

Mr. K Bows Head During Prayer

Pittsburgh, Pa. — (RNS) — Nikita S. Khrushchev lowered his head and stood in reverence here during the first invocation delivered in the Soviet Premier's presence on his cross-country tour.

The Rev. Howard C. Scharf, pastor of the Shady Side Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation before a luncheon crowd of 500 civic leaders at the University of Pittsburgh.

THE PRAYER was offered at the urging of Protestant Episcopal Bishop Austin R. Egan of Pittsburgh who had explored the conspicuous lack of any invocation or benediction at the many other affairs for the Russian leader.

Bishop Pardue's request that an invocation be given here was granted following an appeal to the chancellor of the university and the president of its board of trustees. The bishop earlier called the absence of such prayers an "abandonment of the American religious tradition in favor of the traditions of Communist atheism."

"Almighty God," the invocation said, "we know that where there is strife, there would have peace; where there is despair, hope; where there is fear, faith; where there is error, truth; inspire us, we pray to continue to seek those lights that dispel shadows and overcome darkness."

When his time came to speak, Mr. Khrushchev recalled the clergyman's words, calling the invocation "a prayer for peace and understanding among all nations." In the Soviet Union, he added, "the atheists, the believers and the priests and the different religions represented in our country are all united by one thought: irrespective of their creeds."

"That one thought," he said, "is to do all in their power to insure peace between our two peoples and between all the nations of the world. All our men of the church ask yours to give their prayers. Pray for peace and for friendship between our countries—between all countries."

The Soviet visitor also thanked Catholic Bishop John J. Wright of Pittsburgh for "appealing to all the believers of the city to welcome me and to show themselves as good hosts to promote the improvement of relations between our countries."

(Bishop Wright, who was not present at the luncheon, had actually made no such plea to "welcome" the Russian leader. He had cautioned Catholics in the Pittsburgh diocese against "any public demonstrations unworthy of the dignity and spiritual commitment we have as Christians" in connection with Premier Khrushchev's visit.)

BISHOP PARDUE recalled that just before the civil luncheon, Chancellor Edward H. Litchfield of the University of Pittsburgh and Mr. Khrushchev were sitting together when the educator leaned over to the Russian leader and told him that it was an American custom to say a blessing before events such as the one about to take place. "I'm sure you would not want us to lose this custom because you are here," Bishop Pardue quoted Mr. Litchfield as saying.

Then, according to the bishop, the Soviet leader leaned over

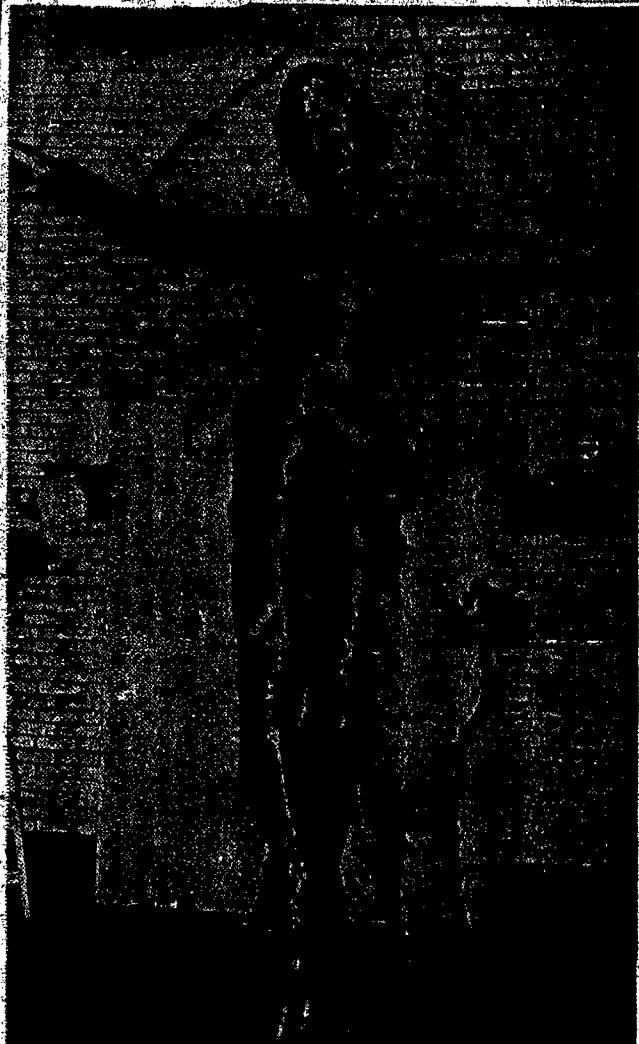
and patted the chancellor on the knee, saying, "By all means follow your customs." Bishop Pardue also said he heard that Mrs. Khrushchev later asked for a copy of the prayer.

MR. KHRUSHCHEV on many occasions in his U.S. tour had remarked about religion and prayer and had invoked the name of the Deity many times. Asked to comment about these references to the Almighty, in view of the Russian leader's repeated statements in other countries that "there is no God," Bishop Pardue said, "While I tend to doubt that he has had a change of heart, I wish it were true."

Earlier the Russian leader referred to his approaching talks with President Eisenhower. "May God give us strength to solve things by reason, not force—that is what people expect of us," he told the luncheon guests.

Home Missions Reelect Head

Glenale — (RNS) — The Very Rev. Clement F. Borchers, 45, was reelected to a six-year term as Superior General of the Glenmary Roman Missionaries here.



Christ In Copper

Bilthoven, Holland — Dwarfed by his creation, Austrian sculptor Jose Plirker sits the finishing touches to a striking 15-foot copper statue of Christ at his studio in Bilthoven, Holland. Plirker labored for eight months to complete the statue, which will be shipped to Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pa. (RNS).

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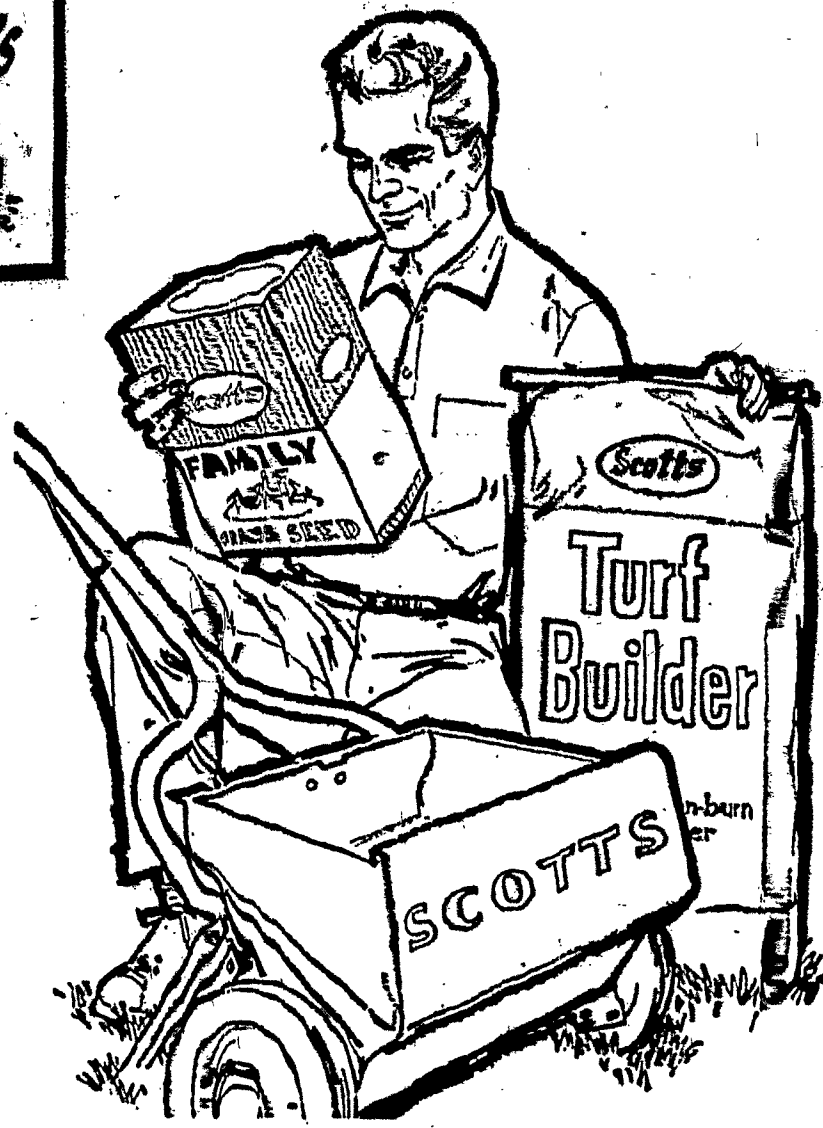
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Heads Rite

Munich, Germany — Bishop Platon Konyak was installed in the Theatine church in Munich as Exarch for Ukrainian Byzantine Rite Catholics in Germany. Archbishop Aloisius Muench of Fargo, N.D., Apostolic Nuncio to Germany, who officiated, read two bulls by Pope John XXIII confirming the establishment of an Apostolic Exarchate for Germany, and the nomination of Bishop Konyak as Exarch with residence in Munich. Major Ukrainian Catholic congregations in West Germany exist in Munich, Rosenheim, Regensburg, Schongau, Neu-Ulm, Crailsheim and Pinneberg. (RNS)

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