

Baptists OKay Federal Grant To College

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For someone who has been very good this year, who has clearly loved the Blessed Sacrament, no book could be a pleasanter reward than those twenty carnies sermons by the recently departed Father Ronald Knox, the slim volume called THE WINDOW IN THE WALL: Reflection on the Holy Eucharist.

These are yearly Corpus Christi talks, and as such are a sort of biography of Father Knox through the war years. They are brief, but highly original, straight out of heartfelt prayer; they start with currents of gratitude and devotion.

"HE COMES silently into the priest's hands as he came to Bethlehem; he shall come down like rain into a fleece of wool," the Psalm tells us... When last you went to Communion, what were the dispositions of your heart as the bell tinkled in the sanctuary?

"Were you waiting for him, like the shepherds of Bethlehem? Were you keeping watch, as they were, keeping watch over your thoughts, as they were their flocks, so that you were ready for his coming?"

"Or was your heart like the wayside inn, too full of other guests to give a thought to his miraculous birth? There should be a silence as of mid night in our hearts."

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Castelgandolfo, Italy (NC) — Pope Pius XII received an estimated 450,000 persons in general and special audiences during his five-month stay at his summer residence here.

The Pope greeted a weekly average of 20,000 persons for 21 weeks in general audiences and an additional 30,000 pilgrims in special audiences. These figures were given as the Pope left here to return to the Vatican.

As the Pope prepared to return to his winter residence in the Vatican, he appeared to be in the best of health. The Pontiff himself was quoted as having remarked that he was feeling in excellent condition.

Pulitzer Prize and Campion Award Paul Horgan "FALL OF ANGELS in Rochester" is a novel photographed in the December Jubilee as he embarks on new research for a story.

Farrar Straus publishes his latest novel "Golden Californians" of between wars. GIVE ME POSSESSION. This is a new Paul Horgan. The author of RIO GRANDE and CEN-

Raleigh, N.C. (RNS) — The North Carolina Baptist Convention endorsed the action of Wake Forest (N.C.) College in accepting \$598,473 government grant search building for its Bowman toward construction of a re Gray School of Medicine.

The messengers (delegates) unanimously approved the report of a special committee which recommended that acceptance of the grant by the Convention-operated college be approved.

THE COMMITTEE was appointed by the Convention's General Board to study the question of whether any Baptist institution should accept federal aid.

At the same time, the Convention declared that its action "is in no way a contradiction of our stand" taken in 1954 when it refused to accept \$200,000 in federal funds for the construction of a wing at the medical school hospital.

THE CONVENTION'S constitution states that Baptist institutions or agencies shall not "accept or receive, directly or indirectly, any gift grant or aid from the federal or state government, except for definite services rendered by the institution or agency and with the approval of the State Conventions or its General Board."

Southern Baptists have traditionally opposed the use of tax money by religious institutions on the ground that this violates Church-State separation.

Some Baptists have criticized Wake Forest for accepting the federal grant.

Memorial Recalls Confederate Soldiers

Richmond, Va. (NC) — A memorial to Catholic Confederate soldiers killed in the War Between the States was erected here by the Roman Catholic of the Order of Almatra.

The five-foot granite monument was unveiled at Mount Calvary cemetery here in the center of a circular Soldiers Plot in which 33 Confederate soldiers are buried.



Emperor Pays A Visit

Silzoka, Japan (NC) — Emperor Hirohito, accompanied by the Empress, is pictured during a visit to Futaba Catholic Girls High School here. Sisters and pupils formed a guard of honor for the Imperial party.

'Give Sex Instructions To Parents, Not Children'

Denver (RNS) — Schools should be instructed to parents rather than children in sex education, a Catholic educationist said here.

The Rev. Louis F. Cervantes, S.J., sociologist at Regis College, said his research had disclosed that 80 per cent of the children in this country are receiving either education or sex matters.

"TWO DECADES ago we realized that parents simply were not giving their children this essential information," the priest said. "So by default the schools decided to give sex instruction."

"Not only is this information being given too late but it is being given to the wrong persons. They are giving it to the children instead of the parents."

Father Cervantes said the system of teaching sex in the schools has generally resulted in more harm than good.

"A child will understand the dignity and responsibility of

Cardinal Plans Christmas Day Lay Apostle Role With Troops

Seattle, Wash. (NC) — Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, will spend four days visiting Army, Navy and Air Force installations in Alaska while en route to the Far East on his annual visit to U.S. troops. It was disclosed here.

THE CARDINAL, who is also head of the Military Ordinariate, will make the pre-Christmas visit in Alaska at the personal invitation of Lt. Gen. Frank A. Armstrong, jr., of the Air Force, commander-in-chief, Alaska.

The Cardinal will leave New York by plane on December 16 and will visit the Alaskan installations from December 17 to 21. He was disclosed here. The Alaska Command headquarters stated that, weather permitting, the Cardinal will visit Kodiak Naval Station, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Fort Richardson, Cold Air Force Base, Eielson Air Force Base, Middletown Island Air Force Station and Point Barrow.

THE CARDINAL will leave Anchorage on December 21 for Tokyo on the first leg of his Far East visit. He will spend Christmas Day with U.S. Troops in Korea. He also will visit Okinawa, Formosa, South Vietnam and the Philippines.

His trip will last 33 days and will also take him to Singapore, Bangkok in Thailand; Colombo in Ceylon; Bombay, India; Athens, Greece; Rome, and Frankfurt, Germany. The Cardinal is scheduled to return to New York on January 17. The entire trip will be made by air.

'Mercy Of God' Feast Proposed

Pulaski, Wis. (RNS) — Petitioners asking Pope Pius XII to establish a feast honoring the "Mercy of God" have been forwarded to the Vatican by the Franciscan Fathers of Assumption monastery here.

The petitions were in three bound volumes and bore the signatures of more than 16,000 persons throughout the United States.

The suggested feast would be "for the purpose of worship

Philadelphia — (NC) — Auxiliary Bishop Fulton J. Sheen of New York urged more than 10,000 youths here to be lay apostles in a pagan environment.

Bishop Sheen was the keynote speaker at the convention of the National Council of Catholic Youth. About 12,000 persons heard the Bishop's address in Convention Hall.

Bishop Sheen advised the delegates to be "catechists or lay apostles" to offset the threat of a secularized culture.

"There are only 25 conversions per priest per year in the United States," he declared, and only 130,000 persons coming into the Church annually.

"We must not grow through the clergy alone," he stated. "We will grow by passing the burden on to you. You contact young people we cannot reach."

The bishop assigned the youths two other duties: to affirm the virtue of purity, and to realize that they "live in a bigger world than America."

"Every civilization that begins to go to pieces does so through carnality," he said. "If Catholic youth keeps the virtue of purity, it will be less tempted to give up the Faith."

The Bishop, who is national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, said the Catholic young people can live in a "bigger world" by sacrificing for the foreign missions. He suggested they should give up not only luxuries, but also necessities to aid the mission.

It came as the Bishops of the country, through the relief agency, prepared to launch the ninth annual nationwide Thanksgiving Clothing Collection from November 24 to 30, as a means of continuing to aid the destitute of the world.

CRS-NCWC, which has grown into the nation's largest private relief and resettlement agency since its establishment 14 years ago, detailed that 1,176,452,392 pounds (588,226 tons) of food, clothing, medicine and other relief materials were sent overseas in 911 shipments.

The materials, valued at \$119,410,509, were distributed solely on the basis of need without regard to race, creed or national origin of those assisted.

Bishops Relief Agency Aided 40 Million

Washington — (NC) — An estimated 40 million persons in 53 countries received assistance through the vast program of Catholic Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Conference during the past year, it was disclosed in the agency's annual report.

In addition to carrying out the relief program, the worldwide agency maintained by the U.S. Bishops assisted 41,282 refugees and escapees to find new homes in the United States.

THIS TOTAL, included 21,182 persons admitted under the Refugee Relief Act and 20,100 of the 34,803 Hungarians who came to this country under the emergency program following the unsuccessful revolt a year ago to overthrow Hungary's communist overlords.

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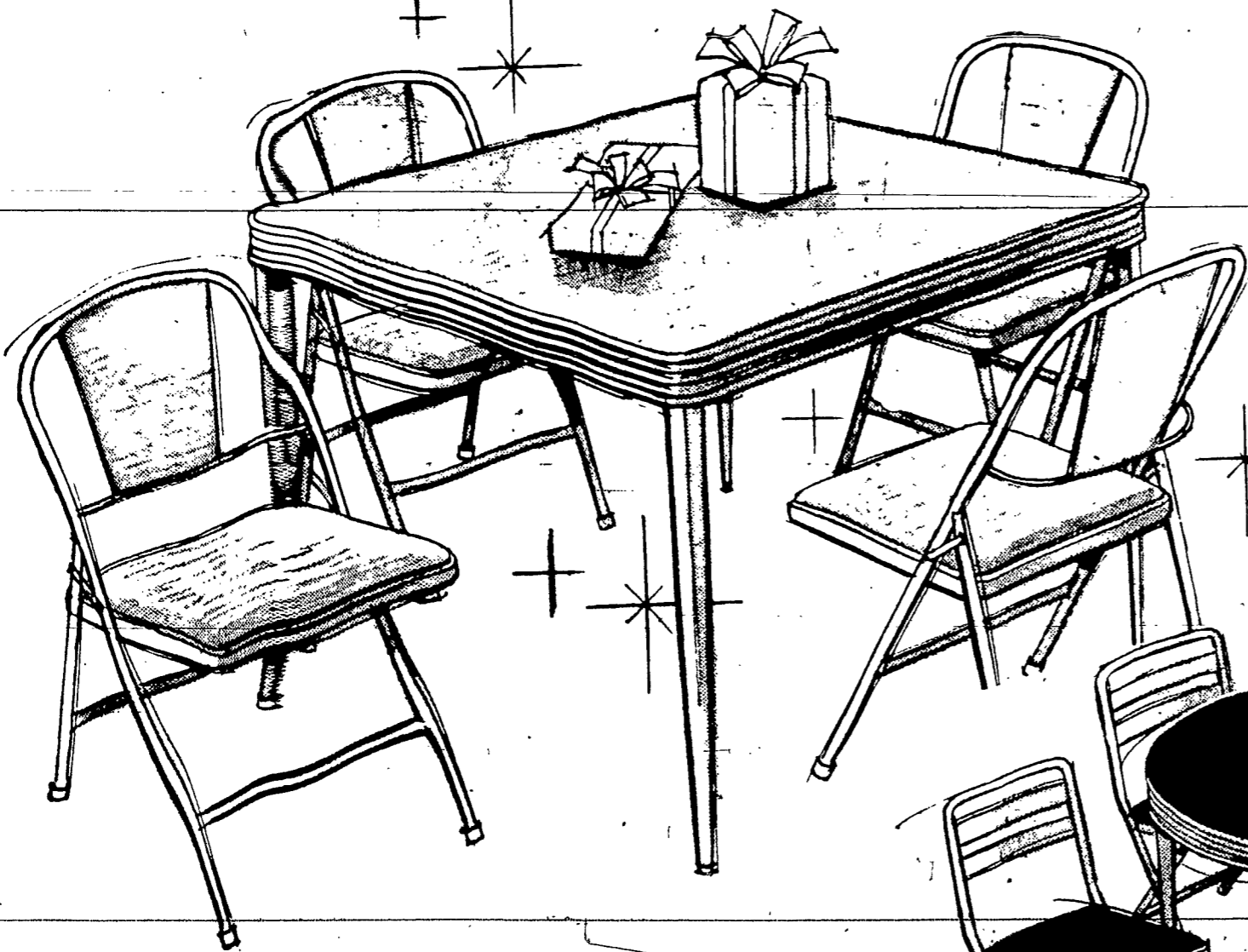
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