

Dayton U. controversy still rages

DAYTON, Ohio—Clearance of four Catholic professors at the University of Dayton of the charge of advocating a position contrary to Church doctrine has not ended the controversy which erupted late in October and has continued since that time.

The exoneration, announced by the university president, Father Raymond A. Roesch, followed an investigation which was termed a "classic white wash" by two priests and seven lay faculty members.

The 22-member philosophy department is sharply divided by the dispute. Three of the four accused are members of the department. Of the nine faculty members issuing a "declaration of conscience" objecting to the clearance, eight are in the philosophy department.

PROTESTING the clearance were Prof. Dennis Bonnette, Dr. Joseph Dieska, Father Richard Dombro, S.M., Ding Edward Harkender, Hugo A. Barbic, Thomas Casaleto, Allen V. Rindler, Paul J. Manan, and Father Francis Langhart, S.M. All are members of the philosophy department except Father Langhart, who is former philosophy teacher, now semiretired.

The four accused of opposing the Church's teaching authority were Randolph Lump of the theology department, Dr. Eulalio E. Baltazar, Lawrence P. Ulrich and John Christman, all of the philosophy department.

AT A PRESS conference, Father Roesch said that the four had been exonerated after a study of their written positions had been made by a canonist who is neither a member of the Society of Mary, which conducts the university, nor a resident of the archdiocese of Cincinnati, in which U.D. is located.

In a subsequent statement, Professor Bonnette said that the administration's dismissal of the charge "has created a situation causing a grave scandal" on the campus and among Catholics in the Dayton area.

New ordinaries named by Pope

WASHINGTON — New ordinaries for the Portland (Ore.) archdiocese and the Erie (Pa.) diocese were named this week among U.S. hierarchy appointments made by Pope Paul VI.

Bishop Robert J. Dwyer, 58, bishop of Reno, Nev., since 1952, was named to succeed Archbishop Edward D. Howard, 89, as archbishop of Portland. Archbishop Howard was transferred to the titular See of Aube.


Auxiliary Bishop John J. Whealon, 45, of the Cleveland diocese, was appointed bishop of Erie. He will succeed Archbishop John M. Gannon, 89, who was transferred to the titular See of Tacarata.

Appointed as auxiliary to Cardinal Lawrence Shehan of Baltimore was Msgr. Thomas J. Mardaga, 53, rector of the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore.

The appointments were announced here by Archbishop Egidio Vagnozzi, Apostolic Delegate in the United States.

Cornerstone rite

INDIANAPOLIS — Cornerstone ceremony for the new St. Augustine's Home for the Aged on State Road 100 will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 18. Archbishop Schulte will officiate. The home, which is in the final stages of construction, will be operated by the Little Sisters of the Poor.



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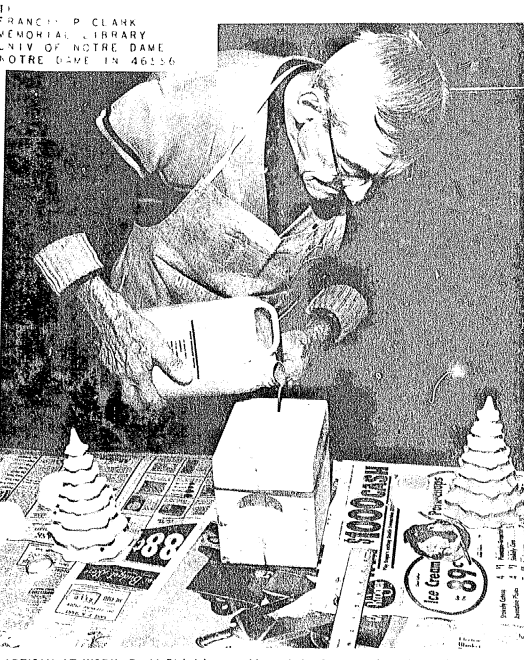
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ARTISAN AT WORK—David Biebrich, a resident of the St. Augustine's Home for the Aged in Indianapolis staffed by the Little Sisters of the Poor, pours grout into a mold to make a ceramic Christmas tree. The ceramics are part of a work therapy program now underway at the home involving a number of the residents. The finished products are for sale to the public, with the proceeds earmarked for furnishings for the new St. Augustine Home now under construction. Additional pictures can be found on page 1. (Staff photo by Dennis Hoffman)

ASSESS 3,000 REPLIES

Clergy survey shows many favor changes

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—A priest-sociologist teaching at Harvard University described as "most reliable" the results of a survey he took among priests. The results show strong approval for changes regarding the status and rights of priests in the structure of the Church.

The survey by Father Joseph Fichter, S.J., Charles Chauncy Stillman professor of Roman Catholic theological studies at Harvard, went to 5,338 priests—one-third of all diocesan clergy who are neither pastors nor monastics. (According to the National Catholic Reporter, there are 59,193 priests in the U.S.) The eight-page questionnaire was returned by 3,008 priests and the survey results were taken from the first 3,000 returns.

The results of the survey were released in a copyrighted article in the National Catholic Reporter, published here.

According to Father Fichter, the 51% return was very high and assured the reliability of the survey results. Giving the opinions of more than one-sixth of the total group involved in the statistics, the survey showed that more than half of the respondents were over 35 and that 10% had been ordained 20 years or more.

The questionnaire sought information about priests' attitudes toward their own work and life. Specific questions dealt with diocesan structure, seminary education, celibacy, relations with priests' relations with the laity in the work of the Church.

NEAR UNANIMITY was reached by priests on questions dealing with priests' relations with their dioceses.

Some 94% of the priests believe that they should have a chance to defend themselves and face their accusers before being suspended or otherwise penalized.

Similarly, 95% favored the establishment of a personnel committee to work with priests who have problems, while a separate 86% majority thought that each diocese should have a personnel office to work out the assignment of priests.

Ninety per cent of the priest-sociologist supported the establishment of elected grievance committees to handle priests' complaints, while 94% favored the establishment of diocesan priests' senates. According to questionnaire responses, the existence of a diocesan senate was supported by 28% of the priests. Also approved (Dec. 9) a general resolution on the Vietnam war, which came from 82% of the priests questioned, only 31% would either unquestionably or probably marry if permitted.

Only 12% of the survey respondents would choose to begin seminary studies immediately after grammar school and in the out of seven of the men answering the questionnaire reported that they would hesitate to enter the seminary at all.

EIGHTY-FIVE per cent of the priests sought the abolition of stole fees and stipends given for the administration of sacraments and the celebration of Mass and asked that the income be used for other purposes.

KANSAS CITY, Kan.—A survey of priests published in the lay-edited National Catholic Reporter has come under fire from two bishops in this area for being too generalized and suggesting sensationalism over scholarship.

Archbishop Edward J. Hunkeler of Kansas City, Kan., criticized Father Joseph Fichter, S.J., who took the survey, for not being thorough and for aiming at "sensationalism and publicity."

In the Kansas City-St. Joseph, Mo., diocese, where the National Catholic Reporter is published, Bishop Charles H. Holmberg criticized the report as "misleading."

In urging U.S. judgment on the Vietnam war, the Assembly said that "it is in the United States' interest of peace that such collective judgment, responsibility and action be secured."

Pope asks extended truce in Vietnam war

50-day halt is urged in hostilities

VATICAN CITY — Pope Paul has urged that the separate truces planned in the Vietnamese war at Christmas and during the Western and Asian New Year's holidays be merged as a single continuous period of time (Dec. 24 to Feb. 12).

This would enable "new ways to be explored for bringing out an honorable understanding putting an end to this conflict," he said, adding that "we are aware that this possibility is favored by influential men."

Occasion for the Pope's proposal was a conclebrated Mass in St. Peter's Basilica on the feast of the Immaculate Conception marking the first anniversary of the solemn closing of the Second Vatican Council.

In an address during the Mass, Pope Paul said that "from the beginning of our apostolic ministry... we have let an opportunity pass of supporting an honorable closing of the cause of peace. We have done all we could to invite and urge nations to put an end to dissensions and discords through frank and honorable negotiations."

"We have striven that there should prevail, not an exaggerated seeking after national self-interests or an ambitious rivalry for power, but rather that profound respect owed to all of mankind, which is trying to find ways amid such great difficulties toward an ever closer unity."

THE POPE WENT ON to say that it had been his intention to take advantage of the occasion of the invitation to both sides of the conflict to lay aside their arms, at least during the Christmas celebrations and to re-establish the religious and spiritual significance which today men all over the world attribute, and should attribute, to Christmas season.

But as you know, he said, "happy this invitation is no longer necessary. A truce in Vietnam has already been announced by both parties. And since we have so often in the past been raised in sorrowful pleading, is today raised in joy and thanksgiving."

"We would like to cry our appreciation and our gratitude. We feel sure that the whole world shares these same sentiments. To the statesmen who have been responsible for arranging this noble and chivalrous act, we..."

Council of Churches backs Pontiff's plea

MIAMI BEACH — Protestant and Orthodox church leaders have called on the United States government to "respond affirmatively" to Pope Paul VI's appeal for an extended holiday cease-fire in Vietnam.

Support for the longer truce came on the same day (Dec. 9) as the Pope's latest plea in a resolution voted here by the General Assembly of the National Council of Churches.

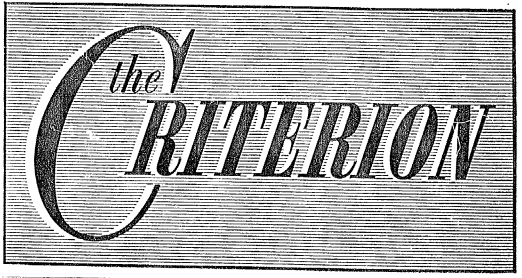
The resolution said that the cease-fire should be "of sufficient duration to serve as a cooling-off period."

THE LEADERS of the largest organization of Protestant and Orthodox bodies in the country expressed hope that "such an extension will contribute to a climate in which the possibilities of negotiation may be nourished and the extended cease-fire thus further justified."

The Assembly also approved a resolution calling on the United States to give "most serious consideration" to halting North Vietnam bombing "even though being too generalized and suggesting sensationalism over scholarship."

In urging U.S. judgment on the Vietnam war, the Assembly said that "it is in the United States' interest of peace that such collective judgment, responsibility and action be secured."

St. Pius X Council 3433, Knights of Columbus, Indianapolis, will provide three of the scholarships for the church leaders to "simply believe that the President of the United States is as concerned about the lives of his people as he sends into battle as you are."



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St. Meinrad sets parley on seminary renewal

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—Thirty-three bishops from dioceses having students at St. Meinrad Seminary here have been invited to participate in a two-day conference on seminary renewal planned in February. Archbishop Schulte will be host bishop. The action was announced following a meeting here last week of the St. Meinrad Board of Overseers.

A meeting of the bishops recently during an annual meeting of U.S. bishops in Washington to plan the February session.

ALSO DISCUSSED at last week's meeting of the Overseers was the expansion program for the seminary. Architects Victor Christ-Janor, of New Canaan, Conn., and Donald Williams, of Louisville's Bicket and Associates, reviewed their plans for the board committee on business and finance.

The Board of Overseers, formed last year by Archbishop Bonaventura Knaebel, is composed of laymen and non-Benedictine priests who serve as advisors to the president-rector of the School of Theology and

ST. ANTHONY'S Described by Msgr. William Baum of the U.S. Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs "as a very significant commission," the joint study will be carried out by a team of 13 theologians, seven of them representing the WCC and the remainder representing the unity secretariat.

American in the commission include Father John Meyendorff, an Orthodox priest from New York; the Rev. Paul Minear of the United Church of Christ, who teaches at Yale; and the Rev. Claude Welch, a Philadelphia Methodist theologian. Father Raymond Brown, S.S., a scripture scholar and professor of Baltimore's St. Mary's seminary, is the only American Catholic delegate.

The 55th Anniversary of St. Anthony's parish, Indianapolis, will be observed Sunday, Dec. 18, with a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving at 4 p.m. in the parish church.

Archbishop Schulte will attend the ceremonies. The pastor, Father William Knapp, will be the celebrant. Also attending in the sanctuary will be the only living ex-pastor, Msgr. Albert Busald, who was pastor there from 1920 to 1933. The sermon will be given by Father Raban Hathorn, O.S.B., a native son of the parish.

St. Anthony's was founded in 1881 by Msgr. Francis B. Dowd. The original combination church-school is still standing. The present parish church was erected in 1904, while the present school was built in 1949. Sisters of Providence have staffed the school since its opening in 1881.

Peak membership in the parish's history was 3,000 souls with 536 children attending the parish school in the 1920's. Shifting population has resulted in present membership of 1,400 souls with 211 school children.

The parish boasts 13 priests and 34 nuns who were educated in the parish school. Three native sons received papal recognition as monsignori: Msgr. Henry Dugan, the late Archbishop of Cincinnati; St. Bernard P. Sheridan, the late Archdiocesan Vicar General and rector of St. John's Church; and Msgr. Pierre Brisson, the late rector of the Assumption Cathedral in the Evansville diocese.

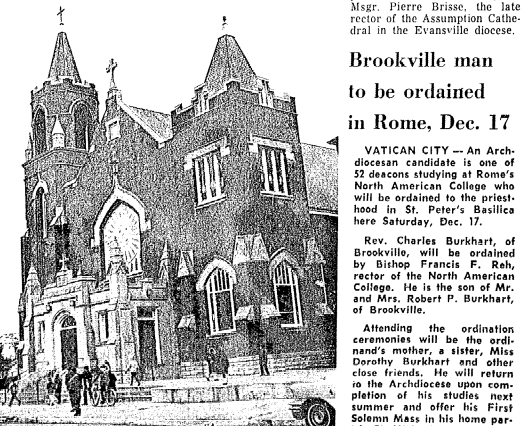
Brookville man to be ordained in Rome, Dec. 17

VATICAN CITY — An Archdiocesan candidate is one of 52 deacons studying at Rome's North American College who will be ordained to the priesthood in St. Peter's Basilica here Saturday, Dec. 17.

Rev. Charles Burkhardt, of Brookville, will be ordained by Bishop Francis F. Rohr, rector of the North American College. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Burkhardt, of Brookville.

Attending the ordination ceremonies will be the ordinand's mother, a sister, Miss Dorothy Burkhardt and other close friends. He will return to the Archdiocese upon completion of his studies next summer and offer his first Solemn Mass in his home parish, St. Michaels.

A graduate of the parish school, the ordinand completed his college studies at St. Meinrad Seminary before enrolling at the North American College where he studied theology for four years ago.



SCENE OF JUBILEE—Shown above is St. Anthony's Church, located at 379 N. Warman Ave., Indianapolis, scene of the parish's 75th Jubilee of establishment on Sunday, Dec. 18. The parish church was erected in 1904 and was substantially redecored 12 years ago. Archbishop Schulte will attend the jubilee observance, highlighted by a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving at 4 p.m. (Staff photo)

CITE CATHOLIC LEADER

Ave Maria urges truth about Cuba

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Asserting that "rumors" from Cuba are being treated as "facts" in the American press, a national Catholic weekly here called on the U.S. and Cuba to open communications channels "so that the press will be able to report the news accurately to the public."

Ave Maria, in an editorial in its December 17 issue, said that serious questions must be raised about the news relayed to Americans concerning the real situation in Cuba. It also cited the "need for criteria in judging the news reported by immigrants to this country and published indiscriminately."

As an example, the editorial said that "a few months ago the horror story about political prisoners being shot and their blood drained for use in North Vietnam was widely printed and believed."

The magazine also pointed to recent statements about the Catholic Church in Cuba made by Msgr. Cesare Zecchi, an official of the Papal Nunciature in Havana, which, it said, "have gone unnoted by the American press."

AVE MARIA said Msgr. Zecchi was interviewed by the editor of Success, a Mexican publication, and the interview appeared in that paper's September 17 issue. "It was the

Pope urges renewed devotion to Mary

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI, speaking (Dec. 8) from his apartment window where he imparted the customary noon feast-day blessing, exhorted 1.4 billion Catholics to renewed devotion to Mary "as the mother of Christ and our mother."

He asked that this devotion conform to the ideological criteria of the (Second Vatican) council, which assigns Mary an exceptional role in our history according to the design of redemption—that is, a Christological and ecclesiological role. The Pope added that devotion to Mary should be accompanied by "the imitation of her virtues, especially that virtue which is characteristic of the Immaculate Virgin: purity."

"LET US FIND ways to defend by example and, insofar as we are able by word as well, the dignity of moral life which in so many ways today presents such a sad spectacle, unworthy of a Christian society."

Late in the afternoon, following the Pope's visit to the Piazza di Spagna monument of the Immaculate Conception in downtown Rome, the pope encouraged continued devotion to St. Mary Major where the pontiff prayed before a picture of the

"When I read it, I was furious. I immediately sent a letter to the editor denying the charge and requesting that from now on when Cuban matters are treated, he not publish anything unless I have seen it first. Where do such things lead?"

THE AVE MARIA editorial also quoted Msgr. Zecchi as saying that the Church in Cuba is well aware of the country's Socialist regime. "It is an undeniable fact, and now the country cannot turn back," the priest said. "Thus the Church must adapt herself to the change, as she has done in Europe, and dedicate herself to her obligations as mother and spiritual guide."

Msgr. Zecchi was asked in the interview whether priests had publicly declared themselves on the side of Cuba's dictator, Fulgencio Batista, before the revolution. He replied:

"Yes, it is true that many priests forgot their obligation to the people and lacked a spirit of dedication and sacrifice. Nevertheless, it is both helpful and necessary to clarify the idea that such an attitude did not mean that the Church itself was on the oppressor's side."

"The Commandments of God are clear and precise. Some people comply with them, and others do not. Thus, the priests who supported the dictatorship should not be identified with the Church. They behaved badly."

Msgr. Zecchi admitted in the interview that a Communist regime was formed in Cuba and that the new generation has become Marxist. He also praised the Castro regime's efforts in education and in the elimination of illiteracy.

Suggest deacons for college work

IN A SHORT talk at the basilica he asked for prayers to Mary that the faithful learn and follow a Christian life. For example, he again suggested prayers for peace "especially in those places where it is most threatened and which are giving rise to such painful anxieties."

"It is not enough to ask for this," he said. "We must also make an offering by leading a virtuous life. And among the virtues to be practiced, first place must be given to innocence and purity of behavior, thought and action in order to honor Mary in that virtue which before every other causes her to shine us in radiance. We must therefore put into practice and carry out an ardent apostolate on behalf of the dignity of the moral way of life, on behalf of purity which is nowadays challenged and insidiously threatened and indeed virtually riddled by many. We must do our utmost to defend this virtue and encourage its growth under the gaze and protection of the Madonna and leave nothing undone to strengthen this needed virtue and give it deeper roots."

Named by Pope

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI has appointed three new "periti," or experts, to the Doctrinal Congregation. The new appointees are Msgr. Miro Grolvin, referendary prelate of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signature; Belgian Father Jerome Hamer, O.P., associate secretary of Vatican Secretariat for the Promotion of Christian Unity; and Father Joseph LeCuyer, C.S.Sp., a French theologian.

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Racism—"It is time that our country, the most powerful nation on earth, should become aware of the legitimate uses of power, black and white. In our land the citizen is the power, and every citizen should have his share."

"The fundamental problem here is the refusal on the part



HOLY NAME CHOIR TO PERFORM—The choir of Holy Name parish, Beech Grove, will present an Advent-Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the parish church. Sixty men's and boys' voices will sing "Magnificat in C Major" by German composer Johann Pachelbel. The work will be accompanied by an orchestra ensemble and organ. A 35-voice girls' choir will join the others for the Christmas section of the concert. J. J. Craney, Holy Name music director and organist, will direct the concert. The public is invited. Shown above is a portion of the combined boys' and girls' choirs. (Staff photo)

IN PASTORAL LETTER

Apathy to social problems rapped by Cardinal Cushing

BOSTON — Cardinal Richard Cushing charged Christians with giving scandal to the world and betraying their own heritage by their apathetic attitudes on peace, poverty, racism, and religious division.

In a pastoral letter entitled, "The Servant Church," and distributed through the Archdiocese of Boston, the cardinal said:

"A warped Christianity has placed mighty obstacles in the way of principles of social concern and social involvement for Christians. The results are often tragic. 'Many of our parishes, like Martha of old, are busy about many things, but neglect the one thing which is necessary.'"

"Many of our religious communities are monuments of fidelity to the established structure, but fail to reflect the world-view and concern for mankind which brought their founders to the heights of holiness."

"Many of our clergy are more dedicated to the maintenance of the status quo than they are to the openness of mind and heart which are so necessary if we are to meet the challenges of survival which is the aggiornamento."

Cardinal Cushing has issued similar letters during the past six years during the seasons of Lent and Advent. Some titles of previous documents were "The Christian and the Communist," "Moral Values and the American Society," "The Call of the Council," and "The Church and Public Opinion."

On the four areas of religious neglect, Cardinal Cushing said:

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of many to accept the Negro as a person, as a unique individual who has a right to full freedom of movement, to full acceptance, a right simply to be a member of society with no special privileges and no special handicaps."

The cardinal recorded his own frustration in this area, saying that his words on this subject have "too often fallen on deaf ears. And by this we do not refer only to the community at large; even within our own flock there are too many who have, it appears, not read or have not heeded our messages."

"Those who share with us the burden and the blessing of preaching God's Word—the Good News that all men are equally called to communion with God and with their fellow men—must preach that word in terms of God's judgment. We summon them again to this responsibility."

Religious Division — Cardinal Cushing called for not merely "churchly ecumenism, one which is concerned with building bridges from Church to Church, but what we may call a secular ecumenism, one which is directed toward a more effective service of God in the world and for the world—ultimately for the sake of the Kingdom."

"We must begin again to be a Church that exists for others, a Church humble and poor, God's servant and the world's."

In other topics discussed in the letter, Cardinal Cushing asked support of the Newman Clubs in the archdiocese. He noted that there are 70 secular institutions of higher learning in the archdiocese which by 1970 will have enrollment expected to include 80 per cent of all

School finances 'No. 1 problem'

CINCINNATI — Archbishop Karl J. Alter said the financial problems confronting Catholic schools is the chief pastoral concern of the Cincinnati archdiocese.

He spoke at the first meeting of the new Archdiocesan Pastoral Council. Some 70 priests, religious, and lay people took part.

Reviewing the financial needs of the schools, Archbishop Alter said they represented "a vast problem" that required exploration.

He called attention to the rise in enrollment, doubling in the past 15 years; the turnover in lay teachers, involving replacement of about one-third each year; the reduction of class size two years ago by setting the maximum number of pupils at

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THE YARDSTICK

Defends dialogue with Communists

By MSGR. GEORGE HIGGINS

Pope Paul VI, in his first encyclical letter, Ecclesiam Suam, said that the Church should enter into dialogue with the world in which it exists and labor. The dialogue, he pointed out, is a method of accomplishing the Church's apostolic mission, an example of the art of spiritual communication.

Its characteristics are the following: 1) clearness; 2) meekness, patience and generosity; 3) trust, not only in the power of one's words but also an attitude of welcoming the trust of the interlocutor; 4) pedagogical prudence, which strives to learn the sensitivities of the hearer and requires that we adapt ourselves and the manner of our presentation in a way that is understandable, pleasing and incomprehensible to him.

In the dialogue, conducted in this way, the Holy Father concluded, "the union of truth and charity, of understanding and love is achieved."

Vatican Council II, following the lead of Pope Paul, repeatedly called for this kind of dialogue between bishops and priests, between priests and laymen, between Catholics and their separated brethren, between Catholics and unbelievers and even between Catholics and militant atheists.

"While rejecting atheism, root and branch," we read in the Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, "the Church sincerely professes that all men, believers and unbelievers alike, ought to work for the rightful betterment of this world in which all alike live. Such an ideal cannot be realized, however, apart from sincere and prudent dialogue."

The council's idea for fraternal dialogue between Catholics and atheists had been anticipated by Pope Paul in Ecclesiam Suam. He said, "It could be said," he hastened to add, however, "that it is not so much that we condemn those (atheistic) systems and regimes as that they express their radical opposition to us in thought and deed. Our regret is in reality more sorrowful, that a victim than the sentence of judgment."

Dialogue in such conditions, the Holy Father conceded, "is difficult, not to say impossible, although even today we have no preconceived intention of excluding the persons who profess these systems and belong to these regimes. For the love of truth discussion is always possible."

At the end of the council, the Holy Father took steps to implement his own and the council's support of dialogue with unbelievers, including militant atheists. This he did by establishing a special commission, headed by Cardinal Koening of Vienna, for dealing with unbelievers.

Recent events in St. Louis and less publicized rumblings in other cities throughout the United States would seem to suggest that some well intentioned but misguided American Catholics think that Pope Paul

has been taken in, so to speak, and must be protected against his own imprudence.

Early this month, when it was announced that Dr. Garardy, a leading French Marxist theoretician, had been invited to lecture at St. Louis University, these self-appointed guardians of orthodoxy vigorously protested and almost—but not quite—forced the university to capitulate.

The university's board of trustees refused to cancel the Garardy lecture, but, in the wake of the protests, decided to move the lecture site to a smaller auditorium and restrict the audience to students and faculty members engaged in philosophical studies. Subsequently cooler heads prevailed, and a compromise agreement was reached.

The board of trustees, whose original decision had been protected by students, by the university's branch of the American Association of University Professors, and by other individuals and groups, finally decided to move the lecture site back to the gymnasium and allow a wider—but still not public—audience to hear Garardy. The talk was opened to students and faculty members from all of the 14 universities and colleges in the St. Louis area. In addition, holders of season tickets to the Great Issues series were admitted to the gymnasium.

In 1880 POPE LEO XIII, declaring that the Church had no fear of history, took the unprecedented step of opening the papal archives for all the previous centuries up to 1815, the end of the Napoleonic Wars. Many significant collections of documents published by various institutes and individuals were the result of this move. Successive pontiffs have extended this cut off date to establish equivalently a 100-year rule.

In 1866, at the time of the World Historical Congress which met in Rome, Pope Pius XII hoped to open the archives of Pius IX for at least the first five years of the pontificate, but this intention was not put into effect for various reasons. The new decision of Paul VI anticipates by over ten years the ending of the 100-year period for Pius IX.

ANNOUNCING the Pope's decision which will take effect in January, Msgr. Martino Grego, prefect of the "Archivio Segreto Vaticano," pointed out that the pontiff had followed the policy of his predecessors who wished that this unique source for ecclesiastical, civil and cultural documents should be open to the disposal of historical scholarship as soon as feasible.

Included in the declassified collection are the most important world capitals, and the papers of many Roman congregations and other ecclesiastical organs. Also included are the documents of the First Vatican Council and the papers of important aristocratic Roman families.

Booklets issued for Unity Octave

GARRISON, N.Y.—The Graymorn Friars have issued three prayer booklets for use during the Unity Octave, January 18-20. One of the booklets, sponsored by the National Council of Churches and recommended by the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, contains prayers and sermon or meditation material for Christians of all denominations. The Unity Octave booklet for Catholics contains prayers for the special intentions for each of the days of the octave: January 18, for the unity of all Christians in the Church; January 19, for separated Eastern brethren; January 20, for the Anglicans; January 21, for European Christians; January 22, for American Christians; January 23, for the spiritual renewal of Catholics; January 24, for the Jewish people; and January 25, for the extension of the Church to all lands.

A third booklet contains a Prayer of the Faithful for use at Masses on each day of the octave.

Elect new abbot

BONN, Germany—Father Augustin Mayer, O.S.B., rector of the pontifical university of San Anselmo in Rome, was elected abbot of the Benedictine abbey at Metten, Germany. The 55-year-old Father Mayer is a member of the Vatican Congregation for Seminaries and Universities Studies.

Pontiff opens Pius IX archives to scholars

VATICAN CITY—In a decision of wide interest to scholars, Pope Paul VI has opened for researchers the entire archives of the pontificate of Pope Pius IX (1846-1878). Hitherto papal documents have been accessible only up to the death of Pope Gregory XVI, his predecessor.

The pontificate of Pius IX, longest in history, embraced the final phases of the Italian "Risorgimento," the rise of "ultramontanism," the development of parliamentary government in Europe, dramatic church-state problems such as those reflected in the Syllabus of Errors, the revolutionary phase in Latin America and such historic events as the First Vatican Council, the end of the papal states and the Roman revolution of 1848.

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ADVENT PROJECT FOR CYO—Members of Our Lady of Lourdes parish Junior CYO made dozens of Advent wreaths for sale to parishioners to mark the season preparatory to Christmas. Shown above are four young people who helped in the project (from left): Laura Godby, Sharon Miller, Joe Siferlen and Mike Downey. The girls attend Thomas Carr Holy School, while the boys attend Cathedral High School. Lourdes' CYO moderator is Father Kenneth Bechert. (Staff photo)

List posts of Bishops on board of U.S. Catholic Conference

WASHINGTON—The complete list of positions to which archbishops and bishops elected to the administrative board of the United States Catholic Conference have been named has been released here. Positions held by the prelates are as follows: Archbishop John F. Dearden of Detroit, president. Archbishop John F. Krol of Philadelphia, vice president. Auxiliary Bishop Gerald W. Devitt of Philadelphia, executive director for the Bureau of Information; and Auxiliary Bishop John J. Dougherty of Newark, assistant for United Nations Affairs. Archbishop John P. Cody of Chicago, treasurer. Auxiliary Bishop Cletus F. O'Donnell of Chicago, assistant secretary. Bishop L. Unterkoeler of Chaleson, S.C., secretary. Archbishop Leo Binz of St. Paul-Minneapolis, episcopal chairman of the Department of Immigration.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Chatard-Secena tilt tops week-end slate

By HERB MacGREGOR

Chatard, paced by Sophomores Jim Pratt and Dick Proffitt, clashes with Secena at the Chatard gallery Friday night in the top contest scheduled for a busy basketball week-end in the Archdiocese. The Trojans pulled off a surprise victory last week to build their season record to 4-1, while Secena was bowing to Arlington, 64-82, and was trouncing Northwest, 65-37, to establish a 21 season mark. Backers of both the Trojans and the Secena cagers expect a close ball game. The Secena quintet is paced by junior Jim Page, 6-2 letterman, and by Carl Bock, a 6-1 senior. Both Bock and Page sparkled in the win over Northwest last Saturday night. Brebeuf's Braves, now 6-0 after last week's wins over Cathedral and Bloomington Junior-Senior High will be seen in action twice this weekend. The Braves entertain Windfall Friday night, and will invade Shortridge on Saturday night. Eric Hill is pacing the Brebeuf scoring as the Braves continue the winning ways established last fall in football. Brebeuf will be faced by both teams again this week-end.

SECENA in addition to meeting Chatard on Friday night, will be at home to Broad Ripple Saturday evening. The tilt is expected to be a real tough one for Secena. Secena plays host to three Archdiocesan favorites, December 29, 30, in a holiday meet which should be very interesting. Chatard, Kennedy and the Kennedy court Friday night, and Saturday night the Indianapolis cagers invade Franklin Central. Kennedy shows improvement in recent starts and should register a pair of triumphs. Deaf School was the Kennedy opponent in last Tuesday night's contest. The result was not available at press time. The Irish of Cathedral make only one start this week, but it will be a big one. Washington's Continentals will invade the Cathedral last tonight and the fourth fully in this one. The Irish remember the football setback, and want to even the score on the hardwood.

Cathedral like some of the other Archdiocesan high schools is showing improvement with

each start, and could spill Washington tonight.

RITTER, playing its first varsity basketball season, scored its initial win last week, beating Plainfield Charlton by a 63-48 score. The team bowed before Westfield, 70-56, however, and now has a 1-3 season log. This Saturday night Ritter entertains Mooresville in a game which promises plenty of action. Ritter will be gunning for their second win of the campaign.

Chartrand, toppled by Ft. Wayne Catholic last Saturday night, will host to Lafayette Catholic Friday night. The Rams, now 2-2 for the season, will be forced to cut down on their personal fouls against Lafayette, however. In the 82-70 loss to Ft. Wayne, the Rams drew 31 personal fouls. Chartrand outscored Ft. Wayne by four goals from the field.

Randy Stahley collected 31 points and a Double Ten, converted 24 of 34 in a losing Rams' cause. Stahley is averaging 25 points per game for Chatard. College graduates, Anyone interested in membership should call Perkins at 251-0508, or write The Catholic Alumni Club, P.O. Box 174, Indianapolis, Ind. 46206. (Staff photo)



NEW ALUMNI CLUB OFFICERS—Robert W. Perkins (standing, right), newly-elected president of the Catholic Alumni Club of Indianapolis, confers with other new officers (left to right): Karen Rushton, recording secretary; Gerald J. This, vice-president; Carol Kreuter, treasurer; and Leo Adam, corresponding secretary. This club offers a program of religious, cultural, social, recreational and community service activities to single Catholics throughout the area. Anyone interested in membership should call Perkins at 251-0508, or write The Catholic Alumni Club, P.O. Box 174, Indianapolis, Ind. 46206. (Staff photo)

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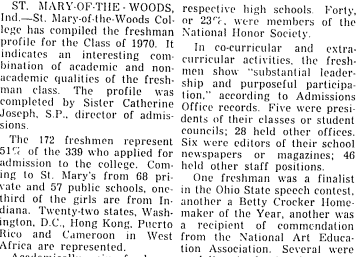
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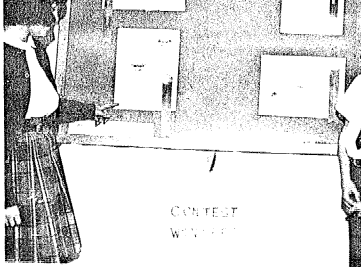
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DEADLINES—Next Tuesday, Dec. 20, is the deadline for entries in both the Cyo Cadet Girls' Volleyball and Boys' Wrestling Leagues. Deadline date for entries in the Junior Cyo Style Show is January 5.

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AT LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE—The school library at St. Matthew parish, Indianapolis, was dedicated at an Open House held earlier this month. Shown above are the winners in the contest for a book plate design to identify the library's books, and their entries. They are, left to right: Jane Schuster, Kurt Shaver and Christopher Barry. Mary Gilbert, another winner, was not present when the picture was taken. (Staff photo)

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VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

How a writer can ruin a good movie

By JAMES W. ARNOLD

"The Professionals," as the first adult western to be made in the shadow of "Virginia Woolf" is the sort of epic that makes you yearn, if not for Gene Autry, at least for the most syllabic heyday of John Wayne and Rod Cameron.



The occasional shock effect in dialogue is not really much of a problem. (Although it is amazing how much outrage it inspires in a society that practices, among other things, racial discrimination.) The real difficulty is the film's saturation with Meaning and Message.

But "The Professionals" is one of the more ludicrous cases of writer ruining a good movie. Here writer Richard Brooks is also the director (last film: "Lord Jim"), so he has no one to disagree with. What he does is build a solid, even mildly literate outdoor drama out of an exciting visual climax. Then he has the antagonists change semi-philosophical, sentimental dialogue much as if from a drawing room. All then leads to an incredible and unintentionally funny happy ending.

"The Professionals" turns a classic western plot (basically, rescuing the female captive) into an elaborate ironic fable on war, morality and truth. A railroad baron hires four ruggedly competent adventurers (echoes of "The Magnificent Seven"). The four (Lee Marvin, Burt Lancaster, Robert Ryan, Woody Strode) are given an impossible task: to rescue the man's wife, whom a Mexican bandit-revolutionary (Jack Palance) has spirited to his wilderness retreat. The plot is clearly sub-ject to unspeakable indignities. It is the rich husband says, "a mission of mercy."

treatment of incidents involving mercy and the female characters. Once the heroes witness a mass execution of captives, and it is justified because the victims belonged to a group that had itself committed atrocities.

Four separate times the heroes show compassion, and each time the act causes them grief. To survive and to win, one must be ruthless.

The code of the professional, but the cause comes first; in fact, it is all that matters in life. Causes inevitably become corrupt, but one must accept this and "remain committed." A good cause justifies almost any tactic: its demands really serve as a test of one's dedication. What else, in truth, justifies anything?

This analysis is brief, and may be oversimple. But if Brooks is read correctly, his answers are depressing. They are virtually the opposite of the "message" of "Dr. Zhivago," which was that since all causes become corrupt, the one true value is individual human life and happiness. The theme of "The Professionals" is clearest in the film's

Claudia Cardinale in low-cut peasant costume) impresses the man with her willingness to break all rules for what she has decided is Right. Then there is the pretty handi (Marie Lopez) who is idealized as one whose passion for love, life and cause is without restriction. She dies with a kiss in Lan-caster's arms ("It's been a long time since anybody called me 'baby'"), in one of the more maudlin demises in recent film history. "Now," says the once cynical Lancaster, "I know what in the way too much until Lan-caster and Palance have their academic discussion while inter-mittently pot-shooting at each other, leaking blood and cigar smoke over the rocks of a photo-genic canyon. There is a splin- ing of racial tension (Strode's presence makes someone ask, "Anyone mind working with the Negro?"), and the violence and occasional peck-a-boo sex make "The Professionals" a little rough for children. (Ratings: A-3—unobjection- able for adults.)

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VARIETY IN BOOKS

Wilfrid Sheed's latest is an ironic classic

"Office Politics," by Wilfrid Sheed, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, New York, 339 pp. \$4.95.

The presence of irony makes Wilfrid Sheed's "Office Politics" deserving of the appellation: comic novel. Mr. Sheed's fourth novel, is, in other words, a funny book.

Treating a segment in the lives of several people associated with a small (circulation 21,000) liberal magazine called "The Outsider," the novel is ironic in that the notion harbored by Gilbert Twining, the magazine's editor, that a plot is in process to oust him, a notion initially regarded as fantastic by George Wren, the editor most recently added to the staff, materializes into the substance of the plot.

The action takes numerous unexpected turns, with various members of the magazine's staff incarnating the precepts of Niccolo Machiavelli—all of course, for the furtherance of the magazine's liberal ideals.

The irony grows through the techniques of multiple points of view and of parallel scenes, as the same objects and events are seen by different characters.

The style reflects the irony of the whole. Paragraphs build up to punch-line conclusions. Occasional streams of consciousness sequences provide for comic tangentialities.

In all its funniness, however, "Office Politics" is a dramatic study of conflicts between idealism and practicality; altruism and selfishness; friendship and animosity; of the difficulties of personal communication; and of the problem of seeing things as they are.

Secularism

(Continued from page 2) There are a few who believe, with Paul Van Buren, that the main job at hand is to find "the secular meaning of the Gospel."

Whatever the different strategies, however, and whatever the common premises, our attention is being called to certain facts. One of these facts—though it is boring by now to use the word—is the lack of Christian "relevance" to the complex, urbane, confusing human situation of the second half of the 20th century. Another is that man seems to be making a decent go of life where religion may still capture his nominal allegiance but does not grip and animate his imagination. Another is that where religion is not irrelevant it too often falls into an equally bad pit, that of providing transcendent sanction and legitimization for the political status quo. Another is that technology and urbanization are here to stay and that religion had better make the most of it. Finally—and here I will add my own assertion of what is a "fact"—that nothing could matter much less to contemporary man than the truth about justification, a papal infallibility, agape, Mary's heavenly litte, the relationship of Scripture and tradition and much else that the most serious and dedicated ecclesiastical scholars would find worthy of a life's work.

This last fact, if it can be accepted as such, points to a sobering conclusion. Even if the most exalted dream of total Christian victory could be achieved, there is no longer any certainty that it would have a decisive influence on the future of the world.

Finally, it should be clear that mankind has made only small progress in the direction of developing techniques for the reduction of nationalistic antagonisms, ideological confrontations, racial, ethnic, and class hostilities; hence, the great need for some useful models or examples of communities which have devised methods of overcoming longstanding hostilities. Expressed in the most primitive terms possible, ecumenism would have much to give the world if it mankind could joint to divided Christians and try to see how they love each other

to the extent that the process of secularization continues, to that extent will the world require the particular gifts which an ecumenical Christianity can offer. While there are many indications of a trend toward world unity, they are indications, not a reality. Practically speaking, the spirit of nationalism has been one consequence of secularization. In a 1961 grouping, have become one measure to replace religious groupings. The realization of world unity will necessitate that the nations learn to get along with each and to find the means whereby their narrower allegiances can be transmuted into broader, more universal bonds.

What will the future bring? Historically, the roots of secularization appear to be deeper and more extensive than those of ecumenism. It is conceivable, though highly unlikely, that ecumenism could lose its present drive and become once again only the concern of a few specialists. But it is almost inconceivable that the movement toward secularization could reverse itself; and that because it is so much a result of urban and technological changes which now seem permanent. In any case, at the moment ecumenism and secularization are solidly entrenched. Sociologically and culturally, the latter provides the human context for the former. Just as the turns taken by society in the past were crucial for Christian relations, so they are likely to remain in the future.

The main difference now, however, is that Christians are in a position to profit from, rather than instinctively resist, these turns. This can only be done in the present situation by recognizing the impact which ecumenism and secularization can have on each other. To think that ecumenism has no special duties toward broader human concerns would be irresponsible.

as they are. This is no small feat for a comic novelist. (Reviewed by John J. Maher, NCWC News Service, Washington, D.C.)

"The Nature of Love," by Irving Singer, Random House, New York, 395 pp. \$7.95.

"What is love?" You and I have asked that question many times and the answer is always vague. Dr. Irving Singer has come out on a mission of inquiry to decipher and answer the question. "What is love?" The above book, "The Nature of Love," is his work, an attempt to "solve any problems" but only to serve as an introduction "to work that eventually will." In subsequent volumes he will discuss courtly love, romantic love, and love in the modern world.

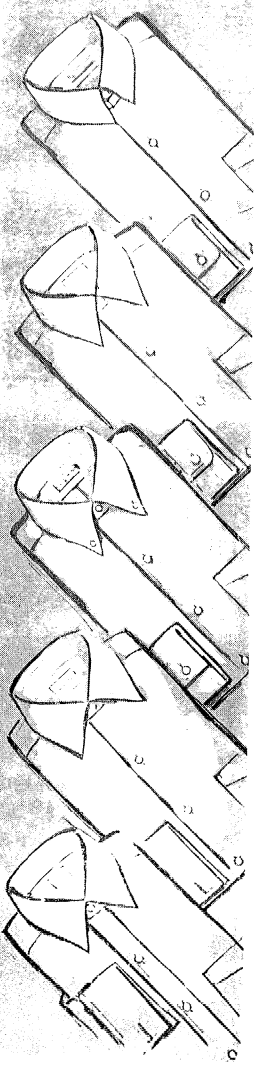
His first book, which lays a foundation for his discussion is successful though not written for the average reader and may even appear pretentious to one not thoroughly familiar with the thinkers and poets whom the author quotes. We see facets of some of the great minds of the West in Singer's early chapters: Plato, Aristotle, Plotinus, Ovid, Lucretius.

The strands of philosophical insight taken from these thinkers were woven into the fabric of Christianity by the thinkers of the Dark and Middle Ages. Singer is firm in his statement that Christianity is, of all religions, unique. "It alone has made love the dominant principle in all areas of dogma." He continues with an informal analysis of four types or elements of love found in pagan and Hebrew thought but which were expanded and most perfectly articulated in Christianity.

Singer's book is not easy reading. It is meant for the reader with a curious, professional or amateur, in things philosophical. There is much to contend with in Singer's book, but surely it is a sound contribution toward a statement on love which, hopefully, will prove relevant to our time. (Reviewed by John Noon, Washington, D.C., free lance writer.)

Reaffirm stand against abortion

LOS ANGELES—The Catholic bishops of California joined in strong condemnation of proposals to legalize abortion in the state and called on all men to "preserve and care for the right to life of the unborn child." In a statement signed by all 12 of California's bishops, the Catholic "spiritual leaders" reminded that "directly intended abortion is utterly opposed to the law of God, to the dignity of the human person, and to the well being of society." They declared that "the proposals for direct abortion stand in total opposition to the law of God as well as the laws of men." Proposals to broaden the state's current anti-abortion laws to allow therapeutic abortions for varied reasons have been supported by several groups including the California Medical Association.



Tic Tacker

HERE AND THERE—The mission territory in New Guinea, served by 11 Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, has recently been elevated to a diocese. The new Mendi diocese has been made a suffragan see to the new Port Moresby archdiocese. Mendi was formerly organized as a vicariate apostolic, headed by Bishop Firmin J. Schmidt, O.F.M. Cap. The diocese is administered by Franciscan Capuchin Fathers from the Pittsburgh Province.

A crowd of 525 persons attended the annual Richmond St. Paul's Lutheran Church last Sunday during an ecumenical service of Christmas carols. It was estimated that Catholics comprised one-half the attendance.

Brother Douglas Roach, C.S.C., principal of Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, reports that 18 of the school's 33 full-time faculty members now have at least one graduate degree, while one has a doctorate. The total years of teaching experience numbers 375 years or 11.7 years experience per teacher.

Acting on their own initiative, the Student Council of Secunia Memorial High School, Indianapolis, has festively decorated the school's corridors and cafeteria. . . . Individuals and organizations still looking for a Christmas project are reminded of the annual Christmas Gift Lift campaign sponsored by the Marion County Association for Mental Health. It is hoped that 5,000 gifts will be available for distribution during Christmas parties Sunday, Dec. 18, at Central State and the psychiatric wards of General Hospital. . . . In keeping with a policy established in 1961, there will be no issue of the Criterion on December 30, providing the staff a few days of needed year-end relaxation. First issue after Christmas will be that of Friday, Jan. 6.

NAMES IN THE NEWS—Rev. Mr. Thomas Arns, third year theology student at St. Maur's Seminary, South Union, was ordained to the subdiaconate last Sunday there. He is a member of Holy Spirit parish, Indianapolis. Receiving minor orders of tonsure, porter and lector last week-end were Michael Albright, of Immaculate Heart of Mary parish, and Peter Adolay, of St. Catherine's parish, both second year theology students at St. Maur's.

Sister Marie Perpetua, S.P., president of St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, participated in an informal briefing on library legislation this past week in Indianapolis. Sponsored by the Indiana Library Association, the briefing concerned library legislation for the 1967 Indiana General Assembly. Sister Marie Perpetua is president of the Indiana Conference on Higher Education.

REPORT FROM MEXICO—Father George Powers, priest of the Archdiocese, has recently initiated a social action apostolate in Mexico. His address there is: Familia Carina, San Francisco, 18 Mexico, 12, D.F. For the past two years he has taught sociology at the Catholic University of America and Theology at Georgetown University, both in Washington. He has also been employed by the Peace Corps as assessment officer and community development director of two Brazilian training projects in Washington. Father Powers formerly served as pastor of St. Leonard's parish in West Terre Haute and professor at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College.

57 St. Meinrad clergy to assist in parishes

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—Fifty-seven Benedictine monks of St. Meinrad Archabbey and three other religious orders teaching at the seminaries here will assist in parishes of the Indianapolis Archdiocese and other dioceses in Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois and Louisiana during the Christmas holidays.

A total of 35 priests will assist in Archdiocesan parishes, including 11 in the Indianapolis area.

Indianapolis parishes receiving clerical assistants are: Our Lady of Lourdes, Father Gregory Chamberlin; St. Catherine's, Father Basil Mattingly; St. Francis de Sales, Father Hilary Ottensmeyer; St. John's, Father Meinrad Brunne; St. Lawrence, Father Adrian Fuerst; St. Mary's, Father Paschal Boland; St. Patrick's, Father Cyril Vrablic; St. Philip Neri, Father

Chartrand plans New Year's dance

INDIANAPOLIS—Chartrand High School will hold its fourth annual New Year's Eve dance on Saturday, Dec. 31, in the Augustine Davis; St. Benedict's, school gym, 3300 Prague Road. Music will be furnished by Ronald Weimer and the "Continents."

The \$6 per couple admission includes a midnight breakfast. Reservations can be made by calling Mrs. Robert Carter, 787, 9481 or 881-3172. Ray Kuebel is chairman, assisted by Bill Casey and Dorothy Burchett.



RELIGIOUS HERITAGE MONTH—Gov. Roger D. Branigan of Indiana last week signed a Religious Heritage Month proclamation, as do state churches planned commemorative services to mark the 150th year of statehood. The actual anniversary of Indiana's admission to statehood fell on Sunday, Dec. 11. Designation by the Governor of Religious Heritage Month was the final official program of the Sesquicentennial Commission. Shown above with the Governor are (from left): Rev. Felix Moser, president of the Inter-denominational Ministerial Alliance; Rabbi Sidney Steinman, head of the Indiana Association of Rabbis; Very Rev. Francis Tudy, C.S.B., of the Indianapolis Archdiocese; Rev. Robert Koenig, executive director of the Church Federation of Greater Indianapolis; and Dr. Donald P. Carmony, of Bloomington, chairman of the Indiana Sesquicentennial Commission.



BRIDE-TO-BE—Miss Mary Pille, Marian College senior from Ft. Harrison, will portray the role of Agnes, the youthful and naive bride-to-be in Moliere's classic "The School for Wives" (L'Ecole des femmes), to be presented by the college's theatre department this week-end in the college auditorium. Performances will be given at 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 16-18. Directed by Robert E. Moran, the production will be performed and staged in the comedia francese style.

'More important to be Christian than Catholic'

By FRED W. FRIES

but not the pilgrimage itself.

The implementation of the council must now come from the grass roots level—from the people themselves—and not from the hierarchy, the speaker said.

"We have come to realize now that the life of the Church has its source in the people," he added, "and that the authority in the Church is primarily a service organization."

REGARDING the turmoil of the post-conciliar era, the speaker stated that we must be prepared for "constant change."

"The road ahead is rocky," he said, "but we must trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit that all the needed reforms will eventually be implemented."

Clergy

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return of questionnaires. A number of those who responded wrote on the back of the questionnaire, "Thank God, at last somebody has asked us what we think." Father Fichter added.

Described as "probably the largest research project of its kind ever undertaken in this country," the survey was financed by the National Catholic Reporter, a lay-edited weekly with offices here, and by contributions raised by priests and lay people around the country.

The questions included in the survey were drawn up by Father Fichter following preliminary discussions with priests in several cities. "In other words, these problem areas were raised by priests themselves," he said.

"These are areas which priests show concern in the development of the Church."

Pointing out that many of the responses mirror a close familiarity with the decrees of the Second Vatican Council, Father Fichter said that the priests' suggestions showed "they've been reading these documents." He expects to publish a comprehensive 100-page analysis of the material drawn from relations among the data gathered.

Pope

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ing stronger and more confident.

IT WAS AT this point that the Pope made his suggestion for merging the year-end truces. Declaring that such a proposal should meet the consent of all, the pontiff said a decision in favor "would be to the honor and credit of all concerned."

On the other hand, he said, "a neglect of such a golden opportunity to bring an end to this sad episode in contemporary history would involve heavy responsibility and be fraught with danger."

"Please God, our earnest desire will not fall on deaf ears. Our separated brethren, by their solicitude and their desires, share our hopes. They, together with Catholics everywhere, desire for the beloved people of Vietnam a return to tranquility and order."

Newman Mothers to meet Dec. 20

INDIANAPOLIS—Father John LaBaute will be the guest speaker at the Christmas party and luncheon sponsored by the Newman Mothers Club of Butler University at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at the Butler Athletic Club.

Mrs. John E. Obleyer is party chairman, assisted by Mrs. Joseph B. Tynen, co-chairman. Father William Munshower is Newman Club chaplain.

Eight teams remain in Quiz competition

INDIANAPOLIS—The quarterly round of the CYO Quiz Contest will be held Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at four sites. With eight teams remaining, only St. Catherine's parish has two teams still in competition.

In last week's round, scores were noticeably higher than in previous weeks. St. Christopher No. 1 amassed 160 points in their elimination of St. Barnabas. St. Catherine No. 3, 1 downed Our Lady of Lourdes No. 1, 140-130.

Other scores included Our Lady of Lourdes No. 2 110, Our Lady of Greenwood No. 1 100, Immaculate Heart No. 2 100, St. Simon No. 2 60; Holy Trinity No. 1 100, Holy Name 40; St. Joan of Arc No. 2 130, St. Barnabas No. 1 120; St. Catherine No. 2 80, St. Joan of Arc No. 3 70; and Holy Name No. 2 100, St. Roch No. 1 80.

Pairing for this week are: Our Lady of Lourdes at Immaculate Heart; St. Joan of Arc at Holy Trinity; St. Catherine No. 2 at St. Christopher; and Holy Name at St. Catherine No. 1.

Meeting slated

INDIANAPOLIS—The quarterly meeting of the Particular Council of Indianapolis, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, will be held in St. Bridget's Social hall, 815 N. West St., on Sunday, Dec. 18, following the 8 a.m. Mass. All Vicinians of the Indianapolis Conferences are urged to attend.

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'Coffee' slated by Woods alumnae

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The coffee will be hosted by three 1964 graduates who live at Park Normandie: Miss Juliet Muro, Miss Rachel Eberle and Mrs. Gary Hofmeister.

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CORPUS INSTRUMENTUM

Theology publishing project under way

By FRANK McDEVITT
WASHINGTON — Thirty million words represent a lot of communication...

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In translation "corpus instrumentum" means "a body of tools." In form it is a publishing agency...

The center of Corpus Instrumentum in downtown Washington was blessed in September by Cardinal Lawrence Shehan of Baltimore...

Secondly, 160 major monographs in the encyclopedia will first appear in book form...

Additionally, an Encyclopedia Dictionary of Catholicism will be prepared...

According to Father Whalen, the organizers of Corpus Instrumentum were inspired by the French encyclopedia, the Dictionnaire de Theologie Catholique...

tionnaire de Theologie Catholique, which was the stimulus for the rapid evolution of theology in France...

FATHER WHALEN stressed in an interview with the NC News Service, that the supporting book program aims at productions that will have an impact on culture throughout the world...

"The books we put out," he said, "will not necessarily be Catholic in the narrow sense."

Opinions

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James J. Divita Indianapolis

Parish schedules
New Year's dance

INDIANAPOLIS—Holy Trinity Parish New Year's Eve dance will be held Saturday, Dec. 31...

The Haugville Slickers will provide the dance tunes from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Alice H. Yovanovich is chairman...

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Apathy Providence nun dies at the Woods

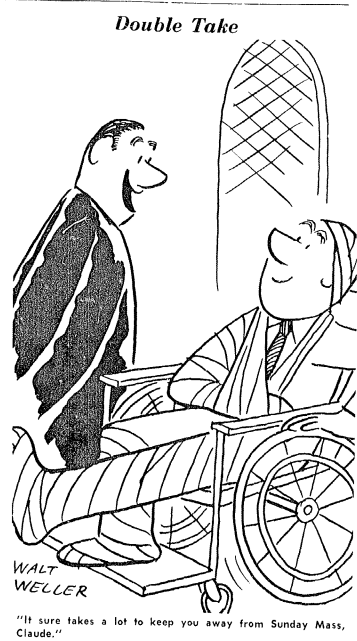
(Continued from page 3) HE ANNOUNCED the establishment of a center for post-ordination studies at the diocesan seminary...

Urging archdiocesan priests to do all that is essential to make the liturgical changes more meaningful, the cardinal said...

"One of the most serious obstacles to liturgical renewal can be the attitude of priests themselves. The man in Holy Orders in the community is the Christian most fully conformed to Christ's Priest and as such, together with the bishop, the principal liturgist."

At the conclusion of the pastoral, Cardinal Cushing urged: "As we pass through the day and weeks of Advent, the Church, as we have said, has us prepare for the Coming of the Lord. It is important to recall again that the Coming has already begun; it takes place in every situation which presents itself to us for healing and reconciliation."

"At the present time, He comes to us in many ways. His Church, as we have stressed in this letter, is most evident in modern movements for peace, in current efforts to alleviate poverty, in the contemporary struggle for civil rights, and the present-day action for achieving unity among the Churches. He has given us the power to heal these wounds in His Body; we must heed the signs of the times' and get to work..."



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Answer to commercialism



COMING TO INDIANAPOLIS—The famed Netherlands Chamber Choir of Holland will present a concert in Indianapolis on Sunday, February 19, 1967, as part of their fourth U.S. tour.

OTTAWA, Ont.—In a protest against the over-commercialism of Christmas, Bernard D'Eon led two children dressed as Joseph and Mary and a donkey along a busy street here and tied up traffic for blocks.

Mr. D'Eon, a 43-year-old draftsman, was re-enacting the journey of Joseph and Mary on the road from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

The children were Philip Boileau, 12, and his sister, Sharon, 9. Police permission and escorts for the tiny pageant was given by the Ottawa and suburban Eastview departments.

Eyes of Christmas shoppers popped as Mr. D'Eon, the children and the donkey passed by.

"People are fed up with the commercialism of Christmas," he said. "What makes them angry is that it starts so blessedly early."

The idea had been flowering for 10 years in his mind. Now, he plans to make it an annual event. He borrowed the donkey from a local farmer.

Remember them in your prayers

- INDIANAPOLIS: 72 St. Joan of Arc Church, Dec. 14, 10:00 p.m. St. Joan of Arc Church, Dec. 14, 10:00 p.m. ...

Christmas party

INDIANAPOLIS—The Irving-Indianapolis Catholic Women's Study Club will hold its annual Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Charles A. Broecker, 5122 Norway Drive.

Osgood Festival

OSGOOD, Ind.—The annual Christmas Turkey Festival at St. John's parish will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. C. A. Broecker, 5122 Norway Drive.

Notre Dame Club

to hold breakfast

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—The Notre Dame Club of Terre Haute will hold its annual Universal Notre Dame Communion Breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 8 a.m. at St. Albert Church.

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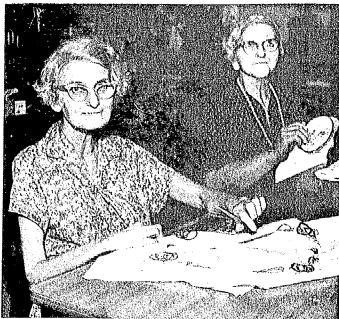
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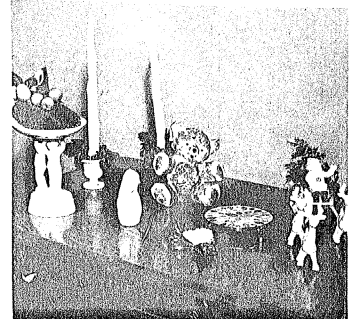
WORK TO AID NEW HOME FOR AGED—Christmas decorations, crocheted and embroidered items, pot-holders, candles, mosaics and ceramics are some of the things being produced by residents of the Little Sisters Home for the Aged in Indianapolis. The project, started over a year ago by Mrs. Joseph Kenney of St. Joan of Arc parish, is designed to occupy the minds and hands of the people at the home, and to raise



money for furnishings needed at the new St. Augustine's Home now under construction. The above photos show some of those involved in the work, and their accomplishments. In the first picture at the left, Bernadine Kirschner and Frieda Gootze display their needlework on pillow-slips which they are embroidering. An important step in the making of ceramics is



the glazing, which colors and smooths the article. The second photo shows Kate McCool applying the glaze to a table ornament. In the third picture, Mrs. Kenney loads the kiln which bakes the ceramics at temperatures of several hundred degrees for more than six hours. It was not until the kiln was acquired just a few weeks ago that ceramics could be in-



cluded in the project. The final photo shows a sampling of the finished products for sale to the public daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Little Sisters' Home. Mrs. Kenney has stated that additional volunteers are urgently needed to help direct the projects. Those who wish to volunteer are asked to contact Mrs. Kenney at 926-6743.

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U.S. Presbyterian receives Communion at Catholic rite

ROME—A mixed marriage in the Catholic Church in which the Protestant party was authorized by the highest Roman authorities to receive Holy Communion has stirred surprise and discussion in Catholic ecumenical circles.

The wedding took place last September in Assisi between Italian writer Fortunato Pasquino and an American Presbyterian Barbara Olson, but the unusual features have only just now become public knowledge.

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, it is reported, on the request of both parties granted the concession on condition that the bride make an express act of belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and an act of obedience to the Pope. Scope of the latter act was not defined.

No confirmation of this story has come from the Vatican congregation itself. It is reliably stated that the Vatican Secretariat for the Promoting of Christian Unity was not consulted before the permission was granted.

CATHOLIC ecumenists in Rome point out that the exceptional concession, or rather the conditions under which it was granted, raise important ecclesiological questions. One of

these is whether a Protestant wishing to remain in the doctrinal tradition of his Church may or should be asked to make formal religious declarations incompatible with that tradition.

The Pasquino-Olson marriage has not been reported in the Italian Catholic newspapers, reportedly on the request of Vatican authorities. The story became known generally when published in the dated December 1 issue of the Paris magazine Informations Catholiques Internationales.

The Vatican correspondent of the Paris daily Figaro, Father Rene Laurentin, criticized the way in which the concession was accorded by the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith (formerly the Holy Office).

Writing in the November 30 issue of that newspaper, he said Vatican officials had evidently not taken the ecumenical aspects into consideration.

According to reports, the couple was married September 21 in Assisi by Msgr. C. Clataglia, chaplain of the University Catholic Action Movement.

It was said that the Vatican congregation's approval was based on a letter sent by Miss Olson which detailed her regrets. Reportedly her professional duties of some before marriage and re-

Pope sets Mass in Florence

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI will celebrate Christmas midnight Mass in the flood-damaged cathedral of Florence.

Shortly afterward he will return to Rome for Mass in St. Peter's basilica.

It will be his first visit since his election to the papacy to the capital of the Tuscan region of north-central Italy, which suffered the gravest blows of the flood disaster of November 4, including the loss of several lives.

Sixty per cent of the city itself was under several feet of water during the height of the flood.

The Pope will make the three-and-one-half-hour freeway trip by car.

Urges preparation for Christmas

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI, appearing at his window overlooking St. Peter's Square, urged all Christians to be concerned with a spiritual rather than a worldly preparation for Christmas.

"We are now in Advent, we must prepare the ways for the Lord with prayer and penance, with the expectation and search for Christ. It is necessary to remember that Christmas must be happy for everyone and therefore that we must do something for those who live in poverty and suffering. Make your children aware of this."

Named to staff

WASHINGTON—Father Edwin Neill of the Company of St. Paul has been named to the executive staff of the U.S. Catholic Conference (the new name for the National Catholic Welfare Conference). He will serve as secretary to Bishop Paul F. Tanner, general secretary.

Interfaith study to begin soon on mixed marriages

GENEVA—A special subcommittee on mixed marriages created by the joint World Council of Churches-Vatican working group will begin its activities in a few months, it was announced following the group's fourth meeting at Crete, Berard near here.

Also announced was the formation of a new commission to begin theological studies on the problem of "Apostolicity and Catholicity in the Church," a 13-member panel which will report later to a larger group yet to be organized.

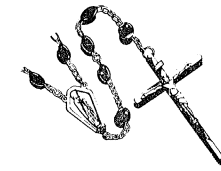
Elaborating on the formal announcement issued after the closed sessions, Dr. Lukas Vischer, secretary of the World Council's Faith and Order department, stressed that the problem of mixed marriages arises not only between the Catholic Church and the World Council but also between the Catholic Church and separate confessional bodies.

Dr. Vischer said the mixed marriage subcommittee will have the important task of coordinating separate conversations on the subject and collecting information on the points of agreement reached.

At its Crete Berard meeting, the working group also reviewed the status of the dialogue on such questions as common prayer for unity, missions, social questions, relief activities, women's work and the laity.

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