



REPLACE 'HELL' WITH 'HELP'—Pledges of the Phi Kappa Theta fraternity at Indiana University, Bloomington, turned the traditional "hell week" of helping into "help week" by painting two educational rooms in the First Christian Church of Bloomington. Dr. Howard Anderson, senior minister of First Christian, and Miss Dorothy Ault, religious education director of the church, are shown at the right expressing their gratitude to the students. During the same day the pledges toured the church and heard Dr. Anderson speak on the history and beliefs of his church.

# Pope, Anglican head pledge unity efforts

By JAMES C. O'NEILL

ROME — Pope Paul VI and Anglican Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury ended their historic meetings in Rome with a joint statement announcing the intention of the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion to begin a "serious dialogue which . . . may lead to that unity in truth for which Christ prayed."

The joint statement, read both in Latin and English, was greeted by warm applause by more than 5,000 people gathered in the basilica of St. Peter outside the walls on the morning of March 24.

At the end of the readings, the Pope and the Anglican primate exchanged a kiss of peace and copies of the statement. Then they turned together to pause in a moment of prayer before the tomb of St. Peter which is under the basilica's main altar. The Pope gave his blessing in Latin. Then side by side they walked down the main aisle of the church with cheers and applause greeting them as they passed.

**THE ENORMOUS** bronze doors at the end of the basilica swung back, and brilliant spring sunshine flooded the church's entrance porch. Outside, the two religious leaders embraced again, and then Pope Paul in an unexpected gesture removed his ring from his finger and fitted it on to Dr. Ramsey's finger. The Pope's ring was gold set with an emerald in a center which was a small golden cross inset with small diamonds.

Parting with smiles and cordial good wishes, the two drove off in separate cars. Archbishop and Dr. Ramsey to make a courtesy visit to the offices of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, which had arranged many of the details of his three-day visit.

In the afternoon of the previous day, Dr. Ramsey had visited St. Peter's basilica and the center of the church's special interest to England. He also stopped to pray before the tomb of Pope John (Continued on page 9)



## AT ND CONFERENCE

# Speakers map 'new theology'

By RUSSELL SHAW

A special feature of the week-long meeting (March 20-23) was that many of the speakers were the same men who for four years labored to help produce the council's constitutions and decrees. Names on the speakers' roster read almost like a who's who in contemporary Catholic theology: Rahner, Congar, de Lubac, Murray, Haering and others.

The conference had its dead spots. In the early part of the week there was grumbling about several things—that there was too little time allowed for discussion after the presentation of prepared papers, that controversial questions seemed somehow to be floating off into the blue without being confronted and answered, that speakers were engaging in mere exegesis of the council texts instead of pinpointing out their implications for the future.

FATHER Albert L. Schiltzer, S.C., the conference executive chairman and head of Notre Dame's theology department, implicitly acknowledged the latter criticism by several times publicly urging participants to face the issue of "where do we go from here?"

As the week wore on, his plea was answered. In large part this was due to the active participation of the non-Catholics, who frequently provided the

alternate points of view and dissenting voices required to spark fruitful dialogue.

No meeting, perhaps, could have lived up to the advance expectations engendered by the one with the larger corps of speakers and panelists, its intense coverage by an eager press corps, its closed-circuit telecasts of major sessions to audiences in half a dozen cities.

But if the conference was not quite what Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, called it at the opening session—"the greatest theological event in the western hemisphere in our times"—it was in any case a significant examination of the current status of Catholicism in the West. It also provided considerable enlightenment about theology's possible future.

**SUMMARIZING** the conference is well-nigh impossible. Here, however, are some highlights:

1) **Theology of the Church.** The council's Constitution on the Church was hailed as a landmark in ecclesiology. Of particular importance, it was agreed, is its rediscovery of the concept of the Church as the People of God.

Father Henri de Lubac, S.J., of France, author of "The Splendor of the Church" and many other works, linked the reality of the People of God to the teaching of the Fathers of the Church, who emphasize the "reality of a universal priestly common to all the baptized."

Canon Charles Moeller of Belgium, newly named undersecretary of the Vatican's Doctrinal Commission—the former Holy Office—said the notion of the "universal priesthood" of the faithful establishes the threefold dignity, sacerdotal, royal and prophetic, in which all Christians, lay and clerical, share.

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Yale University had praise for many elements of the Constitution on the Church. But he said, from a Protestant point of view it is an ambiguous document that can be read in either a progressive or conservative sense.

Commenting on this, Father Burghardt assured him of Catholic solidarity in the western theology of the Church. He said Catholic theologians believe in it and, furthermore, Catholic seminaries students "simply will not stand for" a return to old-line theology.

2) **The role of laymen in the Church.** Father Yves Congar, O.P., of France analyzed the relationship of laymen and bishops and said bishops should "listen" to the laity and leave them a considerable amount of freedom and of initiative.

In reply to a question, Father Congar said there is an "obligation for authority in the Church to consult laymen. But while this is a 'strict' obligation, it is not a 'legal' or 'juridical' obligation, he said.

Father Bernard Haering, C.S.S.R., German moral theologian, discussed the concept of the "universal vocation to sanctity." He said it does not "diminish the special vocation of priests and Religious but simply underlines the fact that their special vocation to holiness is total service."

**THE QUESTION** of ordaining women as deaconesses and even as priests was raised at the session at which Fathers Congar and Haering spoke.

Father Congar said he regrets the limited priesthood to men as part of the divine plan for the Church. Father Haering, however, was less sure and said he would "not want to close the door on" the idea of women priests.

Father Godfrey Diekmann, O.S.B., of St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn., editor of Worship magazine, saw the "underscoring of the dignity and role of the laity" as one of the major contributions of the Constitution on the Liturgy.

3) **Relations with non-Catholics.** The Constitution on page 9

## Concelebration set for Holy Thursday

In an historic liturgical event, Archbishop Schulte will concelebrate the Sacred Liturgy with the deans of the nine deaneries in Holy Thursday services at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

The deans, along with three other pastors and the archpriest for the ceremonies, will celebrate the traditional Holy Thursday Mass for the first time with the Archbishop according to the norms of the revised liturgical practices.

**ANOTHER** innovation this year will be the inclusion of the deacons and subdeacons from the Indianapolis area in the ceremonies. A complete list of participants will be found on this page.

The Archbishop will also bless the Holy Oils, which will be distributed to the clergy following the 9:30 a.m. services in the Cathedral.

On the previous Sunday — Palm Sunday — Archbishop Schulte will bless the traditional palms prior to the 11 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral. The custom will be followed in all parishes throughout the Archdiocese.

The principal Mass on Holy Thursday will again be offered in parish churches during the evening hours. Larger parishes are expected to schedule an extra morning Mass and possibly a second evening Mass depending upon the needs of the parish.

Holy Communion may only be distributed during Mass on Holy Thursday and not at any other time. Similarly, distribution of Holy Communion on Good Friday will be limited to the solemn liturgical service on that day.

The Indianapolis Chapter, Knights of Columbus, will again sponsor the annual outdoor Way of the Cross on the World War Memorial Plaza in downtown Indianapolis at 12:15 on Good Friday. In charge of arrangements are members of St. Joseph's Council 5290, Knights of Columbus.

**ST. JOHN'S** Church in downtown Indianapolis has scheduled the Good Friday liturgy from noon to 3 p.m., with Way of the Cross devotions and the reading of the Passion at 7:45 p.m.

Way of the Cross and other liturgical services will be held at St. Mary's Church downtown from noon to 3 p.m. The Way of the Cross devotions will again be held at 5:30 p.m.

Graduates of the program, one of the first five associate degree programs to be accredited by the National League for Nursing, will be eligible to take examinations for licensing as registered nurses.

## St. Francis to cooperate in program

BEECH GROVE, Ind. — St. Francis Hospital here, which will receive \$32 million from the United Hospital Fund Campaign currently underway in Marion County, has announced participation in a two-year associate degree program in nursing.

Three hospitals will cooperate with Purdue University's Indianapolis Regional Campus in the nursing education venture, designed to ease the anticipated shortage of professional staff members created by the expansion of hospital facilities.

Collaborating with Purdue will be St. Francis, Marion County General Hospital and Winona Memorial Hospital. Thirty students will be admitted to the program in September, 1966. Academic classes will be taken at Purdue's Regional Campus. Clinical work at the three hospitals.

Miss Patricia A. Walker, professor of nursing at Purdue's campus in West Lafayette, has been named to direct the program in Indianapolis. She is a graduate of St. Vincent's School of Nursing and holds nursing degrees from both Indiana and St. Louis universities.

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## St. Meinrad parley explores education

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—The efforts of ecumenism in American Catholic education were explored in depth by a score of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish scholars and educators here during a three-day conference sponsored by the American Benedictine Academy.

Principal papers were presented by a representative of scholars to stimulate discussion of the issues by the invited conference participants.

Very Rev. Colman Barry, O.S.B., president of St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn., told the group that educational adaptation to the needs of the day "must be accomplished while safeguarding the essentials of tradition."

A genuine respect for honest and thorough study was cited by Father Barry as fundamental to achieving the goals. He added that renewal must come from "sound intellectual training, especially in Scriptural, theological and historical learning."

The National Council of the Churches of Christ, said that ecumenical education is not a problem peculiar to the Roman Catholic Church. All of the current religious educational materials and methods are placed in question by the present ecumenical situation, he said.

"The central concern for the Christian in the ecumenical movement is to stimulate and to be faithful of our present preaching in the world."

According to Rev. Norgren, it is crucial to the ecumenical movement that Christian education be renewed.

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**HONORED**—Charles E. Stimming, former president of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholicism, was one of three persons named to receive the 1966 Brotherhood Awards given by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. The formal presentation of the awards will be given April 28. Other recipients include Mrs. Jack A. Goodman and Willis E. Conover, both of Indianapolis. Stimming is a member of St. Joam of Arc parish.

After a 10-minute break for refreshments, the St. Joam of Arc members assembled in the "sanctuary" again for a closing question-and-answer period conducted by Paul McClure.

**SAMPLE** Questions: Do Methodists baptize by sprinkling, and immersion or laying on of hands? (Answer: All three methods are used.) Why is "My Favorite Marian" seemed thus a statue of the Blessed

Virgin in your church? (Answer: We Methodists do not venerate Mary in the same way as Catholics do.) How many sacraments do the Methodists have? (Answer: Two—Baptism and the Lord's Supper.) Why don't you have kneeling benches in your church? (Answer: During our services worshippers sit or stand.)

A reminder by Father Schneider that most of the youngsters still had homework to do brought the session to a close.

As we walked out into the chill night air to board the bus again, I could not help but feel that what I had witnessed in a small way was the narrowing of a chasm—the building of a bridge, if you will, between young separated Christians, and such television diversions as "The Smothers Brothers" and "My Favorite Martian" seemed pitifully unimportant.

## ECUMENISM IN ACTION

# Our teen-agers are building bridges

By FRED W. FRIES

Catholic teen-agers in the Archdiocese are busy these days building ecumenical bridges.

Typical of the visits being made by the Junior CYO units, non-Catholic churches was that made last Sunday by 15 members of the Junior CYO unit from St. Joan of Arc parish, Indianapolis to the North Methodist Church at 38th and Meridian Sts.

Following such television delectations as "The Smothers Brothers" and "My Favorite Martian," they boarded the parish school bus shortly after nightfall with Father Donald Schmitt, CYO moderator, at the wheel. Joining the ecumenical excursion were a half-dozen adult parishioners, including this writer and Mrs. LeRoy Ramsey, Junior CYO coordinator.

Past interfaith hosts to the group have included the Indian Hebrew Congregation, the Ebenezer Lutheran Church and Holy Trinity Orthodox Church.

**AT NORTH** Methodist were greeted warmly by Paul McClure, who serves as the church's Director of Education. He outlined the evening's program and then escorted us into the "sanctuary," as he called it, where we were privileged to witness the weekly worship service for youth, attended by some 40 teen-age members of the Youth Fellowship group.

The service was conducted by the youngsters themselves with no clergyman present. One of the girls mounted the marble pulpit and gave a scriptural reading. The brief service closed with the teen-agers kneeling at the altar rail for silent meditation.

After the worship service, the

young visitors were conducted down a labyrinth of corridors lined with classrooms and centers of parish activity to a large assembly room, where they joined their new Methodist friends in viewing a film on the crucifixion and resurrection (The half-hour film was the concluding one in a Lenten series of the life of Christ.)

What followed was one of the most impressive features of our visit. Our group was invited to join hands with the other fellow's viewpoint.

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SIGNS OF SPRING—Belying the recent nippy weather, this photograph attests to the fact that spring is actually here, and can summer be far behind? The two horses are recent additions to the CYO camp scene, and were donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Conaue of Kansas. (Their son Ron is a Marian College senior.) The ladies holding the brides are Mrs. Virginia Schreiner, left, Girls' Camping Director at Rhea Framas, and Mrs. Pepo: Kidwell, Riding Instructor.

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THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Pope urges on wise use of communications media



MARIAN MEDALISTS—The five young ladies shown above with Archbishop Schulte were among more than 270 from the Archdiocese who received the coveted Marian Award at St. Lawrence parish, Indianapolis, last Sunday. The girls are, left to right: Cheryl Bailey, Little Flower parish, Campfire Girls; Clare Bryan, St. Catherine parish; Jenny Catholic Daughters of America; Ann Delaney, Holy Name parish, Beech Grove; and twins, Connie and Carol Heine, St. Margaret Mary parish, Terre Haute—all Girl Scouts.

The Vatican

◆ Pope Paul VI expressed "profound and brotherly affection" for Patriarch Athanasios of Constantinople in a letter sent to the Orthodox primate on his 80th birthday. The French-language letter in the Pope's own handwriting also recalled the meeting with the patriarch during his trip to the Holy Land in 1964.

◆ Speaking at a parish church in Rome's Tiburtino district, Pope Paul revived the anguish of those who he and Pope Plus XII walked through the burning rubble of that quarter to bring Christian consolation to victims of an air raid. He also recalled how Pope Plus, bloodstains on his white cassock, mounted a pile of rubble to speak to the people and recited the Our Father with them. The visit was Pope Paul's last to a parish church during the current Lenten season.

◆ At an audience granted to communications experts, Pope Paul said the wise use of mass media for evangelism is the Catholic Church's top priority. The Pontifical Commission for

Communications Media. They met in Rome to prepare a pastoral instruction to implement the ecumenical council's communications decree. Pope Paul said that implementation of the document was to be his principal work.

◆ By mutual agreement with the government of Iran, the Holy See has raised its diplomatic representation in that country from an internunciature to that of a pro-nunciature, that is, from the rank of a legation to that of an embassy. The present incumbent, Archbishop Salvatore Asta, will retain his post with the new title of pro-nuncio.

At home

◆ LOS ANGELES—An official of the Los Angeles Urban League said that the Catholic archdiocese job finding program is opening doors, changing minds and benefiting the community. Calvin Harper, director of job development and placement for the Urban League, said the five-media program has "established a number of solid relationships where these did not exist before." The job finding program was instituted last fall

after consultations between executive director Wesley Brazier and Cardinal James Francis McIntyre of Los Angeles. The archdiocese bureau has found 1,800 job offers for clients of the Urban League, the California State Department of Employment serving the Watts area, and several other agencies.

◆ SEATTLE, Wash.—Archbishop Thomas A. Conroy and the Catholic Interracial Council here have come out strongly behind a two-day boycott of public schools called for March 31 and April 1 by civil rights organizations protesting school segregation. A petition issued by the CIC, with Archbishop Conroy's support, maintained that "the gross inequality in a segregated education fully justify a boycott as an attempt to bring about more equal educational opportunities."

◆ RAYTOWN, Mo.—A Catholic school's right to expel five children from a segregated school here drew primary because of the actions of their mother was upheld here by a circuit court enjoining a prayer group's attempts to be the first of its kind against a Catholic school in this country. Mrs. Velma segregation took court action to reinstate her children in our Lady of Lourdes parish school following their expulsion by the pastor, Father Michael McElroy, on March 4. The defense maintained that Mrs. Gruber interfered with discipline in the school by "harassment" of the school staff and diocesan school office with complaints and by refusing to encourage her children to follow school rules.

ended to cut or discontinue state salaries to priests who refuse to take part in the communist-backed "peace priest" movement. According to KNA, the German Catholic news agency, the salaries of some priests in the diocese of Gyor have already been cut. State subsidies are particularly important for the priests in Hungary, where other money-raising channels have been closed to them.

◆ Poland's communist government has ordered a nationwide in the issuing of visas so as to keep to a minimum the number of foreigners able to join in the main celebration of the millennium of Poland as a Christian nation. It was asserted in Bonn. The German news agency said that the foreign ministry in Warsaw has sent instructions to this effect to all embassies, legations and consulates throughout the world.

◆ LAGOS, Nigeria — A court here has granted a temporary injunction restraining two Anglican bishops from "unlawfully enjoining away or depriving those of those of Catholics of South-West Methodist leaders to dissolve nam.

the Methodist Church of Nigeria without the consent of every member of the Olowogbo Methodist Church." The court action highlighted what appears to be one of the chief difficulties in the union of Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, which was to have taken place last December.

◆ SAIGON — Growing dissatisfaction by politically oriented Buddhists with the present military government of South Vietnam appears to have been bolstered by the regime's condemnation of an outspoken Catholic priest. There were demonstrations against the rule of the present prime minister, Air Vice Marshal Nguyen Cao Ky, in various cities (March 27-28,000 Buddhists taking part in a protest march in the northern provincial capital of Hue alone. Father Hoang Quynh, 66, active in anti-government agitation since last spring, has been disavowed by Archbishop Paul Nguyen Van Binh of Saigon. The archbishop said that the priest's ideas do not represent those of Catholics of South Vietnam.

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Nine Catholic schools win Science Fair awards

Four Catholic high schools and five Catholic elementary schools were represented by students in the Central Indiana Science Fair held last Saturday at Indiana Central College, Indianapolis. Nearly 600 Catholic school exhibits were entered in competition. Sacred Heart Central and Breunert Preparatory School students placed the Catholic winners with ten and eight award winners, respectively. Sacred Heart Central—Theresa Gambrell, Marion County Medical Society's biology award, second place in the senior division award of the Indiana Psychological Association, and third place award in the 10th grade Science Club; Yvonne Burns, second place in 10th grade biological; Joanne Gambrell, U.S. Army Science award in mathematics; Carole Goebes, first place in the 10th grade Science Club; Cathy Laker, second place in 10th grade Science Club; and Susan Mooney, first place in 12th grade biological. Breunert—John Peterson, winner of a week's visit to ships and installations of the U.S. Navy, and first place in 10th grade Science Club; James Peterson, third place in ninth grade physical science; Claude Worrel, second place in 11th grade physical science; Kenneth Levin, senior division winner of the Alpha Chi Sigma Chemical Fraternity award; Mark Wyss, American Society of Metals award; Joseph Horn, U.S. Army Science award in chemistry; and Vaughn Overstreet, \$25 U.S. Bond given by Indiana Section of the Society for Applied Spectroscopy. Ladywood—Charles Hilgert and Maurine Elliott, U.S. Army Science award in medicine; the Kevans, said at PAVLA Joanne Klein, second place in

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CHICAGO—a series of five regional meetings across the nation has been launched by the PAVLA Volunteers for Latin American review and strength in its program, PAVLA announced here.

Father Raymond A. Kevane, national director of the volunteer program, will meet with 120 local directors and members of their lay advisory boards.

The first meeting was held in Seattle (March 21). Others will be in Omaha, March 23; Detroit, April 19; Washington, D.C., April 25.

Discussion will center on the progress made in the past year and the coordinating of activities between the U.S. and Latin American dioceses in order to best serve Latin America, Father Kevane said at PAVLA headquarters here.

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Archbishop's Schedule

- Unless otherwise specified, the following appointments are for Confirmation: Sunday, April 3—Blessing of palms at Cathedral, 11 a.m. Thursday, April 7—Consecration of Holy oils at Cathedral, 9:30 a.m. Sunday, April 10—Pontifical Mass at Cathedral, 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 13—Universal Notre Dame Night at Indianapolis Athletic Club, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 17—Indianapolis: St. Plus X, 2 p.m.; St. Luke, 4 p.m.; Immaculate Heart, 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 18—National Institute on Religion and Race Convention Banquet, 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 19—St. Thomas, Fortville, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20—ACCW Convention, Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis. Thursday, April 21—ACCW Convention, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 22—D of I Convention Banquet, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 24—Indianapolis: St. Monica, 2 p.m.; St. Joan of Arc, 4 p.m.; St. Michael, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 28—Red Mass, St. Mary's, Indianapolis. Sunday, May 1—Ordinations.

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Linguistics TOKYO — An American Missioned in Bolivia came to Tokyo during his vacation to learn Japanese. Father William Marley, M.M., of Maiden, Mass., explained that the language will help him deal with two colonies of Japanese-speaking Chinawans who live in the Santa Cruz, Bolivia, diocese. Three Japanese nuns were assigned to the Bolivia mission 18 months ago.

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Comment

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Getting at smut

The United States Supreme Court, in its latest rulings, appears to have made a major step forward in clearing up some of the confusion about obscenity.

How to combat smut without trampling on the constitutional rights of the individual or doing violence to the world of legitimate art and self-expression has long been one of the most troublesome problems in the whole field of law.

In a landmark decision in 1957, Roth vs. the United States, the high court ruled that only "obscene" material remains unprotected by the First Amendment to the Constitution.

But what is "obscene"? The court's yardstick of obscenity has been "whether to the average persons, applying contemporary community standards, the dominant theme of the material taken as a whole appeals to prurient interest" and whether a work is "patently offensive" and "utterly without redeeming social value."

This flexible ruling, subject by its very wording to an infinite variety of interpretations, naturally has led to confusion and unfortunate consequences.

On the one extreme, there have been harsh or foolish efforts to repress legitimate works. On the other extreme, there has been a sickening increase in bold and open smut peddling; moral murderers obviously have felt confident that smart lawyers could get them off the hook, no matter what they purveyed.

And in the gray area of moderation, many good citizens concerned with the nation's moral health often have found frustration attending their efforts.

Now, however, the Supreme Court has upheld a lower court's prison sentence of a kingpin in the distribution of obscenity and another court's sentence of a bookseller found guilty of peddling books found to be indecent.

In both cases, the majority opinions delivered by Justice William J. Brennan cited the Roth case yardstick. But the majority added something new, too. It pointed to the use of "filleting advertisements" and the presentation of "graphic material openly advertised to appeal to the erotic interest of customers." It also condemned "the leer of the sensualist" in advertising.

One effect of the court's findings is to convince doubters that the so-called Roth test, indeed, can be effectively and fairly applied by an inspection of material in question.

The other, and more important, effect is that the brazen and blatant advertising or display of material unlikely to pass the Roth test can conceivably lead to stern punishment. According to news reports, this already has had a chastening effect in many cities where sewer gangs had been running wide open. Now they're beginning to run scared.

Perhaps the Supreme Court has found a way of getting at arrogant, undisguised, unmitigated filth without molesting the arts or free freedom of expression—which as the great Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, doesn't include the right to yell "Fire!" in a crowded theater.

Meanwhile, would-be book burners and witch hunters would be well-advised that nothing the high court has done encourages efforts to blue-pencil Shakespeare or remove nude paintings from the National Gallery of Art.

Building a bridge

"Your steps do not resound in a strange house."

So Pope Paul greeted Archbishop Michael Ramsey last week during the first formal exchange of address between Rome and Canterbury in more than five centuries.

The "house" was worthy of the words and the occasion. The Pontiff and the Anglican primate sat in the Sistine Chapel beneath Michelangelo's magnificent canopy, the fresco history of God's relationship to man.

The voices fulfilled a hope born of a brief encounter five years earlier.

The courteous call of Dr. Ramsey's predecessor, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, on Pope John had deeply moved the Christian world.

Now the three-day visit of the present Archbishop, given its careful observance of formality and protocol, gives official confirmation to stirrings of mutual friendship and concordance.

The historic meeting was marked throughout by the magnanimity of the two great church leaders, by their profoundly touching efforts to ease the pain of centuries of separation.

Neither man glossed over those basic differences which still divide. A common declaration took note that "serious obstacles stand in the way of a restoration of complete communion of faith and sacramental life."

But as the world watched, the two met, prayed together in common worship and exchanged the kisses of peace. They vowed wholehearted co-operation and collaboration in exploring areas of mutual understanding and faith.

The significance of the joyous events of the past week already has been felt throughout the Christian community.

But the future holds the full consequences of the fraternal meeting. With the help of God and the charity of men, it may serve as a benchmark on the road to unity for future generations.

Is this America?

No one is so left out of things, so bereft of natural rights to love and compassion as the homeless child.

In poor, primitive countries these children, with no one able or willing to care for them, are left to starve in the streets. Not so in rich, civilized America.

Here such children are cared for in private or state orphanages. Many are adopted by couples whose goodness and mercy prompt them to share their homes.

Why There Are Wars



QUESTION BOX

Asks ecumenical question

By MSGR. J. D. CONWAY

Q. My husband is not a Catholic. He did go to church with me for some time when we were first married. Then one Christmas he asked me to go to church with him. I told him I was not allowed to participate in the services at his church. Since that day he has not attended Mass with me.

Now that church is in the "Ecumenical Age," he has been reading the different articles in the paper about it. I have a feeling that he may want to test "it" or "me."

If he asks, may I attend, for instance at Christmas or some other special occasion? If so, how far do I go? Sing with them? Join in prayer?

I know I could never change my religion; it's part of me. It is me. I hope and pray someday it will be part of him. But what do I do now?

I knew when I married that we would have problems to face, but this ecumenical movement seems to be giving me new problems.

A. I may also offer new solutions for old problems. You can blame your husband for ceasing to go to Mass with you. It was accommodating himself to your wishes every Sunday, and you could not grant a similar wish of his even on Christmas.

Certainly we must carefully avoid religious indifference; so there must be prudent limits as to how often you should accompany your husband to his church. But on the other hand marriage is said to be an arrangement of give and take on a 50-50 basis. Satisfactory results will seldom be attained when the division is 100 to 0. Without violating your own conscience you must show respect and consideration for your husband's religious convictions and traditions.

We in you do go to his church for special occasions you are not constrained to sit there like old stone face exuding an aura of righteous disdain. There should be some good Christian hymns and prayers in which you can join. You can stand at the altar when the others do. If they read the Gospel you should show respect for the Lord's word. If they recite the Apostles Creed you will probably find it identical with the one you know.

You as a Catholic do not attend the Protestant church for purpose of your own personal worship, but when you are there you need not disdain the honest Christian worship which is being offered by those around you.

Q. I go to a Catholic high school and have a priest as my religion teacher. We were talking about God being all-powerful. Father asked us if it would be possible for God to make a square circle. Almost everyone in the class agreed that it would be possible if He wanted to do it. Our priest was the one who disagreed. He claimed that it was an absurdity and impossible. But we feel that a square circle just seems impossible to us, and that God is all-powerful.

One such couple is the Rev. and Mrs. Albert Cohen, of Fullerton, Calif. The Cohens—he is a Congregationalist minister—have four children of their own. When they decided to adopt another, they chose a Negro baby.

The Cohens were warned that their "mixed" family would cause trouble. Fortunately there are many instances in which such families are heartily endorsed in many communities, including Indianapolis. But some residents of Los Angeles County objected strenuously. It was "Watts in reverse," according to Rev. Cohen.

For one year this white couple cared for their Negro child. And for one year they endured emotional and physical harassment, property damage and threats against the lives of all their children.

In desperation, they finally gave up and returned the baby to the adoption agency.

The baby still will be fed, clothed and housed; for out of an infant nation we have just low civilization we claim to be when a helpless baby is denied family and home because hate demands love be doled out according to color?

Vietnam history

To the Editor:

I quote from your lead editorial of March 18: "South Vietnam has been a bloody, corrupt little dictatorship ever since it was created from the downfall of French Indochina." Can such sweeping charges be proved?

Marguerite Higgins, prize-winning journalist and expert on the Far East, extended her search on the administration of President Ngo Dinh Diem of Vietnam and his assassination. His story is published in a book, "Our Vietnam Nightmare." She discovered that he was smeared by the United States press.

Peter Howard, British journalist, author and leader of Moral Re-Armament before his death, knew Diem personally and said of him, "I can say from my knowledge of the man that the stories that he was some kind of Fascist beast living in the midst of a corrupt regime among people who hated him is a lie."

The American people were told that Catholic Diem persecuted the Buddhists. Actually out of 4,000 pagodas in the country, 12 were closed. Not one Buddhist was killed in the closing of them. David Halberstam of the New York Times who wrote much on Diem said after his death, "The Buddhist campaign was always political. This was a political ploy under a religious banner." Buddhist innovations were not new in Diem's time as either Vietnam or other countries.

Marguerite Higgins says, "... under the post-Diem military junta, which was dominated by Buddhists and which had seized power in the name of an end to persecution there were more suicides and fire in the streets than had ever been the case in a similar interval under President Diem." However, these did not make the headlines.

Trich Tri Quang was the Buddhist leader who engineered the anti-Diem campaign. He admitted being a member of the Viet-Minh Communist Liberation Front. In an interview with Marguerite Higgins he said his purpose in the agitation was, "It might help the Communist to victory."

The editorial suggests that any reformed government in Vietnam might need a "permanent American overlordship." This is ironic, considering that the United States is largely responsible for the destruction of Vietnam's most stable, successful administration.

Diem fought for reform in his country. He was a devout Christian, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi and himself a leader of Indian youth. He did not want a perfect man. Neither was he religious. But Diem did as he told me, "to saturate the country with Moral Re-Armament. He understood the heart of the matter—that the people of Vietnam wanted a revolution superior to Communism. Gen.issimo Minh, who headed the military junta that succeeded Diem said, "Diem could not be allowed to live because he was too respected among simple, gullible people in the countryside."

Yet, his government was intruded against by forces in the United States government. Marguerite Higgins was very specific in her charges.

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OPINIONS

variety, it is just as militantly atheistic. The churches in China have been closed, the clergy murdered, imprisoned or exiled, and the faithful persecuted.

Now, I read the editorial in question to advocate that the "outlets" of little dictatorship" of South Vietnam be abandoned to the local variety of Communism. The editorial writer apparently has a conversation with the million Catholics who abandoned their homes in North Vietnam in 1954 and fled south to escape Communism, or about the other inhabitants of that unfortunate country.

While Communism may mean different things in different countries, it has uniformly meant religious persecution in the countries suffering under its yoke. I shall pose the same type of question to the writer of the editorial that he posed to Father John Doran: What does he have to say about the prospect of the survival of religious freedom in South Vietnam under Communism of any variety?

The editorial writer also ignored history in his assertion that "there is no indication of any kind of American military victory there could effect any sort of genuine reform without permanent American overlordship." The Kuomintang regime survives on Taiwan. The churches there are open, and religion is free. The economy has made such progress that American economic aid has been terminated, and there has been genuine reform without permanent overlordship.

Raps editorial

To the Editor:

The editorial in your March 18th issue entitled "Democracy" indicates to me that the writer of that editorial has learned nothing from the history of the recent past.

In the 1940's there were those who were convinced that the Chinese Communists were merely agrarian reformers and were to be welcomed to the mainland under the banner of Chiang Kai-shek. We were persuaded by their arguments to let the mainland of China fall to the local "variety" of Communism. But while the Chinese variety of Communism may be different from the Russian

also in part an adjustment to the reality of life under the Occupation. The Christians had to live in the shadow of their own might find the secret of their success. In addition, for job or influence seekers, it was a country of intense mass movements. People live close together and act in a highly organized way to sociological purposes. Outside of other servers.

After World War II, during the Occupation, a great upsurge of interest in Christianity was recorded. Part of it represented a reaction from the injustices which had served Japan so poorly, and with which the traditional beliefs were associated. It was a country of intense mass movements. People live close together and act in a highly organized way to sociological purposes. Outside of other servers.

Japan is making a new look at Christianity, and it seems legitimate to give primary credit to the Vatican Council. This is a country of intense mass movements. People live close together and act in a highly organized way to sociological purposes. Outside of other servers.

Reaction was inevitable when the Japanese regained control of their destinies. It would, of course, be naive to imagine that they have no memories of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Their national pride, nevertheless, does not seem to urge them to restore what was destroyed. They are a people always eager to experiment, and that characteristic has affected their religious response in the 1950s.

Instead of a flourishing of the traditional beliefs, accordingly, new syncretist cults became popular overnight. They are thoroughly Japanese, ethnically, and also a reflection of Christianity in its foreign cultural and philosophical dress could not compete with them. They should be seen, and remain, a major social and political force.

One of the decisions made under the Occupation with which Japan still lives is the rejection of war as an instrument of national policy. In today's atmosphere of tension in Asia, the defenseless Japanese are particularly sensitive to the need for peace. Their experience makes them uniquely conscious of the destructiveness of nuclear war.

When the Vatican Council last fall, in its discussion of Schemm, showed that these issues were equally its concern, it quickly became front-page news. Pope Paul's visit was featured as a further confirmation of the commitment of Catholics to peace, and also an indication of the extent of their influence on world affairs.

Pope Paul has, in addition, won favorable comment for his approaches to non-Christian Japanese religions. He addressed them with respect and satisfaction. (Continued on page 8)

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ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—Bishop John England's "Address Before Congress" 140 years ago has proved one of the most popular of the American Catholic Heritage Recordings being produced here by Father Adrian Fuerst, O.S.B., executive secretary of the American Benedictine Academy and professor of Church history at St. Meinrad's Seminary.

The Irish-born first bishop of Charleston, S.C., was invited to speak before the Congress held in President John Quincy Adams, on Sunday, Jan. 8, 1826. His two-hour address on the nature of religion in general, and an explanation of the tenets of the Catholic Church, has been briefed and edited by Father Fuerst for the recording which is related by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen.

Plan reception for Fatima nuns

INDIANAPOLIS—A reception is planned at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., on Sunday, April 3, from 4 to 6 p.m. in honor of the first American Sisters who have recently arrived to assist in its operation.

Sisters Mary Reginald, Sister Mary Albert and Sister Mary Giovanna, members of the Dominican Congregation of St. Catherine de Ricci, will be introduced to retreatants and guests. Mrs. Louis Krieg is general chairman of the event.

KC sets records in insurance

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—The Knight of Columbus total insurance in force and assets at the close of business December 31, 1965, reached new all-time highs, as shown by the annual report of the society to the Insurance Commissioners of the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico.

The total insurance in force with the 1.2 million-member fraternal organization, increased to \$1,473,525,186 on December 31. This represented a net gain of \$90,357,280—6.68%—over the amount in force at the start of the year.

INDIA: LETTER FROM A PRIEST. THE HOLY FATHER'S MISSION AID TO THE ORIENTAL CHURCH

HELPING THE HELPLESS TO HEAR MASS. The Capuchin priest, Father Anthony, writes us from Muvattupuzha, a growing village in south India: "It's not the young and healthy men I worry about, it's the four million who are old and infirm..."

CONVERTS IN A GROUP. Twenty-six families (about 100 people) became Catholics in a group ceremony in Ayroor, India, last month. They hope to build a chapel and school.

FROM SISTER IN THE U.S.A. Dear Msgr.: We are enclosing a check for \$1,000 for Pope Paul's Mission Aid for Kerala State from our Community...

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BEST SPELLERS—Winners in the annual Tell City Knights of Columbus spelling bee held recently were first row, left to right: Gretchen Kraus, first grade winner; Helen Paulin, second grade; Jeff Hollinden, third grade; Mary Rogier, fourth grade. Second row: Margaret Hubbs, fifth grade; Jackie Simpson, sixth grade; Karen Mahony, seventh grade and Dennis Hubbs, fifth grade, Chairman of the K of C youth activities project is Norman Foerster. He was assisted in the spelling bee project by Fred Eward, St. Paul principal, and Earl Etienne, Grand Knight.

Vatican Council and social reform

By MSGR. GEORGE HIGGINS. The Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World will be of particular interest to Americans working in the field of economic and social reform. It is my impression that, in general, the document is being well received in the United States.

The only people I have met who are completely disoriented with it are those who expected to find in it definite answers to some of the more urgent problems confronting the modern world. Actually, however, as Bishop Mark McGrath of Panama pointed out when he presented the document on the floor of the council last fall, it was never meant to be a handbook of ready-made answers to specific problems.

Bishop McGrath served in the council as the Relator or commission spokesman for the introductory chapter to the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. In this capacity he was called upon to explain to the council fathers the methodology which had been employed in the drafting of the constitution.

Because of the very nature of the document, he pointed out, it was necessary that the real condition of today's world be described at length in general terms, before any judgments were made about it.

This inductive or descriptive methodology, he pointed out,

Bishops, orders to provide link for better harmony

WASHINGTON — U.S. men's religious orders have acted to strengthen their liaison with the nation's bishops by appointment of a three-member committee to meet with episcopal representatives.

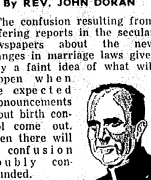
Father Boniface L. Wittenbrink, O.M.I., permanent secretary of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men, said the purpose of the committee is to effect a closer working relationship between the hierarchy and the religious orders as decreed in the document of the Vatican Council, "The Pastoral Office of Bishops in the Church."

Opus Dei. MONTREAL—A new center sponsored by the women's section of Opus Dei to further cultural and spiritual development of women has been inaugurated here by Cardinal Paul Emile LeGardier of Montreal.

WHAT OF THE DAY

Confusion is brewing

By REV. JOHN DORAN. The confusion resulting from differing reports in the secular newspapers about the new changes in marriage laws is only a faint idea of what will happen when the expected pronouncements about birth control come out. Then there will be confusion doubly confounded.



I have, naturally, no advance knowledge of what will be announced at the conclusion of the conference to be held by the new commission of experts. I do know, however, that no matter what decisions they reach and Pope Paul will later announce, they will engender a great deal of confusion and controversy. We may as well be prepared for it.

One part of the perplexity will result from the secular press and radio reporting of the Pope's statement, but this is the lesser part. We should have realized by now that it is most difficult for reporters and papers who are unfamiliar with the Church's laws, and even her manner of speech, to pick up on the fly her weightiest pronouncements.

Even the bishops and the theologians must study these for sometime to understand the full implications of each carefully chosen word. There is bound to be an interval between the announcement and its understanding, and what an interval that will be!

For the aging. ST. LOUIS—A commission on the aging will be proposed for the Louisianan diocese by an arm of the National Catholic Conference of Catholic Charities, the conference's secretary said here. Msgr. Lawrence J. Corcoran of Washington, D.C., led a charities meeting that the problems of the aging and of juvenile delinquents are two areas in need of immediate concentrated attention.

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trine: its constancy and its development. The Church must remain constant to the deposit of Faith given her by God through His revelation. The Church must understand this deposit better and express it more fully as human knowledge grows deeper and more complex.

To start with a rather poor, but perhaps illustrative example. The Popes never had occasion to discuss the morality of driving in traffic until the automobile came on the scene and became an agent of mass mayhem on our roads. The pronouncements came when scientific progress put the temptations of fast or careless driving into our lives.

So, too, with birth control. When birth control was a simple interruption of a human act by an action or by some mechanical or medicinal device, there was no doubt that it was an unnatural act. This the Popes stated quite clearly. But scientific progress has brought many more elements into the picture, and elements which cannot be quite so clearly seen as unnatural.

Many new and different medicines have been discovered and devised in the matter of birth prevention and regulation. Are all of these against the natural law, or may some of them, which are prolongations of natural

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conditions by means of medicine, be according to the natural law? These are not easy questions. Arguments can be made, and are made, on both sides. The commission has been called to consider all these arguments. One thing is sure: the Church will not be reversing itself. It may come up with unexpected answers because of new discoveries; it may not. I do not know. What will be happening will be the Church looking at driving in traffic until the automobile came on the scene and became an agent of mass mayhem on our roads. The pronouncements came when scientific progress put the temptations of fast or careless driving into our lives.

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# Music Contest gets underway this week-end

A bumper crop of nearly 850 young musicians will compete this week-end in the annual CYO Cadet Instrumental Music Contest at Cathedral High School, Indianapolis.

More than 800 aspiring pianists will participate in the piano phase of the contest, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Twenty-one private contest rooms will be used for the judging. Contestants will compete on the basis of five categories depending on the years of piano training. Award ribbons will be given in three divisions determined by degree of excellence.

## List tentative convention slate

The tentative schedule for the Archdiocesan Junior CYO Convention to be held later this month at Secunia High School, Indianapolis, was announced this week.

Social events include a mixer on Friday, April 22, and a dance on the following evening. The 16 panel discussions will occupy most of Saturday, with each panel being aired twice.

The annual elections will elect the week-end's officers on Sunday afternoon.

Registration fee is \$6.50 per person before April 18. After that date an additional 50 cents will be charged. Included in this fee are three meals and refreshments at the dance and mixer.

Delegates from out-of-town will be housed by Indianapolis families.

THE FORMAL recital at which top medal winners will play their winning selections will begin at approximately 12:45 p.m.

The instrumental phase of the contest will open Sunday at 1 p.m. The young musicians will be divided up into instrument categories. The event will be climaxed at the end of the annual Music Festival, featuring the band-orchestra competition, selections by winning soloists and presentation of awards.

MEALS AND ribbons will be presented on both Saturday and Sunday by Father Edwin Smith, Archdiocesan Director of Music, and Father John Eiford, Archdiocesan CYO Director.

No admission will be charged to any of the phases of the competition. The Cathedral cafeteria will be open both days for snacks and sandwiches.

## Cy Cipher

**CADET KICKBALL**—Deadline date for the CYO Cadet Kickball is Monday, April 4. Competition is set to begin April 25.

**CYO TRACK**—Schedules for the CYO Cadet Boys' Track and Field Dual Meet Season were mailed out this week. Competition begins next week, with a city-wide meet planned for May 15.

**SPRING BASEBALL**—Entry blanks for the Spring Cadet Baseball League are due back at the CYO Office by April 8. League play opens May 3.

**JOHN KICKBALL**—The Coaches Meeting for the Junior CYO Kickball League mentors is planned for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at the CYO Office.

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**Dance slated**  
 INDIANAPOLIS—The East Side Senior CYO is sponsoring a dance on April 16 at Cathedral High School, from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. It is open to all unmarried young adults, out of high school, \$1.00 per person, stag or drag. Music by the '007's.' Sunday dress please.

**Honored for Cyril**  
 DAYTON, Ohio—Father Cyril O'Voller, S.J., St. Mary's (Kan.) College theologian, has been awarded the annual Marian Library Medal of the Society of Mary (Marianists) at the University of Dayton for his book, "The Theology of Mary."



**TOPS IN VOLLEYBALL**—The girls from Holy Spirit parish, Indianapolis, are the cream of the crop in CYO volleyball circles this season. After annexing the league championship, they added fragility to the cake by capturing the past season's tournament title week of St. Philine North gave the champs all they could handle in the championship game before, 15-11, 6-15, 15-12. Mrs. Carl Tocco, back row, left, is the head coach. Pictured also is Father John Wright, CYO priest-moderator.

# Wrestling title won by St. Roch

St. Roch, Indianapolis, racked up 71 points to capture team honors in the CYO Cadet Wrestling Tournament held last Saturday in the Little Flower gymnasium.

St. Joan of Arc, with 67 points, came in second, and Immaculate Heart was third with 57 points. It had been announced earlier that these two places had tied for second place honors, but a report gave the runner-up spot to St. Joan of Arc.

Bill Sylvester, of the CYO Office, was in charge of the meet. He was assisted by Philip Richard and Dave Oberling, both of the CYO staff. Other officials included three high school wrestling coaches, Jim O'Brien, Chartrand, John Merich and Jeff Largo, Secunia. A pair of wrestlers from Cathedral helped referee.

A record of 16 teams and 165 wrestlers participated. Ribbons were presented to the four finalists in each weight class.

Following are the complete results of the meet:

- 69 Pounds** championship, Dave Leffer, Little Flower, defeated Hal Thurston, Immaculate Heart, 11-10. St. Jud's, 10-10.
- 81 Pounds** championship, James Williams, Little Flower, defeated Pat Cander, Little Flower, 10-9.
- 93 Pounds** championship, James Williams, Little Flower, defeated Jerry Wex, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 105 Pounds** championship, Jack Van Wyk, St. Joan of Arc, defeated Mike Russell, Little Flower, 10-9.
- 117 Pounds** championship, Jack Van Wyk, St. Joan of Arc, defeated Pat Leffer, Little Flower, 10-9.
- 129 Pounds** championship, Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, defeated Richard Meyer, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 141 Pounds** championship, Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, defeated Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 153 Pounds** championship, Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, defeated Jack Van Wyk, St. Joan of Arc, 10-9.
- 165 Pounds** championship, Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, defeated Jack Van Wyk, St. Joan of Arc, 10-9.
- 177 Pounds** championship, Corey Pennington, St. Roch, defeated Dave Smith, Immaculate Heart, 10-9.
- 189 Pounds** championship, Dave Smith, Immaculate Heart, defeated Bob Riley, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 201 Pounds** championship, Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, defeated Jim DeWitt, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 213 Pounds** championship, Mark Malety, St. Roch, defeated Dennis Knapik, St. Roch, 10-9.
- 225 Pounds** championship, John Persinger, St. Joan of Arc, 10-9.



**CADET WRESTLING TEAM CHAMPIONS**—After two years of coming close, the team from St. Roch's, Indianapolis, broke through the barrier at the recent CYO Cadet Wrestling Tournament to capture the team title. The Southsiders dethroned St. Mark's defending champions in a close race with St. Joan of Arc and Immaculate Heart, who ended up in second and third place respectively. St. Roch finished with 71 points; the runner-up were knotted at 57 points. Seated with the new champions are Head Coach John Schattner (back row, right) and Assistant Coach Joseph Annee (back row, left).

# One-Act Play finals set for this week-end

The championships of the popular Junior CYO One-Act Play Contest will be decided this week-end on Chartrand High School's stage, 3300 Prague Rd., Indianapolis. Each of the finalists is from Indianapolis, differing from last year when the three division winners were from other dioceses.

One parish, St. Catherine, has three plays still in the running: one in the Classic Comedy Division, and two in the Comedy run-offs.

The finals in the Comedy Consolation Competition will be held Monday evening. This year to parishes whose plays were eliminated in the first round of the Comedy Division.

THE CLASSIC Comedy Division finals will be played off tonight (Friday) at 7:30 with Nativity parish leading off. Their victory "Dear Departed."

FATHER JOHN Eiford, Archdiocesan CYO Director will present trophies to the winner in each division of the finals. Individual plaques also will be awarded.

They will be followed by St. Catherine, "Smut and Bar the Door," and Little Flower, "The Shoemaker's Wife."

Finals in the Serious Division are slated for Saturday at 7:30. St. Barnabas' play "The Running Tide" will lead off, followed by St. Christopher, "The Day After Forever" and Immaculate Heart, "Paring at Innsbruck."

The two St. Catherine entries, "Ah, Romance" and "The Trumpet" will follow the St. Patrick's parish production, "The Ghost Ship" in the Comedy Division finals, Sunday at 7:30. These three entries were judged best from a field of 44 which began competition March 13.

awarded to the outstanding actresses and actors. Three Judges will judge the plays each night of the final competition and three additional Judges will select the winning actors.

Mrs. Helen Zapp, of the Prologue Players, is in charge of the judges.

# Sacred Heart Central revises athletic staff

A new athletic director and two new head coaches were named this week at Sacred Heart Central High School, Indianapolis.

John Meredith, assistant football coach and varsity wrestling coach at Secunia Memorial High School, has been named varsity football coach. He succeeds Bob Wilbur, who is resigning to become head coach at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond.

Here is a graduate of Indiana University, a graduate of Purdue University, also has a master's degree from Indiana State. Meredith has two undergraduate degrees from Evansville College since the fall of 1962, he will relinquish his duties as head basketball coach.

Named basketball coach was George Dickison, who served as assistant coach in the sport this past season. This is his first season at Sacred Heart.

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# Marian Award Winners

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 Little Flower Parish: Cheryl Ballew, Carmen Baker, Joyce Page, Judith Reiss, Maria Lynn Moorehouse, Janet Walker.
- CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA**  
 Holy Cross Parish, St. Bernadette Parish: Archdiocesan: Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Rifer, Susan Schmitt, Barbara Wilsey. St. Catherine Parish: Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Rifer, Susan Schmitt, Barbara Wilsey. St. Charles Parish: Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Rifer, Susan Schmitt, Barbara Wilsey. St. Ann Parish: Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Rifer, Susan Schmitt, Barbara Wilsey.
- Marilyn Award Winners**  
 St. Ann Parish, Troop 478: Marilyn Lawrence, Patricia Strain.
- St. Roch Parish, Troop 948:** Carol Anle, Joyce Lester, Patricia Strain, Barbara Decker, Laura Jones, Mary Ann Jensen, Jean Strain, Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Rifer, Susan Schmitt, Barbara Wilsey.
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FAMILY CLINIC

Should white couples adopt a Negro child?

By JOHN J. KANE, Ph.D.

My husband and I have met a little girl of Negro mixed blood whom we would like to adopt. My husband is opposed because he fears the problems and heartaches...



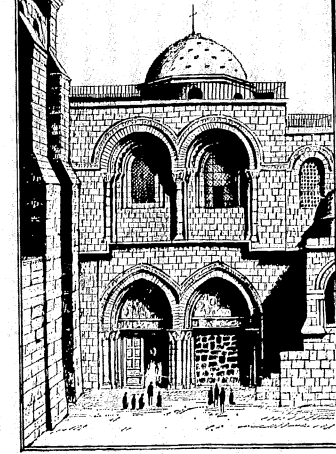
A great deal of it stems from observation of how persons of our own group feel, think and act toward members of other groups.

Whether we care to admit it or not, most of us are conformists. There is nothing surprising in this. When we conform we are rewarded; when we fail face?

Will your other children find they are no longer acceptable to their friends because they have a Negro sister who will grow up in the neighborhood in which you live?

Unike your husband I don't think the problem will be one of race until the dating and marriage stage. They are more likely to begin at once and to continue.

Part of the answer, of course, is human frailty, the residue of original sin. Only Grace and cooperation with it can overcome this.



Liturgy and Life

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE in Jerusalem (rightly called The Church of the Resurrection) is a sanctuary for the last five "Stations of the Cross."

• IS IT THE SAME CHURCH?

Church's authority

By F. J. SHEED

What is the area of the Church's authority? "Whatsoever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven..."



But for the moment our concern is with what is called discipline, the only means of the Church's commands and prohibitions issued by Pope or Hierarchy which do not have their authority yet which we are called upon to obey.

The apostles gathered in Jerusalem—we read about it in Acts XV—used the phrase "I am a heretic not by the Spirit and not by men" when they issued their decision that Gentiles joining the Church were not to be circumcised and other details of the Mosaic Law.

There would be fewer problems for us if only we knew our history. Let us take one example. In 1970 Pope Pius V issued a Bull deposing Queen Elizabeth, relegating her subjects from the throne of England and vacating it.

The Bull was not taken as a matter of course, even by Catholics: a group of English priests protested against it; years later the leader of the group was made by Rome head of the Catholic mission in England.

In large matters and small we find the same formula—responses coming to be seen as if they were divine law, so that any change in them is resisted as a surrender to the powers of darkness.

We are living in a period when everything is being re-examined. It is no longer clear—(1) How one is to judge whether a particular practice (which has been in use for a long time) is still valuable in a changed world? (2) Who should make the decisions?

Boston will host '67 CICOP parley

CHICAGO — Archbishop John P. Cody of Chicago, chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Inter-American Cooperation, Program (CICOP) will be held in Boston in 1967.

Father Louis M. Colonese, administrative director of National Catholic Welfare Conference, will also be present.

GOOD NEWS

Anguished prayer

By EARLY PERKINS RYAN

Earlier in these columns I mentioned my friend who dislikes and suspicions that keep us from really loving some of our neighbors, perhaps some members of our families.

To His Father for help and rescue. The Epistle to the Hebrews tells us that "Jesus, in the days of his earthly life, with loud cries and tears, offered up prayers and supplications to him who was able to save him from death, and was heard because of his reverent submission."

His anguished and reverent prayer for the suffering people of the world. The Church is simply following the lead given by Scripture itself.

Centuries of state domination seen ended by liberty document

By DONALD BROPHY

WASHINGTON The most instrumental in the passing of the council document's Declaration on Religious Freedom is Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.

He said the argument put forth by the council Fathers was "not the best possible one," but would serve as a good foundation for future action and leadership.

FATHER MURRAY ventured the opinion that the Catholic Church and the modern world have arrived at their conclusions about mankind in inverse order. Nineteenth-century liberalism was stressing the political freedom of man at the same time that Pope Leo XIII, in his encyclical Rerum Novarum, was stressing the social and economic freedom of man.

BEST OF TWO WORLDS

The heart of a child

By GILBERT ROXBURGH, O.P.

There is a very moving poem that sums up all of human conduct, written by a poet called Coventry Patmore in his "The Heart of a Child."

My God look kindly upon us as we shall be then, no longer transgressing. May He be touch.

He was a thoughtful boy who would not stop until he had written all his words, and sent him un-kissed to bed.

Later, fearful that the punished child should be sleepless from his weeping, his father approached the boy in his bed to find him "slumbering deep, and his darkening eyelids, and their lashes yet from his late sobbing wet."

THE WEEK IN LITURGY

By REV. PASCHAL BOLAND, O.S.B., S.T.D.

April 3 SECOND SUNDAY OF PASCHOTIDE, Palm Sunday. The solemn Blessing of Palms recalls Christ's triumphal procession and almost hysterical reception by the people of Jerusalem.

April 6 WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK. The liturgy of this day gives us St. Luke's compilation of the Passion of Christ by beginning with the agony Christ endured, concluding with his death.

April 7 HOLY THURSDAY. The anniversary of the institution of the Sacrifice of the Mass and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is celebrated today.

April 8 GOOD FRIDAY. "So they took Jesus and led Him forth, and carrying His cross, He went out of the city to the place called of the Skull, in Hebrew 'Golgotha'; where they crucified Him..."

April 9 HOLY SATURDAY. Vigil of the Resurrection. As Lent comes to a close the Christians who made use of the opportunities afforded by this holy season shall happily realize that some advancement has been made in the spiritual life.

April 5 TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK. Christ affirmed His divinity to the High Priest and to all present at His trial.

Appointed

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI has named Archbishop Francis X. Murphy, of Detroit, as a member of the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Believers.

Radio and Television

Table listing radio and television schedules for various stations including WLSM, WJCL, WWSJ, WABC, WNBC, WNCV, WVCB, WWSV, and others, with times and program titles.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Meeting set Sunday for New Albany DCCW

NEW ALBANY, Ind. — The fourth quarterly meeting of the New Albany Deaconry Council of Catholic Women will be held at St. Mary's Church, Lanesville, on Sunday, April 5, 1964, at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. The meeting will be followed by the business meeting and the election and installation of officers. Plans for the Archdiocesan convention to be held in Indianapolis April 20 and 21, will be discussed.

Father Charles Knight, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Lanesville, will be the guest speaker. All ladies of the deaconry are invited to attend.

**SELLERSBURG** St. Paul's School of Music will present a recital on Sunday, April 26, at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the parish hall. The public is invited to attend.

**RICHMOND** The April schedule of activities for the Young Men's Institute (YMI) and Auxiliary is: Saturday, April 2, a square dance from 8 p.m. to midnight at the club. Gene Brehm will provide the music and call the square dances; April 13, monthly YMI meeting at 8 p.m. A guest night dance is slated Saturday, April 18, from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Music will be provided by Dean Pottinger and his orchestra. Preceding the dance a steak supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for members and their guests. The Ladies Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting at 8 p.m.

**CONTRIBUTORS** THE CRITERION will carry a list of names of organizational representatives and others who have contributed items for the March issue. The following names were submitted for this week: MISS LULA ENRINGER, Sellersburg; MISS MICHAEL KLUMBA, Clarksville; MRS. PAUL MCNALLY, Sellersburg.

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LINDA CLAFIN

Student at Shawe wins second place in state contest

MADISON, Ind.—Linda Clafin has been notified that she has won second place in the Indiana "Ability Counts" contest. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Clafin and a junior at Shawe Memorial High School. Entrants were required to write an essay on "What Handicapped Workers are Contributing to My Community." They were to show that ability, not disability, of the handicapped counts.

The contest is sponsored by the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, Washington, D.C., and the Commission for the Handicapped, Indiana State Board of Health. Prize money is donated by the Disabled American Veterans.

Certificates and cash prizes will be awarded to the five state winners during an Awards Day Banquet and Program to be held in Indianapolis in the near future. Prize money is donated by Last year Shawe student Patrick Kelly won third place in the contest.

**Downey Council wins state K of C cage tournament** Msgr. Downey Council 3660, Indianapolis, won the state K of C basketball title by defeating defending champion Lafayette Council 453 in the final game of the K of C State Tournament held last Sunday at Logansport. The Indianapolis team, playing with only four players in the closing moments, due to fouls, held off a last minute Lafayette rally to win 71-69. Earlier in the afternoon, in the semi-final round, Lafayette had downed Connersville Council 861, 65-54, and Msgr. Downey had scored a 71-63 come-from-behind victory over Indianapolis rival, Patma Council 3228.

Joe Wiley, Connersville, received the Sportsmanship award while Al Prestel, coach of the new champions, was presented the coach-of-the-year award. Logansport St. Francis of Assisi Council hosted the 28th annual meet Saturday and Sunday, March 26 and 27.

**Guid to meet** INDIANAPOLIS — The St. Plus X Knights of Columbus Guild will meet Wednesday, April 8, at 2:00 P. M., 71st Street. The nominating slate will be presented at this meeting. Following the meeting there will be a white elephant sale. Members are asked to bring an unwrapped white elephant.

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Set clergy institute on alcohol

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — The eighth annual Pastoral Institute on Alcohol Problems, designed to assist priests encountering alcoholism and excessive drinking problems among laymen, will be conducted here April 19.

Sponsored by the National Clergy Conference on Alcoholism, the institute is being conducted under the patronage of Bishop Coleman F. Carroll of Miami.

**CHAIRMAN** of the program is Father John P. Cunningham of Chicago. Experts in the field of alcoholism and related problems addressing the institute will be Fathers Jerome Martin, Miami; Raymond C. Atkins, Miami, Ohio; and John C. Ford, S.J., Washington; Judge John Flinn, New York; Msgr. Joseph A. Dunne, New York, and Mrs. Marty Mann, executive director of the National Council on Alcoholism, also of New York.

Besides Bishop Carroll, members of the hierarchy present will be Bishop Leo A. Pursley of Fort Wayne, and Msgr. Andrew, episcopal advisor to the National Clergy Conference on Alcoholism, and Bishop Ernest L. Unterkoefler of Charleston, S.C.

**PRIESTS** nationally recognized for efforts in combatting alcoholism problems contributing to the program include Father Ralph S. Pfau, Indianapolis; Father Bernard Lenora, Sank Rapids, Minn.; Father Frederick G. Lawrence, N.J.S.S.T., Shirling, N.J.; Father Vincent G. O'Neil, New York; Msgr. Joseph T. O'Connor, New York, and Father Alan A. Zielinski, Buffalo, N.Y.

Earlier sessions of the institute have been held at Notre Dame, Ind., New York, Tulsa, Dallas, Richmond, Va., New Orleans, and Buffalo. The National Clergy Conference on Alcoholism will conduct its 18th annual meeting in conjunction with the pastoral institute.

**Named to bureau** WASHINGTON — Father Edward J. Echnlin, co-ordinator of Latin American activities in the Buffalo diocese, has been appointed to the Latin American Bureau of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. He will represent the bureau in its liaison work between the bishops of the United States and the members of the hierarchy in the various countries of Latin America.

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PLAN NEW ALBANY CARD PARTY—The Marian Guild of Holy Family Church, New Albany, will hold their annual "Spring Bonnet" dessert card party at 8 p.m. on Monday, April 13, in the school cafeteria. Shows above admiring the hat box to be given away are Mrs. Ralph Lilly, guild secretary; Mrs. James Lynch, card party chairman; Mrs. Charles Hollen, co-chairman of ways and means; and Mrs. Herbert Edmonds, chairman of ways and means. Mrs. Joseph Boag, co-chairman of the card party is not pictured. The hat box contains a check to cover the purchase of a new spring bonnet. (Staff photo)

**Cardinal backs housing project** BOMBAY—Cardinal Valerian Gracias of Bombay has offered a \$50,000 donation to a Catholic project to house the poor. The cardinal said the offer is conditional on the Catholic Association of Bombay raising an equal amount. The association plans to build 12 houses initially on plots given by a parish priest in Bombay. Similar houses are also planned in three other city regions.

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Prelate to appear before Anglicans

LONDON — Cardinal John Heenan of Westminster, will preach in the Anglican cathedral of Rochester near London later this year. The cardinal will be the first speaker in a course of lectures on "Belief in Christ" starting October 13. The following week the lecturer will be a Presbyterian and the third week an Orthodox archbishop. Rochester cathedral was once the spiritual home of St. John Fisher, its bishop, executed by King Henry VIII at the Reformation for refusing to take an oath acknowledging Henry as his spiritual as well as his temporal lord.

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**NAMES IN THE NEWS**—Father Aidan Kavanagh, O.S.B., of St. Meinrad Archabbey, is a contributor to the new book "Torah and Gospel" issued by Sheed and Ward. The book is a compilation of papers presented at a Catholic-Jewish Colloquium last year at St. Vincent's Abbey, Latrobe, Pa. The colloquium was sponsored by the American Benedictine Academy. . . . **Michael W. Nees**, a Latin School graduate, has been named to the Dean's List at St. Louis University, where he is a freshman. He is a member of Holy Spirit parish, Indianapolis. . . . The Winona Memorial Foundation of Indianapolis has awarded its Dr. J. William Wright, Sr., Memorial Scholarship at Indiana University to David E. Barenhack, a sophomore in the U.I. School of Medicine. He is a graduate of Secchia Memorial High School. . . . **Sister M. Baptista, O.S.F.**, one of the floor supervisors at St. Francis Hospital, Beech Grove, underwent major surgery there this week. . . . **Very Rev. Theodore Zaremba, O.P.M.**, of Pulaski, Wis., will make a visitation of the Franciscan missions in Oldenburg and Batesville on April 8. The Visitor General, he will make a report of his findings to the order's Vicar General in Rome. Father Zaremba will survey the apostolic work and physical plants of the 11-state territory served by the Franciscan Fathers' Cincinnati Province. . . . **Miss Christine Scotten**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Scotten of Indianapolis, has been accepted into the Alpha Zeta Chapter of Kappa Omicron Phi, national professional home economics fraternity at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. . . . **Robert K. Akers**, of Terre Haute, has been named vice president of the Officers' Club at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. Elected as a director of the organization was Eugene F. Maloy of Indianapolis.

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## 'America' urges study of priestly celibacy

**NEW YORK**—America magazine has urged American bishops to authorize a "reliable and impartial study by competent experts" of the Catholic Church's discipline on priestly celibacy. In a March 26 editorial, the national Catholic weekly, edited by Jesuits, said that in view of the increasing number of articles on celibacy in the secular press, it is now time that the question receive "significant and prudent scrutiny and communication on the part of our bishops. . . . Such a study as it was proposing, America said, "could be constructive since our more sensational coverage and enlightened leadership, and could lift discussion above the usual level of anonymous protest and titillating rumor." **NOTING** that in October Pope Paul VI "velocly discussed" the issue of celibacy in the relatively public forum of the council itself, said that the present discipline would be maintained, the editorial said. "But even since October the situation has changed. Wide-spread discussion of contraception has given decisive proof, if any was needed, that official strictures on discussion will only stimulate curiosity and lead to more persistent and cover-

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## Speakers map

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Church has major implications for the ecumenical movement. It expresses both "mutual self-interest" and the "procreative gospel."  
He said the constitution teaches that all baptized persons are "members of the People of God" although those of the "Catholic Church" do not enjoy all the "benefits" of such membership. He emphasized, however, that they too possess "an order or relation to the People of God," consisting at least in the fact of their being "called to salvation."  
Father Thomas Stranksy, C.S.P., an American priest on the staff of the Vatican's Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, said the council teaches that the "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church of Christ" "subsists in" the Roman Catholic Church, but is not identical with it.  
He suggested that there is "a communion within the Church of Christ between the perfect institutional realization of it — the Roman Catholic Church — and its imperfect realizations" in other Christian communions.  
In a discussion of Orthodox ecclesiology and ecumenism, Father Alexander Schmemmann, dean of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary in Yonkers, N.Y., said he is reluctant to enter into joint worship with Catholics because they regard worship as expressing unity—a unity which does not in fact exist between them and Catholics. "Communicatio in sacris" (joint worship)—would be "anticipating something which we have not done yet," he said.  
Rabbi Marc M. Tanenbaum, director of the American Jewish Committee's Interreligious Affairs Department, called for an ignorance one of the biggest problems in Jewish-Christian relations.  
He said relations between Christians and Jews are like relations between Negroes and whites, in that in both cases it is necessary to have a medium related to each other by means of "abstractions, stereotypes and mythologies" are seeking to relate each other as the reality are.

**4) The future of theology.**  
Theology must come to grips with the problems of today and tomorrow—not yesterday—if it is to have a future, several speakers agreed. It must be lived at the close of the conference.  
Father Burghardt said "tomorrow's theology" is not simply "yesterday's" but it seeks to meet the needs of a "God-forsaken" world which experiences God chiefly by His absence.  
Dr. Albert Outler, theology professor at Southern Methodist University, said Catholic and Protestant theology will be "divinely interrelated" from now on. He said the two will be "ultimately to share 'not only a common history but also . . . a common fate.'"  
Father John Meyendorff, Orthodox Seminary, said Catholic and Orthodox should abandon "pseudo-economical attitudes" that mistake the real issues dividing them and should focus instead on their genuine points of difference.  
Father Karl Rahner, S.J., of Germany, said Vatican II was not "a turning back" but one that left many questions open at the same time that it fostered a "spirit of freedom" in theological inquiry.  
Calling the idea that all important questions have been answered "old fashioned" theology will be a more honest awareness of present and greater work for free theological inquiry."

**FATHER JOHN** Courtney Murray, S.J., of Woodstock College, discussed the council's Declaration on Religious Freedom of which he was a principal author. He said it has "two essential doctrinal components, juridical and political." "The juridical affirmation," he said, is the right of each man to religious freedom based on his dignity as a human person and his duty to recognize this as "a civil right, protected by constitutional law."  
"The political affirmation," he continued, "is that the powers of government are to be employed in the safeguard of this right, and are not to be used to limit its free exercise, except in cases of proved necessity."  
**4) Revelation.**  
Father Barnabas Aherne, C.P., an American Scripture scholar, said the council's Constitution on Divine Revelation makes it clear that "inerrancy" is free from error — means when applied to the Bible.  
The significance of "inerrancy," he said, is that "God's authorship of the sacred text guarantees that the saving truths taught in this holy text are the saving realities described provide the sure way of salvation without error."  
However, another view of inerrancy was presented by the Rev. Paul S. Minear, of the 24th Year parish school. In teaching scriptural inerrancy, he said, the Constitution on Revelation "seems to assure to the modern church a kind and degree of certitude which was not available within the New Testament itself."  
Abbot Christopher Butler, O.S.B., of Downside Abbey in England said the college of bishops has a special function which founds in the sacraments of the word of God. He said this "places ecclesiastical authority not above God's word but in the position of a servant of the word, to which it gives devout attention and which it guards and faithfully expounds."

**5) The Church and the world.**  
The council gave a major new orientation to teaching on the relationship of the Church and its members to the secular world. It was agreed, Father Butler remarked, that it affirmed the "irremovable truth" that "all worthwhile human activity is part of the creative plan of God, who collaborates in the glory of the redemptive ministry of Christ."  
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He said the constitution teaches a doctrine of "responsible parenthood." But this, he added, is "true" although those of the "Catholic Church" with cold human reckoning."  
Rather, he insisted, responsible parenthood is "a response to God's loving will, a further response of the spouses to each other. It is the result of a loving respectful dialogue. It is responsibility for the children they have already and for the children they wish to have."  
A lively discussion of the relationship of ecclesiastical authority and the "prophetic word" of individuals on social problems like war, poverty and discrimination sparked one session.

**FROM THE WORDS OF** the council statement it was obvious that both Pope and Primate were greatly in earnest for now the close relations between their churches. The statement noted that the meeting on the morning of the 22nd was of solemnity of the Sixtine chapel "marks a new stage in the development of fraternal relations between churches based upon faith and of sincere efforts to remove causes of conflict and to re-establish unity."  
In the presence of more than 20 cardinals and a delegation of Anglican prelates, the two leaders declared the intention "They affirm their desire that all those Christians who belong to these two communions may be animated by these same sentiments of respect, esteem and fraternal love, and in order to help these develop to the full they intend to inaugurate between the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion a serious dialogue which, founded in the truth of the word of God, and an ancient common tradition, may lead to that unity in truth for which Christ prayed."  
The joint declaration went on to say that "the dialogue should include not only theological matters, such as Scripture, tradition and the liturgy, but also matters of practical application which affect the lives of the faithful."

**Neither the Pope nor the Primate, it was affirmed, were un- aware of the difficulties ahead, world. It was agreed, Father Butler remarked, that it affirmed the "irremovable truth" that "all worthwhile human activity is part of the creative plan of God, who collaborates in the glory of the redemptive ministry of Christ."**

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**Aid to Nigeria**  
LAGOS, Nigeria.—Food, medicine and educational supplies valued at \$250,000 were distributed in Nigeria in 1965 by the U.S. Catholic relief agency, Catholic Relief Services. The agency has been operating in Nigeria since 1960.

## Calendar

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1**  
The Spring Card Party and silent show sponsored by St. Pius X Guild at 7:30 p.m., at the K of C Hall, 71st St. and Keystone Ave.  
**St. Rita's Social** begins at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, 19th and Arsenal.  
**St. Christopher's Social** at 7 p.m. in the school social room, 5335 W. 16th St., Speedway.  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 2**  
The Saturday Social at Holy Cross starts at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, 125 N. Oriental St.  
**St. Bridget's Social** at 6:30 p.m. in the school hall, 815 N. West St.  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 3**  
**The Blue Card Party**, featuring Euchars and other social games, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Assumption parish hall, 1105 S. Blaine Ave.  
**MONDAY, APRIL 4**  
**The Card Party** sponsored by the Blue Ladies of Our Lady of Lourdes begins at 8:30 p.m. in Union Federal hall, 5646 E. Washington St. (rear). Proceeds benefit Veterans Hospital patients.  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 5**  
**St. Bernadette's Social** in the parish hall, 4830 Fletcher Ave., at 6:30 p.m.  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 7**  
**St. Catherine's Social** at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, Shelby and Tabor Sts.

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tion upon the principal of the necessity of reform in preparing people to enter intelligently into the new process of criticism and reform of their traditions.  
"Christians must receive education which will help them to think theologically, rather than merely receiving information about the faith," he stated.  
**RABBI ARTHUR** Gilbert, director of the Jewish Anti-Defamation League's Department of Religious Curriculum Research, acknowledged that the initiatives already taken by American Catholic educators since Vatican II demonstrate "how sincere is the commitment of the American Church to ecumenism in its broadest perspective."  
"I am satisfied," he said, "that in America at least the Catholic Church has addressed itself to both Protestants and Jews with a remarkable degree of openness."  
Rabbi Gilbert outlined a 10-point program for the development of an ecumenical attitude toward Catholic education toward Jews, including suggestions that effort be made to help Christians know about the heritages of Judaism in the post-Biblical period.  
While praising the Vatican Council's Declaration on Judaism for its important theological contribution, Rabbi Gilbert said it remained "silent or inadequate in its understanding of the contemporary relationship between the Church and the Synagogue and the salvific significance of contemporary Judaism."  
He called for "a new theology of Jewish-Christian relations that will account for the newness of our posture toward each other in this day."

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations, the National Council of Churches' Division of Christian Unity has established a permanent joint commission to consider the relationship between the two bodies.  
The National Council of Churches' membership in the new group, representing Protestant, Anglican and Eastern Orthodox Churches, numbers 21 leaders of 11 national communions. There are 15 Roman Catholic members.  
A 36-member working group will meet regularly serving as an "agency of coordination and clearance" at a high official level" between the Catholic Church and the Protestant, Anglican and Eastern Orthodox National Council of Churches.  
Co-chairmen of the group are Bishop John J. Caherty, of Columbus, chairman of the U.S. joint pastoral letter calling on Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, and the Rev. Dr. John Coventry Smith of New York City, general secretary of the Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations, the National Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

**Ask peace prayers**  
SAIGON, Vietnam — South Vietnam's bishops have issued a Catholic education plan, the Rev. Dr. John Coventry Smith of New York City, general secretary of the Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, and the Rev. Dr. John Coventry Smith of New York City, general secretary of the Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, and the Rev. Dr. John Coventry Smith of New York City, general secretary of the Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, and the Rev. Dr. John Coventry Smith of New York City, general secretary of the Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs.

## New religious television show to start Sunday

INDIANAPOLIS — "Good News" will be the title of a new, 13-week Sunday morning religious television program to begin Palm Sunday, April 3, on WFBB-TV, Channel 6.  
Sponsored by the Archdiocese Radio and Television Apostolate, the series will appear at 8:45 a.m.  
The first four programs will be moderated by Sister M. Evelyn Ecker, O.S.B., Archdiocesan School Office supervisor. Other programs will feature Father Philip Jones, assistant principal of Ritter High School; Father Carl Shumaker, assistant pastor of St. Gabriel's parish; Father Donald Schmidt, director of Catholic Social Services; and Father Robert Borchermeier, assistant pastor of Little Flower parish.  
George King, of the WFBB Stations, is director of the series, with technical assistance by Thomas Robt. William S. Salm is program coordinator for the Archdiocese Radio and Television Apostolate. Director of the agency is Father Kenny C. Sweeney.



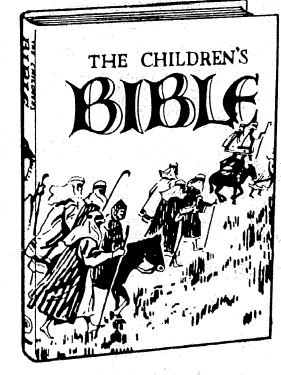
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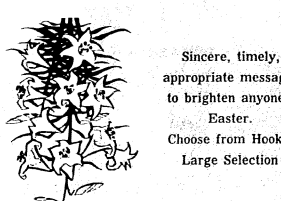
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VARIETY IN BOOKS

McCarthy's shocker makes a crass film

By JAMES W. ARNOLD

"The Group" is a film about a clique of well-to-do college girls turned loose in the chaos of the 1930's, and the various ways in which they do, and mostly do not, find love.

It is neither an enlightening nor an exhilarating film. It is a crass, mainly because these shallow women are so much of a particular time, class and intellectual background that their problems seem odd and unique, rather than universal.

"The Group" is, of course, the movie version of Mary McCarty's controversial 1963 best-seller. An acid wit, Miss McCarty never calls a spade a spade when she can find a blunter word. The novel concentrates on sex, with a lot of clinical detail and designed-to-shock detail. It also seems to imply nasty things about Vas-

car girls and their education (Miss McCarty, like her heroines, is class of '33), to the extent that Vassar refused to cooperate with the producers and the school name is never mentioned in the film.

Often the book seems just a collection of dry vignettes about some of the girls and boys Miss McCarty knew and didn't much like. But if you insist on moral themes, at least one is not too far from the truth: the girls are all more or less crippled by their education. They tend to dissect, intellectualize and experiment with life rather than to participate in it. Their "enlightenment" does not help them to cope with the world, but to construct dream castles, whether either do, or seem destined to, close in and suffocate them.

Most of the sexual detail, especially the frank talk, has been expurgated and left to suggestion. The celebrated defecation of Boston-bred Dottie (in the book it is a repulsive classic of clinical and typically modern sex-without-love, which Dottie then romanticizes into a sentimental tragedy) is done with commendable adult taste. The point (the absurd sterility of the lovenaking and the girl's starry-eyed reaction) still comes across. The only real shock is that final brutal conversation between Lakey and Harold (Candice Bergen, Larry Hagman), en route to Kay's funeral, in which each tries without success to hurt and shame the other.

The obvious question is why anyone should be interested in these eight privileged females, at least seven of whom, badly made up, are so grotesque. The answer is that that might have brought much sense and beauty to the world. (The exception is Polly, the hospital technician who strikes the fancy psychiatrist; she is truly a gentle person, who suffers but never causes suffering, and who is rewarded with a happy marriage.) One answer is in the acting, especially by Joanna Pettet as Kay, the aggressive truth-teller who cannot face the myth she has made of her marriage; Joan Hackett as Dottie, the repressed but eager Bostonian; and Jessica Walter as Libby, the most unattractive, although with the Big Mouth. Every performance is solidly first-rate.

There is all the sheer quality of the writing, which shows itself in intelligent dialog (a family spat in this film is as fresh and credible as any delightful minor characterization (Polly's happily married father, gaily played by Robert Emhardt), as well as several lively directed episodes: a girl in which nothing is going right shared to a friendly, progressive pediatrician, a funny-but-real discussion of the frustrations of psychoanalysis by a shy book editor at Hill Hallbrook).

If much of "The Group" seems a negative story of love perverted and unattained, it may still, for the thoughtful, make a positive point. As one of the novel's characters puts it, "Love cannot be anything but the love of the good. But to find the good is very rare. That is why love is rare, in spite of what people think. It happens to one in a thousand, and to that one it is a revelation." (Rating: 3—objectionable in part for all.)

"Sex Education in the Family," by Father Francis L. Filas, S.J., Free Press, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. 106 pp. \$3.95.

In this little book Father Filas attempts to outline a program of sex education as a part of the character formation that rightfully takes place in the home. He stresses that sex education implies understanding of all that it means to be a man or a woman, that is, of maleness or femaleness. In his first chapter he spells out what sex education should ideally be. He emphasizes that biological information must be set in the context of respect for sex and a strong family value system. His chapter justifying a priest writing on the subject seems a bit overdone. It is his second chapter, on cooperation and also for the necessity of informing students about venereal disease. Parents are seeking ways to accomplish sex education, and to avail themselves of the resources of the classroom, but the treatment here is a little too sketchy. Parents can definitely gain perspective and background from this book for it reads

easily, and is reasonably short. (Reviewed by Father James T. McHugh, assistant director, NCWC Family Life Bureau, Washington, D.C.)

"Religion in America," by Winthrop S. Hudson. Scribners, New York. 447 pp. \$7.95

A book such as this is quite new. The book is sincerely engaged in dialogue with our brethren of America. And Dr. Hudson, an able historian and teacher, has provided a remarkable sweep of information about the many varieties of religious belief our country has nourished. Within the limits of his space he has given us a handbook for dialogue, in a dispassionate and fair-minded description of the many faceted religious beliefs espoused by Americans.

The plan of the book, mainly including interpretive judgments, may perhaps leave the other author to erroneous snap judgments. One group or another may feel slighted at first glance; a closer reading will tend to erase such impressions and to affirm Dr. Hudson's fairness.

"Religion in America" is, altogether, an exciting story; for in America it has generally been true that religion has always been close to the surface of the man's thought. "We are a religious people," a Supreme Court Justice wrote in recent years in a formal opinion. No one has refuted the statement so far. (Reviewed by John E. Ryan of the NCWC News Service staff.)

The book is divided into four parts: Formative Years, 1607-1700; The New Nation, 1700-1800; Years of Midpassage, 1800-1914; Modern America, 1914 to the present. Footnotes on the majority of pages document sources, providing a convenient bibliography. The 21 page index is comprehensive. All in all, the book will be valuable not merely as a reference work, but for the perspective it brings to the

Renovation set

GETHSEMANI, Ky.—The 100-year-old Abbey church at the Trappist Monastery here will soon get a "renovation" and "rehabilitation." The church—officially designated a minor basilica—will be renovated "according to the guidelines of the new liturgy," according to the Abbot M. James Fox, O.S.C.

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# Mixed marriage instruction seen as an aid to ecumenism

By ROBERT GRAHAM, S.J.

VATICAN CITY.—The recent Vatican document on mixed marriages leaves many points up in the air and may be a disappointment to some—but it strikes a bold new course in ecumenical relations.

Issued in mid-March, the instruction expressly acknowledged a need to soften the rigidity of current legislation in order to avoid offending non-Catholic "separated brethren."

It takes note of the rights of conscience of the non-Catholic party and concludes by declaring, "It is the mind and intention of the Church to serve the needs of the faithful and to encourage a more fervent sense of charity in the reciprocal relations between Catholics and non-Catholics."

But it is not, and in all honesty could not be, the complete and full answer to the dramatic family problems increasingly common in the pluralistic society of today. This must be worked out by experience and through consultation with Protestant and other non-Catholic religious leaders.

The recent visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury—Anglican Primate Arthur Michael Ramsey—to Pope Paul was neither the first nor last of the occasions in which this problem can be candidly discussed.

**THE PLEDGE** required of the non-Catholic partner in a mixed marriage to allow the Catholic upbringing of all children is probably the most vexing and humiliating feature of current Church marriage legislation. Does the new instruction point a way to a solution? Over a century ago, after dramatic conflicts in several European countries, notably Germany, the Church withdrew the practice, sometimes required legally, by which boys followed religion of the father and girls followed religion of the mother. Apparently, the answer today does not lie here, and Protestant leaders themselves do not suggest such a formal compromise.

For those closely following the historical development of the problem the key passage in the "Holy Office" instruction occurs at the point where it is stated that the non-Catholic party must be asked to promise openly and sincerely not to impede the free exercise of the other spouse's faith and in particular that spouse's grave duty of baptizing and raising children in the Catholic Church.

The document proceeds, "If however the non-Catholic party feels that such a promise cannot be made without violence to his conscience, the local bishop should refer the matter, with all details, to the Holy See."

Clearly it is the intention of the Holy See to respond favorably in such cases where the good faith of the appellant is beyond question.

Probably the Catholic party in such cases will be exhorted in strong terms to do all that is possible in the absence of any formal or informal promise in the interest of the Catholic education of the children. It is believed in some informed circles in Rome that by reserving decisions to itself the Holy See wished to guarantee uniformity of practice at least at the start.

**IT MAY COME** as a surprise to many to learn that surpluses in canon law in Rome do not regard such a concession as either new or revolutionary in itself. Such a discipline has long been in force in some Far East countries such as Japan and also in the Middle East.

It has been applied without publicity also to some Scandinavian countries.

The startling departure of the new instruction according to the canonists consulted by this correspondent, is that what has hitherto been regarded as exceptional, limited to the "Misa"

spora" and in the end only tolerated as unavoidable, is now seen as the way to being extended to the whole world and in explicit terms.

One argument used to justify the concession has been that the nature of marriage has a preponderant claim in those situations where the usual pledge is impossible even with the best of will on the part of the non-Catholic party.

The instruction, in addition to being motivated by ecumenical considerations, also faces the fact that mixed marriages are multiplying. As the Vatican decree expressly acknowledges, radical transformations in family and social relations have brought about closer relations between Catholics and non-Catholics with a resulting increase of interreligious marriages.

Hence, the need for new measures to safeguard the faith of the Catholic party and to assure Catholic education of children. Of particular concern in the situation, says the instruction, is that ideas on the nature of marriage, especially marriage and indissolubility, are now widespread which are contrary to Catholic teaching.

It can be expected that as a counterpart to the softening of requirements hitherto laid upon non-Catholic party in a project-



**"WHERE THE POOR ARE"**—While many college boys will be spending the forthcoming vacation "where the girls are," students from a dozen midwest colleges will spend their spring vacation helping poor families in Cincinnati's inner city. Dale E. Pflum, above left, a graduate student at Ball State University from St. Elizabeth parish, Cambridge City, will be among the task force volunteering to help with spring painting, house cleaning, youth recreation and in the process learn the problems of Negroes and Appalachian migrants first hand. Coordinating the project are the Ohio Valley Province of the National Newman Student Federation and the Franciscan Fathers at St. John's Church in the Over-the-Rhine area of Cincinnati. Father Marian Douglas, O.F.M., above right, is explaining a portion of the program to Pflum, Miss Theresa Benkeser, of Kansas City, Kan., and Sister Rebecca, O.S.F.

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ed mixed marriage the Catholic will be reminded all the more insistently on his or her grave obligation to attend to the Catholic education of the children.

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## Msgr. Charles Koster comments on decree

The Criterion asked Msgr. Charles Koster, secretary of the Archdiocesan Matrimonial Tribunal, to comment on the Decree on Mixed Marriages issued recently by the Holy See. Following are his observations to the decree and its expected effectiveness.

The Decree on Mixed Marriages, issued by the Holy See on March 18, does not substantially change any of the obligations involved in an interfaith marriage, nor does it radically alter the conditions or requirements for them that have evolved over many centuries.

This does not mean that the decree is meaningless or without purpose. It inculcates an attitude of better personal understanding in two important areas.

First of all it makes possible the commitment of the Catholic party to his own conscience in the matter of rearing his children without demanding of the non-Catholic a formalized promise so long as his own convictions and attitudes are such as not to oppose the Catholic rearing of the children.

Just how this will work out in its practical implementation we shall have to learn by experience, for the decree does not do away with the traditional formalities, but leaves some modification up to the discretion of the bishop.

Secondly, in accepting the participation of the minister of the non-Catholic party in the wedding it affords to both the opportunity to understand each other better and to enter into marriage with greater measure of inter-personal cooperation, in spite of their differing religious convictions.

One simple misunderstanding ought to be clarified. The very last point in the decree is the dropping of the excommunication (Canon 2319.1.1) up to now attached to the act on the part of a Catholic of marrying before

minister of another religion. The decree makes it completely plain that in all cases the Catholic who does not marry before the parish priest is married invalidly. There is no change in this. The dropping of the excommunication is, therefore, not a change in the marriage law of the Church, but an approach to a greater measure of understanding and a better personal relationship with members of other Faiths.

The lifting of the excommunication does nothing at all to recently marriages that are here and now invalid, nor will it make such marriages valid in the future.

I am very much pleased with the decree in that it offers a greater measure of flexibility and an opportunity for warmer personal understanding, when we, as Catholics, deal with those whose faith differs from ours.

It does not, however, make any substantial changes, nor will it have any foreseeable effect on the work we do with marriage problems or on the number of such problems that will arise.

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OF COMING EVENTS IN CHURCHES, SCHOOLS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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**SPECIAL EASTER SUNDAY JOINT CONCERT**  
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