



### Addison Boy Newman Officer

Thomas Grange of St. Catherine Church, Addison, (far right) is one of the national Newman Club Federation's newly elected officers. He was chosen vice president at the group's 48th annual convention held in Cleveland. Other officers are (from left) Edward Orlett and Joanne Proulx, also vice presidents; Edward Fronchinske, president; Gladys Merks, treasurer. Newman Clubs provide Catholic instruction for students at secular colleges.

### Newman Students Told

## Prelate's Faith Inspires Many

Cleveland — (RNS) — The conversion of John Henry Newman to Roman Catholicism in 1845 gave the Catholic Church in England an intellectual tone that persists today, a scholar declared here.

In an address to the 48th convention of the National Newman Club Federation, Dr. Charles T. Dougherty, professor of English at St. Louis University, declared: "Without Newman, there would have been no Chesterton, Balzac, Hopkins, D'Arcy, Knox, Waugh, Lann."

Dr. Dougherty, who currently is engaged in an extensive study of the Oxford Movement, said Newman's conversion pushed English Catholicism into the area of the intellect and the spirit.

"Like all truly great figures," he said, "Newman the doctor of the Church rises above his time and place to join the company of St. Paul, St. Augustine, and St. Thomas in the history of the Universal Church."

CARDINAL NEWMAN is the patron of the Newman Clubs, organizations of Catholic students on secular campuses throughout the United States. Approximately 1,000 delegates from 700 institutions are attending the convention here.

The convention's keynote speaker, Msgr. H. Francis Davis of Birmingham, England, is vice president of the cause for Cardinal Newman's canonization, started in 1956.

He told the delegates that religion to Newman was a "call

from heart to heart" and that the life of the soul was "a lonely adventure—a venturing forth in answer to a call."

"He saw the soul's orientation to God bound up with its very nature and destiny," Msgr. Davis said. "It alone was open to salvation, and its whole history was the working out of that salvation."

"Yet its constant temptation was to refuse that call, of being self-centered, and earthbound."

Msgr. Davis praised Cardinal Newman's talent for endowing with life in men's minds and hearts "the world of God and His incarnate Son." By this talent, the prelate said, he had made God a power in the thought and action of many.

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221,400 in N. Y. Schools

New York — (NC) — Some 221,400 students will enroll in the 327 elementary and 100 secondary schools of the New York Archdiocese when schools open on Monday, September 17th.

This will be an increase of about 6,000 over last year, Msgr. John Paul Haverly, archdiocesan superintendent of schools, said.

## Play It Cool Youth's Goal

Louisville — (NC) — The problems of youth in a society which assumes that "the romantic, exciting, adventurous things are part of the past" are examined at a Catholic student convention here.

Father Andrew Greeley, assistant pastor of Christ the King church, Chicago, and author of studies of the Church in suburbia, raised the issue in a talk to the 17th national convention of the National Federation of Catholic College Students.

Father Greeley described what he sees as the attitude of the typical young person in American society as follows: "There are no more battles to fight, no more mountains to climb, no more crusades to go on, nothing more important to be done. . . . All that remains is to make a decent living for oneself and one's family and to achieve a moderate amount of success without undue spiritual commitment and undue emotional excitement. There is no reason in the world that a young person should not 'play it cool' . . ."

"Yet the fact that there are no challenges does not make growing up easy. It rather makes it extraordinarily difficult. For without obstacles to overcome, without battles to fight, life can become tedious and dull."

Father Greeley insisted, however, that life has not lost its meaning and importance, but that young people instead have lost the ability to see that meaning.

"THEIR WORLD is insignificant because they have lost the vision of a significant world," he said.

"In the midst of this grim picture there is one small cause for hope," he continued. "Western man can go no further down the road to nothingness. If there is to be a reaction, a swing of the pendulum, it will be toward the search for meaning."

Father Greeley said that existentialists like the late Albert Camus, French author and Nobel Prize winner, "were desperately seeking such meaning."

"THEIR NEW quest for faith seems to be timed with a revival of substantial vigor with-

in the Church," he said. "It is far too early to say whether the two trends will fuse. But if they do, the world in which the younger generation of tomorrow will grow up will be a substantially different world, at least philosophically, from ours."

Msgr. Alfred Horrigan, president of Belarmine College here, told the NFFCS convention that the liturgy of the Church holds "the right norm and inspiration which will guarantee an active and vigorous lay apostolate."

Msgr. Horrigan emphasized that the layman has a distinct and important role to play in the Church, and that the fulfillment of that role lies chiefly in the secular world.

"The secular order is the business of the layman," he said. "The world is his cloister."

Msgr. Joseph E. Schieder, director of the Youth Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference, said "moderators" meeting held in conjunction with the student convention: "Truly it can be said of your schools that never has so much been done for so many with so little as you are doing."

Msgr. Schieder emphasized that in many instances non-Catholic schools are more worthy than Catholic institutions, but that nevertheless the achievements of Catholic college graduates compare favorably with those of graduates of other schools.

### Latin America Faith Crisis

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that the government began to open its prison doors.

However, diplomats saw the release of the political prisoners as a calculated move to soften the heart of the Organization of American States (OAS). The maneuver failed. The OAS levied stiff punitive sanctions against the Dominican Republic for plotting an assassination attempt against Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt.

This action was followed by the announcement that the United States was breaking off diplomatic relations with the Trujillo regime. Several other Latin American countries also announced they were withdrawing their envoys.

Santo Domingo, the old name for Ciudad Trujillo, remains outwardly calm. But Catholic exiles who have fled to this country, say it is calm before the storm. It is only a matter of time, they predict, before the regime collapses.

### God Holds UN Together

Pinar, Peru — (NC) — God is holding the United Nations together, the president of the United Nations General Assembly declared here.

Vitor A. Bolanos, Peruvian delegate to the UN, told a press-pool audience in a Pinar Chamber, that in its short history, the United Nations has weathered a number of very serious storms.

Participating in the National Eucharistic Congress of Peru, Mr. Bolanos added that dis- armament controversies, the vote, Korea, Suez, and now the Congo crisis, have all threatened to topple the international organization.

The fact that the United Nations has survived until now, he said, is "a miracle of God's grace."

### Ministers' Protests Halt Bus Rides For Children

Elkhon, N.D. — (RNS) — The Lisbon special school district board has decided not to provide free bus transportation for parochial school pupils during the coming year.

M. C. Olson, superintendent of the district, said the decision was prompted by protest received from North Dakota attorney general, Leslie E. Burgum, and Ramsey county state attorney, Lowell Tjos, that the practice was illegal.

THE LISBON Ministerial association had complained to the attorney general that the practice violated state and federal constitution.

Mr. Olson said the board was faced with probable legal action from the ministers unless it halted the practice. The ministerial association had engaged legal counsel in case it was needed to institute action.

The board transported—pupils to St. Aloysius Catholic parochial school in the 1954-55 school year.

School board members are cutting upon families of parochial school children advising them of the board's decision. Mr. Olson said. Families will have to provide their own transportation to the parochial school, he added.

He said he expected that about half of the parochial children involved will now enroll in the public schools.

### Decoration

Washington — (RNS)—Father Joseph F. Thuring, associate editor of "World Affairs" and specialist in Latin-American affairs, received Panama's highest decoration, the Order of Balboa, in ceremonies at the Panamanian Embassy.

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