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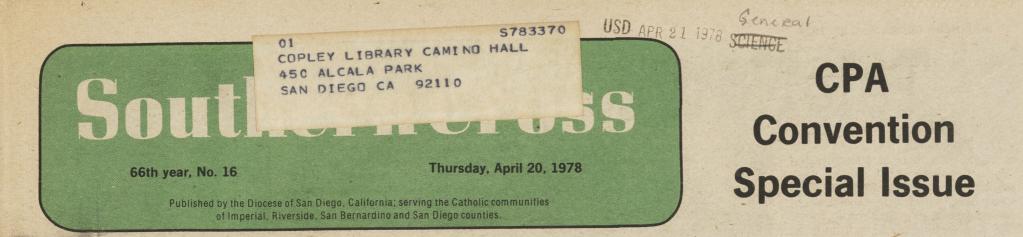
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Push for schools tuition credits

House votes can swing battle

Compiled from SC sources

Catholics throughout the country have mounted a campaign to get elementary and secondary schools put back into U.S. Congress legislation which provides tax credits for education tuition costs.

Following the elimination of these schools from the Vanik bill during hearings in the House Ways and Means Committee last week, Catholic parents are responding by telling their U.S. Representatives that they want the schools back in.

BY LETTERS, mailgrams, telephone calls and personal visits to their representatives or their local offices, Catholics are indicating the vast support that exists for these credits, which help parents to have greater freedom of choice between public and private education for their children.

Legislation introduced in both houses of Congress includes the Vanik bill (House, maximum of \$250 per student), Frenzel-Burke (House, maximum of \$500) and

Packwood-Moynihan (Senate, maximum \$500)

Opposition to the proposals has been voiced by the administration, particularly President Carter and HEW Secretary Joseph Califano.

SUPPORTERS of tuition tax credits are intensifying their drive the next two weeks because it is expected that the House will vote on a measure during the last week of April.

At about the same time, the Senate is due to consider either the Packwood-Moynihan bill, or one backed by the administration which is running neck-and-neck with it in a race to the floor.

The intensity of pressures from both sides has been reflected in voting, both full House and Senate votes and in the committee votes.

A swing of a few votes in each case has been decisive. The support of 218 U.S. Representatives is needed to get elementary and secondary schools back in the House legislation.

No explanation given

Camara cancels San Diego talks



Dom Helder Camara

Southern Cross Reporter

Dom Helder Camara, archbishop of Olinda-Recife, Brazil, has informed the University of San Diego that he will be unable to be their guest speaker as planned for June 23-25.

The archbishop, spiritual head of more than two million Catholics, is a frequent speaker in favor of social justice at conferences in Europe and America.

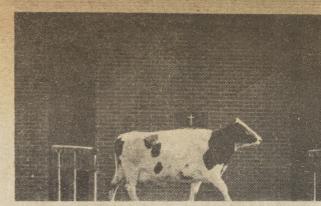
RECENTLY his travel has been the subject of controversy, and it has been reported that the Vatican asked him not to travel outside his archdiocese.

These reports were denied by Vatican spokesmen, athough a priests' group in Munster, Germany, released a letter dated March 7 from Archbishop Camara in which the prelate said that he had received a request not to travel in the form of a personal letter from Pope Paul VI.

According to Malachi Rafferty, director of the USD conference center, the university received a letter last week from Dom Helder regretting that he would be unable to attend the three day program on social justice and that "only by heart can I be with you."

NO EXPLANATION was given by the archbishop.

He was to have spoken at the USD campus and the Padre Hidalgo Center during his visit to San Diego.



HOLY COW—In Boise, Idaho, a stray strolls past the chapel at Bishop Kelly High School.—NC photo

San Diego diocese welcomes the Catholic press

From April 25 through 28 San Diego will be the center of attention for the Catholic press of North America. The annual convention of the Catholic Press Association will be held here. Hundreds of delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada will meet at the Town and Country Hotel to exchange views and ideas on how better to produce Catholic newspapers, periodicals and books.

The following extract from the statement on communications media and Catholics, presented to the 1977 World Synod of Bishops in Rome by the U.S. National Conference of Catholic Bishops, is therefore opportune and appropriate. The Catholic press has long been central to the church's communication effort. It deserves the support of the Catholic people.

The Catholic press is the least expensive way of regularly bringing comprehensive religious news and instructional features to a large number of Catholics.

It helps foster the sense of Christian community in its readers.

It serves as a forum for the members of this community, providing opportunities for discussion and the exchange of ideas.

Catholic newspapers, magazines, books, pamphlets, and parish bulletins can be useful catechetical tools, especially in adult programs. Editors and publishers should provide appealing publications which help contemporary Catholics evaluate their experience in the light of Christian values, foster their growth in faith, and promote community among them.

TeleNews

The Providence, R.I., City Council voted down a controversial proposed city ordinance which would have prohibited discrimination against minorities, including homosexuals, in housing, education and employment. Many religious groups, including the diocese of Providence, opposed the measure.

Saying he believes the taking of human life is fundamentally wrong, New York Governor Hugh Carey vetoed a death penalty bill which had sailed easily through the state legislature.

For the first time in the United States, a Protestant and a Catholic hospital (in Detroit) have consolidated with Protestant involvement continuing.

A National Labor Relations Board judge ruled that the Brooklyn diocese and a community-run Catholic school did not break the law by failing to rehire teachers who had participated in a strike.

The New York State bishops met with representatives of the state's laity to consider the family as it transmits values and beliefs, as it is involved in Christian service and as it works with the parish in ministry.



St. Joseph Monastery parish in Baltimore put up this billboard as part of its ongoing evangelization program.

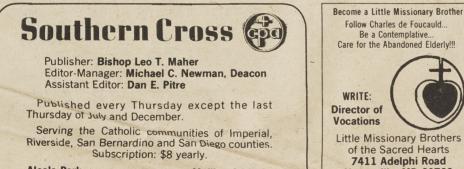


Brother Thomas Rochacewicz of St. Michael parish, Baltimore, devised a program in which 65 neighborhood youngsters signed contracts promising they would attend church regularly in order to qualify for play in a special co-ed football league. He has organized a similar program for softball and here he serves as a catcher in one game.

The Pennsylvania state senate by a 33-15 vote joined the House of Representatives in overriding Governor Milton Shapp's veto of a resolution calling for a constitutional convention for an amendment to protect human life.

Active prayer life and union with the rest of the church are essential to the development of Christian communities, said Sister Maria de la Cruz Aymes, an American participant at a Rome meeting of the International Catechetical Council.

The general secretary of the U.S. Catholic Conference, Bishop Thomas



Kelly, asked the country's Catholic bishops to cooperate in a government investigation into charges of discrimination by medical schools against those who oppose abortion.

As a new labor strike erupted in Peru, 134 priests of the Lima archdiocese announced that despite "calumnies" from the right, they would not back off from supporting legitimate labor demands.

The recent Salisbury agreement between the white minority government and black moderates in Rhodesia will probably lead to more intense civil warfare "and the brink of economic collapse" in that country, according to an analysis by the Catholic Institute for International Relations.

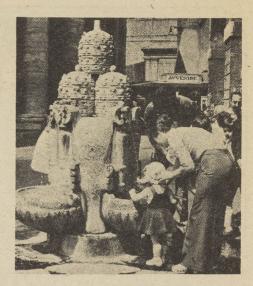
Organic unity and full communion among Christian churches may have to precede full unity of doctrine, Cardinal George Basil Hume of Westminster told a precedent-setting meeting of top European Christian leaders April 11.

Cardinal Jan Willebrands of Utrecht denied having any knowledge of an alleged Vatican travel ban placed on Archbishop Helder Camara of Olinda and Recife, Brazil, according to the German Catholic news agency, KNA.

The author of a fast-selling book purporting to give a preview of the election of the next pope placed an advertisement in The New York Times asking U.S. cardinals to denounce Marxism as incompatible with Christianity and individual freedom.

Military patrols surrounded the San Salvador archdiocesan offices and several villages just after church authorities announced that they had launched an investigation into violence against farmworkers during Holy Week.

Pope Paul proclaimed blessed Mary Kasper, a poorly educated German farmgirl who founded the Poor Hand-



Pilgrims and tourists at the Vatican drink from the Fountain of the Tiaras, the top of which is sculptured in the form of the triple-crown tiaras worn for centuries by the popes. Water flows from huge keys which symbolize the keys of the kingdom entrusted to St. Peter by Christ.

maids of Jesus Christ, in ceremonies at St. Peter's Basilica April 16. attended by a dozen of her American relatives.

People

Bishop John King Mussio, 75, who retired last October after serving 32 years as the first head of the Steubenville, Ohio diocese, died April 15 after suffering a heart attack.

Father Paul Waldie was appointed Provincial of the Oblate Fathers Western Province with headquarters in Oakland.

Franciscan Sister Philomena Ann Reilly was voted Teacher of the Year by readers of Today's Catholic Teacher magazine. She has taught in Boston and Philadelphia and for the past six years, in Syracuse, N.Y.

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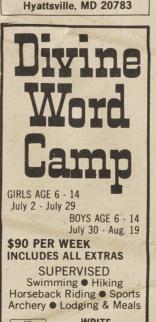
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Bishop's Stewardship 'thank you' 'God loves a cheerful giver'



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Dear Friends in Christ,

As we conclude the commitment phase of Stewardship '78, I am pleased to announce that your response has resulted in a very successful program.

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Thank you, and may God bless you.

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CAPITOL BOUND—Members of St. Mary school and parish, El Centro, board plane for a visit to Washington, D.C. Twenty-four members of the eighth grade class spent last summer working to raise half of the cost of the

trip. The class as a whole then raised the balance of the cost through various projects. Father Thomas Vidra, pastor of St. Mary church, Sister Maria Paz, principal of the school, and about a dozen parents also made the trip.-SC

For flood victims

SOUTHERN CROSS, April 20, 1978-3

PRIESTHOOD CANDIDATES-Eight young men formally and publicly declared their intention to become candidates for the priesthood for the diocese to Bishop Leo T. Maher last Sunday in the Immaculata church, USD campus. All from St. Francis Seminary, they will begin three years of

theological studies this fall at various theologates around the world. First row, from left, are Salvatore Cordileone, Ben Marcantonio, Daniel Leetch, and Burt Boudoin. Second row, from left, are Christopher Potter, Brad Yandell, Anthony Stanonik, and Christopher Merris, partially hidden.-SC photo

From computers to mailmen

Catholic press seeks best way to spread good news

Southern Cross Reporter

From ethics to computerization, from operating without advertising, to alternatives to postal delivery-the subjects to be discussed by the editorial, advertising and managerial staffs of the Catholic press in convention here next week show the variety of possibilities which affect

Catholic publishing. The annual convention of the Catholic Press Association will bring to San Diego nearly 300 execu-tives and staff members of the Catholic publishing world.

EDITORS, writers, photographers, columnists, business managers and advertising directors will each come to the convention to share ideas and advances with their colleagues from throughout the United States and Canada.

The men and women responsible for the Catholic reading of some 26 million subscribers will discuss

how better to offer through the printed word the Word of God in palatable, acceptable and interesting forms in a culture which is changing.

In addition to sharing with each other in workshops throughout the fourday convention, delegates will hear noted speakers address topics of concern to the religious press.

POLLSTER George Gallup, who has recently carried out a nationwide survey of Catholic press readership, will open the convention with a report on the study.

"Going forth with courage" will be the theme of the convention, expressed in the opening moments by Gerard E. Sherry, editor of the San Francisco archdiocesan newspaper The Monitor.

Keynote address of the convention will be delivered by Father John Catoir, recently appointed director of the Christophers organization

And the opening mass at the Basilica of Mission San Diego de Alcala, which will be bilingual, Spanish and English, will be celebrated by Los Angeles auxiliary Bishop Juan Arzube, who will also give the homily.

topic of "The role of the secular and religious press.'

Franciscan Father Alan McCoy, chairman of the conference of major superiors of men, will give the homily at the second mass of the convention, to be celebrated in the Immaculata church, USD campus.

The third convention mass will be the annual ceremony of remembrance for deceased members of the CPA and the occasion for the award of the highest honor bestowed by the association, the St. Francis de Sales award.

AMONG those nominated for the award this year, is Dorothy Day, noted fighter for Catholic worker rights and longtime editor of the Catholic Worker. The late editor of the National Catholic Reporter, Donald Thorman, who died recently, is also among the nominees.

Bishop Joseph Crowley, chairman of the U.S. bishops' communications committee, will be the principal celebrant of the mass and Bishop Leo T. Maher of San Diego will give the homily.

The mass will be preceded by the awards breakfast in which newspapers and magazines will be selected for their excellence in various ways during the past year. Best news story, best front page, overall excellence, best photograph are among the awards.

Aid continues to flow to Tijuana

Southern Cross Reporter

Aid continues to flow from the San Diego diocese to the Tijuana diocese to help the thousands of families in the border city who were forced from their homes by flood waters and mud slides early last month.

Robert Lechner, director of emergency assistance for the diocesan Catholic **Community Services** (CCS), said the people of the diocese donated \$6,000 for the flood victims

THIS WAS in response to an appeal to parishes by Bishop Leo T. Maher through Father John Quinn, CCS director.

Lechner said about \$3,000 has been spent on food items. An account was opened with a wholesale food distributor, he said, and the Tijuana diocese

sends a truck on Fridays to pick up the needed supplies.

Lechner said his office is in contact with Tijuana diocesan seminarians who tell him what items are needed. They distribute these to the people in the government shelters

THERE IS still a need for donations of food and cash, Lechner said.

Cash donations can be made by sending checks made out to Catholic Community Services to CCS, 349 Cedar St., San Diego, 92101. Checks should carry the notation: "for Tijuana flood victims."

Those desiring to donate food should contact Lechner at 235-6481

The diocese has sent about 18 truckloads of foodstuffs, blankets and clothing across the border.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the U.S. bishops agency which aids disaster victims in foreign countries, dispatched \$10,000, through the San Diego. diocese which is being used for further food and other supplies.

CRS also sent \$15,000 through its Mexico City representative to aid the flood victims.

PARISHIONERS in the Los Angeles archdiocese have donated \$25,000 for the beleaguered Mexican residents.

THE SPEAKER for the main banquet of the fourday meeting will be Mrs. Helen Copley, publisher of Copley Newspapers based in San Diego, and a Catholic. She will address the



RECOGNIZE SISTER?-People throughout the diocese auxiliary Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez, these sisters will probably recognize one or other of these sisters receiving recognition for their long service. Following a mass of thanksgiving last Sunday celebrated by

celebrating their golden and silver jubilees posed for the SC camera at the reception at Benedictine Convent of Perpetual Adoration.—SC photo

The Pope speaks A time to keep



Pray for vocations

How many "laborers for the harvest", how many "workers in the vineyard" have reached the evening of their earthly life? How many others have taken their place? Certainly a large number, but have all the gaps been filled?

These are disturbing questions. He (Christ) knows our difficulties; in fact, he has said that "the harvest is rich but the laborers are few." For this reason he invites us, indeed commands us: "So ask the Lord of the harvest to send the laborers to his harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

Yes, the Lord has commanded us to pray, and we pray. This prayer ought to make us understand and love more deeply what the Lord meant about the thrilling and joyful gift of a vocation.

Do you really know the things that you pray for? You pray for priests, religious and missionaries, but do you really know the mysterious and wonderful realities of the Catholic priesthood, of a life consecrated by sacred vows, or of missionary dedication?

To understand the meaning and value of every vocation, these are just the two realities that we must fix our minds on: Christ and the church.

Look at Christ. There comes from Christ, the priesthood of the new covenant: both the common priesthood of the faithful and the ministerial priesthood. From him comes the gift of the "evangelical counsels of chastity dedicated to God, poverty and obedience." From him, again, comes the missionary mandate: "Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations."

And look at the church...the fold that the Lord has made to welcome and defend this flock of his. The church seeks a solitary goal: to carry forward the work of Christ under the lead of the befriending Spirit. It is for this church that Jesus instituted his priesthood.

And so, we say: try to know these realities and truths better, in order to love them more, to discover and live your vocation, and to remain faithful to it, by the Lord's grace.-Message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations, April 16.

Welcome to the Catholic press

There are several hundred editors of Catholic newspapers and periodicals in the United States and few of them get to play host to their colleagues, as we shall be doing this week. We of the Southern Cross are very proud and honored as the editors, managers, columnists writers and other executives of the Catholic press meet here at the Town & Country Hotel for their annual convention.

So well established in the life of our communities are the diocesan weekly newspapers and many of the magazines, that they are almost taken for granted. Probably no other country in the world has so extensive and so diversified a Catholic press, and few are so well served by their religious press.

In the Catholic Press Association (CPA) membership are nine national newspapers, 136 diocesan newspapers and 298 magazines. They reach an estimated 26 million homes in the circulation, weekly and monthly, of the various versions of "the word" as proclaimed through their pages.

St. Francis de Sales award

The major award of the CPA each year is named after the patron saint of journalists, St. Francis de Sales. The award will be made at the end of the last mass of the convention, at which Bishop Leo T. Maher will be the homilist. There is a very interesting list of nominees for the award this year, including Dorothy Day, the noted editor of the Catholic Worker, whose dauntless battles over the years have become an American legend.

Others in the list are: Jesuit Father Walter Burghardt. editor of Theological Studies and a most renowned theologian and writer; Jim O'Neill, who headed the Rome bureau of National Catholic News Service for 17 years and the late Donald Thorman, former editor and publisher of the National Catholic Reporter, who died a few months ago.

I am not in the prophecy business-not this kind, at any rate—but I would hazard a guess that it goes either to Thorman or Dorothy Day.

Take time out

Catholics will have only themselves to blame if their representatives in Washington do not hear from them-in some volume-on the question of tuition tax credits for school children. The senators and congressmen need to be reminded of the large numbers of Catholics and others who believe in the equity of some form of tuition credit for private schools.

With President Carter against it and the senior Catholic cabinet member, Joseph Califano (HEW) against it, we have an uphill battle. And, of course, most public schools groups will be against the credits. But that should not deter us.

Many people dread writing letters. But this need not be a tedious or lengthy exercise. Simply write to your Congressman and to our two Senators, a letter which says something like: "I am very much in favor of the (Moynihan-Packwood or Frenzel-Burke) bills on the subject of tuition tax credits. On the other hand I am against any substitute legislation in this area.'

His love makes us one

We are only halfway along in this battle. And battle it is. We cannot afford to be daunted by last week's early reverse. There is still a good chance to win.

As somebody said graphically to me the other day: "How much longer can we afford to run our education on bingo games?"

Sponsor the "live" Passion

Someone who was most impressed with the front-page pictures we published (SC, March 30) of the Passion Play in Old Town, San Diego, staged on Holy Saturday, has suggested that it should receive more encouragement and sponsorship for the future.

"How would it be to invite them back (The Teatro Mercado) raise money among Catholics, Protestants and Orthodox (and Jewish friends, too) and shoot the play for TV." he writes. He also suggests we invite the choir of, say, Mission San Diego de Alcala, to participate in a recording of it, or get musicians from the University of San Diego.

Metamorphosis of a doctor



It has been interesting to watch the change in appearance of Dr. William Waddill Jr. during his trial in Orange on a charge of killing a baby when it lived after a saline abortion. There is some evidence to the effect that the doctor was making about \$400,000 a year from abortions and live deliveries of babies. In fact he gave evidence that he was delivering about 50 babies a month a well as performing an abortion at the rate of one for every three or four delivered alive.

Prosecuting attorney Robert Chatterton, however, said Waddill had told him he was delivering up to 80 babies a week and sleeping at home only about two nights a month as he fought to relieve debts by earning as much as he could.

Whether successful or not, Waddill's appearance has taken on a noticeable change, as our two pictures show. First, the broad mustache and bright suit, but later, as the trial progressed, the less "loud", less aggressive appearance of a kindly MD, minus mustache and with a quiet pinstripe suit. Interesting.

We were talking by Enid Lanyon

ticularism has been to the Christian

We were talking...about the Professor Higgins ("My Fair Lady") complex and the irritation we all feel at times towards life-styles and outlooks that differ from our own.

It is common to us human beings, and one of our most limiting traits, to regard ourselves as the qualifying standard, or norm, of what a person should be. However strenously we may deny such a premise, it is nevertheless obvious that we select our friends and associates from among others who are like ourselves or what we aspire to be and, politely or impolitely, shun those who are not.

"I LIKE a person with a sense of humor," generally means "I like someone with a sense of humor like mine." Any other kind of sense of humor may not appear like humor at all if it is markedly different.

I may prefer quiet people, but with my idea of quietness; religious people as long as their religiousness corresponds to my own concept of it; strong people if their strength lies in what I consider my own strengths and

does not threaten me.

If you are talented, let your gifts fall within my own interests; if you are to be judged good or good looking, it is according to my criteria. This kind of selection is natural enough.

IT IS comforting to be with others who share our "desirable" qualities. It increases our feelings of normalcy, of "belonging," and puts to flight the always lurking specters of anxiety and loneliness.

We may, of course, be fooling ourselves and acting on a quite mistaken idea of the kind of person we are and the qualities or activities that, fundamentally, evoke our respect and build up our self-esteem. Then, if we do not take the time-and our fears by the horns-and look seriously at what we are doing and saying and being, we grow further from the truth and deeper into confusion and frustration.

Then it is, I think, that a person begins aggressively to impose those standards upon others and to reject and deride with increasing violence

those who do not "measure up." And of course, no one will ever measure up to such standards because they have no authenticity and are fluid as shadows.

IT IS fascinating to observe how even in the history of the church this kind of subjective selectivity has caused problems. The Jews, even with all the prophetic awareness from Isaiah of the universalist nature of salvation, were hostile to the Gentile interest in a faith they felt was exclusively their own.

And if Paul had not convinced the apostles that one did not have to be a Jew, or carry the mark of Jewishness, in order to be a Christian, where would we all be today?

In more recent evangelistic endeavors vast areas have been alienated from the gospel of Christ, albeit temporarily, by the insistence of western missionaries on imposing western standards of dress, behavior and philosophy on eastern peoples. How incredibly damaging such pargospel of universal love!

AND YET, it is only in the context of Christian community that these tendencies can be liberated. When we come together in the name of Christ, with the sincere desire to relive and enliven his Word in our selves and lives, there must be a change of focus.

The love that he demands is the highest expression of his humanness and it is totally other-centered. It is not possible to respond to such love with any kind of adequate effect without moving out from the self-center focus.

As we move out from self and in towards Christ, we cannot help but discover the truly universal standard of belonging by which he draws all men-even those with whom we have nothing in common but his love!-to himself.

Someone has said somewhere that even the worst of our faults may be transformed into virtues when we turn ourselves towards him. It is an exhilarating thought!



Opinion Forum

Don't fear, cheer ERA

It is apparent from reading R. E. Bruce's letter that this person is very distressed about ERA (Equal Rights Amendment) and feels it is responsible for many of the ills in our society.

I want to assure this person that this world has never been free from ills since the garden of Eden was lost to the human race. But God is, still in charge of the universe and through Jesus we are saved.

ERA simply affirms and declares in specific language that accepted belief "that all men (generic) are endowed with certain inalienable rights". Women will be assured equal access to the freedoms, protections, and responsibilities the law provides its citizens.

ERA guarantees women freedom of choice in pursuing careers, entering into legal contracts, and assuming leadership positions in society. It acknowledges that women are citizens capable of making decisions about their own lives.

This doesn't imply that women will be free from error—being part of the human race, there is no chance of that. Women will be free to grow and to develop the gifts and talents that God has given to his people regardless of sex.

To fear ERA is to fear change which is a continuing condition in our lives. Even changes that improve our lives or the lives of some of us are threatening.

The early Christians were abused and persecuted because they threatened the established traditions of the people of their time. ERA will withdraw some of those obstacles that for so long have denied women the freedom to become the persons that God created them to be. Don't fear, cheer ERA.

Mary Cormier San Diego

Sign the petition against abortion So our Catholic (?) Gov. Brown, a strong advocate of state funding for murder (abortions), has earmarked \$35 million to

(abortions), has earmarked \$35 million to pay for an estimated 82,000 murders. If his mother had killed him 82,000 future citizens would be spared "\$35

future citizens would be spared. "\$35 million for defense of life but not one cent for murder (abortions)" should be our slogan.

In the name of the Holy Innocents everyone should sign the petition to stop this infamous waste of money so badly needed for humanitarian purposes.

Mrs. C.A. Powers Riverside

SDCHLA ceases to function

As many of you may already know the Committee for a Human Life Amendment has wound up its activities.

While we were viable we were instrumental in creating and directing 123 separate committees within the movement.

Although we are no longer associated with the committee, we will continue to be concerned with and work toward a solution to abortion-on-demand.

We sincerely enjoyed our association with all of our community representatives and with the priests we came to know. Both of us feel that the four counties of the diocese of San Diego are much more effectively organized to reaching the desired end than they were when we started. We thank you for working with us.

It is our prayerful hope that all those associated with the movement will continue undaunted.

Nancy Brown Dave Axtmann San Diego

(Brown was executive director of the San Diego Committee for a Human Life Amendment, Inc.—Ed.)

Keep the Panama Canal

How very disconcerting to see Archbishop Marcos McGrath of Panama City advocating relinquishing the rights of the U.S.A. to the Panama Canal.

In all fairness to those of us who do not agree with the archbishop or with the National Council of Catholic Bishops who voted 156 to 61 to give the Canal away, the Southern Cross should give equal time and space to present the opposing view.

In a poll by Opinion Research Corporation, 78 percent of the American people are opposed to giving the Canal away, 14 percent had no opinion and only 8 percent favor it. This view of retaining ownership of the Panama Canal is held by innumerable prominent and knowledgeable people both in and out of government.

How foolhardy, indeed, it would be to place this strategic waterway in the hands of the Marxist dictator, Omar Torrijos. Certainly, history has taught us that appeasement is the wrong way. Are we truly for or against the spread of Communism?

> Marguerite Pagni San Diego

Give back the Canal

If the Catholic church is to become politically involved in Panama, it has no alternative but to support the return of the land to the Panamanians.

Historically, in 1903 (1) the present Panama was part of Colombia, (2) the U.S. requested of Colombia the land for the canal, (3) Colombia said no, (4) Teddy Roosevelt sent the U.S. Navy to support the Colombians who wanted the canal enough to break away from the national government, (5) Teddy Roosevelt negotiated with the Frenchman, Bunauvarilla, who, in Washington D.C. without the presence of any Panamanians, signed the treaty for Panama giving the U.S. the land leased in perpetuity, (6) Bunauvarilla returned to France a wealthier man, (7) the canal was built and opened in 1914.

If that picture is not convincing let's say Japan acquired a seven mile wide area in California, 50 miles in length around Oceanside. If anyone in the northern part of the diocese wanted to visit anyone in the southern part, he would have to go through Japanese territory.

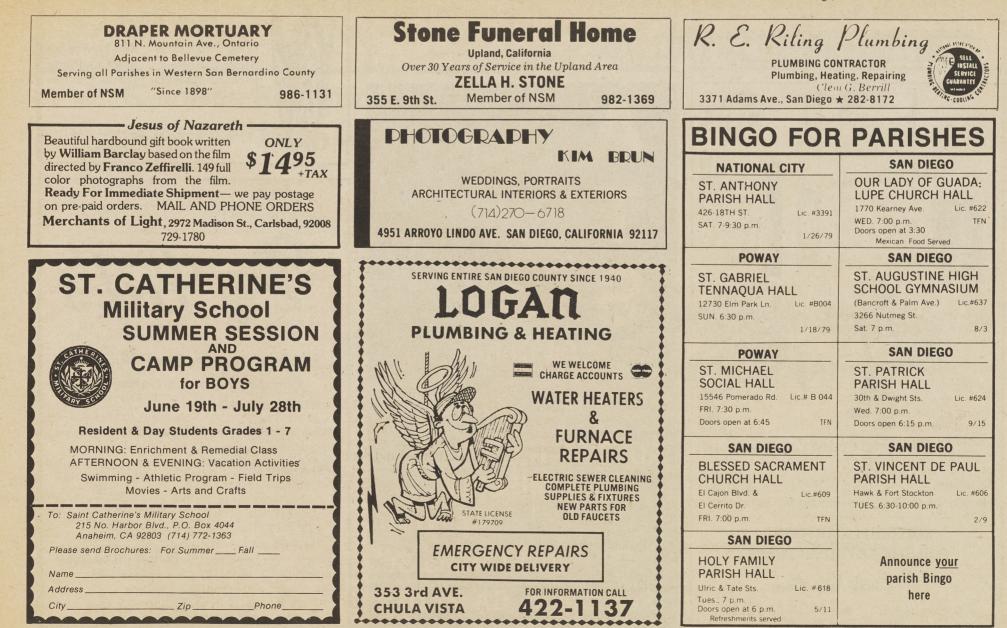
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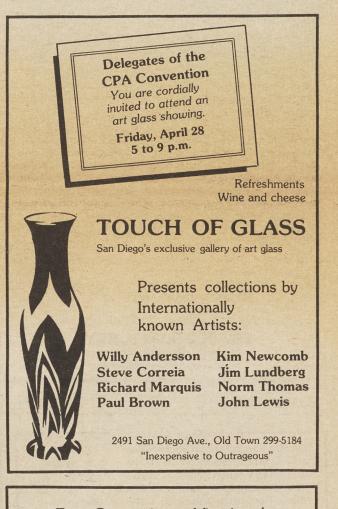
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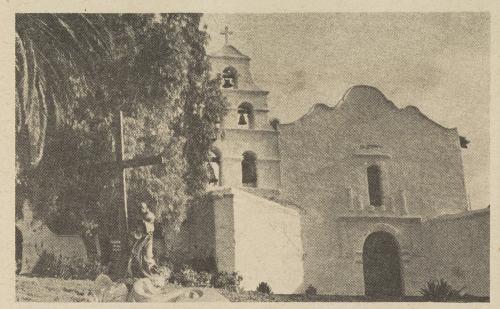
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A popular convention spot

Southern Cross Reporter

The 250 delegates of the Catholic Press Association coming to the diocese April 25-28 for the CPA national convention join thousands of visitors annually who come to the area for conventions.

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The Town and Country Hotel will be the convention headquarters.

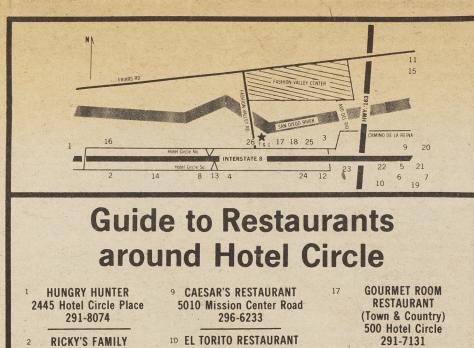
SAN DIEGO offers CPA delegates a multitude of sights and activities from the Pacific Ocean to the mountains—about an hour's drive to the east—from Tijuana, Mexico, just 20 minutes to the south, to the Los Angeles area with such attractions

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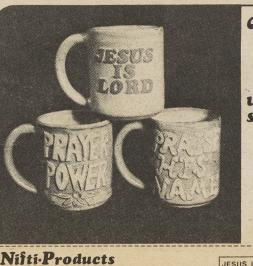
The panoramic view from Pt. Loma of the harbor and coastline and the scenic drive through picturesque La Jolla with its famous coves and along the Torrey Pines cliffs, provide breathtaking scenes.

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Rerum Novarum Seeds of justice planted

By Father Alfred McBride, O Pream

The fastest anyone could move in 1824 was about 10 miles an hour. But one year later, the railroad and the telegraph were about to appear. The railroad moved the people and the telegraph moved their ideas at a pace dizzying to the minds of villages and cities that would be seen as comparatively sleepy in the light of what was to come.

In the next 75 years, nearly 400,000 miles of railroad were laid in Europe and America. And the new industrial barons—Krupp, Nobel and Rockefeller—were building factories to produce the materials to be carried by those rails. Moreover the trains transported massive numbers of rural people into the cities to work in the factories and congest the urban areas.

NOT ONLY DID the trains carry the

and more exploited than ever before.

It is estimated that the Industrial Revolution plunged a third of Europe into what can only be called destitution, marginal existence, the most humiliating poverty. Bad as it was before that, only a fifth of the population knew such misery.

AGRARIAN HOVELS had been bad enough. Urban slums teemed with the burgeoning poor. Half the labor force consisted of children under 18, both boys and girls. The worker had no bargaining rights.

Wages were so low that there was barely money to buy food. Fifteen-hour workdays were common. These unhappy facts generated the "social question." How is one to correct this monstrous injustice?

The first great church voice to express social concern was Bishop Wilhelm Kettler. Already by 1848, he preached against the abuses and outlined a plan for social justice. He called upon the government to curb the excesses of the capitalist businessmen.

The other Americans The problem of poverty in the midst of plenty

By Msgr. George B. Higgins

Almost 20 years have passed since Harvard economist John K. Galbraith popularized the notion that ours is "the affluent society." His book received more attention, and probably sold more copies, than any other serious treatise on economics since the Depression of the 1930s.

To some extent, this happened because of his engaging literary style, but its popularity was due even more to the fact that the American people were ready to believe that we had solved the problem of poverty.

A FEW YEARS later public confidence waned. Michael Harrington's book, "The Other Americans," starkly dramatized the problem of poverty in the midst of plenty.

This sudden switch in public concern is not to be interpreted as a reflection on Galbraith's incisive analysis of the economic state of the union. It is possible that some Americans may have concluded from a cursory reading of "The Affluent Society" that poverty had been completely eliminated in the United States.

If so, they were mistaken, for Galbraith explicitly pointed out that, in spite of our enormous productivity, "poverty does survive," particularly in the rural segment of our economy. The hard core of the poor, he concluded, is declining, "but not with great rapidity," and "the modern locus of poverty is even more the rural than the urban slum."

MOST OF US who live in big cities still tend to think of poverty almost exclusively as a problem of the urban slums. This is understandable but regrettable, for until bigcity voters become more acutely aware of the extent of rural poverty, not much will be done about it.

This is particularly true of the poverty among migratory farm workers, whose miserable plight was described in the study, "The Migrant Farm Worker in America," prepared two decades ago for the Senate subcommittee on migratory labor.

"The migrant and his family," it said, "are lonely wanderers on the face of our land...We see families crowded into shelters that are more like coops for animals, with children undernourished and in poor health, two or three years behind in school, with little chance to develop their talents and become fully useful to themselves or their country... The plight of the migrant and his family is a charge on the conscience of all of us."

THE PLIGHT of American migratory workers is just about as bad today. One of the

compromised on the issue of farm labor

Not only have our institutions failed to adopt policies that would assure an adequate supply of farm labor at decent standards of employment, but at times they have also been used to procure foreign labor in a manner which had an adverse effect on the employment conditions, wages and working conditions of domestic farmworkers.

Moreover, government at all levels has seen fit to exempt agricultural labor from most of the great social and labor legislation which has been enacted during the past 40 years.

IF THIS situation is to be remedied, bigcity voters will have to take the initiative in fighting for the rights of migratory workers in and out of the halls of Congress, for they are so unorganized that they cannot speak for themselves with effectiveness and legislators from the rural areas, with too few exceptions, have shown no disposition to speak up for them either in the Congress or in the legislatures of their respective states.

A recent study, "The Migrant Farmworker," published under the auspices of the Secretariat for the Spanish Speaking, National Conference of Catholic Bishops, put it in a nutshell:

"There is very little that most of us can do in a personal way to promote justice for the farmworkers. However, we are not merely individuals. We are members of a society which functions, in a manner of speaking, as a corporate individual effecting goals and purposes which cannot be effected on the individual level.

"IN A DEMOCRATIC society the values that guide corporate behavior, i.e, the social ethics, may be expected to reflect the personal ethics of the members. Since society, as a corporate unit as well as each individual member, profits from migrant labor, both social justice and personal justice demand redress for:

(A) "the social, political, psychological, cultural, legal and economic deprivation of farmworkers, particularly migrants;

(B) "the imbalances created in the rural sector; and

(C) "the inequitable transfer of financial resources and responsibilities effected by the present farm system."

"The Migrant Farmworker," Secretariat for the Spanish Speaking, National Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1312 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington,

people, they had more people to bear. Europe's population exploded from 140 million in 1740 to 266 million in 1850. Further, public education saw to it that most of these new millions could read and write.

Literacy grew up alongside journalism, which fed the popular taste for new ideas and fresh points of view. Lastly, the growth of the democratic ideal endowed the males of Europe with a vote and the power implied thereby.

Revolution is the only apt word to apply to the changes in culture caused by trains, telegrams, newspapers, schools, literacy, democracy and factories. Other technical wonders (telephone and electricity) would simply increase what we call "future shock" for our 19th-century ancestors.

THE CHURCH survived the Protestant Reformation and the surge of the Enlightenment (with its liberal secular politics and states) by a counter-Reformation in the first instance and spiritualizing and centralizing the church in the second instance. (Cf. Vatican I and Infallibility)

Now it was time to cope with the even greater upheaval caused by the Industrial Revolution. Jesus had said that the poor would always be with us. But never had history seen more poor people, more helpless AT THE SAME time, he condemned totalitarian governments that would deny the individual the right to private property. He stood by the workers in their right to form unions. He spoke out for profit sharing, shorter work days, rest days and the regulation of conditions under which women and children would work.

By the 1880s other prominent churchmen were speaking out on workers' rights. Cardinal Manning in England helped turn the tide in favor of the workers after the great London dock strike in 1889. Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore successfully defended the Knights of Labor, America's largest labor union of the time, against a move to have Rome condemn it.

Pope Leo XIII's encyclical "Rerum Novarum" established the basic principle of social thinking for Catholics. It called upon all Catholics to be involved in social reform and to seek justice for the working class.

IN EUROPE this gave rise to the Christian trade unions and the Christian democratic parties. In the United States, it inspired a multitude of social concern movements.

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Discussion Points and Questions

1. What is meant by basic human rights? Discuss.

2. In an affluent country, we still know poverty. Why? Discuss.

3. How can we, as individuals, help bring about changes that would cause a decline of poverty in the rural areas of the United States? Discuss.

4. What were some of the developments of the Industrial Revolution?

5. Should the church concern itself with social justice? Why?

6. Discuss this statement: "The quest for social justice is an unfinished, and indeed never-ending task." 7. What was the document "Rerum Novarum" about? Why was it such an important document?

8. What was Pope Leo XIII's background? What kind of man was he?

9. What are some of the things Pope Leo XIII is remembered for?

10. What was the encyclical "Providentissimus Deus" about?

11. How did Pope Leo XIII affect history? How have we benefitted?

12. What is Cesar Chavez' background?

13. Discuss what it means to live a truly Christian life. Focus your discussion on your own community.

Pope Leo XIII A man of brave action

By Father John J. Castelot

When Pope John XXIII was elected, it was presumed that he would be a safe, transitional pope. He startled the Roman Curia and the world by shattering that presumption and gave the history of the church an unexpected new direction in the process.

An interesting precedent is found in the career of Pope Leo XIII, who was almost 68 when he was elected on Feb. 20, 1878 another transitional pope. His pontificate lasted more than a quarter century.

THE SIXTH of seven sons, Gioacchino Vincenzo Pecci was born at Carpineto in central Italy on March 2, 1810. After completing studies in theology and canon and civil law, he was ordained and named a domestic prelate (monsignor) in 1837.

He was created a cardinal in 1853, and upon the death of Pius IX, was elected his successor. A diplomat and administrator of the highest order, he was also a deeply spiritual man.

In the encyclical "Annum Sacrum" of 1899, he consecrated the entire human race to the Sacred Heart. Nine encyclicals fostered devotion to the Blessed Virgin and the rosary.

HE CONTINUED Pius IX's mission activity, establishing the hierarchy in India and revitalizing the China missions. His concern for the universal church was evident in his efforts to effect reunion with the Eastern churches, but in another area ecumenical endeavors were stalled by his stand on the validity of Anglican orders.

Infensely interested in the intellectual life of the church, Leo fostered a revival of the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas, made it the basis of seminary teaching, reorganized the Roman Academy of St. Thomas, and appointed Cardinal Mercier to a chair of Thomistic studies at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belguim. His opening of the Vatican Archives to scholars was a tremendous boon to historians.

The encyclical "Providentissimus Deus" (1893) set forth the church's attitude on scriptural studies and contained the first really official statement of the church on the theology of biblical inspiration. This positive contribution was offset somewhat by the establishment in 1902 of the Pontifical Biblical Commission to monitor the teachings of Catholic biblical scholars.

IN THE POLITICAL area he displayed a certain ambivalence. In line with the prevailing ecclesiology, heavily juridical, he insisted on the status of the church as a "perfect society" at least on a par with civil governments.

Still, he recognized "legitimate and honest liberty" and urged Catholics to accept the new democratic regimes in countries where they had been established, to enter the political arena, and to work for the common good.

At the same time, he forbade Italians even to vote in national elections. Outstanding was his teaching on social questions; the encyclical "Rerum Novarum" of 1891 was a landmark pronouncement.

IT CONDEMNED unfair practices and set forth a positive program of social reconstruction: a living wage, the right to organize, legislation in favor of the working classes.

Unfortunately his lead was not followed. A number of clergy, high and low, in many countries, including the United States, were suspicious of labor movements and allied themselves more or less with ownership and management, thus alienating untold numbers of workers and their families.

One reason was that the most powerful labor organization in the United States, the Knights of Labor, was a secret society, and secret societies at the time were notoriously anti-Catholic.

THE KNIGHTS had been condemned by the Canadian hierarchy and only the intervention of Baltimore's Cardinal Gibbons, himself an outspoken champion of labor, prevented the pope from taking official action against them in the United States.

Leo admired the United States, but at one point was disturbed by a European misunderstanding and distortion of American attitudes. Again Cardinal Gibbons reassured the pontiff that the allegations were groundless, but not until after Leo had condemned "Americanism" in the 1899 letter "Tetem Benevolentiae."



CESAR CHAVEZ in his office in Keene, Calif., holds a hoe which is symbolic of his early years as a poor migrant farm worker. His United Farmworkers of America union recently ended its long boycott of grapes, lettuce and Gallo wines. Chavez is described by Mary Maher as having "the personality of a gentle Hosea and the enacity for justice of a



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POPE LEO XIII, who led the church for a quarter century, was created a cardinal in 1853 and upon the death of Pope Pius IX, was elected his successor. Among his accomplishments, he consecrated the entire human race to the Sacred Heart and delivered nine encyclicals fostering devotion to the Blessed Virgin and the Rosary. He established the hierachy in India and revitalized the missions in China. In 1891, his encyclical Rerum Novarum condemned unfair labor practices and appealed for a living wage, the right to organize, and for legislation in favor of the working class.—NC photo

A gentle Hosea but an Amos fiery for justice

By Mary Maher

Cesar Chavez has the personality of a gentle Hosea and the tenacity for justice of a fiery Amos. He was born in 1927 in Arizona to Catholic Mexican-American migrant farmworkers.

During the Depression, he and his family worked in the fields of California. He had little formal education and after serving in the Navy during World War II, he returned to Delano, Calif., to do farm work.

In 1952, he joined the newly founded Community Service Organization (CSO) which was a local grassroots political movement founded by Saul Alinsky. In it he worked for some time on voter registration and community relations.

In 1958, he became the general director of CSO. Then, in 1962, he resigned that office to give full time to organizing field workers into a union.

Earlier efforts in this direction had repeatedly failed and the migrant laborers, who were unprotected by federal law, were left in a condition of poverty and at the mercy of labor contractors. They travelled from area to area where wages, housing and working conditions, along with education, were inadequate.

IN 1962, Chavez established the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and its membership grew in the valleys of California. In 1965, although the association was not yet in a position of much strength, he led the members in the now well-known strike against the grape growers around Delano. Day sitting on her stick cane chair in the hot California during this historical stike.)

The growers of the wine grapes agreed to some of the demands of the strikers, but the table-grape growers refused to negotiate. In 1968 Chavez began a long fast to dramatize the struggle for justice in which his people were involved. He also believed that fasting strengthened one's mental and spiritual resources.

A BOYCOTT of grapes and lettuce was begun and was successful. It spread across the nation, gaining support for the farmworkers. It was known as "La Causa" (the cause).

In 1970 the table-grape growers gave in. On the strength of this success, Chavez and his followers moved on to organize workers in the truck vegetable areas of California; they called for a national boycott of lettuce.

In recent years Chavez has been active in promoting a strong and close community and spiritual life for members of his organization. He believes that the prophecy which issues in justice can be achieved only in proportion to the strenth of the community which supports the prophets. And, for Chavez, faith gives justice an inner strength.

WE ASK: What motivates a man such as Chavez? There are plenty of believers who don't seem to give a hoot about justice. And his life seems to stand out—why? We might say, "Well, he takes his Christian faith seriously." One could hardly argue that.

In every human heart, yours and mine, the oppressed and the oppressor live. And perhaps it is the way that we come to experience that we can put our energy and our hearts in either direction that ultimately counts.



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In 1966, the NFWA merged with the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee of the AFL-CIO and together they began a long and difficult strike in which the civil rights tactics of that time were employed. (Many readers will remember the picture of Dorothy

In the end, that is what religion is about when it is seen as an action of the human heart in conjunction with the call of the God who created us.



Talking Point—A future trend?

Should church ban marriage for minors?

By Stan Koma (NC News, Ottawa, Canada)

Bishop Adolphe Proulx of Hull, Quebec, has declared that no one under 18 may be married in the church in his diocese.

The move is the first in Canada, and some observers believe it may be unique in the Catholic world.

BUT IT MAY well be the trend of the future, especially in the West, according to Father Francis Morrisey, a church law expert in Ottawa.

He predicts that when the church's Code of Canon Law is revised, bishops' conferences will be empowered to set minimum ages for church marrigaes in their areas. General church law now forbids marriage for women under 14 or men under 16.

(In the United States, many dioceses in recent years have instituted marriage policies that strongly discourage any marriages involving a partner under 18, and many of them require special screening or preparation for applicants between the ages of 18 and 20 or 21; but none of these as bluntly forbids marriages involving a partner under 18.)

(IN THE San Diego diocese, marriages are permitted to persons under the age of 18, but only if they undergo a mandatory three month counseling program.)

In announcing his new policy, Bishop Proulx stated: "Henceforth, both parties must be at least 18 years of age at the time of the wedding. It is no longer permitted for minors (under 18) to be married in a church ceremony in the diocese of Hull."

There is an appeal procedure, the bishop said, but "we are not going to give dispensations easily."

HE GAVE as the reason for the new policy the increasing number of divorces and separations in his diocese, especially among those who

married young.

A special study recently showed that the Gatineau region, in which the Hull diocese lies, has the highest divorce rate in Quebec—one in three marriages—and the highest rate of marriages involving partners under 18.

The new Hull diocesan rules also involve mandatory marriage preparation programs for applicants between the ages of 18 and 20, and they encourage those over 20 to participate in preparation programs.

THE PROGRAMS stress the sacramental nature of a church wedding, the bishop said. He noted that many young people who present themselves for marriage in the church are not practicing Catholics and "forget that marriage is a sacrament."

He said the programs leave open the possibility that some couples may choose a civil wedding because, after serious thought, "they might sincerely feel a civil ceremony is more in keeping with their personal convictions. Such a decision is theirs; and it is one we must respect."

Bishop Proulx said he hopes other dioceses will set similar rules and programs.

FATHER MORRISEY, dean of canon law at St. Paul University in Ottawa, said the Vatican commission engaged in revising the Code of Canon Law has approved a provision that will allow bishops' conferences to raise the current minimum ages for marriage, in accordance with pastoral needs in their own countries. The commission's work, begun in 1963, is not expected to be done until sometime in the 1980s.

He noted that, while the current general law sets lower minimum limits for valid marriages, it also allows a bishop to prohibit marriages for a certain time in particular cases. "I'm all in favor of what he (Bishop Proulx) has done," Father Morrisey said. "I think someone had to take a stand." STRICTER MARRIAGE POLICIES— In the United States, many dioceses have instituted policies which strongly discourage marriages involving a partner under

MSGR. PETER Kinlin, director of the Toronto Regional Marriage Tribunal, a church marriage court, said there is a general feeling among canon lawyers in Canada that the minimum age for marriages should be raised.

But there is no clear agreement on what the age should be, he said. "The important thing is that there should be maturity and a readiness and ability to make a lifelong commitment. Many of the present (younger) generation have difficulty making this kind of commitment."

Bishop Proulx's decision received strong support from other sources as well.

DR. MURRAY McGovern, a Catholic psychiatrist in Oakville, Ontario, said,

18. Now Canadian Bishop Adolphe Proulx of Hull diocese, Quebec, has declared that no one under 18 may be married in the church in his diocese.—NC photo

"I know of no study in the last few years that would not support the bishop's position...I know of no psychiatrist and no (scientific) literature that would be optimistic about teenage commitment in our present culture."

Father Brian Clough, chancellor in charge of spiritual affairs for the Toronto archdiocese, commented: "You can drink, vote or get a loan (only) at the age of 18, but you only have to be 16 to get married. And marriage is far more important than those things."

The Hull diocese's policies were the result of two years of research and consultation by the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

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Our Spanish background

'Red thread' weaves through California tapestry

By Father Dennis J. Barry Pastor emeritus, St. Martin, La Mesa

Newcomers to California are understandably intrigued by the enchanting litany of names. City names like San Diego, Santa Ana, Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and San Francisco roll off the tongue like a childhood litany of the saints. This reflects the Spanish Empire which one embraced our state. representatives of the Crown.

INTO THIS PLACID lake of wealth and power a tiny pebble was dropped in 1734, which would send ripples from China to Acapulco. The great Russian land Empire had reached the Pacific Ocean and was casting eyes east to the American west coast.

In 1734 a Danish captain in the service of Russia, Vitus Bering, sailed across the short gap between Siberia and Alaska and established outposts for trade in the Aleutians (1769), Kodiak (1784) and Sitka (1794). Trappers began to visit our west coast in growing numbers. in Russia, the world of the Pacific opened up the avid eyes of the rulers. It was decided, after a rebuff in northern Japan, that the north Pacific would become a Russian lake. Settlers were sent to Alaska and the American west coast. From Sakhalin on the China coast to Santa Barbara on the California coast, the Russian power would be developed, as a mighty crescent.

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The saintly derivation of place names is tied to their discovery or settlement on specific ecclesiastical calendar days.

ON THE REVERSE side of the tapestry of history is a single red thread which is interwoven with thousands of others to appear on the face side in the panoramic masterpiece of the Golden West.

That red thread is the steel grip of the Spanish Crown, exercised through the military commanders in all the vast empire from Madrid to Manila. It extended thousands of miles across the Atlantic from Cadiz to Vera Cruz to Mexico City.

It embraced Central America and plunged south to Chile. It ruled the North Pacific from Acapulco and Panama to Hawaii and the Philippines. This far-flung hegemony poured untold riches into Madrid and was guarded jealously by eagle-eyed viceroys who were the personal The reaction in Mexico City was immediate and practical. The west coast of North America was well known to Spanish galleons and explorers. It was a landfall from Manila and was claimed for Spain in 1542 by Cabrillo, but left for future generations to develop as a colony.

IN 1769 alarm bells rang in the Viceregal Palace in Mexico. A military expedition was launched by land and by sea with orders to occupy California and repel the invaders from the frigid north.

We pick up our red thread at San Diego where a presidio (fort) was established in 1769. The soldiers advanced rapidly up the coast, fortifying presidios at Santa Barbara, Monterey and San Francisco.

Meanwhile in the court of the Czars

THUS THE TWO towering empires approached a show-down. The Spanish forces were entrenched at the presidio in San Francisco. The Russians selected Bodega Bay as their headquarters and there they built and fortified Fort Ross (1812).

Marin County lay between them as a no-mans land.

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One Russian diplomat even fell in love with the lovely young daughter of the Spanish commandant of the Presidio.

However, the high tide of history

and a pull-back to Alaska.

In 1841, the command at Fort Ross was forced into the humiliating position of selling the material possessions of the outpost at a public auction.

The principal buyer was Johann Augustus Sutter whose Sutters Mill and the gold-rush which sprang up beside it signalled the end of both Mexican rule in California and the red thread woven into the tapestry of the Golden State.

BY 1850 the last decendants of the conquistadors departed and California took its place under a new flag which the departing military recognized as the "banner of the stars".

The Spanish place names remain, however, and were it not for that red thread, names like Sabastapol and the Russian River might have traveled southward with Russian explorers like Nikolai Rezanov, Ivan Kuskov and Otto von Kotzebue.

As Shakespeare said so well, "There is a tide in the affairs of men."

'Seriously inaccurate, says Catholic group

Califano's student aid figures disputed

WASHINGTON (NC)-Students in non-public elementary and secondary schools receive annual federal aid totalling around \$54.2 million, according to an analysis prepared by the Education Department of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

The figure is in direct conflict with congressional

NEWARK, N.J. (NC)-

The 15 bishops of New

Jersey have accused Presi-

dent Carter of breaking his

campaign pledge to help

the parents of parochial

school students because

he opposes congressional

a letter to the president

written by Archbishop Peter

Gerety of Newark. It was

made public the day before

the House Ways and Means

Committee deleted public

and non-public elementary

The charge was made in

tuition tax credit bills.

New Jersey bishops say

testimony given by Secre-tary of Health, Education and Welfare Joseph A. Califano Jr., who estimated fiscal 1979 expenditures to assist non-public school students at "between \$100 million and \$250 million." THE ANALYSIS issued by

Father Patrick Farrell and Richard Duffy of the USCC education department called Califano's estimates "seriously inaccurate" and criticized the HEW secretary for implying that the federal government now spends "approximately \$60 per student" to assist nonpublic pupils across the board.

Most federal aid benefiting non-public education is targeted to poor and

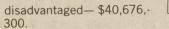
disadvantaged pupils, the analysis said, and even they have not benefited equitably, in comparison with public school students.

'It is a disservice to the American public to give the impression that all the school children in this country are being assisted by the federal government to the amount of \$128 for every public school pupil and \$60 for every private school pupil," said the report, entitled "How Much Federal Aid Are Non-Public School Students Really Getting?"

"IN ACTUALITY, the federal government spends very little to benefit the large majority of school-age children in this country,' the analysis added.

The report estimated that the \$52.2 million in federal aid to non-public school children breaks down this way:

-Title I services under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, compensatory education programs for the poor and



-Title IV-B program aid, for books and library materials-\$9.6 million.

-Title IV-C program, educational innovation and support-\$2.5 million.

-Title VII program, bilingual education-\$1.5 million.

IN THE REPORT, the two USCC officials said Califano 'will find it difficult to produce any authenticated evidence to support his statements" about student aid because the U.S. Office of Education lacks a "substantive management system" to provide such data.

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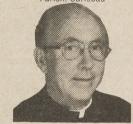
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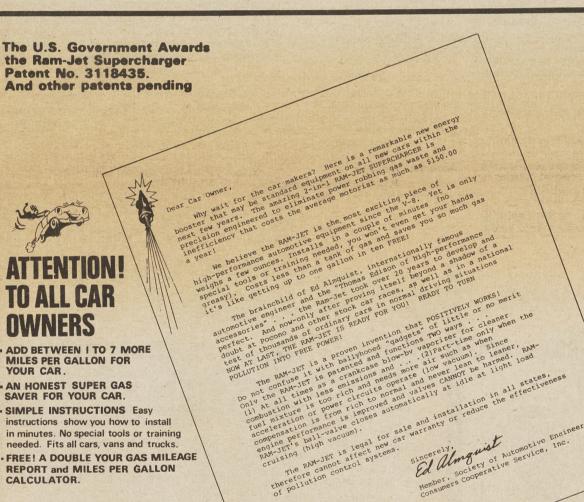
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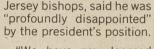


'Carter broke promise'

and secondary schools aid programs. from a tuition tax credit bill. Archbishop Gerety, speaking for the New

A tuition tax credit bill that includes elementary and secondary schools is awaiting action in the Senate.

The administration considers tuition tax credits wasteful and has proposed instead to expand and increase existing college loan, grant and work-study programs and to improve non-public school participation in the federal school



"We have now learned that you have abandoned your pre-election pledge to the parents of children in our Catholic schools," he wrote

"We have experienced shock because of your announced opposition" to tuition tax credits.

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She spurns amniocentesis, has healthy baby

-When Carolynne Scott began to suspect that she was carrying her first baby, not everyone was as delighted as she and her husband of 13 years, Karl.

Mrs. Scott, a frequent contributor to the Birmingham, Ala., diocesan paper One Voice, began getting advice even before the pregnancy was confirmed.

IN A STORY written for the diocesan paper, Mrs. Scott revealed that several friends immediately began attempting to convince her to undergo amniocentesis, a procedure whereby a

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (NC) needle is inserted into the amniotic sac surrounding the unborn child. Fluid containing fetal cells is extracted through the needle, then examined for signs of abnormality in the child.

> Many children found to be suffering from genetic diseases such as Down's syndrome (mongoloidism), are aborted.

> Since Mrs. Scott is at an age (she admits to being over 35) when the chances of giving birth to a Down's syndrome child increases, the friends felt she should establish early in the preg-

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nancy whether or not her child was free of the disease

"TO ME," said Mrs. Scott, "this test seemed slightly risky for the unborn baby, and sure enough, a few weeks later, a nurse told me of a case where the needle went right through the baby's head.'

When she visited her obstetrician and told him she thought she was pregnant, he replied, "I hope not at your age," according to Mrs. Scott.

The doctor also explained about amniocentesis at that point, and again before the 12th week of her pregnancy

WHEN SHE spoke to the

Appeal for children

In a supplement to this issue, Catholic Near East Welfare Association appeals to Southern Cross readers to help needy children.

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baby's pediatrician before the birth, "He was 100 percent enthusiastic about my having a healthy, normal baby. He was thrilled that I planned to nurse the child. He told me the chances were extremely slim that I would have a mentally retarded child. probably told him that I would love it no matter what," she continued.

Shortly before delivery, Mrs. Scott developed high blood pressure, and her doctor, fearing complications, decided to perform a caesarian section. On the night she reported into the hospital the doctor asked her if she wanted her tubes tied.

"Heavens, no," replied Mrs. Scott. "I'm just starting this kind of thing."

SHORTLY after delivery, coming out from the anesthesia, Mrs. Scott heard the doctor saying she had a fine, healthy boy.

"Before I left the hospital seven days later, my doctor kidded me about reversing his theories about 'older women' having babies. He said I could come back in 11 months. I overheard him tell the nurse that I had refused the amniocentesis test and said I intended to carry the baby anyway.

"I thought I detected a hint of pride in his voice,' Mrs. Scott said.

'SPECIAL BLESSING'—Carolynne Scott proudly holds her new son, Noel Craig. Mrs. Scott ignored warnings about the dangers of having a baby after 35, and decided to have her baby without having an amniocentesis test first. "I felt that a baby this late in life was a special blessing from God and I would take it whatever the ramifications," she said.—NC photo

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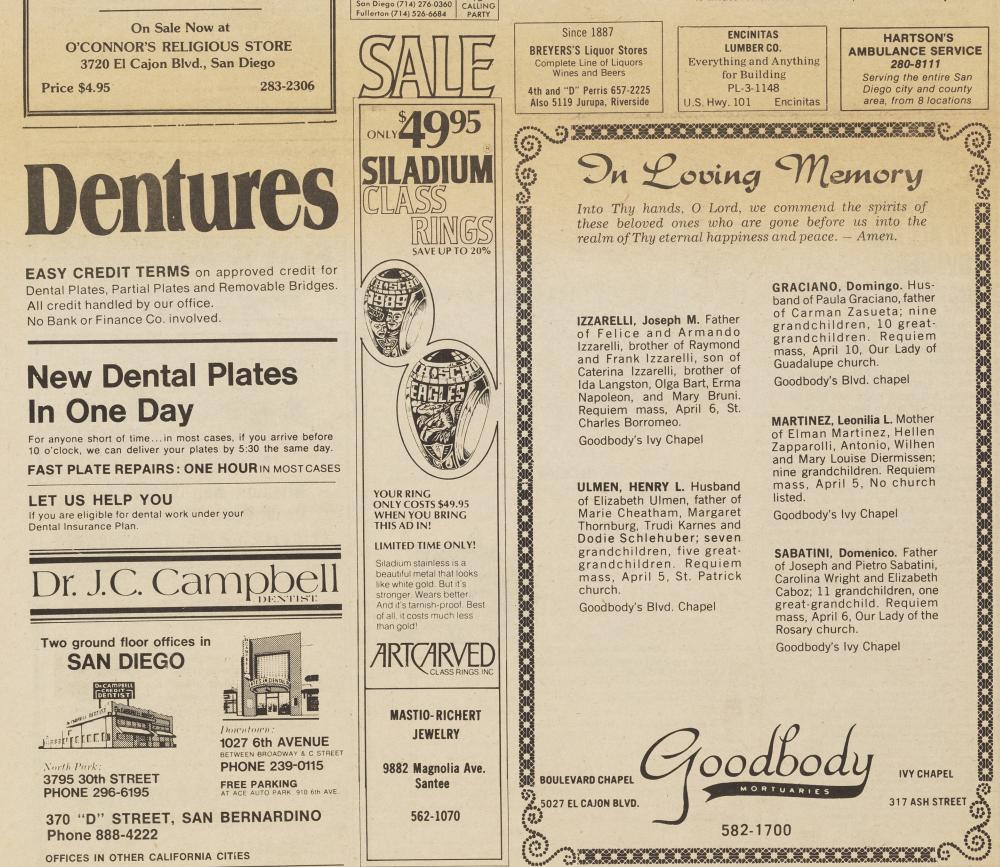
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New Mexico pastor facing jail for allowing repairs to church

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.— Father George Salazar, pastor of San Felipe de Neri church here, is facing up to three months in jail or a \$300 fine because he allowed a parishioner to donate his labor to repair the deteriorating entrance to the church.

Father Salazar was arraigned for a misdemeanor against the civic code when he failed to secure permission for the repairs from a review board charged with monitoring buildings in the area known as Old Town.

The 250-year-old San Felipe de Neri church is registered with the State Historical Commission as an historic monument.

Father Salazar, who is due to appear in municipal court April 26, said he would prefer to go to jail rather than pay a fine. "I am the pastor of a living, viable church—not a museum curator," Father Salazar said in defending his action as being a minor but necessary repair to the church.

Totally in support of Father Salazar is his predecesor at San Felipe, Archbishop of Santa Fe Robert Sanchez, who said, "If it's a crime to fix a church that is falling down, then we are in bad shape."

Dr. Waddill trial goes to jury

SANTA ANA, Calif. (NC) — The nine-man, three-woman jury in the murder trial of Dr. William Waddill Jr. now has to decide whether the physician strangled to death a newborn baby girl who survived a saline abortion attempt.

Prosecution and defense attorneys rested their cases in the trial on April 12, nearly three months after the trial began.

The trial was interrrupted

briefly during the last week of testimony after an internationally known pediatric neurologist told the court that doctors make life-anddeath decisions about patients frequently.

Dr. John Menkes, UCLA professor of pediatric neurology who flew in from London as a defense witness, said he believed Dr. Waddill did not act unreasonably when he told the nursing staff "not to do a goddamn thing for that baby."

"It's a decision that all of us doctors must make at one time or another," he said, adding that decisions of who is to live and who is to die are not openly talked about as much as they should be.

Prosecution attorney Robert Chatterton objected on the grounds that the argument was irrelevant to the murder charge.

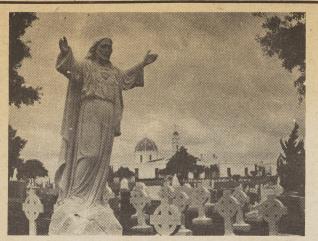
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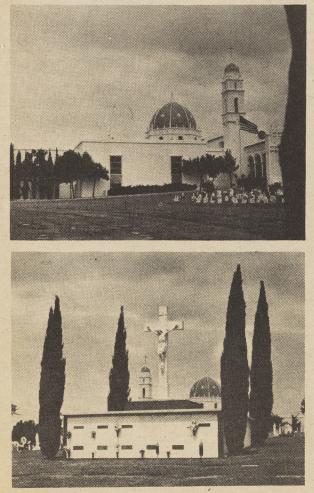
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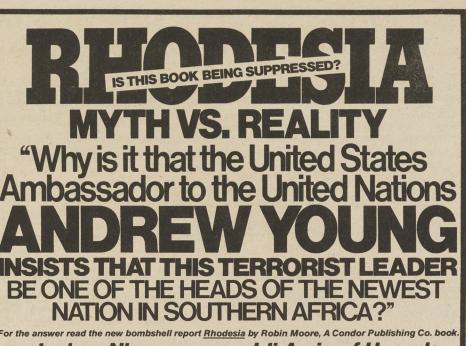




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In <u>Rhodesia</u> Moore reveals how Andrew Young and his British cohort, Foreign Secretary David Owen unwittingly are working to install a Marxist dictatorship in Rhodesia and making every effort to sabotage the peaceful, moderate formula arrived at

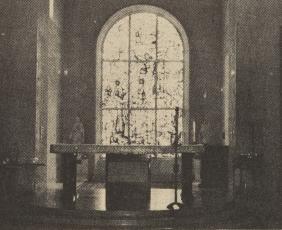
between Rhodesian blacks and whites, which would exclude the Russian and Red Chinese backed communist Patriotic Front from power in the new black majority Rhodesian Government.

To learn more about the vital issues affecting Rhodesia—which will have enormous impact on the United States and its interests—read the truth in <u>Rhodesia</u> by Robin Moore, author of "The Green Berets" "The French Connection" and "The Washington Connection" which exposed the Koreagate Scandal.

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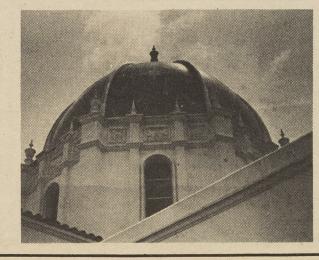
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Prohibits use of public funds in California for the purpose of obtaining or paying for an abortion, except where the pregnant woman's life is endangered as determined by a physician licensed by the State of California. This measure could be amended to further its purposes by a two-thirds roll call vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature. Financial impact: Indeterminate.

> All signers of this petition must be registered in ____ County.

To the Honorable Secretary of State of California:

We, the undersigned, registered, qualified voters of California, residents of County (or City and County), hereby propose additions to the Government Code, relating to abortion and petition the Secretary of State to submit the same to the voters of California for their adoption or rejection at the next succeeding general election or at any special statewide election held prior to that general election or otherwise provided by law. The proposed amendments (full title and text of the measure) read as follows:

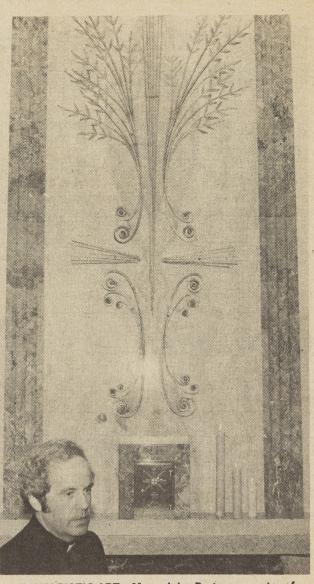
SECTION 1. Chapter 21 (commencing with Section 7550) is added to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, to read:

Chapter 21. Use of Public Funds for Abortions

7550. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including, but not limited to, Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, no public funds shall be used in the State of California for the purpose of obtaining or paying for an abortion, except where the pregnant woman's life is endangered as determined by a physician licensed under the provisions of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 2000) of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.

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EUCHARISTIC ART-Msgr. John Portman, pastor of Sacred Heart parish, Coronado, stands in front of the church's tabernacle with a eucharistic symbol for life and unity positioned over it. The wrought iron and bronze symbol was designed by James Hubbell of San Diego.-SC photo

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Around the diocese

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Bishop Leo T. Maher:

Friday, April 28, 10 a.m., Town and Country Hotel, closing mass for the Catholic Press Association's national convention.

Diocesan Pastoral Council.

Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez:

Thursday, April 20, 11:30 a.m., University High School, San Diego, mass of dedication for prayer chapel.

Confirmations (to begin at 5:30 p.m.) **Bishop Leo T. Maher:**

Thursday, April 20, St. Francis de Sales, Riverside. Monday, April 24, St. Catherine, Rialto. Tuesday, April 25, Sacred Heart, Redlands. Wednesday, April 26, Our Lady of Lourdes, Montclair Thursday, April 27, St. Edward, Corona.

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> **Father Daniel Dillabough** Secretary

The deadline for Around the diocese is six days before the desired date of publication. The deadline for Southern Cross issue of April 27, is Friday, April 21.

Thursday, April 20

World religions, Islam, taught by Father Gary Rye, OSA sponsored by St. Mary Magdalene parish, San Diego, 7:30 p.m., parish's learning center, Details: 275-3151

San Bernardino Deanery, DCCW, meeting, 10 a.m., St. Bernardine parish, mass at 11:30 followed by luncheon. Reservations: 883-6132.

Handicapped Awareness Program, by Sister Kathryn Jennings, diocesan special education consultant, 7-10 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, Escondido. Details: 747-4550

Friday, April 21

Publishers workshop, for religious education coordinators and principals, lunch provided, Center for Christian Ministry, San Bernardino. Pre-registration: 888-2276.

"Our True Heritage," charismatic retreat by Father Ralph Weishaar, OFM, through April 23, Old Mission, San Luis Rey. Details: 757-3651.

Stalpar Club retreat, through April 23, St. Charles Priory, Oceanside. Details: 291-3104.

"Daybreak" overnighter for deaf teens and young adults, by diocese and Catholic Deaf Circle, 6 p.m. through Saturday, 5 p.m., Julian. Details: 421-7980.

Catholic Community Concerts, "Joy, Inc.", 8 p.m., St. Francis de Sales parish, Riverside. Details: 683-1076.

Saturday, April 22

Workshop for parish councils sponsored by Diocesan Pastoral Council, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Our Lady of Sacred Heart parish, San Diego. Details: 284-1250.

Afternoon of prayer and reflection for women 16-25 with the Felician Sisters, Pomona Catholic High School, 533 West Holt, Pomona. Details: 622-2520.

Rummage sale, by Holy Trinity Institute, YLI, Holy Family church hall, Linda Vista, proceeds to fund charitable projects.

Day of renewal, by Father John Hampsch, 10 a.m., St. Theresa parish hall, Palm Springs, pot luck lunch.

Basic Christian Maturity, eight-session course, 2 p.m., Upper Room, Riverside. Details: 682-5507

Sunday, April 23

"Country Western Bluegrass Mass", 11 a.m., St. David church, Apple Valley, followed by Bluegrass festival.

SOUTHERN CROSS, April 20, 1978-15

Monday, April 24

Scripture study by Father Jerry Bevilacqua, OSA, 7:30 p.m., weekly, St. Vincent de Paul church, San Diego.

Tuesday, April 25

Scripture study, gospel of John, five-week course by Father Albert Pace, OP, 10 a.m.-noon, St. Francis de Sales, Riverside

Paul and his writings, scripture study by Father Russ Helfer, 7:30-9:30 p.m., weekly through May 23, John XXIII Newman Center, San Bernardino.

Wednesday, April 26

Introduction to scripture, by Father Albert Pace, OP, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Immaculate Conception parish, Colton.

Principals of Christian living using scripture, by Mrs. Pat Kankowski, 9:45 a.m. weekly, St. Therese parish social center, San Diego.

Thursday, April 27

World religions course, Hinduism and Buddhism, 7:30-9:30 p.m., St. Mary Magdalene parish learning center, San Diego. Details: 275-3151.

Men's Spanish Cursillo, through April 30 with clausura at 3:30 p.m., Vincent Memorial High School, Calexico. Details: Father Ricardo, 357-5101.

Friday, April 28

Weekend of Inquiry on the Franciscan life for young men 17-25, through Saturday, Franciscan Affiliate House, El Segundo. Details: Father Allen, (213) 322-4758.

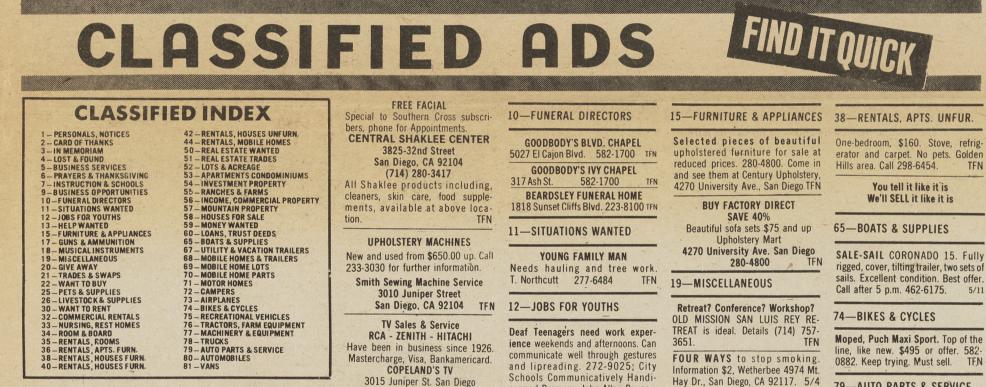
Saturday, April 29

Spring Fest Benefit Dinner to aid diocesan ministries to the handicapped, by Order of Alhambrans and Cabrillo Council, K or C, 5-9 p.m., council hall, 4425 Home Ave., San Diego. Reservations: 286-2089.

Liturgy Days '78 (south), with noted liturgist Father John Gallen, SJ, as keynote speaker, seven workshops, noon-4 p.m., Camino Theater, University of San Diego. Details: 291-6225.

Sunday, April 30

Liturgy Days '78 (north), with Father John Gallen, SJ, 2-4 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, 1729 Baseline Rd., San Bernardino. Details: 291-6225.



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JAZZZ PRIEST—Jesuit Father Frank Coco takes time out from his duties as retreat director at the Manresa Retreat House in Convent, La., to practice a few bars on his saxophone. He has been able to incorporate his jazz music into a special ministry to New Orleans' famed French Quarter and has become known as the Jazz Priest, the Bishop of Bourbon Street and the Swingin' Padre.-NC photo

Father Coco is Pied Piper of Bourbon Street

located in the French

"It's a productive thing,"

Father Coco said. "The

presence of the church in

places like that is directly in

line with the thought of

FATHER Coco has inte-

grated his music with his

priestly ministry to become

a regular confessor to several musicians in the

"I'm able to reach people

who would not have any priestly contact," he said.

'My actions were not

Bourbon Street clubs.

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CONVENT, La. (NC)-His appearances in New Orleans nightclubs have earned Jesuit Father Frank Coco the name "The Swingin' Padre," but a more appropriate title may be The Pied Piper of Bourbon Street.

That's because Father Coco is both priest and musician, a clarinetplaying minister to jazz musicians who work in the busy nightclubs in the French Quarter of New Orleans.

MOST OF the time Father Coco is director of the Manresa Retreat House in Convent, giving retreats to more than 3,000 men annually.

Show notes

Little Mary Sunshine, performed by the USD Opera Workshop, 8:15 p.m., April 28, and 29; and 2:30 p.m., April 30, in the Camino Theater, USD campus.

No. No, Nanette, presented by the Old Mission Players, 8 p.m., April 21, 22 and 23, in La Salla at the Mission Basilica of San Diego de Alcala, 10818 San Diego Mission Road.

Religion on the air

Sunday Mass: A Catholic Liturgy for Television, 7:30 a.m., Sundays, KCST-39, San Diego.

Focus Five, ecumenical program, 6:55 a.m., Monday-Friday, KGTV-10, San Diego.

Rosary Hour. 7:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, XPRS Radio (1090).

ministerial by design, they were recreational. But they But now and then he plays his tenor saxophone and clarinet to audiences in grew into a sideline minsuch places as Pete Founistry.' tain's and Al Hirt's, clubs

Father Coco always performs in his Roman collar, prompting patrons to offer him money for his church.

"I ALWAYS tell them I work at a retreat house and that's my favorite charity," he said. "Several people who have never heard of a retreat before actually follow up by coming to Manresa and making one.

"People may initially see me as an oddity, but I am represented and identified as a priest, and they come to accept me as such.



UNI-HI AUCTION-The Parent's Association of University High School, San Diego, will hold two fund-raising auctions, one for parents at 6 p.m., April 22, at the University Club, and another for the general public at 11 a.m., April 23, at the school, 5961 Linda Vista Road. An 8 a.m. pancake breakfast and a 10 a.m. mass will precede the April 23 event. Here, principal Robert Edwards, auction coordinator Mrs. Manuel Barba and cheerleader Elaine Alexander display some of the items to be auctioned. Information: 273-4563 or 274-0803.

On the screens

Rabbit Test-this first foray into movies by Joan Rivers-she wrote and directed it-depicts the adventures of the world's first pregnant man.

Many quite unfunny Catholic jokes are scattered through this shambles of a movie, and this, together with the wealth of other offensive material, makes a strong condemnation necessary.

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The Politics of Abortion (April 22, CBS, 10 p.m.)-purpose of this news documentary is not to persuade anyone of the case for or against abortion. Instead, it endeavors to show how diametrically and passionately opposed the two positions are.-Office for Film and Broadcasting, U.S. Catholic Conference.

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