

Morals, Not Politics

Catholic Laymen Polled On Birth Control Issue

New York — (RNS) — A 166-signers of the Catholic Canfield said 60 per cent of group of "influential Catholic part of the American principle replies answered "yes" to the laymen" showed that while all of Church-State separation. He first question, and 51 per cent adheres to their Church's on-said 87 signers of the statement replied affirmatively to the question, they support without question, and "it can only be assumed that the right of Non-Catholics that this group would prefer to artificial birth control, to respond to the poll, they support without question, and "it can only be assumed that the right of Non-Catholics that this group would prefer to freedom of conscience on not to relate the general principle of religious liberty to the specific issue of birth control."

The poll was conducted by the Planned Parenthood Federation. TWO QUESTIONS which the 166 signers of the Catholic Canfield asked the Catholic public officials, men to answer were: "Would you like birth control? This is a matter of private and personal life, editors, educators and others doctors and laymen should and religious conviction which who signed a statement on it have equal freedom of choice should be approached through religious liberty which was made science and action concerning persuasion rather than compulsory birth control?" "Would you sign?"

Findings of the poll were announced by Cass Canfield, PPFA president, who said replies were received from 79 of the 166 signers of the Catholic Canfield.

The PPFA report said that "perhaps the most interesting response came in a joint reply signed by 26 laymen that contained five affirmations of belief." These were, it said:

1. That birth prevention by chemical or mechanical means is immoral, "even though we recognize that many other Americans in good faith believe otherwise."

2. That the state has no competence to legislate private conviction or conduct on birth control and Catholic doctors and laymen should therefore be guaranteed full freedom of conscience in this matter as a civil right.

3. That since public officials have no competence to legislate private conduct in this matter, public authorities should respect the civil right of individual citizens to determine their own conscience and conduct in matters affecting birth control in governmentally-operated medical institutions.

4. That privately-operated medical institutions, even when they receive supplementary aid from public funds, have the right to determine their policies on birth control in the light of their own conscientious convictions.

5. That the rights of conscience should not be confused in this matter by urging the use of public funds to promote governmentally-sponsored programs of artificial prevention of artificial birth control, thus ignoring the conscientious convictions of Catholics.

There was no immediate indication as to how long the members and consultants of the theological commission will remain in Rome for their first series of meetings. Vatican observers, however, have said 101 to 44.



VICE PRESIDENT NIXON

FATHER CHARLES LAVERY

What We Must Accomplish'

Vice President Richard M. Nixon made an eve-of-election prayer and work of ours may sway our minds, neither let us nor partiality bid for votes in Rochester this begin from Thee, and by Thee's respect of riches or persons Tuesday. Cheered by an easel be duly ended.

Come unto us and be with us in the ushers' vestments to enter our hermits; teach us what we are to do and whether we ought to tend; show us what we must accomplish, in order that with Thy help, we may be able to please Thee in all things.

Suffer us not to distract the order of justice. Thou who beseeches Thee, in all our doings with Thy gracious inspiration, and further us, with Thy let not ignorance draw us into well done. Amen.

Go before us O Lord, we beseech Thee, in all our doings with Thy gracious inspiration, and further us, with Thy let not ignorance draw us into well done. Amen.

IN THREE weeks the party was and saw the Promised Land in the distance. The view is magnificent and in the distance are the fertile lands of what is now Israel territory.

Later, tracing the journeys of St. Paul, the priests stood in the ruins of Ephesus and read aloud passages from the Acts of the Apostles.

At Mount Sinai they were in the ruins of the ancient monastery there and allowed to celebrate Mass on the porch.

It was saddened Father Orchard said, "to see how so many places where St. Paul had worked there is hardly a vestige

on the name spot where Moses of Christianity today."

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Housing Bias Still Rampant

New York — (RNS) — More than 27 million members of minority groups in the United States still suffer to some extent from housing discrimination, according to a report issued here by the Fund for the Republic.

housing segregation was a central aspect of the situation. "People who cannot freely choose where they will live are gravely hampered, not only in bettering their living conditions but also in their use of community facilities and institutions and in their participation in community life."

The report, described as more extensive than any other ever undertaken in its field, comprises the final volume of a series of studies prepared by the Commission on Race and Housing Entitled Residence and Race, it was written by the Commission's director of research, Davis McEntire, who is professor of social welfare at the University of California.

Groups still suffering to some extent from housing discrimination, the author said, are 18 million Negroes, Japanese, Chinese and Filipinos; 2.5 million Mexican-Americans; one million Puerto Ricans; and five million Jews.

"Discrimination is perhaps the — than it is to change their attitudes; and their attitudes will problem of the nation," Mr. McEntire declared, adding that he said.

Sudan Expels Priest In Anti-Church Drive

Khartoum — (NC) — A Catholic missionary has been expelled from the Sudan.

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The Sudan, which became independent in 1956, is divided into northern and southern re-

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Dial-A-Saint Phone Talk

Dallas — (NC) — More than 14 million calls have been made in three years to more than 100 "Dial-A-Saint" telephone installations across the nation.

This figure was reported by the Bureau of Information of the Dallas-Fort Worth diocese in the announcement that it will inaugurate the 60-second feature here.

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