

Missioner Reports

Stamps Save Souls

Bogota — (RNS) — Stamps are the missionary tools of Father Sebastian L. de Murga. The dedicated young priest, who ten months ago opened Bogota's first major stamp center, is proving how souls can be won through philately.

Father de Murga broadcasts a weekly 33-minute television program in connection with his stamp activities, writes a stamp column every Sunday in El Tiempo, Colombia's most influential and most widely circulated newspaper, and hopes soon to open branches throughout Colombia of his center.

"By encouraging stamp collecting, we encourage people to spend their leisure hours at home instead of in bars or street corners," the priest said. "I took upon my work as a missionary activity because through philately a person acquires knowledge and healthy personal

progress has already made, operate as a stamp dealer. But the priest's dream is not far

from fruition.

Americans who wish to share in his dream can donate cancelled U.S. stamps in bulk or singly to Father de Murga at Apartado Aereo 1038, Bogota, D.E., Colombia.

Mitchell Warns On 'Bigness'

South Orange — (NC) — Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell has warned against liberals who advocate the "substitution of public direction for private determination, an amateurish contribution."

With the proceeds of his exporting facilities, the priest expects to open branches in such major Colombian cities as Medellin, Barranquilla and Cali. At present, he is working on a "philatelic census" to compile a list of collectors and their particular interests.

"It is interesting to note," he says, "that many of the people who return our questionnaires are new collectors who began as a result of our education program. Still others have been active for a long time, and many belong to the stamp clubs which exist in Barranquilla, Medellin, Barranquilla, Cali and here in Bogota."

Vatican Gives UNICEF \$1000

United Nations — The Holy See contributed \$1,000 to the United Nations Children's Fund for 1960. UNICEF Executive Director Maurice Pate announced today.

It is the Holy See's eighth annual contribution to UNICEF since 1953.

Where attempts at such silent silence are made, the document said, "the pastoral effect is to give support to the charge by some that religious questions have no importance and that religion itself does not count in public schools."

National Honors

Buffalo — Miss Margaret C. Foy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Foy, 1 Belmonte Ave., Auburn, has been elected to Kappa Gamma Pi, national honor society for graduate of Catholic colleges for women. Miss Foy is a senior English major in D'Youville College, Buffalo.

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Our representation in Congress for the next ten years will be based on the 1960 U. S. Census count this April.

The amazing growth and shift of the U. S. population since our last Census is expected to produce many changes in the makeup of the House of Representatives.

Some states will gain Representatives, some states will lose and some states, of course, will remain unchanged.

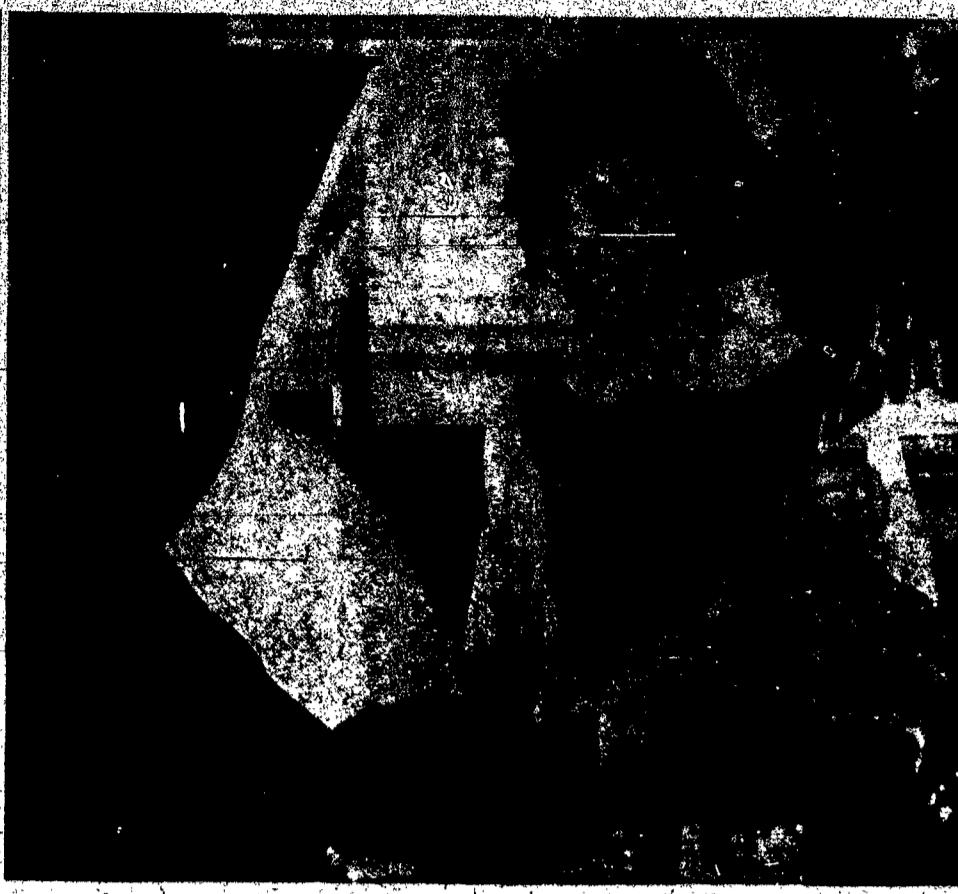
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Political Debate Seen Opportunity

Baltimore — (RNS) — Roman Catholics were caught here by a priest-writer not to label as "bigots" non-Catholics who fear the election of a Catholic president.

Father Raymond W. Grubin of Baltimore, Md., in an article in Our Sunday Visitor, national Catholic weekly published here, said that to regard these fears as unfounded is "unreal."

Writing on "The Catholic Candidate," the priest said, "As Catholics, it is useless for us to dismiss these fears as either the expected reaction of bigots or the unfounded phantasies of ignorants."

New pastor of St. Matthew's church, Father Grubin called on Catholics to use current occasion as a possible Catholic President as a means of clarifying "errors" held by some Protestants and spreading a greater knowledge of their faith.

Those outside the Church, he continued, "cannot be expected to have the same knowledge of the faith that we have. They must be expected to react to situations according to the information that they possess."

If Non-Catholics are mistaken in their facts, he said, "it becomes the task of all Catholics to clarify the errors."

To do this, however, Father Grubin warned, Catholics "must completely suppress the desire

to reply to every objection to a Catholic president with an angry display of indignation."

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