Two boys enjoy the gifts of nature on a warm summer day, too young to be concerned about a world where hay, grass, and trees may be in danger. "Will man destroy this beautiful earth with his technology? Or will we remember in time that we are truly stewards of this beautiful earth?" This question is asked by Alma Roberts Giordan in this week's Know Your Faith exploration of the theology of ecology. Pages 11-14.

Carter backs court's Medicaid abortion ruling

WASHINGTON—(NC)—President Jimmy Carter concedes it is "not fair" that rich women can have abortions while many poor women will be denied Medicaid abortions.

But he said he still believes the states and the federal government should not be required to pay for abortions.

Carter said, "I don't think the government should finance abortions except where the mother's life is threatened or when the pregnancy was a result of rape or incest."

He made his comment when asked his opinion of June 20 Supreme Court decisions which said the Constitution does not require states to pay for abortions which are not medically necessary.

Asked if he thought it was fair that poor women would be denied abortions when rich women could have them, he said, "Well, as you know, there are many things in life that are not fair, that wealthy people can afford and poor people can't. But I don't believe that the federal government should take action to try to make these opportunities exactly equal, particularly when there is a moral factor involved."

"I know, as well as anyone in the country, having faced this issue during a long campaign, about the intense feelings on both sides of the abortion issue," Carter said. "But my own personal feeling is that the Supreme Court's rulings now are adequate and are reasonably fair."

Carter said the court rulings should be interpreted "very strictly."

"In my opinion," he said, "the federal government being willing to finance abortions as it has in recent months is an encouragement to abortion and its acceptance as a routine contraceptive means; and I think within that strict definition that I've given to you that I would like to prevent the federal government from financing abortions."

Carter said he and Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Joseph Califano are trying to make it possible for the people of this nation to understand how to prevent unwanted pregnancies with education and with the availability of contraceptives and other devices when they believe in their use as an alternative to abortion.

The Carter Administration also has offered a plan to make adoptions easier and to reduce the unnecessary placement of children in foster care. The plan involves adoption subsidies for low- and middle-income families and (Continued on Page 20)
Health in question of Russian Catholic on hunger strike

LONDON—(NC)—The wife and several close friends of a Ukrainian Catholic on trial in Odessa have expressed deep concern for the man’s health. Vasiliy Vladimirovich Barlayanu, an art expert dismissed from Odessa University in 1974, went on a hunger strike when he was arrested last March 2.

His trial began in Odessa June 28 on a charge of “distribution of knowingly false fabrications defaming the Soviet state and social order.” The prosecutor is demanding a three-year sentence.

Barlayanu’s wife Valentina and nine of his close friends appealed to the authorities after his arrest, asking that he be committed to the guardianship of his relatives while his case was being investigated, as allowed under Ukrainian law, instead of being held in detention.

Later six of the 10 appealed to the International Red Cross in a letter which was probably written shortly after April 21, according to the Center for the Study of Religion and Communism at Keston College near London.

In the letter they said that Barlayanu, considering himself not guilty, had not only declared a hunger strike but also refused to give evidence. He was being kept in strict isolation, the letter said, and those close to him did not even know where he was.

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Sees Catholic press in privileged position

VATICAN CITY—(NC)—Despite a revolution in audio-visual mass media, the Catholic press still has a "privileged position" in Church life, said Pope Paul VI. At a convention of the Italian Catholic press (July 9), the Pope said that "despite the development which has taken place in the competitive, audio-visual field, the press still keeps its privileged place because it reaches into and touches directly man's highest faculties."

The question of the Catholic press must be addressed "precisely within this context," said the Pontiff.

The Pope told editors that the Catholic press must try to "form as well as inform" readers.

"The Catholic weekly, he said, "certainly must give space to news items, especially to local stories, but first and foremost it must carry out its informative function.""

The Pope said that, side-by-side with "the most minute news particulars of diocesan and civic life must come reflections and considerations touching the moral order and the norms of behavior.

"Precious guidelines for global activities, seen in the light of ethical-religious principles and the prevailing plan of God, must be joined to news reporting," said the Pope.

He asked papers to be a voice for bishops and a vehicle for building up a sense of community and a feeling for the concept of the People of God.

He urged them to be "serene and wholesome voices, not aimed at increasing confusion or misunderstanding, but rather at promoting truth, peace, understanding, harmony and active solidarity.

"You are also poor voices, because of your lack of economic resources and guaranteed financing. But because of this you are honest and free voices," said the Pope.

Baptists, Americans United hit U.S. envoy to Vatican

By JIM CASTELLI
WASHINGTON—Several Protestant churches and Americans United for Separation of Church and State have protested President Carter's appointment of a personal envoy to the Vatican.

The same groups had unsuccessfully urged Carter not to make the appointment, but it was first mentioned as a possibility in the press.

The groups protesting the appointment said it violated the constitutional separation of church and state by favoring one church—the Catholic Church—over others.

Carter named David Walters, 60, a Miami attorney and an active Catholic, to the Vatican post on July 6. Walters succeeds Henry Cabot Lodge, who was personal envoy for Presidents Nixon and Ford. He also represented Carter at the canonization of St. John Neumann in June.

The Vatican has full diplomatic relations with 89 countries.

A STATE Department spokesman described the appointment of a presidential envoy to the Vatican as "fairly common practice" dating back to Franklin Roosevelt.

W. EISENHOWER, Kennedy and Johnson did not have Vatican representatives.

When Roosevelt's representative, Myron Taylor, resigned in 1961, President Harry Truman tried to nominate Gen. Mark Clark as a full ambassador to the Vatican. But Clark asked that his name be withdrawn after strong criticisms were made by Protestants. Truman never nominated anyone else.

The Walters appointment represents "nothing new" and "no upgrading" of the post to full ambassadorial status, the spokesman said, adding that no upgrading was anticipated.

The State Department spokesman also described the appointment as "fairly common practice by all the major nations to have some form of representation at the Vatican."

The spokesman declined to list "specific benefits" of the past U.S.-Vatican relationship, but noted that the United States has participated in a number of international conferences also attended by the Vatican, including the Helsinki Conference on human rights in Eastern Europe.

AMERICANS United and two Baptist organizations used the occasion of the appointment to protest a July 5 Vatican statement urging Catholic bishops throughout the world to seek government aid for Catholic schools.

The groups also argued that a personal envoy is unnecessary because the Catholic Church, acting through other churches, can communicate with the U.S. government now.

The strongest criticism came from the Rev. Jimmie Allen of San Antonio, Tex., president of the Southern (Continued on Page 29)

NAPLES citizens unite to end poor housing

NAPLES—A community project to eliminate a sub-standard housing area and relocate black residents in new, modern homes was introduced here by members of the City Commission and other interested civic leaders.

In June Councilwoman Virginia B. Corkran called for a program to relocate council members from low-income housing. The project would be an excellent sharing of space, she said.

In July 20, the City already has a Development to buy a new site for new housing. The City Commission has voted on a preliminary plan for the site.

The program was suggested by City Manager George M. Patterson. He would present a rough outline of the proposals for new housing to the City Council meeting slated for Wednesday, July 20.

The City already has a $150,000 grant from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development to buy a new site for new housing. The site will probably have to be already vacant.

Fifth annual Florida DRE workshop set

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Hispanic faces were depicted on the stage at Inmaculata LaSalle Hall.

About 1,000 Spanish-speaking participants attended the Archdiocesan show of unity among the various groups and the hierarchy.

Convoked by Archbishop Joseph L. Bernardin of Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and U.S. Catholic Conference, the meeting will be held under auspices of the NCCB-USCC Committee for Spanish-speaking pastoral concerns.

Officially entitled "Segundo Encuentro Nacional Hispano de Pastoral," this second Encuentro will continue the dialogue and reflection started with the first such session in 1972. Archbishop Bernardin said in a letter seeking support from other American bishops for the event.

He noted that the document produced by the 1972 Encuentro "has proven a valuable instrument for the Church in responding to pastoral needs of our Spanish-speaking people."

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Accident of interest to be discussed in August include Unity in Pluralism, Integral Education, Human Rights, Political Responsibility, and Ministries. These same topics have been the subject of reflection at the parish and community levels in local Encuentros across the United States. The input which will form the basis for discussion at the national meeting in Washington.

The Spanish-speaking community of the Archdiocese has already spoken," Miguel Cabrera told the Miami crowd as he presented his talk on "Evangelization," overall theme for the National meeting.

"All through their reflections, the people at the grassroots have already expressed their dreams about the Church, with the hope that these words uttered in humility and love may be listened to...

"We want above all a Church that is united, one that is poor in spirit and also in material goods. A Church where the rights of all will be respected and where the role of the committed layman and laywoman is fully recognized."

"We want a missionary Church with dynamic, flexible structures, able to respond to the signs of the times," he said as he recalled the words of Pope John XXIII during one of his visits to a Roman jail: "I have come to you because I know you may not come to me."

Such is the attitude that must underlie any effort in evangelization," Cabrera said.

In her presentation about Integral Education, Dr. Mirta Gandon summarized the results of the local reflection on the topic and briefly outlined the history of education in this country, stressing at the same time the importance of bilingual education and of the preservation of culture as a vehicle of values.

Summarizing the local input on Human Rights and Political Responsibility, Doctor Ignacio Lasaga stressed the Church's right and duty of reminding the faithful about the moral dimension of every human action. "This is why it is so important that we participate in community affairs," he said.

"Human rights are not protected through sentimental stories in the newspapers, but through the powerful weapon of our votes...and in order to vote we must become American citizens," he added.

Stressing that there are general principles which back the duty of political participation, he said that whoever lives in a particular community, as a Christian, has the duty of improving conditions in that community - a task he/she must carry out through his vote.

Dr. Lasaga said that the present relevance of human rights issues is a sign of a return to moral principles and absolutes, and he deplored the short sightedness of many even within the Church, "who lack the human sensitivity to suffer in their own flesh the pain of those persecuted by leftists governments."

He also pointed to the principle of universality in human rights violations wherever they happen. "In the case of us Cubans," he said, "I worry about some men, my age or younger, who want to justify injustices and crimes when they are caused by an anti-communist regime."

To illustrate his point Dr. Lasaga quoted the words pronounced some 70 years ago by the late U.S. President Woodrow Wilson: "America will come into the full light of day when all shall know that she puts human rights above all other rights and her flag is the flag not only of America but of humanity."

Dr. Lasaga's presentation was followed by a concelebrated Eucharist at which Archbishop McCarthy expressed his appreciation for diocesan participation in the National Encuentro.

Local delegates, elected by the community will attend the National Encuentro, Aug. 18-21.
"I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your participation in the national Encuentro," Archbishop Edward McCarthy (above) told 1,000 Spanish-speaking Catholics, Saturday, as they were holding a diocesan evening of reflection, in preparation for the meeting to be held in Washington August 18-21. At right is Msgr. Agustin Roman, Episcopal Vicar for the Spanish-speaking. He and some 20 priests (right) concelebrated Mass with the Archbishop after listening to members of the laity on the topics of evangelization, total education, human rights and political responsibility. (See story on page 4).

Spanish-speaking Catholics from around the Archdiocese (above) met last weekend at Immaculata LeSalle Hall to prepare for the II National Hispanic Pastoral Encounter to be held in Washington in August. The meeting was part of the reflection process which has taken place in parishes and apostolic groups, both at the local and national level. Above, a group of women religious leads the congregation in the singing of the hymn for the Encuentro: "A People on the go."

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Lefebvre—sad but serious case

It is ironic that the rebellious Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre is doing the very thing that he finds so disturbing in the rest of the Church.

The traditionalist Archbishop claims that the post-Vatican II Church is becoming “Protestant.” Yet his very defiance not only of Pope Paul but of the collegial unity of all the Church that was consecrated at Vatican II can but lead to setting himself and his followers apart from the Church. Pope Paul, after months of pleading with Abp. Lefebvre to accept Vatican II’s norms, including the vernacular Mass, finally suspended the Archbishop’s faculties. But Abp. Lefebvre ignored this and ordained 14 priests and 22 deacons. Not satisfied with that, the Archbishop has gone traveling to boost the spread of his movement, celebrating the Tridentine Mass wherever he goes. Last week, it was here in the U.S., and when he and his followers announced all intention to go to Mexico, the government there denied them permission to enter.

It is ironic that Abp. Lefebvre adheres to the Tridentine rite, named for the 16th century Council of Trent, for that council was an ecumenical one at which Protestants were encouraged to express their thoughts in hopes differences could be resolved. That council also decreed that the choice of bishops pertains to the Pope.

While decrying the Church’s lack of unity he is creating more of it by becoming a railing point for all who are not comfortable with change, encouraging many to rebel who would otherwise adjust to change.

Abp. Lefebvre rejects the revised Mass of Vatican II, most of the Council reforms and the ecumenical movement. This could all be written off as a sad case of one stray bishop except that he has a number of followers in Switzerland and his own country and apparently in other countries too. Just how many is uncertain, but even if they remain relatively few the existence of a traditionalist splinter group will foster a continued divisity and distrust in the minds of many people who could otherwise be occupied with post Vatican II Christian witness.

Faith has always been an evolving, refining process, not something that became magically perfected in the 16th century. Traditionists blame every current Church problem on Vatican II reforms, ignoring the fact that the whole world and all its institutions are in a time of ferment and examination, a process that has happened periodically throughout history. Those institutions which were strong in substance but flexible in form endured. Those which clung to the old ways were simply left behind.

Faith cannot come from a security blanket of rituals that will wrap us up and trundle us off to heaven.

True faith comes, with the grace of God, from inside each of us and lives through the commitment we make in the living Church, whatever its outward forms.

Pulaski: Poland’s gift to America

Saturday, July 23rd will mark the 200th anniversary of the arrival in America of a very young man who gave his life so that we might have freedom today.

Kazimierz Pulaski burned with the torch of freedom and liberty for all men.

Rather than enjoy his status of nobility, his love of freedom made him a rebel in his own country because of his opposition to Russian control of his country. It’s unfortunate that 200 years later there is still Russian control of Poland.

Pulaski didn’t need much encouragement to travel to the newly emerging America to fight English tyranny. Known as the Father of the American cavalry, he died at the early age of 31 during a siege of Savannah, Ga.

On May 4, 1977, 200 years after Pulaski arrived in Philadelphia, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops issued a statement on Human Rights in Eastern Europe.

The statement called the protection of human rights “a major preoccupation” among those who pursue peace and noted that the bishops of West Germany and Poland had issued statements attacking the denial of the human rights to religious liberty.

On this anniversary, we befittingly recall that the May 4 statement specifically advocates:

Encouraging U.S. trade officials, businessmen, intellectuals, performing artists, technical specialists and scientists to introduce the human rights issue and the issue of religious liberty into their relationships with individuals and groups in Eastern Europe;

Encouraging advocates of corporate responsibility to apply the same norms to East Europe for evaluating the appropriate-ness of U.S. business presence and activities as they do in the Third World.

The Archdiocese of Miami and The Voice join the 80,000 Americans of Polish heritage living in Florida in honoring the accomplishments, ideals and determination of a great patriot and American Freedom Fighter, General Kazimierz Pulaski, Continental Army.

By Fr. John Dietzen

Is physical handicap an impediment to the priesthood?

Q. A friend of mine was told that the Catholic Church would not ordain a man if he did not have all the fingers of his right hand. Two other priests said they had never heard of the situation.

I know of one priest ordained when he was paralyzed and in a wheel chair. Why should having all one’s fingers determine whether you are allowed to serve God as a priest? (Tex.)

A. According to Church regulations, a physical defect such as you mention is not an impediment to ordination. The reason for this insofar as it applies at all today, seems to be simply to assure that a priest be capable of performing his liturgical and other duties in a proper and seemly manner.

Q. About five years ago, a young man near our small town was ordained a priest, with a big celebration and all the trimmings. Now this priest is married and can receive the sacraments.

Our daughter married a divorced man about a year ago. He is a wonderful man and they have a child. When he was in his teens, he got a girl pregnant. Her mother said he had to marry her or pay her abortion. So he married her, and they lived together for three or four months before they were divorced.

I would like to know how a fallen-away priest can receive the sacraments and our daughter, with a daughter cannot. This hurts very much.

She is too shy to talk to a priest. When she was little, the priest always scolded the children, and she has been afraid of priests ever since.

A. First, let’s talk about your daughter. If you have brought her to confession, but she hasn’t, curiously, this case should unquestionably be presented to your diocesan tribunal with a petition for annulment of the first marriage, and the sooner the better. Regardless of her shyness, urge her to speak with a priest she can feel reasonably comfortable with.

If she cannot do that, at least help her write to the diocesan tribunal (I’m sending you the address privately) and ask them to help her. There will be happy to help all they can, I’m sure, and will advise your daughter concerning further steps that might be taken.

Considering your concern for your daughter, I understand your feelings about the priest. Remember, however, that the rule that a priest may not marry, as serious and as significant as it is, is made by the Church. The Church can, therefore, dispense from that rule, as it does when it “licenses” an ordained priest.

The permanence of marriage, however, is outside the power of the Church to change.

Hence, while he has failed to follow through on his commitment to the priestly ministry, the man you refer to should not be labelled a “fallen away priest.” That implies a judgment which none of us has the knowledge or the right to make. Apparently, he followed all the procedures the Church requires in changing to his present state of life.

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Fr. John Reedy, C.S.C.

Depression in good men

Aside from marriage problems, the most prevalent personal difficulty I've encountered in recent years is a severe depression experienced by men in their 40's and 50's. Maybe it's just a coincidence among the people I know; maybe it's always been a serious problem and I just didn't recognize it. My guess, though, is that it's very common, that it's a fairly recent phenomenon, and that much of the difficulty springs from the falsity of seeing our self-worth as being tied to what we do, not to what we are.

I've seen it find expression in fairly deep psychological depression, in excessive and uncharacteristic drinking, in marital tensions and infidelity which seem to make no sense at all when you look at the general pattern of the lives.

Most of us are accustomed to recognizing the physiological, psychological and social pressures experienced by many women in their middle years; these difficulties experienced by men, however, strike us as more surprising, more bewildering.

I'm sure that psychology has a whole literature on this subject, but these observations are purely personal, based on what I've seen happening in a fair number of lives.

The men I'm talking about are good, responsible people, most of whom have solid values and good families to which they have been seriously committed.

But all of a sudden they start acting differently; their mood changes; a lot of the vitality and enjoyment seems to disappear from their lives. And most of them seem to have no more understanding of what is happening to them than do their troubled wives, children and friends.

A couple of elements seem to be present in most of these situations.

One is the fact that these men took seriously their role as fathers. They cared about their children, were serious about their responsibilities as parents, took joy and satisfaction from the fulfillment of their family responsibilities.

When the children leave home, marry, take charge of their own lives, a huge empty space is left in the lives of these fathers—as well as in the lives of the mothers.

It's not just a matter of reduced responsibility; that can be a relief. Instead, it has more to do with the sense of self-worth in a man who had come to recognize that the care, guidance and love he gave his children were important. They contributed dignity and significance to his life.

These men know that their children love them. What is missing is the self-respect they recognize in their own efforts.

When this experience is compounded by the realization that the man has probably peaked in any rapid growth in his career or job, that retirement is not far away, that the remaining years of work will be spent doing pretty much the same thing he is doing today—all these elements contribute to the erosion of self-respect.

If such a man doesn't recognize what's happening to him and deal with it directly, this whole transition can settle in his emotional life. It can tear him up badly and lead to damaging behavior—which only aggravates his self-contempt.

It seems to me that the underlying fallacy which has to be dealt with is the common American heresy that we are of value only for what we do, not for what we are. This is the attitude which sees retirement as a surrender of all social worth; it sees a demotion to a lower job as the equivalent of announcing that you have an incurable disease.

For the Christian, this is all nonsense; it is heresy.

Our worth comes not from what we do—in fact, most of us don't really accomplish a great deal—but from the fact that God made us absolutely unique, gave us an identity which—unlike any man-made thing—makes us lovable.

In fact, a major purpose in Christ's coming was to assure us that we are truly loved by the Father. And if God can love us, we should be able to believe that our family and friends can do so.

Men like these may need different kinds of help to get through their difficulties. But the truth that can do most for the renewal of their self-respect is to be found in their religious faith.

By Dale Francis

Conversion no threat to ecumenism

There was a story in Catholic newspapers not long ago about a young priest who had received a great number of adults into the Catholic Church.

One of the reactions to the story came from a Protestant clergyman who wrote he thought the very idea of conversion to the Catholic Church incompatible with the ecumenical position. It is not a position he holds alone. There are Catholics who say that the making of converts isn't quite proper in this ecumenical age.

Those who speak of convert making as alien to the ecumenical movement ignore the fact that a large proportion of our society is made up of people who have no allegiance to any religious group.

It is obvious that if we are to reach the many people at present we must reach out to these people, tell them of Jesus Christ and His Church, seek to bring them to belief in Christ and to acceptance of the Church.

SUCH AN evangelistic effort obviously does not disturb ecumenism because those to whom such evangelistic efforts are directed are not members of any religious body. It would be illogical to speak of efforts to reach the unchurched as disturbing ecumenism. It is difficult to understand how any Catholics could oppose efforts to reach the millions of people in this nation who have no religious commitment.

We suspect the critics of convert making would agree there is nothing wrong with evangelistic efforts directed towards the unchurched. Where they are undoubtedly concerned is when those adults who enter the Church were people who had religious affiliation either in Catholicism and Judaism. It is this that has brought objections to convert making.

This is a sensitive area. It would seem to me certain that the evangelistic efforts of Catholics should never be directed negatively towards any other religious body. It would be alien to the spirit of ecumenism for Catholics to attack the beliefs of any other religious group. There was a day that Catholic apologetics was church-church denouncing what was seen as theological error in other religious groups. The modern ecumenical movement cannot permit this kind of an approach, although polemical attacks on the Catholic Church still are carried on by some other religious bodies. For Catholics committed to the cause of ecumenism, however, this approach should never be taken.

But it is in no way alien to the cause of ecumenism to speak positively of what the Church teaches and what the Church is. When this is done, it is perhaps inevitable that some of those who are drawn to the Catholic Church by the force of what the Church teaches could be people who have had previous religious affiliation.

There are people who belong to other religious bodies who are firmly convinced that the religious group to which they belong teaches the truth. Nothing should be done to disturb the sincere faith of people who have religious commitment. That is why it is alien to the cause of ecumenism to attack the religious beliefs of any other religious group.

But there are people who have religious affiliation but who are still searching for greater insights, greater understanding. If they hear of the Catholic Church they want to know more, if they enter classes in which they are taught what the Catholic Church believes, if they come to believe they should join the Catholic Church, then this surely is not counter to any true concept of ecumenism.

The Catholic Church is committed to the search for Christian unity. But it does not follow that the evangelistic message of the Church should be muted while unity is awaited. To the contrary, true commitment to the Church always demands that we proclaim Christ to all men, that we call all to His Church.

This proclamation must never be negative. It must never attack the religious beliefs of any other body. It must never seek to disturb sincere religious commitment of others. But it must be a bold proclamation, it must never be muted or diluted under the mistaken conception that the Catholic Church is alien to the cause of Christian unity.
Cdl. Medeiros criticizes ‘irresponsible attacks’

BOSTON—(NC)—Cardinal Humberto Medeiros of Boston has criticized the traditionalist rebellion of French Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre and a recent study of French Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre and a recent study of French Archbishop Marcel Boston has criticized both the Cardinal Humberto Medeiros of essentially related incidents.

In a personal letter dated July 8 in The Pilot, Boston archdiocesan newspaper, the cardinal said he felt obliged to comment on “these irresponsible attacks on the Church’s teaching authority” because they “have had the effect of weakening the allegiance in faith owed by Catholics to the Holy Father, and to the structure through which he chooses to lead, teach and govern.”

Although he did not mention Archbishop Lefebvre by name in the pastoral, Cardinal Medeiros referred to a European archbishop who has “now drawn the attention of the entire world by his claim of apologist dissonance by conducting ceremonies of clerical ordination in defiance of the explicit prohibition of the Holy Father.”

After quoting from the Second Vatican Council’s Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, the cardinal said, “I can think of no period of history when the Church has been more open to legitimate exchange of opinion, and more sympathetic toward honest differences of opinion” than during the reign of Pope Paul VI.

The Pope “endeavors patiently and firmly to bring the Church into more effective relationship with the modern world, and to level the barriers of injustice and hatred, of selfishness and greed,” the cardinal said.

“It is senseless for an individual bishop to demand that the directives of the council be abandoned and to allege, as justification for his refusal of submission to the Holy See, his own conviction that the present directions of the Church are diabolically inspired,” Cardinal Medeiros added.

Equally wrong, “but for different reasons,” are the claims of five Catholic theologians, in a study commissioned by the Catholic Theological Society of America, that “the teachings of Vatican II have opened the way for a completely new formulation of the Church’s position on problems relating to human sexuality,” the cardinal said.

He urged study of the Vatican’s Declaration on Certain Questions Concerning Sexual Ethics and the U.S. bishops’ pastoral, To Live in Christ Jesus.

Texas Church officials 'saddened' by Abp. Lefebvre's latest actions

DICKINSON, Texas—(NC)—While followers of French Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre welcomed him to Dickinson for the consecration of a chapel for celebrating the Tridentine Mass, the bishop of Galveston-Houston told NC News he was “saddened by the fact that they have placed themselves outside the Church.”

Bishop John L. Morkovsky made the comment after Archbishop Lefebvre carried his traditionalist mission through the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri.

According to Bishop Morkovsky, however, “Such priests of course cannot validly administer the Sacrament of Penance, because they do not have the faculties of the diocese.”

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Two photos of Father Damien de Veuster show the sacrifice he made for lepers isolated in the Hawaiian leper colony at Molokai. At left, Father Damien is shown when he volunteered to work with the lepers. The photo at right was taken 16 years later when he was 48 years old, a victim of leprosy with only three months to live.

Father Damien of Molokai advances toward sainthood

VATICAN CITY—(NC)—Pope Paul VI has advanced the cause for sainthood of Father Damien de Veuster, 19th-century apostle to the lepers on the Hawaiian island of Molokai.

In ceremonies at the Vatican July 7, Pope Paul officially recognized the heroic virtues of the Belgian-born missionary.

The decree on the priest's heroic virtues means that his life and writings have been thoroughly examined and found to be exemplary by the Vatican Congregation for Saints' Causes.

The process for Father Damien's beatification can now officially begin.

A tales of the priest's exploits have been recounted to generations of American Catholic school children. His biography was among the most popular devotional books in the postwar period.

Born in Tremelo, Belgium, in 1840, Damien entered the order of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary (Picpus Fathers) and was sent beforeordination to the missions of Hawaii.

Ordained in Honolulu in 1864, Father Damien enthusiastically ministered to the native population and built several churches in Hawaii with his own hands.

When he discovered that a leper colony had formed on the island of Molokai, the priest asked his bishop's permission to become resident pastor there.

The 600 lepers were given little attention by the Hawaiian government. For a long time Father Damien was the only person who cared for those debilitated by the disease.

After 12 years at Molokai the disease struck the hearty Belgian. For three more years he continued his work with the help of two other priests and two Brothers. He died from the illness on March 28, 1889, at the age of 48.

At the same Vatican ceremony, Pope Paul advanced the causes of seven other priests and Religious. They include miracles approved in the causes for beatification of:

- Dominican Father Francesco Coll, a Spaniard who founded the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic of the Annunciation. He died in 1875.
- French Father Jacques Laval, missionary to the Indian Ocean island of Mauritius in the 19th century. He was a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- Ecuadorian Christian Brother Miguel de Jesus, who died in 1914.
- Italian Mother Maria Francesca, superior of the Institute of St. Ann and of Providence, who died in 1894.
- The Pope also approved the heroic virtues of:
- Italian Father Giorgio Maria Martinelli (1665-1727) who reformed the life and educational training of priests in the Milan area.
- Italian Father Pietro Domenico Trabattoni (1848-1900), a pastor who worked with the elderly and poor near Brescia.
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The perfect memorial

The Holy Father's Mission Aid to the Oriental Church

Hundreds of readers of this column have built chapels and churches in India, Ethiopia, Lebanon, throughout the Near and Middle East in countries where our Holy Father has said one is desperately needed. Why have so many people at great personal sacrifice, provided the funds for the construction of mission churches?...The answer is easy: they welcome the opportunity to do something needed where it's needed. Sometimes, besides, they build the church in memory of their loved ones, name it after their favorite saint...Where is a new church needed? In hundreds of towns and villages in our 18-country mission world, in Amman, in the Diocese of Trichur, for instance! The Church of St. Anthony is very old and without light or ventilation. It is in the words of the pastor, "like a dungeon!" The faithful, attending Mass, can only not even see the celebrant. The relatively few Catholics there are all poor dirt farmers. Yet, poor as they are, they did raise $1,500 to reconstruct their beloved St. Anthony's. For just $3,500 more you can complete the church for them as a Memorial for someone you love. You will be doing something for Christ—and for people who can not do for themselves. You can build a church on your own, at least share what you can to help build one where needed.

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MISSIONS NEAR EAST
Kenedy and Sons, the U.S. official Catholic Near East Welfare Association, headquarters for Near East Missions, available in the world at mid-year 1975 was 717 million, 41.3 percent of the world's population of 3.04 billion, statistics just released by the Vatican indicate.

The Statistical Yearbook of the Church, 1974, edited by the Church's Central Statistics Office, is the sixth volume in a series begun in 1970. It contains statistics gathered from around the world on Catholic population: parishes and dioceses; numbers of priests, permanent deacons, and religious; religious and seminarians; numbers of infant and adult Baptisms, and marriages; and actions taken by diocesan and regional marriage tribunals.

The highest proportion of Catholics in the total population was in the Americas with 61 Catholics for every 100 people. Then came Europe with 40 percent, Oceania with 25 percent, and Africa with 12 percent. The lowest percentage was in Asia, 8.5 percent.

The United States has 47,075,000 Catholics in a total population of 215.6 million, or 22 percent, the Vatican Yearbook reported. According to the latest statistical Directory, published by P.J. Kenedy and Sons, the U.S. Catholic population in 1977 is 49.3 million.
'Give us 30 years of peace and we will transform Israel into a land flowing with milk and honey.'

Israel and American Catholicism

By FATHER JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN

I spent Easter week as a pilgrim in Israel, visiting the Holy Land with a young student priest. The following are a few of my observations from that journey and their relationship to the Catholic Church in the United States.

Military alertness and security precautions: As our Alitalia flight from Rome approached the Holy Land, the pilot announced we had entered Israeli air space and the use of all cameras, binoculars, etc., was strictly forbidden. That sober directive was but the beginning of many instances in which we saw visible testimony of past conflicts and current tensions.

WRECKED FIGHTER planes still remain strewn along the main runway of Ben Gurion International Airport. As we disembarked, security personnel quietly and unknown to me whisked my partner away for a routine spot check which nevertheless involved detailed questioning. Soldiers with automatic arms surrounded the jet, guarded occasional intersections or entrances and always carried their weapons even when riding public transit for obviously private purposes. From a road which parallels the beautiful Jordan river valley, tour bus passengers see double rows of barbed wire, discern signs of well hidden military posts and even pass a few civilian bomb shelters.

When we departed from Israel, the security search was lengthy and thorough, including a respectful, but quite personal frisking of one’s person (ladies and gentlemen done separately in individual compartments.)

National industriousness and pride: “Give us 30 years of peace and we will transform Israel into a land flowing with milk and honey.” Our guide’s promise that this biblical description of this young nation will become a reality may sound fanciful or arrogant. However, when you view the remarkable transformations which human industry and ingenious irrigation have already produced in the desert region around Jericho and throughout other areas, his remarks sound more like a prediction than a dream.

The high school boy I met doesn’t seem to mind the prospects of three required years in the military (girls, too) before college. Part of that time will be employed for productive projects like the reclamation of barren lands and their development into fertile farms.

CHARITY FOR the poor and incapacitated: Riding back on a local bus from En Keren, the site of Mary’s visitation to Elizabeth, I was impressed by a youthful Israeli soldier and a woman in her early twenties, both of whom handed a coin to an elderly, begging lady. There were repeated similar incidents of charity during our visit. We found noteworthy, also, modern looking institutes for the blind, the sick and the aged.

Observation of the sabbath: Residents in Israel observe three different days for this weekly rest: Friday, for Moslems; Saturday, for Jews; Sunday, for Christians. Apparently Jews, naturally the nation’s current dominant population, keep the Sabbath in earnest. There is no public transportation and no Jewish stores remain open for business. In fact, we did not dwell an extra day in Galilee specifically because travel from there to the airport on our Saturday departure date would have been either impossible or excessively expensive.

DURING MY visit I linked those impressions gathered throughout Israel with some aspects of life and worship among American Catholics.

First of all, our prayer for peace in the Middle East during Sunday liturgies assume greater meaning when those images of universal military preparedness and tight security precautions are clearly on your mind.

Secondly, a sense of pride in being Catholic seemed to disappear for many sometime during the past decade or so. The numerical success and great enthusiasm of last summer’s Eucharistic Congress may very well have marked the reawakening of that spirit for countless persons.

Thirdly, the need for a constant renewal of our efforts in personal and institutional charity, inspired by examples of others like those in Israel, hardly requires an explanation.

Finally, we Catholics in the United States might examine our own observance of Sunday as a Sabbath for prayer and rest. It appears that more and more stores will open on that day to serve the pluralistic populace. However, how much of our purchasing is truly necessary? How many tasks could be anticipated or postponed? How serious are our intentions to make this a time for the spiritual rejuvenation of individuals and families?
Man: Stewards of God's Creation

By FATHER JOHN J. CASTELOT

Thoughtful people are becoming increasingly concerned about the way we have abused our natural resources. Strip mining has scarred lovely landscapes. Careless dumping of waste materials has fouled our lakes and rivers and poisoned the fish that swim in them. We burn up energy supplies as if there were no limit to them. We harness atomic energy and use it to annihilate innocent human beings and blight the lives of the survivors. And on and on we go the ugly recital of our folly, of our sinful mismanagement of God's precious gifts. Sinful? Yes, if we go the extent that we share actively in Christ's victory over the destructive forces, to the extent that we shall exercise benevolent and beneficent stewardship over our world. In a passage of powerful imagery, Paul describes our situation: "Indeed, the whole creation eagerly awaits the revelation of the sons of God. Creation was not subject to futility, not of its own accord but by him who once subjected it to it; yet not without hope because the world itself will be freed from its slavery to corruption and enthroned in the glorious freedom of the children of God. Yes, we know that creation groans and is in agony even until now" (Rom. 8, 19-22).

We are a servant Church, with a mission to save, not in the narrow sense of "saving souls," but in the all-comprehending sense of bringing the universe, in and with the risen Christ, to its God-intended fulfillment. This involves inescapably and profoundly the service of humanity for as humanity goes, so goes the whole universe.

By FATHER ALFRED McBRIEDE, O.F.M.
creation

‘Indeed, the whole created world eagerly awaits the revelation of the sons of God.’

Human sinfulness, selfishness, stupidity, and greed have disoriented and polluted creation.'

God intend us to build up the world?

By ALMA ROBERTS GIORDON

This is the first Mass on a Sunday morning in July. In my smalltown parish church of St. John the Evangelist, I am the lone reader. Our pasteur expostulates on the Gospel, humanizing the classic story of five loaves and two fishes...wonder if that was the moment the Great One first knew He was God? I never thought of it in terms of multiplication. The priest develops the theme. I never thought of it in such light before, but it makes sense.) Each one of us is an individual. God wants, God needs every single soul of His creation to further His work. The boy, I, the priest, we are all of primal importance to His plan...

MY GAZE wanders out the open side door opposite my sanctuary chair. What’s to be seen out there? Nothing...to those who “have eyes to see yet see not.” But with vision clear this fresh morning I observe a segment of God’s precious handiwork. The grass on the church lawn is alive and green, truly “dew-covered.” Beyond, a low maple branch is leafed full in a pattern of lace-filagree against blue sky. The limb which bears it is brown and sturdy. The leaves dance but the limb is less frivolous. (It takes more than a slight breeze to disturb its parental stability.)

I dare think the man-made wonders framed in that doorway. They, too, are good, coming from hand and brain of God’s ultimate creations. There is the concrete sidewalk, glittering diamonds of mica. The rear end of a green Chevy parked against the back of a neighboring building. That’s all...wall, car and walk: grass, tree and sky. People in here praying for people, for country, for the bountiful earth as the pastor winds up his homily...

OUT OF SIGHT in the maples a robin strikes up another anthem of praise. And suddenly, a terrible thought disturbs my tranquility—will man destroy this beautiful earth with his technology? Or will we remember in time that we are truly stewards of this beautiful earth?

Again, I see the warm sunshine streaming in through the doorway and the fresh, green grass. And I am grateful for this first Sunday morning Mass in July in my own hometown. Suddenly, I know my intention for Communion is Lord, give us the grace to respect our land.
Prayer of the Faithful

Oração de los fieles

16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE C)
July 17th, 1977

Celebrate: Often we too are like Martha,Name: Martha, a servant of smalland Mary, a servant of smallthings, and unaware of larger,moreimportant concerns in our life. Westand before you today, Lord,you will obey our needs andopen up ourhearts to broader concerns.

LECTOR: The response for today is: Lord, hear our prayer.

LECTOR: That the Holy Fatherand the Bishops of the world may, bytheir preaching and teaching of God’sWord, calm the anxieties of a disturbed world, we pray to the Lord: (R.)

LECTOR: That leaders of both civiland religious communitiesmight be able to perceive andrespond to the physical and spiritualneeds of their people, we pray to the Lord: (R.)

LECTOR: That the aged, whoare so often rejected in a society whichseems to value superficiality andmaterialism over wisdom and human dignity,might have their anxieties about thefuture eased by the loving concern of both relatives and friends, we pray to the Lord: (R.)

LECTOR: That youth, for whom atomes and priorities, might find strength and guidance in the Word of God, the Church,and their deepening relationship with God through prayer, we pray to the Lord: (R.)

Celebrate: Father, help us not tobe so anxious over those things which wedo not have anycontrol over or which are not really thatimportant. Help us to accept thethings we cannot change, to have thecourage to change the things we can,and to have the wisdom to know thedifference. We ask this throughChrist our Lord. Amen.

Oración de los fieles

17 de julio de 1977

Celebremos: También nosotros comoMarta, la hermana de Lázaro, muchasveces víctimas preocupadas por lascosas pequeñas de la vida olvidando las que son importantes. Hoy nos presentamos ante el Señor, pidiéndole que abra nuestro corza las necesidades del mundo.

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

LECTOR: Por el Santo Padre y losobispos del mundo, para que con suaparición la Palabra de Dios y su testimonio sean signo de esperanza ante el mundo, oremos: Señor...

LECTOR: Por los líderes de las comunidades religiosas y civiles, para que se mantengan atentos a las necesidades materiales y espirituales de los pueblos y sepan responder a ellas adecuadamente...

LECTOR: Por las familias, para queprocuradas por el bienestar de sus hijosen la sociedad de hoy, sepan comprometerse en la construcción de hogares cristianos y de una sociedad másjusta, oremos: Señor...

LECTOR: Por la juventud, para queen su búsqueda de valores y prioridades, encuentre orientación en la Palabra de Dios, en la Iglesia y en el testimonio de servicio y oración de la comunidad cristiana, oremos: Señor...

LECTOR: Por los enfermos, losancianos y los que se encuentran solos yrechazados, para que la preocupacionsincera y amorosa de sus familiares y amigos les ayude a confiar en la provendencia y alejar los temores de ser víctimas de nuestra sociedad materialista, oremos: Señor...

Celebremos: Padre nuestro, ayúdanos a evitar la preocupación excesivapor lo que no podemos cambiar y acentuarnos en los valores que no mueren_Permanece junto a nosotros para que la preocupación se mantenga ante el mundo, oremos: Señor...

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Polish bishops hit communists for increasing pressures

ROME — (NC) — Poland's bishops have declared that Polish Communists are increasing pressure to remove both God and the Church from society.

At the end of its plenary session June 16 in Warsaw, the Polish Bishops' Conference declared that "ideological pressure continues to intensify, and it is felt above all by young people and children."

"All secularist forces are being activated so that society — and the young generation especially — might grow up outside the Church and without God."

In the communique, released by the Polish bishops' press office in Rome July 8, the bishops said that local Polish Communist officials are refusing to carry through with pledges by the central government to cooperate more with the Church.

Several weeks before the meeting, the Polish primate, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski of Warsaw, told 30 newly ordained priests that the Polish people have been enslaved by the Communist system.

"Don't think that you are among free men," said the primate. "You are going to work among slaves. Contemporary life is so complex and persons so intertwined that a man cannot move a hand or foot without a command from the emperor who estranges man from his rights and his means and makes them use for his own advantage, as did the monstrous Assyrian emperors."

"The 20th century is the century of totalitarian autocrats who steal man's rights, as well as his spiritual and material goods, and make men slaves," said Cardinal Wyszynski.

The cardinal asserted that all Poles, "miners to clerks, to secretaries, are slaves of the present system of government."

But he said that the struggle for human rights will be a long one.

On July 23, the United States will mark the 200th anniversary of the arrival in America of General Kazimierz Pulaski, a hero of the American Revolution.

Florida's Governor Reubin Askew, in a speech Saturday July 23 as General Kazimierz Pulaski Day, noted that one of the most heroic fighters for independence was "General Pulaski who fought for our freedom and gave his life for our independence while fighting at the head of his troops in defense of the city of Savannah at the age of 31."

Gov. Askew added, "there are more than 80,000 Americans of Polish heritage living in Florida who are joining the 11 million Americans of Polish heritage in the United States in honoring General Pulaski on July 23."

The Governor urged "all citizens to join in honoring this hero of Polish descent who gave his life while fighting for our independence and freedom."

Born in 1748 in Podolia, Poland, Pulaski was the son of a count. In 1768, he fought in a Russian campaign and was mortally wounded in an attack on the city of Savannah.

He was appointed chief of Dragoons with the rank of brigadier general for his distinguished service at the Battle of Brandywine, Sept. 11, 1777. He organized an independent corps of cavalry and light infantry, known as the Pulaski Legion, in 1778 on a commission from the Continental Congress.

General Pulaski was ordered with his corps to South Carolina in 1779 to aid Gen. Benjamin Lincoln. He reached Charleston in May and led an attack against a British force approaching the city but was repulsed. Later, in 1779, Pulaski joined forces with Gen. Lincoln and a French force planning to besiege Savannah. Ga. Pulaski commanded both the French and American cavalry during the siege and was mortally wounded in an attack on Oct. 9, 1779.

(See related editorial on page 6.)
Dade County

BOYSTOWN OF FLORIDA has slated a benefit rummage sale on Saturday, July 16 at St. Timothy parish, Miller Rd. and SW 102 Ave. A variety of youth items such as Lionel trains, musical instrumenta, surf boards and pool tables will be available as well as furniture, between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

CORPS CHRISTI Community of Lay Carmelites will receive one member and profess two others at a ceremony during 6 p.m. Mass, July 17 at St. Raymond's Church, 3465 S.W. 17 St. Visitors are also welcome to attend the hour of prayer which will precede the Mass.

Palm Beach County

HOLY SPIRIT parish, Lantana. Women's Guild has started its 1977-78 membership drive. The fee is $3.50. Checks should be made payable to Holy Spirit Women's Guild and mailed to Rose Noto, Chairman, 138 S. Dixie Highway, Lantana, Florida 33462.

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WEST PALM BEACH - TV repairmen who can donate a few hours of their professional services are urgently needed by the St. Vincent de Paul Society to put some 30 TV sets in working order at the three stores maintained throughout Palm Beach County.

A recent report at a meeting of the area Parochial Council revealed that more than $18,000 has been distributed by the Society to the poor during the first four months of 1977. The money was derived from low cost sales of donated used clothing, appliances, furniture, etc., at the stores.

Safe boating

Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 69, is giving free courtesy motor boat examinations Sundays throughout the summer at Watson Island Ramp from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For more information call Jim Ryan at 895-6100 or Linda Maville at 624-4874.

Free public education course on boating skills and seamanship will be offered by the auxiliary at Miami Beach Senior High School. Beginning Tuesday, July 19, classes will be from 7 to 10 p.m., on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for approximately six weeks. For more information call Joel Aberbach at 532-5446 or Elaine Stapiro at 532-1516.

'Stop Smoking'

A "Stop Smoking" Clinic begins July 18 and continues through July 21 at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach.

Classes will be conducted by the American Cancer Society from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. nightly and reservations are requested.

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Miami Serra

A report on the Serra International convention recently held in San Francisco will be featured at a meeting of the Miami Serra Club at 12:15 p.m., Tuesday, July 19 at the Hotel Columbus.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Michael Bevilacqua, immediate past president of the Miami club and governor-elect of Serra District 30. Robert M. Crane, newly installed president, will conduct the business meeting.

New trustee

Morrie A. Moss has been appointed to the Biscayne College Board of Trustees. Mr. Moss has served as trustee to several institutions including Brooks Memorial Art Gallery of Memphis, Tenn. the Memphis Academy of Arts, Tennessee Housing Authority, Cordell Hull Foundation and LeBonheur Children's Hospital. He is now a director member of the Audit and Compensation Committees of Occidental Petroleum Corporation.

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Children's Film Festival to feature 'On Snowhite'

The story of a sensitive girl named Katka, who likes to imagine herself in a fairy-tale land, and what happens when she and her friends produce their version of the classic story, is told in "On Snowhite," a film from Czechoslovakia that will be rebroadcast on "The CBS Children's Film Festival," Saturday, July 23 (1-2 p.m.) in color on WTVJ-Channel 4.

During preparation of the production, Katka dreams of playing the leading role, with Jerry, an older boy she has a crush on, as the Prince. Jerry, however, is more interested in riding horses than playing the Prince.

One day, when Katka and Jerry are out riding, Katka's horse is frightened and the girl falls and breaks her leg. Later, Jerry decides to play the Prince after all, and the final scenes of the film show the children in costume marching to the schoolhouse, with Katka, now recovered, joining in.

The Lorax, a Seussian symbol of ecology, loudly voices his complaints as he fights for the preservation of some threatened Truffula Trees, on the award-winning animated special, "Dr. Seuss' The Lorax," to be rebroadcast Tuesday, July 19 (8-8:30 p.m.) on WTVJ-Channel 4.

A Bridge Too Far' goes just far enough

"A Bridge Too Far" is a sort of sequel to "The Longest Day," but with a crucial difference. Both are epic historical re-creations based on books by the late Cornelius Ryan. But while Darryl Zanuck's 1962 classic on the Normandy invasion described one of history's greatest military triumphs (a victory marked by small ironic defeats), Joseph Levine's marked by a few small human victories.

The setting, of course, is Holland in 1944, and Monty's ill-conceived plan to take some of the glory from Patton with a bold paratroop attack to bypass the hardening German lines. The operation would seize six key bridges and provide Allied armies with a secure avenue into Germany.

Like most grand plans, it was designed to "bring the boys home by Christmas." Some bridges fell easily, others with great difficulty. But the last one, at Arnhem on the Rhine, didn't fall at all, at tremendous human cost on both sides.

"Bridges" is essentially the big, noisy, star-studded war film, re-staging the nine-day struggle with numbing realism and horror at great expense (over $25 million, which would put it among the half-dozen most expensive movies of all-time). It underlines the blunderings, futilities and bad luck that frustrated both contending armies. Thus, the troops dropped in on two German panzer divisions which had happened to be resting innocently in the area, the Germans captured the Allied plans but the arrogant German commander refused to believe there were any bridges. Allied supplies were dropped with dull-witted determination to come controlled by the enemy, etc.

In the end, while Monty gets the largest share of the blame for the fiasco (even after the horrific results are in and the bosses tabulated, he is quoted as "providing...the plan was 90 percent successful"), the real villain is war itself. In war, everybody loses, a perspective that definitely belongs to the 1970's.

The film has some superbly shattering combat scenes, ranging from the beautiful (the bravura re-staging of the 35,000-man parachute assault) to the absurdly gallant and useless (a string of battles for control of the Arnhem bridge). But it's most successful at being able to define the utter nastiness of war while at the same time extolling the dignity of many of the persons trapped in it.

"Bridge" is anti-war without being a one-dimensional anti-warist. Credit director Richard Attenborough, who has not only given us one of the most successful humanist war documents ("In Which We Serve," "Dunkirk") but directed some of them ("Oh, What a Lovely War.")

ROSSINI ENCORE FOR CHANNEL 2

Gioacchino Rossini's comic operas, The Barber of Seville, will be given a special encore performance on WPBT-Channel 2, Sunday, July 17 at 8 p.m. Claudio Abbado conducts the orchestra and chorus of La Scala for this GREAT PERFORMANCES program, which features Hermann Prey, Birgit Nilsson, and Luigi Alva in leading roles.

"Young Winston"). Who else would dare stage a scene, right out of the sensibility of the 1940's, where the masses of British wounded, waiting to be captured sing the old hymn, "Abide With Me"?

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by James Arnold

Capsule movie reviews

THE DEEP (Columbia) is a slovenly plotted, indifferently acted adventure film about a young unmarried couple (Jacqueline Bissett and Nick Nolte) coming across a sunken treasure during a Bermuda vacation and enlisting a crusty salvage expert (Robert Shaw) to aid them in their struggle with a crew of black villains led by Louis Gossset. Nothing much happens, and what does is usually offensive. Beside the melodramatic black-white confrontation (which can hardly help but provoke racial tension in the average audience) and a brutal fight scene, there is some highly calculated sexual titillation, much of it coming from the menace directed at Miss Bisset. B (PG)

PARDON MON AFFAIRE (First Artistas) is a rather amiable, well acted French farce about marital infidelity, but since Director Yves Robert does not strike quite the right balance between the sentimental and the satiric, the light-hearted attempt to condone the hero's infidelity is never completely satisfying. The perceptive viewer cannot help but find offensive. B (PG)

RACE FOR YOUR LIFE, CHARLIE BROWN (Paramount) This full-length cartoon feature based upon the Charles M. Schulz "Peanuts" characters is such a bore that it is hard to see how any but the youngest and least demanding of children would be able to get any enjoyment from it. There is hardly anything of the subtle Schulz spirit here, nothing but a series of slapstick encounters no more difficult to follow from any of those that constitute any run-of-the-mill Roadrunner episode. A-3 (PG)

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Hoyt Axton's message is 'joy to the world'

Singer-songwriter Hoyt Axton's autographed inscription to friends and fans is quite simple:

"Joy to you."

The burly performer, whose music runs the gamut from folk, pop and country-western, spreads joy whether he's singing, writing, acting or just being.

"If I didn't have a well developed sense of humor, they would have blown my head off," Axton said with a wide grin.

This was quite evident as Axton strolled around on the set of NBC-TV's "McCloud," where he was one of a cast of guest stars in "The Moscow Connection," a 90-minute segment which will be presented on "NBC Sunday Mystery Movie" July 31 (8:30 p.m.) on WCTV-Channel 7.

"When I was a kid, I learned to love singing from my father, who loved to sing," Hoyt recalls. "My father, John Thomas Axton, was a high school history teacher and athletic director who sang because it made him feel good. That's the main reason I sing."

"My songs express a positive attitude toward life; they accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative," he concluded.

One of Axton's biggest hits, recorded by Three Dog Night, was "Joy to the World." That's Hoyt message all the time.

Klempner, Laurence Guittard, Harry Danner and Judy Munch are some of the performers. Lauren Bacall will arrive Tuesday, Aug. 2, to star for her week's engagement in the musical, "Wonderful Town."

Third on the roster, opening Tuesday, Aug. 9, will be the first local appearance of Ginger Rogers, star of 72 films, in her personal production, "The Ginger Rogers Show." As a season finale, Shirley Jones will star in Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical, "The Sound of Music."

Performances are evenings, Tuesday through Saturday at 8:30 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. For further information, call (Dade) 673-8300 or (in Broward) 467-2855.

Israel's Yaacov Noy brings his one-man mime show to the Coconut Grove Playhouse Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30 at 8:30 p.m. The two concerts are being presented by Fusion Dance Co., as the first installment of their Guest Artist Series.

Miami Beach Symphony Pop concert will be presented at the Miami Beach Theater for the Performing Arts Sunday, July 17 at 8:15 p.m. Barnett Breaskin will conduct and Ivan Davis will be guest pianist.

Schedule of free concerts provided by P.A.C.E. (Performing Arts for Community and Education), Dade County Parks & Recreation Dep., the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Music Performance Trust Funds includes:


"The World Famous Moscow Circus," long recognized as one of the premier entertainments of its kind, will be seen in a two-part special, to be broadcast Friday, July 22 and Friday, July 29 (6-9 p.m., both dates) on WTVJ-Channel 4. Conrad is the host of the first program, and Miss Jones is hostess for the second broadcast.

Moscow Circus to air in two-part special

"The World Famous Moscow Circus," built in 1971. While the spangles, glitter and excitement of the Moscow Circus is identical to American circuses, it employs only one ring, not three. But the arena is so designed that it permits a rapid change in the performing area; thus, in a matter of minutes, an ice skating show can follow an animal act.

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Columbus H.S. defensive back to U. of Pa. team

Eric Evans, a two-year defensive back for Columbus High School's football team, has accepted a scholarship from the University of Pennsylvania where he will play both football and baseball.

Evans, one of Columbus' 10 Athletes of Distinction this year, played third base on Columbus' District Championship team.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Evans of 7731 S.W. 53 Ave. Evans was highly recruited by the Service Academies and Southwestern colleges.

Evans played cornerback as a junior, moving to safety in his senior year in a defensive backfield that used only three backs.

Four weeks before Columbus opened its baseball season Evans suffered a 48-stitch gash in his lip and face.

Notre Dame graduate gets commendation

Elizabeth Paz, recent graduate of Notre Dame Academy, has received a commendation from Dade County Commission for her services as chairperson of the Youth Focus on Government Student Committee.

Organized by ordinance in 1978 the committee is comprised of junior and senior students from public, private, and parochial schools and is an advisory board to the county commission on matters concerning youth.

Next year John Raup, Archbishop Curley High School, succeeds to the chairmanship. Other officers are: Geogina Perez, Lourdes Academy, recording secretary; and Mary Rudolph, Notre Dame Academy, corresponding secretary.

Boystown plans rummage sale

Boystown of Florida has scheduled a benefit rummage sale for Saturday, July 16, at St. Timothy parish, Miller Rd., and SW 102nd Ave.

Items include Lionel trains, musical instruments, surf boards and pool tables as well as furniture. The sale will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Miamians named to dean's list

SAINT LEO, Fla.—Two residents of Miami were among the 209 students at St. Leo College here to achieve the Dean's List for the Spring Semester 1977.

The two students were Carolinas Bustamante, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bustamante, who is a senior with a concentration in social work; and Theresa A. Traynor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Traynor, who is a 1977 honor graduate with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

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FALL SCHEDULE: Deadline for telephone or mail-in registration (using the telephone/mail-in registration booklet) is Aug. 5. On-campus registration deadline: Aug. 19.

CLASSES BEGIN: Aug. 23.

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Carter backs Medicaid abortion ruling

The federal government now spends $65.6 million a year for adoption-related aid to states. Under the Administration program, this would be increased to $209.5 million a year by the mid-1980's. The additional funds would be:

- Increased family service programs—counseling, treatment, on-to-help keep families together.
- Establishing systems to "track" all children in foster care.
- Establishing due process procedures to protect the rights of children, natural parents and adoptive parents.

Pastoral is backed over sex study book

DETOUR—NC—The bishops of Detroit have urged Catholics to seek guidance in sexual morality from the 1976 pastoral of the U.S. bishops, "To Live in Christ Jesus," rather than from a recently released study by Catholic theologians which, they said, contains many conclusions "not in conformity with the current teaching of the Church.

In a joint statement, Cardinal John dearden of Detroit and his auxiliaries, Bishop Thomas Gumbulton, Father Ronald Krawczak and Walter Schoenherr, termed the controversial report, simply "a speculative study" lacking authority.

Meanwhile, the five authors of the report defended their work from what they alleged were "serious misrepresentations and distortions.

The five, Father Anthony Kosnik of Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, Orchard Lake, Mich.; Servant of the Church Benjamin Samuel Krawczak of the John Marshall School of Law, Chicago; Father Ronald Modrzynski of St. John's Seminary, Plymouth, Mich.; and James Schulte of the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Marshall, Wis., said the study does not endorse permissiveness.

The bishops agree that the work was put forth by the authors as a tentative study meant to provoke further discussion among theologians.

For that reason, the bishops deplore the widespread publicity surrounding the book, along with the popular understanding that the work proposes "pastoral guidelines."

"Our regret is not based on a desire for secrecy, for we encourage Catholic theologians, pastors and lay persons to give continued serious thought and reflection on the important role of human sexuality in their lives.

Our regret stems from the concern that the findings of this work are conclusive and final."

The bishops' statement said.

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Enseñanza Transicional en 9 lenguas

Afectando a unos 10,000 estudiantes y 156 escuelas del Condado de Dade el Programa Bilingüe de Transición para la Enseñanza de las Asignaturas Básicas ofrecerá el curso próximo de nueve idiomas, según informaron funcionarios del Sistema de Escuelas Públicas del Condado.

"Si algún día desaparece la educación bilingüe, será por culpa de los padres que no reclaman lo que tienen derecho a exigir en la enseñanza de sus hijos," dijo la Dra. Rosa Inclán, del Departamento de Educación Bilingüe.

El programa de "enseñanza transicional" se inició en 1976, funcionando solamente en español, francés y portugués, para ayudar a los niños llegados al país sin suficiente conocimiento del inglés, y en cumplimiento del requisito de la ley de derechos civiles de los ciudadanos. A través de él, los niños aprenden en su idioma nativo asignaturas como ciencias o estudios sociales, mientras van adquiriendo conocimiento del inglés. Conforme mejora su aprendizaje de la nueva lengua, va disminuyendo su participación en el programa transicional. El programa no interfiere con los sistemas de educación bilingüe ya existentes en el Condado.

"La comunidad debe llegar a entender que los niños pueden aprender inglés sin por eso perder su cultura y su lengua," afirmó Phyllis Miller, de la Junta Escolar del Condado. A su derecha Luis Vasquez, a su izquierda Aracely Vigil y la Dra. Rosa Inclán.

Cubano benedictino profesó votos

ST. LEO—El cubano Enrique Portuondo, hoy Hermano Fidelis O.S.B., de la Orden Benedictina en la Abadía de St. Leo, profesó sus votos perpetuos como monje benedictino, durante una Eucaristía concelebrada, y en la presencia de familiares y amigos.

Asistieron a la ceremonia sus padres Enrique y Silvia Portuondo así como su hermano Roberto quienes residen hoy en Enfield, Conn. También su prima Patricia Portuondo y unos 100 compañeros de la abadía.

Durante la ceremonia, el Abad colocó la libertad entre las manos del hermano fidelis.

... en la comunidad

La Hermandad de Tercerarios Francesicanos de habla hispana en Miami fue establecida oficialmente el pasado marzo, en una ceremonia en la parroquia de San Juan Bosco. Asistieron al acto los Padres franciscanos de Miami, P.P. José M. Blain, José Zurieta y Ángel Villaronga quien predicó la homilía. También estuvieron presentes el Padre Emilio Vallina y Mons. Arcadio Marinas. Para información sobre Hermandad de Tercerarios Francesicanos, llamar a la

Parroquia de San Juan Bosco, sede local de la hermandad.

Los grupos de oración de la Renovación Católica Carismática invitan al Seminario de Vida en el Espíritu Santo que se celebrará el sábado 23 de julio de 9:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. y el domingo 24 de 1:00 p.m. a 7:00 p.m. en la Academia La Asunción 1357 Brickell Ave. La Eucaristía será concelebrada por el Reverendo Padre Miguel Fernández. Para mayor información llamar a la Sra. María Teresa de la Cruz 226-0533.

Congreso Nacional de Evangelización tendrá presencia hispana.

Los hispanos están presentando un gran reto a la Iglesia de Miami. "Van existiendo signos de la buena voluntad de la Iglesia en responder."

Uno de esos signos es el Congreso Nacional sobre Evangelización, a celebrarse del 26 al 28 de agosto en Minneapolis, el cual este año presentará un taller sobre "La Comunidad Española y la Evangelización." Concurrirán al taller el Padre Jerome J. Martínez, decano estudiantil del Seminario Católico Immaculado Corazón de María en Santa Fe, y quien afirma que el hispano está en un creciente interés en su fe, su historia, e implicación de su cultura y de sus lenguas.

"Pero hemos de hacer mucho más," dice, "muy más en el área de la evangelización. La palabra de Dios, con toda su riqueza, ha de predicarse al hispano, pero ha de hacerse de modo que este pueblo se identifique con ella." El taller sobre la evangelización de la comunidad hispana invocará personas de toda la nación. Se realizarán discusiones sobre temas múltiples relacionados con los hispanos, su fe, su proceso de liberación y evangelización, nuevas formas de ministerios y programas de catequesis para los hispanos.

Entre los conferenciantes estarán: P. Ricardo Ramos y Hsa. Angal Erevia del Centro Cultural México-Americano MACC, en San Antonio. P. Luciano Hendran, canónigo de la Archidiócesis de Santa Fe y coordinador del proceso hispano para el Congreso Eucarístico; Rogelio Manrique, director ejecutivo de las regiones VI y VII de la Comisión Hispánica de la Conferencia Episcopal.

Más información sobre el Congreso puede obtener escribiendo a The Word of God Institute, 487 Ave. N. E. Washington, D. C. 20017.
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(Viene de la Pág. 24) y en el grueso de los derechos humanos, en el mundo, debemos preocuparnos por las violaciones de esos derechos que sean infringidas por las víctimas —puertorriqueños, americanos, polacos, judíos y hasta los descendientes de las más ilustre familia anglosajona, si se diera el caso.

Lasaga terminó su conferencia con palabras de José Martí a quien describió como hombre universal, "que sintió en su corazón el espíritu de todos los pueblos de América Latina". "En la mejilla del indígena veía la imagen de nuestro padre..."

(Lasagna desea continuar con su mensaje.)

**Mensaje del Arz. McCarthy**

Queridos hermanos, antes que cada persona expresen sus ideas, opiniones, y la forma en que las mismas sean expresadas, recordemos que la misión principal de la Iglesia es escuchar, ser de servicio a los demás, y en último término, sean de ayuda en el trabajo de los demás.

**Como va el proceso hacia II Encuentro**

En el citado proceso, el II Encuentro se manifestó en la parte superior izquierda, en el boletín, en el que se informa que el proceso ha llegado a su fin y que se ha llevado a cabo en el II Encuentro de Miami, Florida / THE VOICE / Friday, July 15, 1977 / page 23.
**‘Tómense vacaciones para el alma,’ Pablo VI**

CIUDAD DEL VATICANO (NC) — El Santo Padre ha recomendado a los católicos que tomen este verano unas "vacaciones para el alma".

Dirigiéndose a miles de peregrinos congregados en la Plaza de San Pedro para el "Anuncio" del día 10, el Papa dijo: "Escuchemos a todos a que se tomen unas alegres vacaciones para el alma".

"Vacaciones para el alma" dijo el Pontifice son días de "reencuentro con uno mismo, con los propios pensamientos, la propia alma, libertad y espíritu." 

"Un descanso de la rutina del trabajo, que no es mera inactividad o diversión externa" dijo Pablo VI. "Puede ser un beneficioso tiempo para la conciencia, el crecimiento de la personalidad, para la elevación del espíritu... tiempo de reflexión interior, de especial oración, y de ejercicios espirituales."

El Papa también recomendó el contacto con la naturaleza.

"Póngase una vez más en contacto con la naturaleza y sus más auténticos aspectos: con el espacio, la atmósfera, los animales, con el mar, las montañas, las llanuras, el amanecer, la puesta del sol y especialmente con las noches estrelladas, siempre llenas de profundidad y siempre encantadoras."

"La naturaleza es también un libro escrito por Dios...Saber leer este libro es saber orar," dijo Pablo VI.

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**Piden Iglesia pobre, unida, misionera...**

"Esta noche podemos decir que ya habló, o va a hablar o ha estado hablando la Iglesia hispana de Miami, y esperamos que durante mucho tiempo, y en muchas calles y en toda esta gran nación, se escuche su voz y su espíritu, su misma, en la práctica aquello que han hablado con humildad y con amor y con deseo de servir a Dios, los hispanos de los Estados Unidos y de esta Arquidiócesis de Miami,"

Hablaba Miguel Cabrera, del Equipo Coordinador de Apostolado Seglar hispano de la Arquidiócesis, y le escuchaban cerca de 1,000 personas acudidas el sábado 9 al salón de actos de la escuela Immaculata La Salle, para celebrar la jornada de reflexión diocesana en preparación al II Encuentro Hispano de Pastoral Hispana.

Sentado con el pueblo, escuchaba el Arzobispo Edward A. McCarthy, quien durante la Eucaristía de clausura en español, con celebrada con unos 20 sacerdotes, agradeció la participación de los hispanos de la Arquidiócesis en el II Encuentro. (Las palabras de su mensaje se encuentran en la pag. 23).

"Hoy nos reunimos a nivel Diocesano para contemplar juntos el fruto de la reflexión en los grupos y parroquias," dijo John Figueroa al explicar el plan de la asamblea y presentar a los congresistas.

De hecho, desde el pasado mes de abril, grupos hispanos en movimientos apostólicos y parroquias han celebrado reuniones de reflexión sobre los temas para el Encuentro. El fruto de su reflexión y conclusiones se ha ido enviando al Comité Diocesano para Este Encuentro y a su vez el Comité ha ido recopilando las aportaciones.

En su tema sobre Evangelización, el sábados y resumiendo la reflexión local de Miami sobre la Iglesia, Miguel Cabrera señaló que el pueblo quiere: "una Iglesia ante todo unaida, guiada por el Papa y donde en marco de diálogo y apertura..." (Pasa a la pag. 23)

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**Congreso de mujeres de la Florida hoy15**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — La Comisión Nacional para la Celebración del Año Internacional de la Mujer ha designado 48 mujeres floridanas para integrar el Comité de Coordinación de la Conferencia de Mujeres de la Florida, que se celebrará del 15 al 17 de julio, en Orlando.

La Representante Gwen Cherry, que preside la Conferencia de Mujeres de la Florida, define el evento que durará tres días como: "una conferencia para determinar qué papel desempeña la mujer en el campo económico, social, cultural y político, en el proceso de desarrollo de nuestro país; valorar los progresos que se han logrado al tratar de igualar los derechos entre el hombre y la mujer; e identificar y determinar los objetivos para remover obstáculos que precluyen a la mujer de lograr una total y completa integración en todos los aspectos de la vida."

Interesantes secciones de trabajo bajo el título de "Las Siete Edades de la Mujer," desde el nacimiento hasta la vejez, será el marco de los diversos papeles que asume la mujer contemporánea. A través de las secciones de trabajo, se presentarán métodos alternos de cómo lograr mayor interés tanto personal como social para atraer a la mujer hacia la integración más completa de su vida en la sociedad moderna.

Las secciones de trabajo cubrirán temas que incluyen la presentación de la educación y su avance hacia el próximo siglo, cómo desarrollar poder político, utilización de los derechos legales, atención de la salud después de los 65 años o su derecho, como mujer, a desenvolverse económicamente.

Exhibiciones, grupos de discusión, películas de mujeres notables, pero que han sido poco reconocidas, múltiples eventos culturales se combinaran con las secciones de trabajo, como parte del programa, terminando la Conferencia con la adopción de un plan de acción para eliminar discriminación por razón de sexo en los diferentes niveles o aspectos de la vida.

"Nosotras, las mujeres, tenemos que estar alertas, con la conciencia despertada," dijo la Representante Cherry. "Este es el momento de ir hacia adelante para eliminar los distintos tipos de discriminación. Necesitamos atraer e interesarnos a la mujer de la Florida que hasta ahora no ha estado interesada.

De la Conferencia de la Florida 46 delegadas serán seleccionadas para llevar el plan de acción a la Conferencia Nacional que se celebrará en Houston, Texas, este otoño.

La Conferencia de la Mujer de la Florida en julio es para el público en general. Estas reuniones se mantienen a través de una donación de la Comisión Nacional de la Celebración del Año Internacional de la Mujer, en Washington, D. C. El Año Internacional de la Mujer se estableció en 1975 por una Orden Presidencial. Los mitines a través de los distintos estados han sido financiados a través del Congreso de los Estados Unidos.