gets \$4000 gift

FORT LAUDERDALE — The largest donation received thus far by "Women in Distress," a new refuge to provide short-term emergency social service to women of all ages, has been contributed by the Archdiocese of Miami in the amount of \$4,000.

Mrs. Mary Alice Owens, administrative director of the Catholic Service Bureau of Broward County made the presentation on behalf of the Archdiocese this week.

ACCORDING to Lois Howell, coordinator, the contribution far exceeds the smaller amounts donated by other churches and individuals to the project which is expected to open in a large residence in the northwest section of Broward County about Aug. 1.

"We are definitely not welcoming women seeking abortion," Mrs. Howell, herself the mother of three children said. "We will assist unwed mothers who are planning to have their babies only in the last months of pregnancy as well as married women who are in difficult circumstances and are expecting a child but are without

husbands, as well as other women in distress."

She emphasized that the help which will be offered to the destitute by "Women in Distress" will be primarily housing and job opportunities. Counseling services etc., will be given by various agencies in Broward County, she added.

MRS. HOWELL noted that the problems of women have increased greatly during recent years. She cited cases of women whose children have been beaten by their husbands who in turn threaten the lives of their wives who have nowhere to turn. "It is these women and others who need help," she declared, pointing out that the main goal of the project will be to "help the women help themselves." In line with this fees will be charged in most cases based on the ability of the women to pay them.

Monies donated by the Archdiocese of Miami will be used, she said to employ a full-time resident manager who will be employed after careful interviews and screening.

Those desiring additional information about the project may contact Mrs. Howell at "Women in Distress", P.O. Box 4101, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 33304.

Funeral set today for Mrs. Beati

The Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today (Friday) in St. Mary Magdalen Church, Sunny Isles, for Mrs. Anne Mulligan Beati, whose son is administrator of Archdiocese of Miami Cemeteries.

A native of New York City who came to Miami 23 years ago, Mrs. Beati died Tuesday at the age of 67 after a brief illness.

Formerly a member of Blessed Trinity Church, Miami Springs, where she was a member of the Altar and Rosary Society, she resided with her husband, Joseph at 17505 N. Bay Rd. and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America.

In addition to her son, William P. of Miami, Archdiocesan Cemeteries Administrator, she is also survived by three other sons.

Burial will be in Our Lady of Mercy Cemetery under direction of Lithgow-Kolski-McHale Funeral Home.

Director here going to vocations meeting

Father John McGrath, Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, will be among those participating in the early September national convention of the Religious Vocation Directors of Men in Farmington, Mich.

"... To Us the Ministry of Reconciliation" will be the theme of the five day session at Mercy Center which will feature workshops dealing with such topics as new directors, high schools, high school seminaries, advertising, and minorities.

Father Reid C. Mayo of Burlington, Vermont, president of the National Federation of Priests' Councils, will serve as keynote speaker to the convention.

TV special slated on LA

NEW YORK — (NC) — "Poverty and Power in Latin America," a special religious program examining why 80 percent of the people living in Latin America are shackled by poverty, is scheduled to be aired on NBC-TV on Sunday, Aug. 4.

Originally telecast in June, 1973, the program has been updated to include segments on the overthrow of the late Chilean President Salvador Allende by the military.

Jesuit Father John V. O'Connor, religious life program director for the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) in Washington, D.C., will address the delegates on "Exploring Trends in Religious Life."

A Day of Reconciliation will be conducted by Passionist Father Cassian Yuhaus, provincial consultant and national director of Institute 74, and institute concerned with the renewal of Religious life.

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African drought

Spindly arms and a distended stomach mark a child suffering from marasmus (progressive emaciation) in Gao, Mali (left). Mali is one of the sub-Sahara countries which have been suffering from a six-year drought. At right, despair seems to have overwhelmed this woman of the Peul tribe in Upper Volta, also affected by the drought. Many members of the Peul tribe have been forced to migrate to neighboring countries.



Auxiliary bishops in Colorado, Ohio

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has appointed two auxiliary bishops for the United States, both of whom will serve in their native Sees. Msgr. William A. Hughes, 52, vicar general of the Youngstown, Ohio, diocese, has been named auxiliary bishop of Youngstown.

FATHER Richard C. Hanifen, 43, chancellor of the Denver archdiocese, has been named auxiliary bishop of Denver.

The appointments were announced here by Archbishop Jean Jadot, apostolic delegate in the United States.

Bishop-elect Hughes is a native of Youngstown. He attended St. Charles College in Catonsville, Md., and St. Mary's Seminary in Cleveland. He was ordained on April 6, 1946.

FOLLOWING ordination he studied at the University of Notre Dame, where he received a master's degree in education.

He was named superintendent of schools and vicar of education in the Youngstown diocese in 1965 and held those positions until 1972, when he was named vicar

general. Bishop-elect Hanifen was born in Denver, where he attended Regis College and St. Thomas Seminary. He was ordained June 6, 1959. He later studied guidance and counseling at the Catholic University of America here, where he received an M.A. degree, and canon law at the Pontifical Lateran College in Rome, where he received a J.C.L. degree.

At present he is secretary to Archbishop James V. Casey of Denver as well as chancellor of the archdiocese.

Disregard for truth, life hurts U.S., cardinal says

LOS ANGELES — (NC) — A general disregard for truth and life has permeated American culture according to Cardinal Timothy Manning of Los Angeles in an article published in the July 15 issue of the Los Angeles Times.

The cardinal cited the Watergate affair and legalized abortion as two examples

of his contention, and maintained that man's dignity can survive only through the exercise of his conscience.

Cardinal Manning said:

Signs of the times point to a transformation of our American culture. Once we subscribed to the proposition that America was powerful because it was good, that it was good because people worked hard, that production was the proof of virtue. All of this has passed through the Watergate of our history, and is no more. A sampling taken from the Commonwealth might serve as an indicator of the malaise in our way of life.

TAKE our regard for truth. One of the characters in the current Washington drama confessed that he had lost his "ethical compass." Does he not speak for the multitude? It would seem as if the operating norm is "Do what you will but don't get caught." The quest for instant happiness, continuous excitement, immunity from the demands of duty are worth the lie. The evil is compounded when the lie is fortified by the oath — calling on God to witness what is said as truth.

In the play, "A Man for All Seasons," playwright Robert Bolt has Thomas More explain to his daughter why he will not swear to the act of succession and thus gain his freedom at the price of violating his conscience: "When a man takes an oath, Meg, he's holding his own self in his hands. Like water. And if he opens his fingers then he needn't hope to find himself again."

Take our regard for life. The ovens at Belsen blot the history of national socialism. On an average of three per minute, unborn babies are being aborted in this land dedicated to the pursuit of life, and cast a pall of death from the incinerators in back alleys of our hospitals.

WOMEN are the fountain-head of life; they have become the objects of recreational sex. Children are the fruit of love, but they have become a lost generation, the charges of a bureaucracy that shifts them from juvenile hall to foster home to foster home.

From this departure from the sanctities surrounding life, we have degenerated into pandemic venereal disease, pornographic stimulation and gutter vulgarity. Violence in the streets, reproduced on our television screens for our evening diversion, cries out for justice but penetrates not through our conditioned eyes.

Take our regard for nature. We have raped the land in our avarice. "Inner city" is the ultimate production of all our technology. Look at the filth of our city streets and parks after a weekend. In Tokyo I have seen a woman pick a discarded match stick from a subway floor because it offended the sense of order. One of our habitual odd-men-on 2nd St. spends his nights and days on a compulsive drive to pick up scraps of paper from the sidewalk. It would seem as if litter had made him mad.

YOU may devastate the earth, defoliate it in vengeance, pollute it with debris, but the earth always answers back with spring, innocent and unoffending spring.

Some such thing is happening with our world of humans. We have seemingly defiled our personhood, yet nature responds with a spring-time of a new generation that sends hope and joy once more through the human family. It is true. The emerging young have brought back a sense of the spiritual and the transcendental; a new scale of values that antiquates all the material dimensions that were the measurements of our time.

Call for halt to test in genetics praised

WASHINGTON — (NC) — A U.S. Catholic Conference official has welcomed the recommendation of a scientists' panel that research into creation of hybrid genes be curtailed as an "interesting and salutary move indicating science's deepening concern for mankind's common good."

Msgr. James McHugh, director of the USCC Division of Family Life, said that the suggestion made by a committee of the National Academy of Sciences showed that at least some scientists are alert to the ethical implications of their research.

The committee warned recently that new techniques of transferring genetic material from animals to bacteria could cause new diseases and could increase the incidence of cancer. The committee urged postponement or abandonment of research because of its potential harm, even though such research could produce beneficial results as well.

The committee said that a prime cause of concern in the experiments was that the hybrid genetic matter is grown in *Escherichia coli* (E.

coli), a bacterium commonly found in the human digestive system. According to the committee report, "new DNA elements introduced into *E. coli* might possibly become widely disseminated among human bacterial, plant or animal populations with unpredictable effects."

DNA — deoxyribonucleic acid — is the basic material of genes.

Msgr. McHugh praised the scientists for "trying to take as broad an approach as possible" to potential problems stemming from such research and for considering the well being of animal and plant life in addition to that of mankind.

He noted that the committee recommendation was a departure from the classic approach of viewing research only in terms of scientific breakthroughs. The committee's recommendation, he said, showed a "deepening sense of concern for the common good and the future of research as well as concern for balancing the safety of the population against the desirability of scientific breakthroughs."

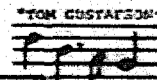


A NAZARETH resident carries a basket up one of the city's narrow, dark streets towards an area where sunlight breaks through between old houses. The country village image of Jesus' boyhood is hard to find in the city today. But one remnant of theological history has been unearthed — the home where Mary received word that she would become the Mother of God. (NC Photo 7/15/74)

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How workers 'rejected' Chavez union

(Continued from page 1) details have been gleaned from the official court record of the four-and-a-half-week hearing, but some earlier history is necessary to sort out the conflicting claims of the Larson Ranch, the Teamsters and the UFWA.

The Larsons were among the first of the California growers to sign with the Chavez union in the Coachella Valley. In 1970 the UFWA won an election at the ranch with the workers voting 78 to 2 in favor of Chavez. The contract lasted until April 14 of this year.

That election was conducted by Msgr. Roger Mahony, chancellor of the Fresno diocese, secretary of the U.S. bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Farm Labor, and the Rev. Lloyd Saatjian of Palm Springs, pastor of the United Methodist Church there and a member of the Palm Springs School Board. K. K. Larson is on the board of directors of that church and his wife serves on the school board. Mr. Saatjian was later appointed the permanent arbitrator of the Larson UFWA contracts and during this year's talks on renewal he was named mediator. So much for the earlier history.

On Feb. 27 of this year Chavez intimated that he wanted a renewal of the contract and met with Mrs. Patricia Larson, Mr. Saatjian and Lionel Steinberg of the David Freedman Company also attended this meeting. Steinberg later signed with the UFWA. Another negotiating session was scheduled for March 20 and in the meantime on March 12, a UFWA official said, "the workers signed a petition that the UFWA contract be renewed."

But Sydney Nathan, an attorney for the UFWA, said that prior conduct of the Larsons suggested that perhaps they wanted to "sabotage" a new collective bargaining agreement. He said:

"THERE IS very good reason to believe that the Larsons had decided long before Feb. 27 that they would not resign a new contract. In December 1973, Mr. Larson ordered the shoo (the boxes used to pack and ship the grapes) for the 1974 harvest. In each of the prior years under the UFWA contract, Mr. Larson had ordered the label printed on the boxes at the time he placed his order. For the 1974 season he instructed the box-maker to imprint no label on his boxes. At that time there was absolutely no indication that the workers wanted a change. The Larsons, however, were obviously preparing for a change."

Larson testified in court that despite the petition of March 12 his workers a week later petitioned him not to stay with the UFWA. But some of his workers alleged that the petition was circulated by Larson's supervisory personnel and that the grower himself made it clear he wanted no part of Chavez. They felt they had to conform or be fired.

The Larsons told the court that based on this later petition they conducted their elections on March 21. They also said that they first thought of contacting Father Humphreys to supervise the election on March 20. However, sworn testimony suggests that the grower actually began contacting people to conduct an election a week before the anti-Chavez petition was presented to them.

IT WAS testified that in the week prior to March 20, Mrs. Larson asked Richard

Lyneis, a reporter for the Riverside Press Enterprise, if he would conduct an election. He is said to have refused. Furthermore, it was testified that Father Humphreys was also contacted that week about an election.

Father Humphreys is on record as being very critical of the Chavez union. He admitted that he had written pro-grower articles, had never talked with Chavez or any UFWA officials to find their side of the story and that he opposes Chavez's strikes and boycotts. Furthermore, it was brought out that the captain of the sheriff's department of the county was also contacted that week regarding security for an election.

Larson also testified that he did not inform the Chavez union that they had decided to have an election. Mrs. Larson attended a March 20 UFWA negotiating session without mentioning the decision of the company to hold one. The negotiating session was adjourned that evening for reconvening the next morning.

At 6:30 a.m. on March 21 Father Humphreys, at the Larsons' request, supervised an "election" at which it is alleged the workers were suddenly asked to vote. It was also pointed out to the court that most of the workers were Mexican nationals speaking only Spanish. UFWA attorneys suggested that fear of loss of job was instilled into the workers because, being close to the Mexican border, the Larsons knew a potential work force of illegal aliens was ever present. A Chavez union spokesman said the growers "use illegals" with the border patrol looking the other way. He described the election:

"THE LARSON supervisory personnel brought each worker to the polling place. The main supervisor, who has served as a labor contractor for them for 14 years, explained the 'election' to the workers in Spanish. Mr. Larson was present during the voting; the UFWA had no personnel present; Father Humphreys conducted the 'election' without the consent or knowledge of the UFWA; the UFWA had no opportunity to select an observer; there was no voter privacy; Larson supervisory personnel were present; as stated above the workers themselves were hastily whisked to the election scene without further explanation; and, the union did not even have anybody present at the time of the ballot counting."

Furthermore, Judge Metheny stated in his opinion that "if the March 21 election was a test, there were certain objective flaws."

And Mr. Larson testifying said that "he didn't care if the UFWA thought the election was fair."

Mr. Saatjian told the court that although he conducted the 1970 election, and he was the permanent arbitrator of the 1973 contract and he was mediating this year's negotiations, the Larsons neither informed him of the election nor asked him to conduct it. He added that in his opinion the March 21 election was not conducted with fair procedures.

ACCORDING to Nathan, on April 10, in the presence of television cameras "Manuel Chavez of the UFWA, challenged Mr. Larson to a fair, secret ballot election. Mr. Larson accepted on the spot, but within one day, and away

from the public eye of television, reneged on the challenge and called off the election. Five days later the Larsons agreed to sign a contract with the Teamsters based on petitions gathered under numerous threats of firing (the two UFWA union stewards were fired), deportation (one pro-UFWA worker, a woman with five children who was legally in the U.S. was seized by the border patrol) and coercion."

The Larsons gave the court two reasons for not putting to the workers the issue of whether they wanted the Teamsters or the UFWA. Mr. Larson said he had a "general feeling" that the workers really wanted the Teamsters, and both Mr. and Mrs. Larson testified that William Grami, director of agriculture organizing for the Western Conference of Teamsters, stated clearly that the Teamsters would not consent to an election.

It was also revealed that the Larsons and Msgr.

Mahony had been in contact in early April. He strongly urged the Larsons, prior to signing with the Teamsters, to conduct a fair election. There is correspondence and a taped phone conversation containing Msgr. Mahony's plea for fair elections. (During the hearing it became known that Mr. Larson taped a phone call with Msgr. Mahony without so informing Msgr. Mahony that he was doing it. This, apparently, is a violation of the California law on confidential communications.)

MSGR. MAHONY even sent a packet to the Larsons containing suggested fair election procedures, and he recommended various people (other than himself) who might conduct valid elections.

Msgr. Mahony has since confirmed with this reporter the list of the above.

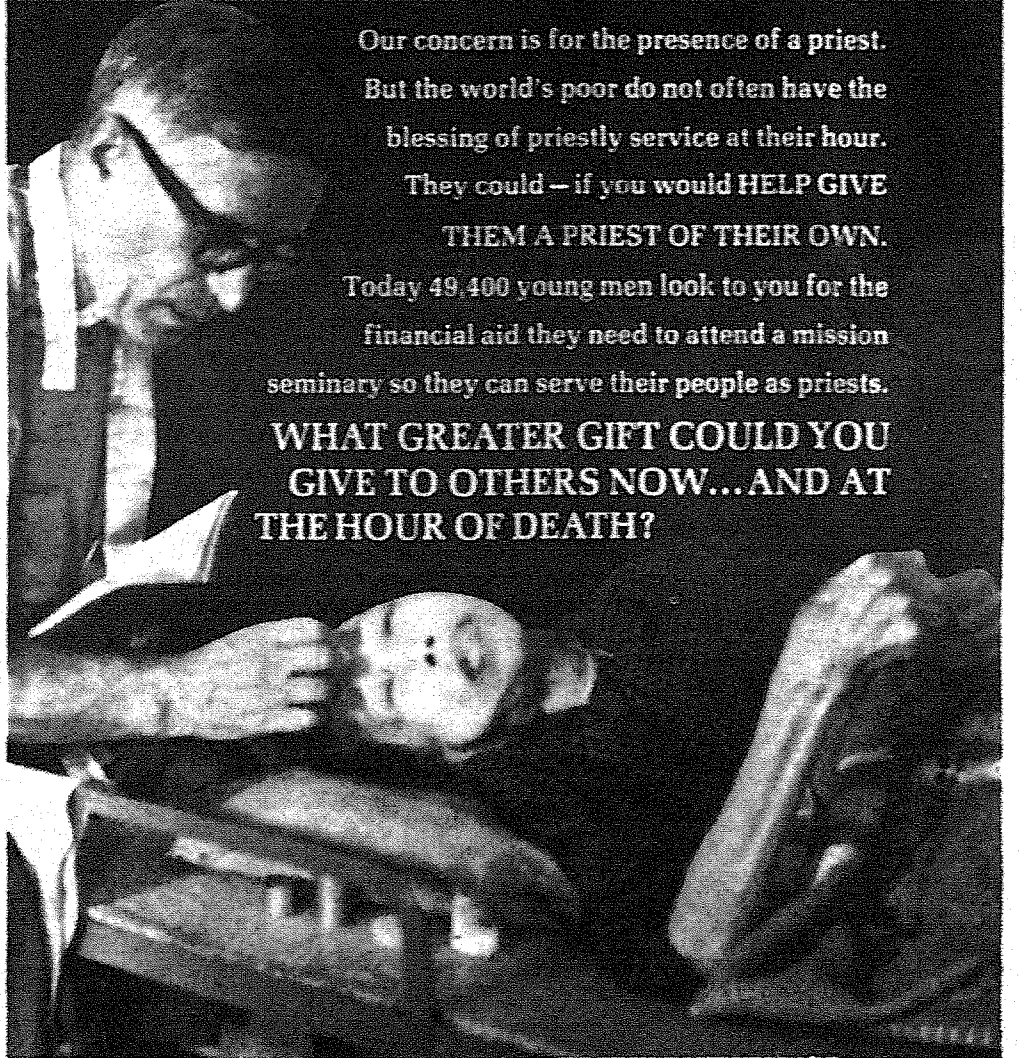
Mrs. Larson is said to have passed on Msgr. Mahony's request to Grami, who replied that he "would go

fishy with Roger Mahony but that he would never allow an elections." Grami said his reason for not taking up Msgr. Mahony's offer was a prior "bad experience" with the secretary of the bishops' committee. Grami was said to be referring to an election supervised by Msgr. Mahony at the Di Giorgio Ranch in 1968 when the Teamsters lost to the Chavez group. The Teamsters have refused to hold secret elections since then.

Still the nagging question remains. If a Coachella Valley court infers coercion in relation to the Larson contract with the Teamsters, can all the other contracts gained from the UFWA by the Teamsters be considered as legal, for the "election" procedures have all been similar?

The question will eventually reach the California Supreme Court. It may be too late for Chavez however, for it normally takes two or three years for such cases to arrive at a final decision.

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They help the Haitians because they're 'people'

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get help for some Haitians he was working with, so we began coordinating our efforts."

They are now teaching over 100 people, according to Conze, with the help of a couple of other volunteers. And their work is not connected with their regular jobs. It is volunteer work done on their own time.

Conze, who is a native Haitian, was a teacher in Haiti. Helping people apparently is a natural part of his life-style.

"Even back in Haiti I helped people when they came to me with their problems. Later I went to New York as a legal immigrant and was helping people there. Then when I came here and saw the bad situation I got involved again.

"SOMETIMES they would not know what to buy or where to buy it and I would drive them all over the city. Whatever their needs, I would help.

"Right now their biggest need is to work. They don't believe in someone giving them everything."

Mrs. Williams agrees. "They are very conscientious people. They show up

for their classes come rain or shine. They are even asking us to step up the classes and make them longer."

They both feel the Haitians should all be allowed to work while they are here regardless of their final status, but Conze is against efforts in some quarters to start teaching French throughout the schools to accommodate the few Haitians here. "The Haitians need to learn English, not the other way around."

AS TO ANY personal observation on the refugee status, Conze feels that is something that has to be judged individually. Mrs. Williams says she has heard stories of people being picked up by the police just hours after talking against the government of John Claude Duvalier in conversation on a street corner. But both are leaving the legal questions to others involved in that dispute.

Mrs. Williams who attended Bethune-Cookman College and the University of Miami has a husband, Willie, and two of her late sister's children whom she is rearing. She was past president of the Cathedral Women's Guild.

Mr. Conze sums up their philosophy this way: "I help them because they are



EXPLAINING how she began working with the Haitians is Mrs. Willie Williams of St. Mary Cathedral Parish, who teaches English to the refugees in the evenings along with Martin Conze (not shown).

human beings. I don't care if you are Cuban, Anglo, black American or Haitian.

If you come to me for help and I can help you, I will do it."

Population year failure warned against

LONDON — (NC) — World Population Year and the forthcoming World Population Conference in Bucharest will be a failure unless the rich countries change their attitudes and strategies for tackling the population problem, said an authoritative report issued here by the Catholic Institute for International Relations.

Millions of dollars are be-

ing spent in publicity that overlooks or distorts the real issues involved for a world whose population at present growth is doubling every 35 years, the institute's group of experts stated.

They added that if the rich countries want to reduce world population growth, they must help the people in the poor countries to achieve a better standard of life and so

remove the economic pressure for large families. Poor countries must have greater opportunities for trade, better prices for their exports, more and better economic aid particularly to raise the living standard in the rural areas where most people live.

AT PRESENT an individual born in a rich country consumes during his lifetime

40 times as much in resources as an individual in a poor country, the report said. The richer 30 percent of the world's population consumes 80 percent of world resources.

The Catholic institute's report described World Population Year as "essentially a rich countries' event within the United Nations" and added that these same rich countries see its main purpose as being to question how the poor countries can reduce their population rate growth.

"If the World Population Conference concentrates on this issue to the exclusion of the role and responsibility of the rich countries in regard to their disproportionate absorption and consumption of the world's resources then a crucial opportunity to put the population problem into its full context will have been wasted... If the conference does not face the immensely complex causes of too rapid population growth, solutions may be proposed which will further obscure the real questions," the report said.

According to the report high birth rates are found in societies with high unemployment, poverty, hunger and illiteracy. Low birth rates result when these social problems are solved for the majority of the people.

IT CRITICIZED some governments of poor countries

— perhaps under pressure from Western exports — for implementing population incentive and penalty schemes which "crudely devalue life." It cited taxation on the number of children, monetary rewards for vasectomy and now talk of compulsory abortions and sterilizations.

"The only long term solution to high population growth rates must include large scale measures for distributive justice," the report declared.

"It is undoubtedly to the rich countries that the most important message of World Population Year should be addressed. What St. Ambrose said in the fourth century holds just as true today: 'The

earth belongs to all, not just to the rich,' and until the rich countries take measures to adjust world trade to the needs of all, to spend less of their resources on armaments and defense, to find appropriate ways of sharing their wealth, to discourage the brain drain from the poor countries, we have no right to hope or to expect that solutions to the population problem can be found.

"On the other hand World Population Year will have achieved a great deal if within the rich countries citizens and governments now commit themselves to the radical changes which the situation clearly demands."

Take collection for starving, Cdl. Krol asks

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Because suffering and starvation in the drought-plagued Sub-Sahara region of Africa "not only continues but has spread," Cardinal John Krol of Philadelphia, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) and United States Catholic Conference (USCC) has asked bishops to hold special collections throughout the U.S. to aid victims of the tragedy.

In a letter to each of the U.S. bishops, the cardinal noted that the six-year drought which has caused suffering, starvation and death, "has spread across Africa and India, and now threatens to cast its pall of misery across the globe."

Cardinal Krol explained that he "most immediately affected are the peoples of the countries of Sub-Sahara Africa where, each day, tens of thousands, weakened after long months of malnutrition,

succumb to the ravages of disease.

"The roll of the dying increases relentlessly," his letter continued.

The cardinal noted that a number of dioceses have already initiated collections to assist the drought victims.

"I hope that many more will join in this undertaking," he stressed. "The generosity of our people, displayed so many times in the past, will surely express itself again on behalf of the victims of famines."

Almost \$1,150,000 in drought relief has been received by Catholic Relief Services (CRS) overseas aid agency of U.S. Catholics, in the past year. An estimated 245,000 victims of the drought have been aided by the money, which currently is almost exhausted.

CRS recently sent three of its overseas relief directors from neighboring African

countries into Ethiopia, Niger, and Chad where they are arranging duty-free entry for food, medicine and materials, including tools and equipment needed for well drilling, irrigation systems and other projects to make more water available.

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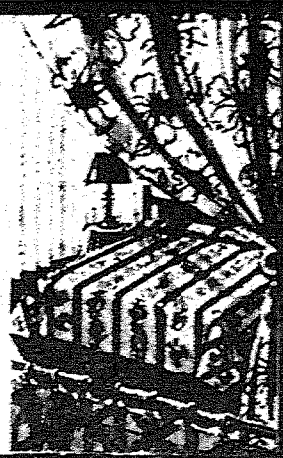
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Editorials

What is real issue in dilemma of exiles from Haiti in Fla.?

Efforts of the Archdiocese of Miami to help those Haitians who came here seeking refuge have received widespread community support. Offers of help with food, clothing and jobs have come from all sectors of the community. The refusal of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service to grant work permits means that such job offers have to be turned down, while able-bodied young men and women depend on handouts.

THE REAL ISSUE, however, is political asylum. Our position is that the Haitians already here, should be allowed to stay in this country and accorded the status of political refugees. To send them back to Haiti would be contrary to all that this country has symbolized during its almost two centuries of existence, a tradition etched in stone on the Statue of Liberty and written in the history books.

The authority to allow the Haitians to remain in this country is within the discretion of the executive branch of the Federal Government. The law is clear. The United Nations Protocol on the Status of Refugees was ratified by the United States Congress on Nov. 1, 1968 and is the law of the land. The Government has and often does use its discretionary power in similar cases. We think it should do so now in the case of the few hundred Haitians ordered deported.

As of now, actual deportation has been delayed by appeals in the Federal Courts, appeals which could take as long as a year to decide. The Courts, however, are limited in their jurisdiction, to passing judgment on the procedures followed by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service and the U.S. Department of State. The Courts cannot rule on the merits of the Haitians' petition for political asylum.

THE ACCOUNTS of political persecution and harrassment given by the young Haitians being housed in the Seminary are very convincing. Organizations such as Amnesty International and the Inter-American Press Association have reported on the lack of political liberty in Haiti. The National Council of Churches has expressed its concern. Also, the American Jewish Congress supports the Haitians' petition.

We are not in a position to pass judgment on the merits of individual cases, but we do think that those Haitians already in the United States should be given the benefit of the doubt. To do otherwise, in our opinion, would be, in effect, declaring that the U.S. will not be a country of first asylum for anyone fleeing persecution.

Errors of judgment have been made in the past. But it there is going to be an error, let it be on the side of liberty and human dignity.

'Fuzzy' talk can be used to twist facts

By JOE BREIG

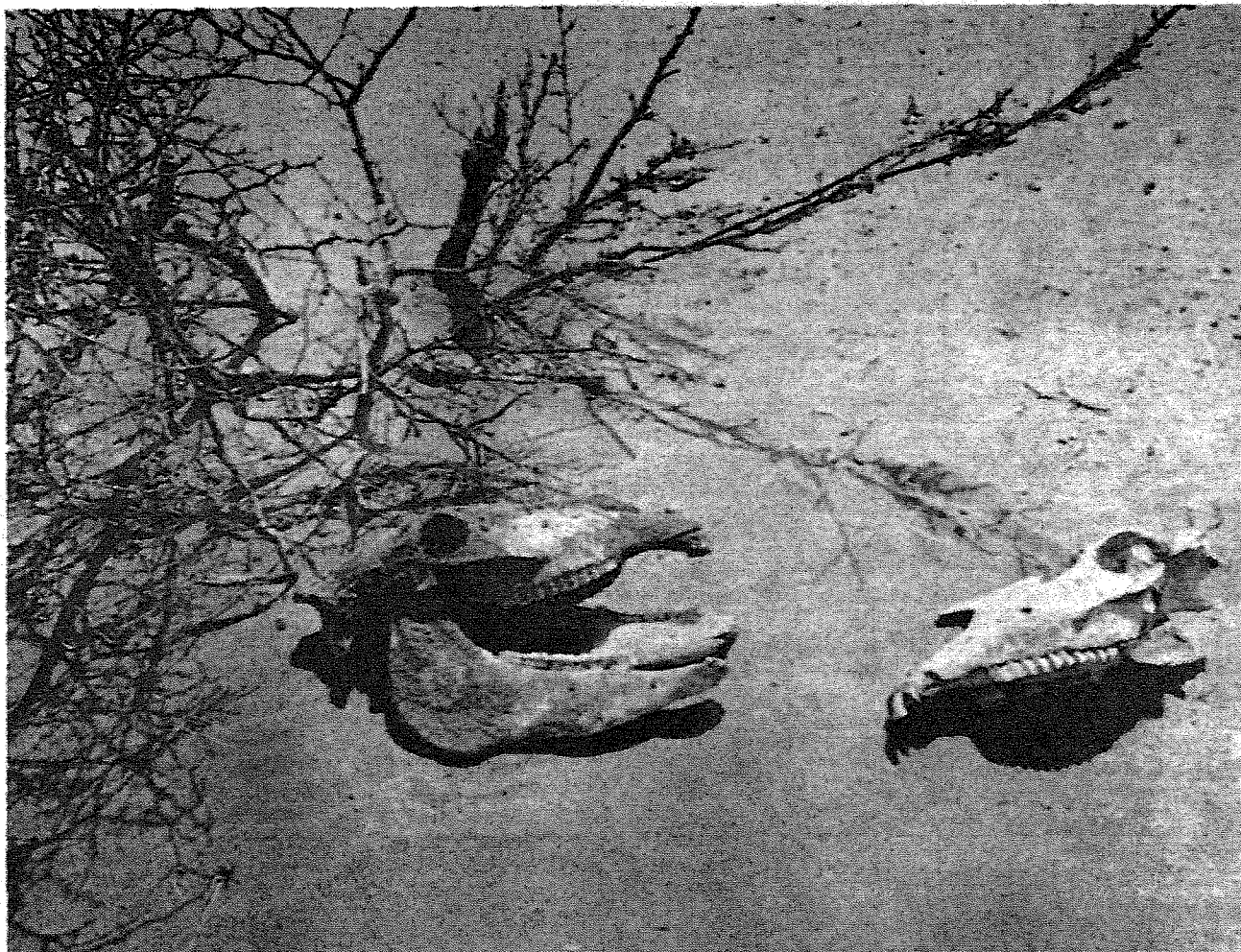
Jesuit Father Richard A. McCormick recently tried valiantly — but not successfully — to make a contribution to the solving of a moral problem which he set generally in terms of which infants, born deformed, should be treated, and which should be allowed to die.

FATHER McCormick's initial blunder lay in his failure to define his terms. He did not really say what he meant by "treatment" or by the phrase, "allowed to die."

Is it treatment when a deformed infant is fed? Is it treatment to provide elementary medical and nursing care? Or to perform simple surgery which makes possible the feeding of a baby who otherwise will die of starvation?

HIS basic error lies in his straying from the distinction between ordinary and extraordinary means of preserving life — and in his wandering into the moral wilderness (not to say the moral madhouse) of "quality of life" and "meaningfulness of life."

The popes, divinely guided moral teachers, have told us that normally we are not morally obligated to use extraordinary (heroic) means. And any reasonably well-informed physician or moralist knows the difference between extraordinary and ordinary.



SKULLS of animals which died in the Sub-Sahara drought lie beside branches of a dead thorn tree in Upper Volta, one of a half-dozen African nations plagued by a severe shortage of water for six years.

Cardinal John Krol of Philadelphia, head of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, has urged assistance for drought victims.

Serrans told:

'Build basic sense of vocations'

By FATHER JOHN F. FOLEY

LONDON — (NC) — The major source of the crisis in Religious vocations is a "genuine decline in the sense of vocation itself," Cardinal John Wright told delegates to the 40th annual convention of Serra International here.

Addressing almost 1,000 Serrans who included past international president, Joseph Fitzgerald, K.S.G. of Miami; Msgr. James J. Walsh, chaplain, Palm Beach County Serra Club; and Thomas Moore, Miami Serra Club, at the opening session on July 14, Cardinal Wright, the American prefect of the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy, said, "the awareness of the providence of God in all our lives is less sensitive in a mechanistic, secular society."

The cardinal declared that the "average person's sense of personal dignity and destiny is less sharp" than in previous ages.

Msgr. James J. Walsh is on vacation. His column, "The Truth of the Matter" will resume when he returns.

"THERE is an eclipse of awareness," he noted, "that every life involves a special call under the providence of God and a stewardship in which each individual is answerable to God."

The cardinal challenged the Serrans, an organization established to encourage vocations to the priesthood and Religious life, "to restore the basic sense of vocation on every level."

Cautioning against pessimism among those working to promote vocations, Cardinal Wright — whose congregation oversees the work of diocesan clergy throughout the world — reported:

"VOCATIONS are on the upturn — and prayer is 'in' again; it may take some some 'flaky' forms at times, but it's 'in.'"

In his presidential address, outgoing Serra International president, Albert E. Maggio of San Francisco, told the delegates that membership in the organization is also on the upturn, with more than 11,000 members in 377 active clubs in 30 countries.

At a Mass concelebrated by Cardinals John Heenan of Westminster and Joseph Cordeiro of Karachi, Pakistan, and by almost 20 bishops and more than 100 priests, Cardinal Heenan told the Serrans:

"BE ON your guard against proposals to divert your efforts to other fields. There are all sorts of more exciting and popular tasks than fostering vocations. . . but as Serrans you must be firm in refusing to let your society be diverted."

"As Serrans," Cardinal Heenan declared, "you know that, without its priests and Religious, the Church would wither."

"It is also part of your apostolate to encourage priests and nuns to be faithful to their vocations," the cardinal said.

NOTING that all are justifiably determined to treat ex-priests and ex-nuns with justice and charity, Cardinal Heenan said, "it would nevertheless be foolish and irrational not to regard their abandonment of their vocations as tragic."

"It is obvious that these defections inflict wounds on the laity, he continued, "but it is sometimes forgotten that they also hurt the clergy and Religious who remain faithful."

"There is nothing new in being tempted to look back, having put a hand to the plough," Cardinal Heenan said. "What is new is not regarding this as a temptation to be resisted with prayer and self-denial."

DISPUTING a recent article in the organization's official magazine, The Serran, which maintained that the Religious habit is of no importance Cardinal Heenan said:

"I believe this to be false. (The Religious habit) is a sign to the world and it is a stimulus to the wearer to maintain the high standard expected of one consecrated to God. I know from experience in Europe, Asia and America that, far from being an obstacle, the Religious habit or the clerical collar is like a magnet. I have been able to help and to become friends with many people who approached me only because they saw I was a priest."

Cardinal Heenan suggested that the members of Serra consider changing the name of their organization at some future convention session.

"The word Serra means nothing to other Catholics," (than American) he said. "I believe you lose the opportunity of recruiting members simply because your name gives no hint of the nature of your apostolate."

Serra International is named after the Spanish Franciscan Father Junipero Serra, Apostle of California and founder of Franciscan missions in California during the 1700's.

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During summer, deacons are learning future roles

By the summer of 1975 they will be assigned as ordained priests to South Florida parishes but this summer they serve in four parishes as Deacons.

Learning to cope with real-life situations and participating in the many activities which are the daily routine of parish priests, are one Irish-born and three South Floridian seminarians stationed in Miami, West Palm Beach and Boca Raton. All are studying for the priesthood of the Archdiocese of Miami at the Archdiocesan Major Seminary of St. Vincent de Paul in Boynton Beach.

Included are the Rev. Mr. Joseph Fishwick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fishwick,

St. Louis parish; the Rev. Mr. Michael Greer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Greer, St. Jude parish, Jupiter; the Rev. Mr. James Kreitner, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman G. Kreitner, St. Clement parish, Fort Lauderdale; and the Rev. Mr. Edward Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Lynch, Cobh, County Cork, Ireland.

DURING their ordination to the Diaconate last Spring the Deacons received the powers which enable them to share in the priesthood. They may distribute Holy Communion, preach the gospel, baptize, and officiate at graveside rites. They may not offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass nor do they have the

power to hear confession since these are reserved for the last of Holy Orders — the priesthood.

Father John McGrath, Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, summarized the summer Diaconate program as one which "offers him an opportunity to serve the people of God by exercising the powers of the diaconate, and, perhaps of equal importance, it teaches him through practical experience the kind of sacrifice and service that will be expected of him as a priest of God."

Agreed that the summer Diaconate program inaugurated a few years ago by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll is "very beneficial," each of the Deacons emphasized how much insight they are gaining into the priestly ministry while living and working with priests of the Archdiocese during the two-month period.

FOR IRISH-BORN Edward Lynch who began his studies for the priesthood at the University of Salamanca, Spain, where he was a student for six years, his assignment at St. Joan of Arc Church, Boca Raton, is in marked contrast to the work which he did among agricultural farm workers last year. This year he is serving as moderator of the CYO and in his spare time has a devoted interest in senior citizens. "There are so many aged people in this area," he said, "and so many of them are lonely. They welcome someone to talk with just for a short time. I in turn benefit from visiting and talking with them."

Deacon Greer is stationed until August in St. Juliana parish, West Palm Beach and although like all the Deacons he makes sick calls, preaches during Masses, and assists in the rectory work, he is particularly interested in working with the youth of the parish. In addition, he enjoys communication with the Spanish-

speaking parishioners even though he admits his knowledge of their language "is limited."

In his brief experience as a Deacon in Immaculate Conception parish, Joseph Fishwick is impressed with the number of people who are searching for ways to deepen their faith and the many opportunities afforded him to help people in unexpected ways. "There is a well as that of the ill and dying need to help people realize that we can all help one another and through that deepen our faith," he said, ad-

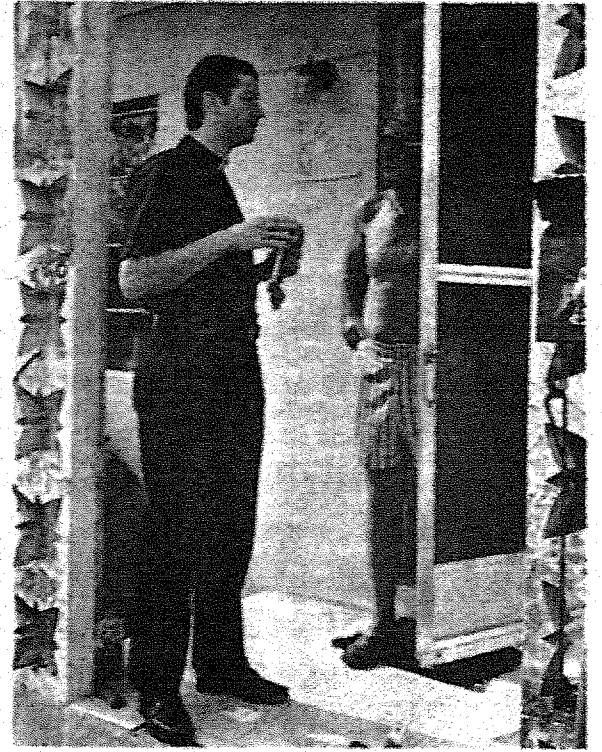
ding that he wishes the time spent in the diaconate program in parishes could be lengthened.

THE FUTURE priest particularly likes to visit the sick and aging and thinks that in many instances "we shunt away from them because it is trying." "He, however, views such visits as an opportunity to deepen his own faith, as well as that of the ill and dying."

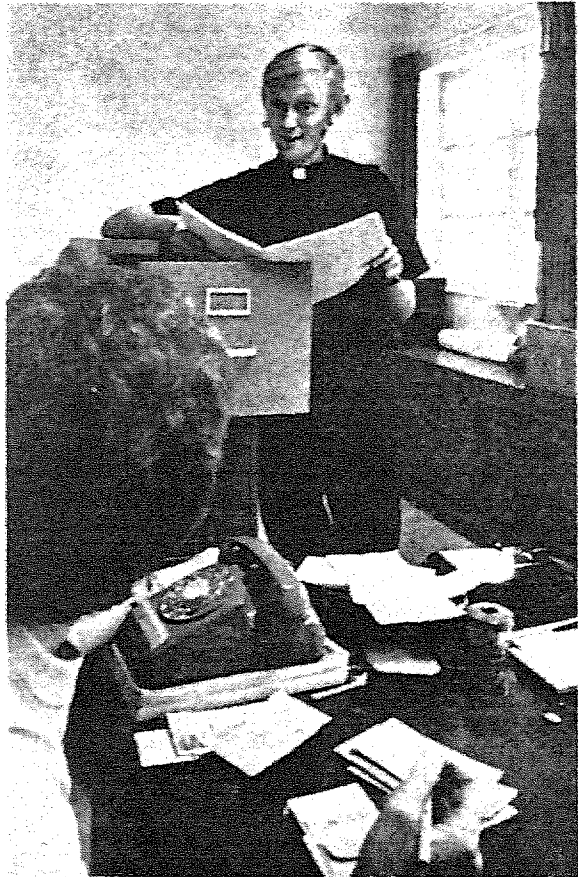
Another Deacon, James Kreitner, feels similarly about the ill and the aged.

During his stay at Holy Family Church, North Miami, he has found that one of "the most rewarding phases" of his work is his visits to the elderly. "I have gained so much from just talking with them for one-half or one hour," he declared. "The faith of these people is really edifying to me."

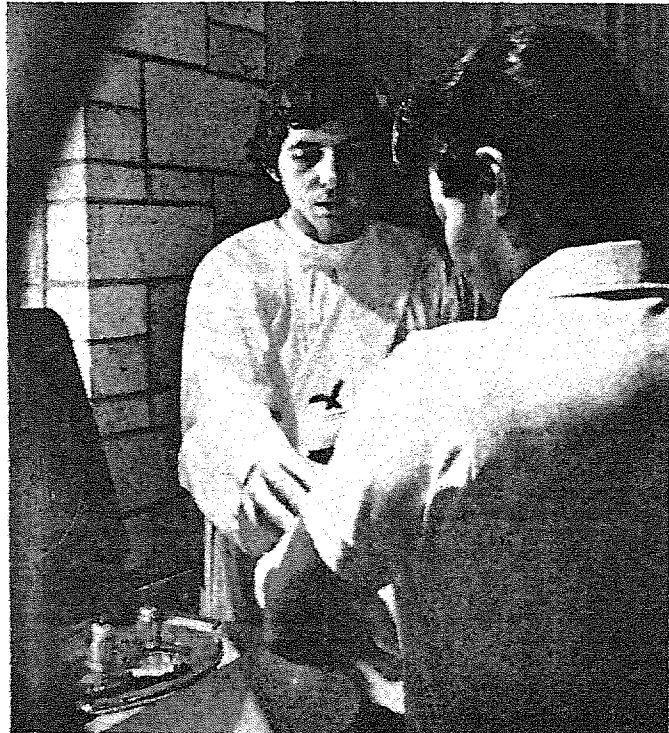
Although during the school year, the Deacons will continue to serve in parishes on weekends, he would also like to see the parish diaconate programs extended.



BOTH an opportunity to serve God and a chance to experience much of the daily routine of the priestly life are made available to the four seminarians serving in South Florida parishes in the Summer Diaconate program. Above, the Rev. Mr. Joseph Fishwick administers Holy Communion to a bedridden woman in Immaculate Conception parish, where he is serving this summer. At right, he makes a neighborhood call to a member of the parish.



CHATTING with the parish secretary at St. Joan of Arc Church, Boca Raton, Irish-born Rev. Mr. Edward Lynch, who splits most of his time between the youth and the senior citizens of the parish, checks the file for background on parishioners.



ALTAR boys join in a discussion with the Rev. Mr. Michael Greer, above, at St. Juliana parish, West Palm Beach, where the Deacon particularly enjoys working with youth. At left, he confers the Sacrament of Baptism on one of the newest members of the parish.



WITH a friendly smile for the secretary, the Rev. Mr. James Kreitner, at left checks the Mass schedule at Holy Family parish, North Miami, where he is stationed in the Summer Diaconate program. Below, he talks over their upcoming marriage ceremony with a young couple of the parish.



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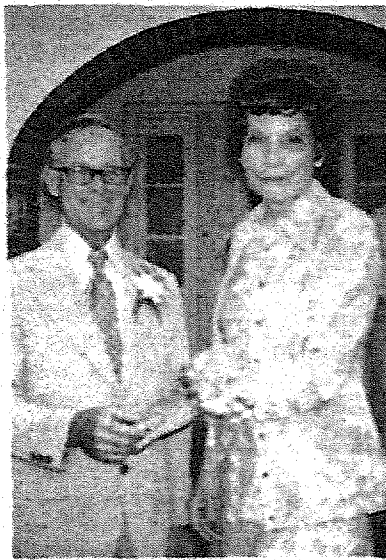
Bible, topic of series starting at Seminary

A Bible Vacation Journey will be sponsored by St. Agatha Family Guild from Aug. 5 to Aug. 9 during evenings at St. John Vianney Seminary, 2900 SW 87 Ave.

Each of the five programs is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. and admission is free. Sessions will be conducted in English and Spanish simultaneously. Speakers for the English section will be Father Neal McDermott, O.P., chaplain, Barry College; Father Gerard LaCerra, Archdiocesan Director of CCD; Father Brennan Manning, T.O.R.; Father Donald Walk, chaplain, Miami-Dade Community College, North Campus; and Father Paul Vuturo, assistant pastor, St. Mary Cathedral.

Conducting programs for the Spanish-speaking will be Father Florentino Azcoitia, Father Juan Sosa, Father Carlos Garcia Sanchez, Msgr. Agustin Roman and Father Jose M. Fernandez.

Father William L. O'Dea, pastor of St. Agatha Church, described the program as "a week of grace for all who attend. The program is so designed as to afford to each one present an opportunity to retrace and relive in a way the Life of Christ, Jesus. And it offers one a chance to soar above the purely human and mundane things of human existence into the realm of the Spirit, and thus recapture Christ," Father O'Dea said urging as many as possible to attend.



Golden jubilarians are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Birkmeyer of St. Bernard parish, Sunrise.

Sunrise couple marks 50 years of marriage

SUNRISE — The golden anniversary of their marriage was observed recently in St. Bernard Church by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Birkmeyer.

Father Michael Hourigan, pastor, was the celebrant of a Mass of Thanksgiving and witnessed the renewal of nuptial vows for the couple in the presence of family and friends.

Also participating in the Mass were Mrs. Frances Switzer of Buffalo, N.Y. and Raymond Birkmeyer, who were their attendants when they were wed 50 years ago in

Annunciation Church, Buffalo.

Formerly members of the parish of the Fourteen Holy Helpers where he was a member of the Men's Club and she was active in the Altar Guild, the couple came to South Florida in 1956. Mr. Birkmeyer was in the firebrick construction business prior to his retirement. He is currently a member of the Men's Club in St. Bernard parish.

A reception for the jubilarians at Springtree Country Club followed the Mass.

Jr., adult legionaries working in S. Carolina

Four junior members of the Legion of Mary accompanied by four adult legionaries are engaged for two weeks in extension work in Monk's Corners, S.C.

The program is known as Peregrinatio Pro Christo, which translated means "to wander around for Christ" and had its beginnings in the time of St. Columba, an Irish saint who lived from 521 to 597 and traveled from place to place spreading the word of God. The Legion project was conceived by an Irish Legionary working in London. The spirit of sacrifice is paramount in the movement in which legionaries give up a portion or all of their vacations to spread the Good News and also meet the necessary travel expenses personally.

Among those participat-

ing at Monk's Corners from the Legion of Mary in the Archdiocese of Miami are junior members Rosemary, Andrew and Martha Buckland of Miami; and Cathy Grandfield, West Palm Beach. Adults include Anna Marie Norton of West Palm Beach, who heads the Legion program in St. Philip Benizi parish where Father Michael Kaney is pastor; Barney McDonald, also of West Palm Beach; and Bill Sullivan and Jeannette Cooper, Miami. Three juniors and one adult from Atlanta as well as three juniors from Savannah are also participating.

Mass in Holy Name Church, West Palm Beach, preceded the departure of the motorcade of South Floridians to Atlanta where they were met by Mrs. Norton.

Around the Archdiocese

Dade County

Singers and guitarists are needed at St. Hugh Church for the Sunday 9 a.m. Folk Mass. Those available should contact Dr. Howard Doolin any Sunday after the Mass.

Catholic Alumni Club of Miami will get together for horseback riding at Golden Eagles on Saturday, July 27. For details call Ken Cohen at 893-4876.

Broward County

Nativity Guild will sponsor a Derby Dance at 9 p.m., Saturday, July 27 in the parish hall, Hollywood. Tickets may be obtained by calling 989-2247 or 983-5221.

Palm Beach County

Annual rummage sale of St. Juliana Women's Club is slated for Aug. 2 through 7 in the school cafeteria, 4500 S. Dixie Hwy. On Friday the sale will be in progress from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on other days from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Six-day guided Scripture Retreat for Sisters begins Monday, Aug. 5 at the Cenacle Retreat House, Lantana, where Father Donald Rowe of Chicago will be the retreat master. Reservations may be made by calling the Cenacle at 582-2534.

Pittsburgher named Barry College VP

Dr. Daniel Henry will assume his duties as Vice President for Academic Affairs at Barry College on Aug. 1.

He succeeds Sister M. Trinita Flood, O.P. who became president of the college on July 1.

With an extensive experience, Dr. Henry spent one year in 1970 establishing a new four-year liberal arts college, Stockton State College, in Pomona, N.J. where he was one of a 12-man team recruited from across the country. Beginning as a teacher and counselor in South Hills College, Pittsburgh in 1965, he is currently serving as Dean of LaRoche College, Pittsburgh.

He also was assistant provost at the University of Pittsburgh where one of his special projects was the reorganization of the School of Engineering. A graduate of St. Vincent College in 1962, Dr. Henry earned a Master's Degree in Education at Duquesne and a Masters of Arts and Ph.D. at the University of Pittsburgh.

Superior reelected

ASTON, PA. — Sister Corda Marie Bergbauer has been reelected superior general of the Sisters of St. Francis of Glen Riddle, Pa. who staff St. Ann School, Naples.

Cardinal John Krol, Archbishop of Philadelphia, presided at the election of the superior now serving for her fourth year as well as council members.

Some 1,600 members of the order founded in 1855 are now represented in a Chapter of Affairs attended by 54 delegates.

Mrs. Reardon, 74, dies; Lady of Holy Sepulchre

KEY BISCAIYNE — The Funeral Liturgy was offered last Friday in St. Agnes Church for Mrs. Dorothy Dean Reardon, longtime Florida and New York resident who died at the age of 74.

Recently returned from Hong Kong, China, Mrs. Reardon was the widow of the late James G. Reardon of Fort Lauderdale and New York and was a member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy

Sepulchre of Jerusalem as well as of the 100 Ladies of Charity. A memorial Mass was celebrated on July 18 in the ladies chapel of St. Patrick Cathedral, New York City, for Mrs. Reardon, a native of that city.

She is survived by her daughter, Miss Mary Reardon of Key Biscayne.

St. John parish festival slated

Their annual summer festival will be sponsored by members of St. John Bosco parish tomorrow (Saturday) and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the parish grounds, 1325 W. Flagler St.

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Don't blame Vietnam for violent actions of some Americans

By FATHER JOHN B. SHEERIN, C.S.P.

Frank Gorham was one of the terrorists who threatened to kill hostages in July at the cell block in the U.S. District Court building in Washington.

A writer in one of our major newspapers reported Gorham's crime record, then suggested that it all began with his participation in the Vietnam war. For he had a clean record until his career as a paratrooper began in Vietnam. This launched him on a spree of theft and violence that eventually landed him in the cell block in Washington.

IT SEEMS to be the general practice to explain away the violence in American life by blaming anything and everything except American life. Explain away our criminal violence by blaming it on the blacks or the Puerto Ricans or the Vietnam war but don't blame American life!

I am no admirer of James Baldwin but I think he was eminently right in saying that "violence is as American as apple pie." And we will only waste our valuable time until we start purging American life of its violence. It is not the eagle (though the eagle, being a bird of prey, is a fitting symbol of violence) but rather the handgun that is our real national symbol.

Looking back through history, we recall the violence of the Ku Klux Klan, and perhaps dismiss it as a minor aberration in our history. It's a lot of fun watching those old movies featuring white-sheeted riders on white-sheeted horses, roaming around in search of Catholics, Jews or blacks. But it was no fun to be a victim of those madmen.

We tend to think of the Ku Klux as a very minor slice of American life but the fact is that scores of other desperadoes roamed the South as terrorists after the Civil War. One of the worst was a group with a pretty name: the Knights of the White Camelia.

WE DON'T like to think of the massacre of Indians as part of our American way of life but their slaughter was part of the saga. President Hayes told Congress in 1877 that "many, if not most of our Indian wars have had their origin in broken promises and acts of injustice on our part." General Sheridan announced: "There are no good Indians but dead Indians!"

Several books have appeared lately dealing with American violence. One of the most revealing is Richard Slotkin's "Regeneration Through Violence." Regeneration has been a favorite theme of builders of new civilizations. The assumption always is that the old civilization was corrupt, sordid and decadent but the new one will thoroughly regenerate human nature. The early Marxists planned not only to change the economic system but more importantly to reinvigorate and regenerate mankind.

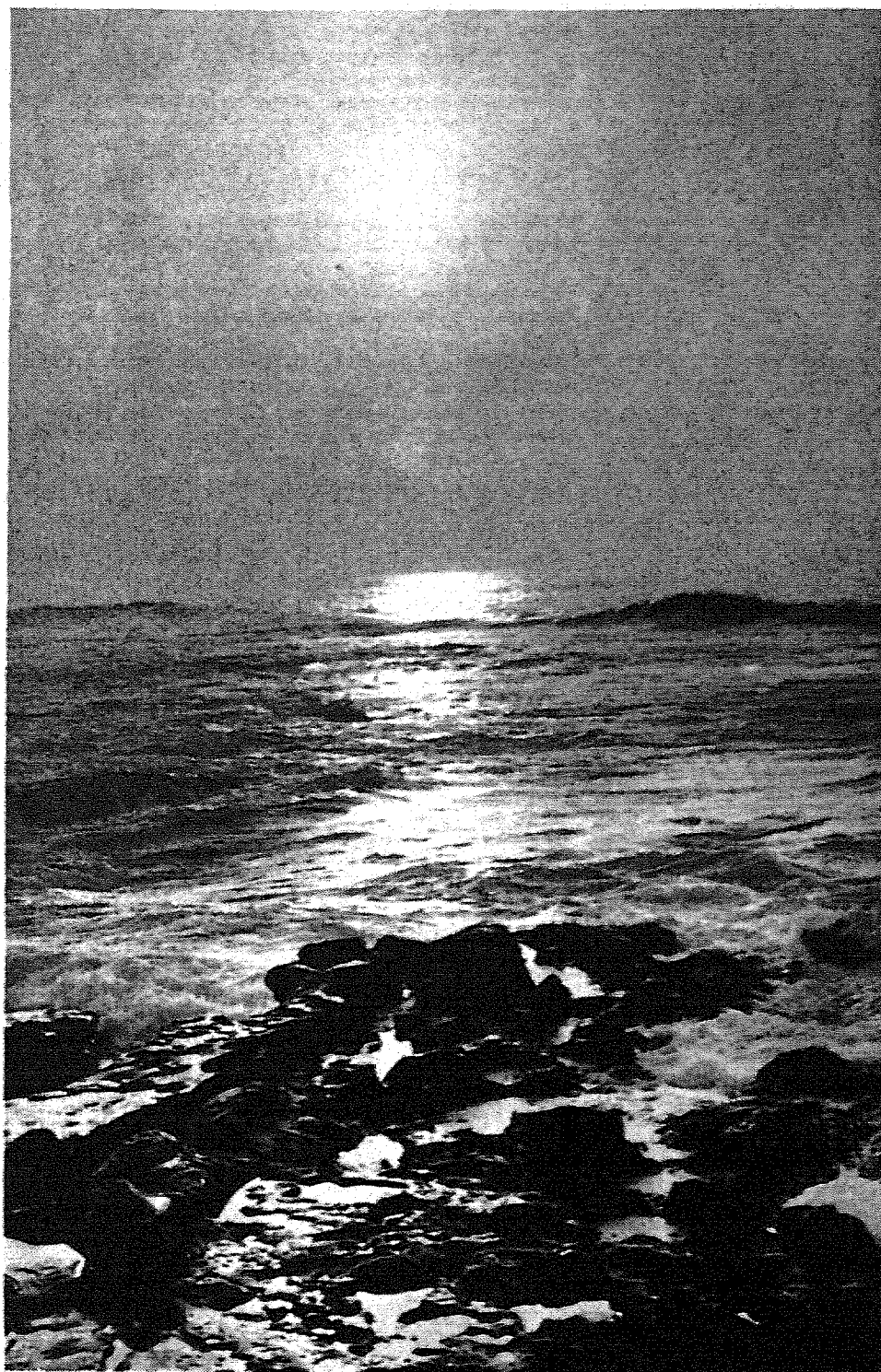
We had this sort of thing in our own American history. We were pure and innocent in contrast to the rotten, old civilization of the dirty old world. America would produce a new race that would bring about a paradise on earth by wringing an existence out of nature, tapping her natural resources. We would be a great people because we were good people, and we certainly proved ourselves good at murder and violence.

WHO WERE the men and women who had the greatest impact on the developing civilization? Slotkin, in the above-mentioned book, alleges that the American myth was founded not so much on the admirable Founding Fathers at Philadelphia but on the adventurers who "tore violently a nation from the implacable and opulent wilderness" — the rogues, the land-boomers, the hunters and Indian-killers. Our history is a history of regeneration through violence, the violence of the cattlemen embroiled in constant wars with their rivals, the violence of prospectors for gold, oil and minerals.

An inhabitant wrote of Virginia City, Montana in the 1860s: "Nearly every third cabin was a saloon . . . Not a day or a night passed which did not yield its full fruition of vice, quarrels, wounds or murders."

It was not Vietnam that caused the violence. It was our violence that got us into Vietnam.

The opinions expressed in these pages represent Catholic viewpoints — not necessarily THE Catholic viewpoint



Let the sea and what fills it resound, the world and those who dwell in it; Let the rivers clap their hands, the mountains shout with them for joy Before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to rule the Earth; He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.

'Healing' stories not accurate

Both NC News Service and Religious News Service gave reports on what seemed like wild happenings at the International Conference on Charismatic Renewal at the University of Notre Dame.

What they reported was a kind of wild happening at a Friday night healing service in which there were reported cures of cancer, leukemia and a wide variety of other ailments.

BUT SINCE those stories were published I have heard from those who were there and they say it wasn't like that at all. Not that they deny there were healings, as a matter of fact one priest says a girl blind from birth was able to see, but they say that the manner in which the event was reported simply doesn't reflect the reality of a spiritual experience that was felt by all who were there.

I've come to the conclusion that what charismatics experience simply isn't something that can be really understood by those who do not experience it themselves. An observer who stands outside the experience simply can not report the reality.

That doesn't mean that I am prepared to say without any reservation that this experience is a valid one, that this is a movement that is authentic in the Catholic Church. It does mean that I recognize that not being a charismatic, I do not entirely understand their experience.

CONCERNING the basic thrust of the movement, I have an ambivalence. I believe very much in the power of the Holy Spirit, I believe very much that we should turn to the Holy Spirit to ask His guidance. I believe, too, that our faith should involve our emotions, that we should feel our love for our Lord.

But at the same time, I am by nature a person who feels emotions interiorly. I have been familiar with Pentecostalism most of my life but the exterior display of emotions that is such a basic part of Pentecostalism has repelled me rather than attracted me.

Recognizing this in myself, I believe that I must be careful not to judge others because they are different than I am. For that reason when I write of the Charismatic Renewal I try to recognize that what might not be my way could be the way for others.

BUT EVEN taking this into account, I find some things disturbing in the movement. One of the most serious is the emphasis on the baptism of the Holy Spirit. I do not doubt that Catholics must sometime in their life have a conversion experience. That is a time when they come to the clear realization of the importance of their faith. But there is one baptism and I find a tendency among some Charismatics, not necessarily the leaders but the people who write to me, to suggest that it is necessary to have a second baptism of the Holy Spirit to be truly in Christ.

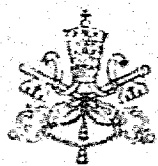
This I believe to be theologically false.

While those who have written to me say the experience at the healing session at Notre Dame was not quite the way it was depicted in news stories, I have some qualms about this, too. I do believe that if God wishes to heal even the most serious ailments then He can do so and He can use human agents to accomplish this. While I would hope there would be a followup in which the leaders of the movement would seriously investigate the claims of healings at Notre Dame, I do not doubt the possibility there were authentic healings.

But I wonder if things like this do not arouse false expectations on the part of the crippled, the blind, the ill. Since our life on earth is not the end, it is not essential that all be healed of bodily ailments. It is the eternal soul that is important.

Concerning the movement, it seems to me we are where we have been. It is important that those within the movement stay close to the Church — my observation is that for the most part they do — and that they be careful not to fall into an attitude of elitism in which it is suggested that all must be just as they are.

And for the rest of us, it is important not to judge quickly but to pray that if this movement is truly the work of the Holy Spirit it will succeed and if it is not that the teaching Church will tell us so.



Pope
Paul
VI

(Following are highlights from current speeches and documents of Pope Paul VI. The Holy Father addresses himself constantly to the problems and needs of our age in an effort to help individuals form a right conscience.)

Pope warns: dangers of growing secularism threaten everyday life

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI warned thousands of pilgrims and visitors at his weekly general audience here to beware of the insidious dangers of loveless, atheist-inspired secularism in the everyday affairs of the world.

Love is the basis of the Christian concept of the world, said the Pope, and Christians should never lose their deep and real sense of good and evil or withdraw from the discipline of the Bible and the cross which must guide their pilgrim steps on this earth towards salvation.

"THIS vision is composed of many aspects, among which we note one now: that of recognizing, firstly, a relative, but effective, autonomy of the profane world, a world in which religion, or rather the Church, exercises no direct power.

"Secondly, to recognize likewise the 'values' of this same profane world, the prayers, the virtues, the works, the institutions, in which it is rich and to which, in our time, with scientific studies and social-political organizations, it has given such prodigious development.

"Thirdly, we have no difficulty in recognizing that there are many conspicuous advantages toward a better adherence and more efficacious profession of our faith which may derive from modern culture."

THE POPE declared: "For that reason, no one will believe us an adversary of the principle of profane and civic progress in the world. No one will accuse us of religious 'integralism,' in the sense of wishing to subject the natural world directly to the religious world in doctrine and practice. No one will judge us strangers to real life, or as passed by the evolution of history, or as anachronistic defenders of the past, blind and hostile to the civilization of the future."

Pope Paul referred to the gravest temptation of our time, "that of limiting our pleasure to the 'horizontal' sphere, as one says today, to neglect, to forget and finally to negate the 'vertical' sphere; that is, to fix our interest on the visible, experimental, temporal, human area, abandoning our vocation to the kingdom of God, invisible, inexpressible, eternal and superhuman."

The Pope continued: "Modern atheism has its most seductive and most dangerous roots in this option, exclusively positive in regard to the things of this world and radically negative toward religious and specifically Christian matters."

Pope Paul mentioned a few of the cliches used by atheists: Man is the supreme being for fellow man; anthropology must replace theology, humanity must take the place of the Supreme Being, God is dead for the modern man.

THE TENDENCY of thought which champions purely terrestrial and human values for their own sake is called secularization, he said.

But Pope Paul warned that "If this tendency becomes isolated and breaks away from philosophic and religious bases . . . it tends to become secularism," the negation of every other philosophic and religious value, instead of secularization, a recognition of particular positive values.

Pope Paul said that among the dangers of secularism is that "of accepting certain social formulae such as, for example, building a system of class struggle, inevitably changing this to class hatred, and class hatred into a possible inhuman exercise in class in class power."

In the late afternoon after this audience, Pope Paul drove to his summer residence at Castelgandolfo to begin his customary two months "working vacation."

Speaks to U.S. choirs

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI greeted two groups of singers from the United States at his general audience July 17.

Speaking to them in English, Pope Paul said:

"We are happy to extend a word of greeting to two groups of singers from the United States: the Cathedral Collegiate Choir from Philadelphia and the members of the America's Youth in Concert 1974.

"We know that both of these choirs are making tours of Europe, and we thank all of you for wishing to visit us today. During your stay in Rome you will be giving pleasure to many people, raising their minds to the things of culture and the spirit.

"And we hope that in your turn you will derive much pleasure and spiritual profit from your stay. We assure you of our prayers and we ask you to convey our best wishes to your families and friends at home."



A BLANKET on his lap to cover his arthritic right knee, Pope Paul remains seated in his car and waves to well-wishers as he arrives for a working vacation at Castelgandolfo, Italy. Earlier he had stood in the car to acknowledge

cheers from a crowd in St. Peter's Square as he left Rome. In his weekly talk to a general audience he warned pilgrims to beware the dangers of atheistic secularism.

Pope called a 'progressive'

BOSTON — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has carried out progressive reforms in the Church, but has done so in a conservative style, and thus failed to please either progressives or conservatives, Maryknoll Father Eugene C. Kennedy has said.

In an article in the July issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*, published here, Father Kennedy, a professor of psychology at Loyola University of Chicago, said that the Pope "has moved at his own pace in his attempts to transform the Catholic Church, keeping an undramatic but consistent schedule aimed at long-range change both inside and outside the Vatican."

FOCUSING on the Pope's choice of the name of the Apostle Paul, Father Kennedy said that the Pope's "chief point of identification with the early Apostle may be his sense of religious tradition and his mission to transform it without destroying its riches. What the Apostle named Paul did, while mindful of his Jewish heritage, the Pope named Paul builds on, aware of the Roman Church's history, while almost painfully accepting the charge of leading it into a new age."

The priest said that the Pope "shares what theologian Richard Rubenstein calls a 'symbolic consciousness' with the Apostle Paul: he consistently does a modern thing in an old-fashioned manner, betting on the substance to endure long after its circumstances or superficial characteristics have been forgotten.

As examples of this, Father Kennedy cited:

—The Pope's travelling throughout the world "in a jet compartment at 6,000 miles an hour while attired in the ancient white cassock of his office and in the company of a retinue of aides who look as though they have just stepped out of a medieval painting."

—Writing "a historic letter about the modern problems of the Third World and its need for development . . . in the venerable and highly stylized form of a Latin encyclical, *Populorum Progressio* (on the Development of Peoples)."

AMONG the changes effected by Pope Paul, Father Kennedy listed:

—Repudiating the "prisoner of the Vatican" identity by "journeys to almost all the continents;"

—Internationalizing "the consciousness of the Church in terms of its commitment to the Third World;"

—Extending the Church's contacts with non-Christian religions, "meeting with their leaders at the Vatican and strongly supporting the new Vatican office set up to for-

malize this effort at dialogue," and establishing diplomatic relations with a large number of countries that are mainly non-Western and non-Christian in culture.

—EXTENDING the Church's diplomatic dealings with Communist countries, "especially in Eastern Europe, where his version of ecclesiastical détente has resulted in improved political relationships and a broadening of rights for Catholics in those lands."

—Overseeing "a revamping of the various departments of the Church, breaking the blade of their previous power by making the top jobs into five-year renewable appointments rather than lifetime rewards for ecclesiastical civil servants."

—Introducing mandatory retirement for bishops at 75 and surprising "many powerful prelates by accepting what they had presumed were only pro-forma letters of resignation when they submitted them;"

—Taking away from cardinals over 80 their active vote in future papal elections, "thus breaking the electoral influence of a potentially powerful bloc of old-time churchmen;"

—Allowing national bishops' conferences to make many decisions "that formerly had to be referred to the home office in Rome."

Although contending that Pope Paul has "failed to win the hearts of the world's people," Father Kennedy quotes several American observers in Rome who say that he is "actually a warmer and more interested person" than his predecessor, Pope John XXIII.

Finally, the priest concludes, by appointing "centrists who will take their cues from his own style and vision" to the college of cardinals, Pope Paul "has seen to it that the important votes in the college are in the hands of men who will not depart radically from the course of change that he has initiated."

Priesthood congress set

ROME — (NC) — A world congress for the priesthood is scheduled for September in Paray-le-Monial, France, and in Paris.

The theme of the congress, sponsored by the Marian Priestly League here, is "The Heart of Jesus in the Life of the Priest and in the Pastoral Needs of Our Time." The congress marks the 300th anniversary of apparitions of Jesus to a French saint in which Jesus called for devotion to His Sacred Heart.

Special emphasis is being placed on priestly formation and pastoral life.

CARDINAL John J. Wright, an American who is prefect of the Vatican's Congregation for the Clergy, will attend and is expected to bring the congress a special message from Pope Paul VI.

Bishops around the world are being asked to delegate a priest from one of their parishes and to encourage individual priests to attend the congress so that there may be wide discussion of the problems facing the priesthood today.

Archbishop William Baum of Washington, D.C., is scheduled to address the congress on "The Heart of Jesus, Motive for Peace in the Church and in the World."

IT WAS on Dec. 27, 1673, that Jesus first appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a nun in the Order of the Visitation at Paray-le-Monial. His last apparition to her was in 1675.

The Church set Dec. 27 this year as the occasion for the tricentenary celebrations, but the World Congress on the priesthood is being convened three months earlier to avoid coinciding with the ceremonial opening of the Holy Year on Christmas Eve.

It is scheduled to open at Paray-le-Monial Sept. 13 and the move to Paris on Sept. 17, closing Sept. 19.

Dome railing changed

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — The top-most part of the dome of St. Peter's Basilica suddenly turned for a day to a bridge-painter's orange — a mute acknowledgment of the tragic fall to death of a four-year-old girl from the dome on June 19.

Maria Pasqua Agostino, a four-year-old child, fell to her death from the cupola of St. Peter's when she broke loose from her parents and tumbled through the iron railing that has protected literally millions of visitors on the narrow edge of the cupola for centuries.

Pope Paul was so distressed at the news of the tragedy that he wanted to cancel his usual noon Sunday blessing, close aides said. However, he did appear at his window on schedule but only after visiting the parents of the dead child and lacing a rosary in her tiny hands.

The new iron railing, a glaring rust-proof orange for one day, until it was painted over in a more subdued gray, carefully closes the large gaps between the individual bars which made it possible for the child to slip through the grating and fall approximately 150 feet to her death.

As one of the Sanpietrini, or the traditional workmen who are assigned the task of maintenance of St. Peter's, said, "Lord, may this never happen again."

Here's how to plan for hurricane winds

It's been nine years since Hurricane Betsy lashed the east coast of South Florida with winds at the eye as high as 120 miles per hour in Key Largo and high tides and winds along the coast line of Dade, Broward and Monroe Counties.

Since that time many new residents have moved into the area from cities and states where hurricanes do not occur and even longtime residents have in many cases become complacent about taking precautionary measures when a severe storm or hurricane is imminent.

Following are the precautions which should be taken when the Weather Service advises you to do so. You will usually have ample warning and time in which to prepare.

Check candles, lamps and flashlight batteries and bulbs. Be sure you have extra batteries and bulbs. Use flashlights if possible. A gust of wind might upset a lamp or candle and cause a fire. Be sure all fire extinguishers are ready for use. Use extreme caution with emergency lighting or cooking flames to avoid fire hazards.

Check emergency cooking facilities and be sure adequate fuel is on hand. Lay in a supply of canned foods and milk. Electric service may be damaged or shut off as a safety precaution when winds reach hurricane force.

Conserve refrigeration. Turn your refrigerator and freezer to a colder setting. Open only when absolutely necessary and close quickly. Both will stay cold much longer if these precautions are taken. Well-constructed and insulated home freezers, if well filled with food, will maintain food preserving temperatures up to 48 hours.

Fill the gasoline tank of your automobile. It may be impossible to get gasoline after the storm.

If you have sick people in your home who are unable to care for themselves, be sure to make plans to move them to a place of safety. Although your home may be normally safe, an ill person might be adversely affected by emergency hurricane conditions. If in doubt as to the necessity for moving such persons or as to the proper place to which they should be moved, consult your physician.

Your water supply may fail. Sterilize your bathtub and other containers by scrubbing thoroughly, then saturate a cloth or sponge with ordinary bleach and swab the container. Let it dry, then fill with water. Protect your health. Boil water before drinking.

Remove or lash awnings and close shutters. If you are boarding up, use strong lumber and nail securely. Brace French doors. Collect and place in-doors loose objects such as garbage cans, yard tools and porch and lawn furniture.

While storm winds blow, stay inside. Keep a door or window open on the side away from the wind. Be quick to close it if the wind changes direction and open one on the other side. If the storm center passes your area, there will be a calm period or lull lasting from several minutes to half an hour. Wind and rain may completely cease, but do not be fooled. Do not go out. The wind will resume from the opposite direction, often with greater force than before.

After the storm, be cautious of every move. Do not touch fallen or low hang-

ing wires of any kind under any circumstances. Avoid puddles with fallen wires in them. Watch out for weakened limbs, porches, bridges and so forth which might collapse.

Use your phone for emergencies only. Jammed switchboards may prevent emergency calls for police, firemen, doctors and Red Cross Disaster Units. If damage is wide-spread, do not use telephone system to report interruptions in individual electric, gas, water and telephone service. Utility companies have plans for complete service restoration.

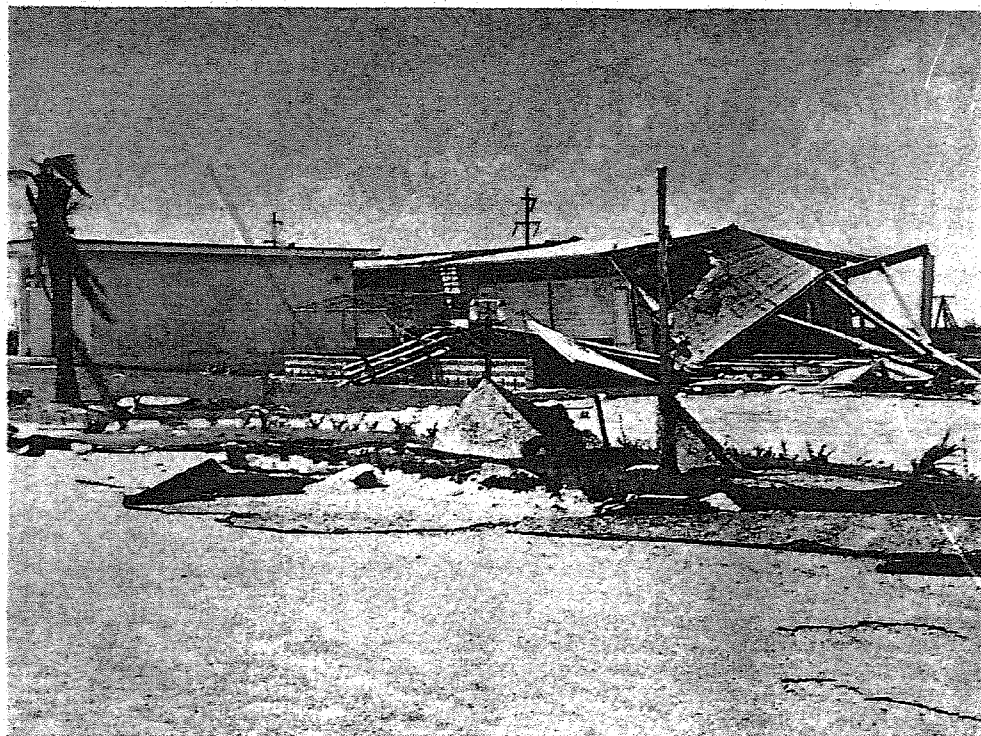
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Young, young-at-heart flock to hear folk group

WEST HOLLYWOOD — "Come on people, now, smile on your brother . . ."

Strains of the hitting folk tune ring from the wooden rafters of the church, packed with a variety of radiant people from infants to senior citizens.

In four short weeks, the 7 p.m. Sunday evening worship at St. Stephen Church has taken on a new face, thanks to the efforts of a group of young people in the parish who have established a folk Mass group.

BEGINNING AS a small group of friends, mostly from CYO, the players and singers now number approximately 15, with new members joining every week, according to Jim Lombardo, the CYO'er who was instrumental in starting the folk group.

"We wanted to start a youth Mass, to encourage the young people to come, and to stay afterward for CYO meetings," the state champion accordion player and Archdiocesan CYO officer said.

The church has been filled on Sunday nights since we started, and the CYO has added many new members who decide to stay for meetings after Mass.

The new crowd of Sunday night churchgoers is not limited to teenagers, though; the young-at-heart of all ages are flocking to the evening Mass.

MANY young couples are now bringing their small children to the Mass — children who normally would spend the hour in the nursery.

"The children really enjoy it, and they are very well behaved, instead of having to stay in the 'crying room,'" Maura Fayuzza, CYO advisor, said.

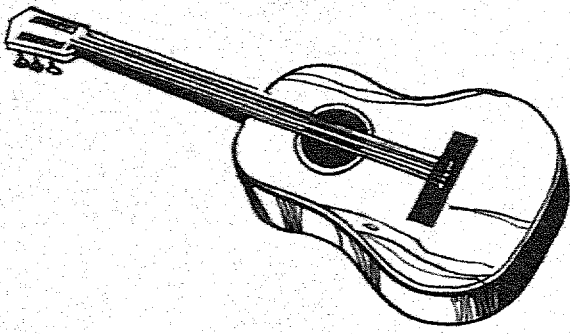
"I know, because now I bring mine to the folk Mass and they love it!"

RESPONSE to the music — mostly soft folk of the type played often in folk Masses — has been very good, with attendance at the evening Mass rising considerably since the group started playing, said assistant pastor Father

Richard Sudlik, O.M.I., who works with the youth group.

"The kids have really

flute, drums, tambourines and voices, accompanied by the church organ, the folk group



done this all by themselves," he said. "We have tried starting such groups before, and they always faded away."

"But this group is really enthusiastic — they practice for three hours at a time! I think this one will last," he said.

THE ONE criticism of the music was heard by Maura, who was entering the church behind an older couple the second week the folk group played.

The couple turned around to leave after seeing what they called a "rock group" playing.

"I explained to them that it was a folk group and told them I thought they would like it. The woman agreed to stay and said she'd tell me afterwards if she liked it, but she said not to expect her to look favorably upon it."

"AFTERWARDS, she came up to me with a big smile and said, 'It was beautiful!'"

Composed of guitars,

has added a new dimension to the conclusion of the parish Mass.

"Where before, it was hard to get people to stay until the end of Mass, now they insist on staying until the group finishes singing the last song — we just can't get them out of the church!" Maura remarked.

"The best thing is that we now have a church full of singing people — it's wonderful!"



Having a ball

PLAYING their own version of water polo as part of their activity schedule, young people have fun at a CYO day camp in Ontario. The camp offers summer programs for children from Toronto's inner city.

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Miami y el Mundo

SAN FERNANDO, Calif. — (NC) — El Arzobispo de Jean Jadot, delegado apostólico en los Estados Unidos, declaró aquí que el Papa Paulo VI espera que los católicos hispanos sean los pilares de la acción y la comunidad católica en el país. Hablando ante los 100 participantes en una conferencia organizada por la arquidiócesis de Los Angeles para desarrollar un programa de pastoral para los hispanos. Monseñor Jadot declaró que durante sus recientes conversaciones con el Papa en Roma, el Sumo Pontífice le expresó su gran interés en la comunidad de habla hispana en los Estados Unidos. La conferencia, según un experto que participó en ella, podría convertirse en un modelo para el desarrollo de programas pastorales en todo el país.

Durante los próximos días 27 y 28 de julio tendrá lugar el Festival Anual o Tómbola de San Juan Bosco.

Lo recaudado en las Tombolas Anuales hacen posible que programas de ayuda a necesitados así como programas de orientación para la juventud. También las obras de construcción y expansión de la parroquia son posibles gracias a la generosidad de todos los que contribuyen a la Tómbola. Las papeletas se pueden adquirir en la oficina parroquial. Habrá entretenimientos para toda la familia y comidas típicas cubanas y españolas.

Un recorrido de vacación por la Biblia se ofrecerá en el Seminario St. John Vianney (2500 SW 87 Ave.) del 5 al 9 de agosto comenzando a las 8 p.m. auspiciado por la Liga Familiar de la iglesia de St. Agatha. Las cinco noches consistirán en un "un estudio de los libros, las tierras, y el mensaje de Jesús." y se ofrecerá en inglés y español, simultáneamente. Todos los participantes compartirán en una jornada de café y confraternidad cada noche en la cafetería del seminario. Los temas en español serán desarrollados por los padres Florentino Azcoitia, Juan Sosa, Carlos García. Monseñor Agustín Román y el señor José M. Fernández. El párroco, Padre William L. O'Dea recaba la participación de sus feligreses hispanos en esta cinco noches con la Biblia.

WASHINGTON — (NC) — La Madre Teresa de Calcuta, India, presentó testimonio ante el Comité de Relaciones Exteriores del Senado y pidió a los norteamericanos que "no pierdan la oportunidad de entregar hasta que duela" para

resolver los graves problemas del hambre en el mundo. "Los pobres son la esperanza de la humanidad y también de la gente de América, quienes deben ver en ellos la cara de Cristo hambriento", declaró la religiosa. La Madre Teresa fundó una orden religiosa dedicada a servir a los más desesperadamente pobres y moribundos, y trabaja en Calcuta.

El comité ejecutivo del Consejo Nacional de Mujeres Católicas (NCCW) reafirmó su oposición a la propuesta Enmienda Constitucional para la Igualdad de Derechos (ERA), y pidió a sus miembros que inicien actividades contra la ratificación de la medida. ERA destruirá leyes existentes que favorecen y protegen a la mujer, y traerá cambios "drásticos e insidiosos" que amenazarían la estructura de la vida familiar en el país, según el comité ejecutivo del NCCW.

El Consejo Nuestra Señora de la Caridad de Caballeros de Colón anuncia próxima excursión a Disney World señalada para el domingo 4 de Agosto. La excursión se efectuará para la recaudación de fondos para el Círculo de Escuderos 1572, que el Consejo auspicia. El costo por persona es de \$12.00 y las reservaciones deben hacerse inmediatamente. "Recomendamos a todos los que no han asistido a las excursiones anteriores que aprovechen la oportunidad a la vez que cooperan con el Círculo de Escuderos," dicen los organizadores. Para más información y para hacer las reservaciones, por favor de ponerse en contacto con Francisco Echeverría, al teléfono 681-5579, con el Escudero Jefe, Juan Carlos Alvarez, al teléfono 634-9546, o Miguel García, teléfono 643-1429.

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Los católicos de habla hispana del Noreste se reunirán en Octubre en Albany, N.Y., para continuar la promoción de un programa pastoral nacional para los hispanos en los Estados Unidos. El Encuentro es organizado por la División para los Hispanos, de la Conferencia Católica de los Estados Unidos.

El Padre Bernard Haring, un teólogo alemán, expresó su sorpresa y reprobación ante los informes según los cuales han nacido tres bebés concebidos en tubos de ensayo en Europa. Fertilización artificial es una forma de manipulación de la vida humana, según el teólogo. Los experimentos en tubos de ensayo son un campo en que la ciencia no puede continuar sin la contribución de los filósofos éticos, según el Padre Haring.



La memoria de Roberto Clemente, el astro beisbolero puertorriqueño, quedará grabada para la posteridad en el Parque que lleva su nombre en el área de Wynwood, Miami. A la ceremonia de dedicación del Parque Clemente en Miami vinieron la viuda del deportista y el Gobernador de Puerto Rico Rafael Hernández Colón. Entre las autoridades locales figuraban el Gobernador de la Florida, Reubin Askew, y el Alcalde de Miami Maurice Ferré. En la foto, el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll al impartir la bendición al final del acto.



El Gobernador de la Florida, Reubin Askew, el Alcalde de Miami, Maurice Ferré y el Gobernador de Puerto Rico, Rafael Hernández Colón, durante la dedicación del Parque Roberto Clemente.



Con la Señora Viuda de Roberto Clemente, el Consul de Nicaragua en Miami, Luis De Bayle, devela una placa que en gesto humanitario ofreció en reconocimiento al "gran deportista que en gesto humanitario ofreció su vida en misión de ayuda para las víctimas del terremoto que azotó a Managua."

Ex miembros de Juventud Católica de Cuba organizan reunión aquí

Un grupo de antiguos dirigentes de la Juventud Católica Cubana está organizando una reunión de miembros de esa organización para celebrarse en Miami los días 17 y 18 de agosto.

Leticia Alberiche y Anita Barquet, ex dirigentes de la Juventud Femenina de Acción Católica Cubana expresan que la idea de unas "vacaciones federadas en Miami ha recibido una calurosa acogida dondequiera que ha llegado la noticia. Hemos recibido numerosas llamadas de los ex-federados de Miami e innumerables cartas de aquellos que se encuentran en otras partes."

El Pack 575 del colegio San Peter and Paul (Cub-Scouts) participó los pasados días 19, 20 y 21 de Julio en el Cub-O-Ree del distrito tequesta en el Robert King High Park. Durante estos días se acampó al aire libre y los cub-scouts participaron en carreras, concursos de nudos y comidas y una fogata al aire libre. El Pack 575 de San Peter and Paul ganó el Primer Premio por su representación (Skit) durante la fogata, el Tercer Premio en el concurso de cocina y además el Segundo Lugar entre los ocho Packs que acamparon. Un gran triunfo para este Pack.

Ya los planes de los actos que pensamos tener en agosto van concretándose", expresa el ingeniero Juan Berastegui, uno de los ex miembros de la Juventud Masculina de Acción Católica que está trabajando en la coordinación.

El sábado, 17 de agosto, a las 6 p.m. misa concelebrada en la Ermita de la Caridad. El principal celebrante será Monseñor Agustín Román y concelebrarán todos los sacerdotes que en algún momento trabajaron en Cuba en el apostolado de la juventud. Ese mismo sábado, a las 8 p.m. banquete de confraternidad en el Hotel Everglades.

El domingo, 18 de agosto, a las 12:30 p.m. almuerzo campestre en los terrenos del Colegio Sagrado Corazón (Carrollton), 3747 Main Highway, Coconut Grove.

Para la reunión del domingo 18 se está organizando una exposición de fotos de actividades de la juventud católica en distintas partes de la isla ("Memorias de una Vieja Cámara"). Las organizadoras de la exposición piden a cuantos conserven fotografías de alguno de esos actos las envíen a Teresita González, 1337 W. 49 Place, Hialeah, Fla., 33012.

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La cuestión demográfica está imponiendo a las parejas una preocupación seriamente al mundo entero. La Iglesia tiene conciencia de esta realidad. Pero se opone a que sean los gobiernos quienes

impongan a las parejas una limitación coercitiva de sus propios hijos. Para el mes de agosto habrá de celebrarse en Bucarest un congreso internacional para estudiar el problema demográfico. Ha sido convocado por la Fundación de las Naciones Unidas para las Actividades en el campo de la Población (FNUAP), organismo creado en 1967 y actualmente sostenido por un grupo de países altamente industrializados. El congreso está llamado

a brindar especial relieve al Año Mundial de la Población, que celebramos en 1974 por iniciativa de las Naciones Unidas. Estudios serios hacen notar la evidente diferencia entre países económicamente desarrollados y los que aún padecen subdesarrollo. Pero junto a estudios serios están divulgándose numerosas estadísticas destinadas a sembrar una suerte de "terrorismo de conciencia", para obligar a los esposos a que limiten al máximo el número de sus hijos. Se presiona además para que los gobiernos intervengan directamente en un control efectivo de población. Y por si esto fuera poco, se están difundiendo gratuitamente toda clase de preventivos y anticonceptivos, llegando hasta la directa esterilización del hombre o de la mujer, cuando no a procedimientos directamente abortivos.

consideraciones estadísticas o cálculos técnicos. Es el ideal mismo de la vida futura del hombre lo que está en cuestión." "Por ello rehusamos, como cristianos, plantear el problema de la explosión demográfica en términos inadecuados; por ejemplo, pensar el ideal de la vida humana como el nivel obtenido por la sociedad de consumo, creadora de necesidades artificiales que hacen olvidar otras necesidades más radicalmente humanas, como la solidaridad. Igualmente rechazamos que este problema sea juzgado desde la defensa de la hegemonía de los poderosos, los cuales no quieren ser cuestionados por las masas, hambrientas tal vez, pero siempre masas y dotadas de poder. Por ello, negar el derecho a la vida a seres humanos mientras se refinan instrumentos bélicos para causar la muerte de otros, es la más horrenda de las hipocresías".

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Desde que la Iglesia tomó conciencia del problema demográfico no ha cesado de protestar contra toda forma de control ejercido por los poderes públicos sobre los padres. Ya desde Pio XII el problema fue planteado en sus términos reales, destacando las connotaciones políticas y sociales que implicaba.

Recientemente fue dado a conocer un documento elaborado por el Consejo Episcopal Latinoamericano (CELAM), que rechaza cualquier tipo de coacción para reducir el alto crecimiento de la población mundial. El documento, contiene algunas denuncias particularmente claras y tajantes:

"El respeto a la dignidad de las personas, dicen los obispos, demanda una serie de responsabilidades que deben asumir todos los hombres, pero en particular, los padres de familia y quienes ejercen los poderes públicos. A los primeros corresponde cumplir una paternidad responsable. A los poderes públicos, por su parte garantizar el marco en el que se pueda realizar la vocación humana, elaborando políticas de población para adecuar los recursos al número de habitantes y ofreciendo estructuras en las que sean posibles justas relaciones de producción y consumo de bienes, y viable la participación política de los ciudadanos; condiciones todas ellas de una vida digna y humana. El problema demográfico no se reduce a

A continuación el documento episcopal lamenta "el recurso a la fuerza, a la coacción de cualquier tipo que sea, y a veces al engaño, para intervenir en el proceso de la vida de un ser humano, o en la capacidad procreadora de los padres, todo ello con miras a reducir el crecimiento de la población. Tales procedimientos, que arrebatan a los padres la libertad y la responsabilidad, los convierten, por lo mismo, en objetos de manipulación biológica".

"Un problema real, grave y urgente, como es el de la población, puede ser falseado si se plantea desde el egoísmo o la ambición de poder. El futuro construido sobre esas bases no será un futuro humano. Por el contrario, purificado nuestro corazón con la doctrina, los ejemplos y la gracia del Señor,



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¿Qué son indulgencias?

El Año Santo ha traído a colación el tema de las indulgencias. En efecto, todas las publicaciones católicas han informado que el Papa ha concedido indulgencias especiales para la oportunidad. ¿Pueden ustedes explicarme en qué consiste exactamente una indulgencia y en qué se diferencia del perdón que se otorga en la confesión?

Andrés Ardániz

Indulgencia es "la remisión de la pena temporal merecida por los pecados, remisión que la Iglesia anuncia y concede en nombre de Dios y en virtud de Cristo". La Iglesia la anuncia como portadora que es del mensaje evangélico de salvación y de liberación (Lucas 4, 18); y la concede, no como

proprietaria sino como ministro del perdón y de la condonación. Año Santo, conversión, cuerpo místico de Cristo, indulgencias, son términos intimamente unidos. Para entender el último, es necesario pasar, aunque sea someramente por los otros tres.

Al anunciar el "don de la indulgencia", el documento de la Sagrada Penitenciaría Apostólica dice que ha sido concedido "para confirmar el espíritu de reconciliación y renovación propios de este Año Santo".

Lo más importante en la economía cristiana es una auténtica conversión a Dios según el Evangelio. Es a lo que tiende el Año Santo tanto en el orden personal como comunitario: "conversión y reconciliación. El cristiano tratará, pues, en este año de "poner su casa en orden". Cosa ardua y dificultosa, porque aunque el hombre se arrepienta la conversión suele ser imperfecta.

Pero en esta tarea, el hombre no está solo. No es una hoja solitaria sino más bien la rama de un árbol vivo, o mejor todavía un miembro del Cuerpo místico de Cristo. Una misteriosa solidaridad lo une a todos los demás miembros en el bien, como participación vital de la gracia y por tanto de los méritos de Cristo. Esta participación este intercambio o "transfusión" de ayuda recíproca entre todos los miembros se realiza porque "todos somos un solo cuerpo... y miembros el uno del otro" (1 Cor. 12, 27). Esta solidaridad y participación vital hace que los miembros más santos obtengan gracias y dones de conversión y de purificación para los menos santos.

Por otra parte la función de "atar y desatar", de perdonar los pecados, instituida por Cristo y

otorgada a su Iglesia, interviene también en la economía del intercambio entre los miembros del Cuerpo místico. Por eso, después de perdonar los pecados en el sacramento de la penitencia, la Iglesia, por el mismo "poder de las llaves" (Mat. 16, 19), siempre ha entendido y entiende que puede ayudar a sus miembros más necesitados con el don generoso de la "remisión de la pena" de los pecados, o si se prefiere con una aplicación de la gracia purificadora de Cristo que actúa en la comunión de los santos mediante la indulgencia.

En el caso del Año Santo, la indulgencia plenaria es el signo y el medio de la remisión total del pecado y de sus consecuencias interiores. La obtienen todos aquellos que apartándose de todo "afecto al pecado", se dejan renovar plenamente en Cristo por la gracia del Espíritu Santo. Esos "signos" o condiciones requeridas para ganar la indulgencia son las impuestas por la Sagrada Penitenciaría Apostólica y concretadas por los episcopados locales.

Brevemente: en el sacramento de la penitencia se perdona el pecado como ruptura del hombre con Dios, se establece la reconciliación del pecador con el Padre. Pero persiste la pena temporal del pecado. La indulgencia, gracias a la aplicación de los méritos de Cristo, de la Santísima Virgen y de los santos, elimina también esa pena temporal, o sea significa la remisión total del pecado.

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LECTOR: La respuesta de hoy será "Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

1. Que tu Santa Iglesia Católica, viviendo una nueva vida en Cristo, se cuente entre los diez justos de Abraham para salvar al mundo de la destrucción de Sodoma y Gomorra, oremos al Señor.

2. Que los jefes de estado de todo el mundo den mejor ejemplo de honestidad e integridad y que encuentren soluciones a los apremiantes problemas de los pobres, oremos al Señor.

3. Que nosotros mismos aprendamos a rezar con perseverancia, para recibir con más abundancia la luz del Espíritu Santo, oremos al Señor.

4. Que el Año Santo alcance el éxito de lograr la reconciliación de los hombres con Dios, y la reconciliación de los hombres entre sí y la reconciliación con nosotros mismos, oremos al Señor.

5. Que el pueblo de Dios sea librado de los horrores de la guerra, protegido de los huracanes y las inclemencias del tiempo, oremos al Señor.

CELEBRANTE: Padre Celestial, aunque a veces lo olvidamos, nosotros no podemos vivir sin ti. Por favor, danos el Espíritu Santo de Tu Hijo, para que pensemos y actuemos rectamente. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Cristo.

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Format for reciting rosary unchanged

WASHINGTON — (NC) — The traditional format for the rosary — three parts of five decades each, with meditation on the traditional 15 mysteries — is not to be changed when the rosary is recited publicly, according to a letter sent to the U.S. bishops by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) here.

In a brief letter Cardinal John Krol of Philadelphia, NCCB president, explained to the bishops that a clarification was needed because "in recent months there have been a number of requests for permission to experiment with the format of the rosary."

He sent along with the letter a statement by Cardinal John Carberry of St. Louis,

former chairman of the ad hoc committee that prepared the U.S. bishops' pastoral on Our Lady, "Behold Your Mother," explaining that the pastoral letter was not intended to initiate changes in the format of the rosary when it is prayed publicly.

Paragraph 97 of the pastoral letter "did contemplate further development in private recitation of the rosary of various mysteries." Cardinal Carberry wrote, "This was intended and suggested to give greater flexibility and freedom for personal meditation but always within the framework of the traditional 15 mysteries."

According to Cardinal Carberry's explanation, the requests for experimentation

seemed to be based primarily on an action by the Concilium of the Legion of Mary in Dublin, Ireland.

In February 1974 the Concilium authorized the Legion of Mary in the United States to experiment with a four-decade rosary in place of the usual five, and with two additional groups of mysteries entitled the Hopeful Mysteries and the Mysteries of Oblation (or Offering).

With a four-decade rosary and five sets of mysteries, the total number of mysteries under the proposed experiment would have been 20.

Cardinal Carberry said it was the consensus of the ad hoc committee that had draft-

ed the pastoral letter, that "the pastoral letter on Our Lady did not intend experimentation with new mysteries in the public recitation of the rosary."

"Actually," he continued, "in accordance with the recent directives contained in the (Vatican's) Directory on the Pastoral Ministry of Bishops any change in the mysteries of the rosary is not to take place without consultation with the episcopal conference and the Holy See."

He quoted a portion of the Vatican directives which said that appropriate consultation was required for any such change "in view of the universal use made of this prayer."

Greets cardinal, age 90

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI, enroute to his summer residence at Castelgandolfo July 17, stopped off briefly at the home of Cardinal Alberto di Jorio to wish him a "happy birthday for tomorrow" (July 18). The cardinal, a native of Rome, is 90 years old.

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