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Why Change A Good Law?

Monroe County public school board members and administrators voiced their complaints against a new state law aimed at aiding all children.

They met in Brighton to protest the Speno-Brennan bill aigned into law this past spring by Governor Rockefeller.

The new law guarantees bus rides for all pupils . regardless of the school they choose to attend.

Actually many school districts have long operated on this basis. Chief complaint against the former faw was its arbitrary nature which left the decision up to local boards whether they would provide bus rides or not for parochial school pupils.

Most of these boards had an annual meeting to decide the issue and Catholic parents were required to attend somewhat in the guise of beggars to plead an-other year's bus ride services for their children.

The new law blots out this "second class citizenship" sligms and recognizes the rights of all pupils to have a bus ride if their health and welfare require it.

The school officials at the Brighton meeting criticized the new law for its "ambiguity" and because it "penalizes" public school districts which at present do not have bus service for any pupils.

The spokesmen seemingly fear excessive demands for bus service for pupils attending parochial schools.

One state legislator, Assemblyman Paul B. Hanks who attended the meeting, told the school officials he was willing to sponsor legislation to change the new Speno-Brennan law.

We are of the opinion that any law born of such current protests would be a backward step. Chief vistims would be young children who would have to face the increasing hazards of highways if they must walk to school.

We are of the opinion that the majority of citizens in New York State endorse the new Speno law which is rooted in the American tradition of "liberty and justice for all."

Our state has a national reputation for its progressive record in education and we see no reason to surrender that reputation now.

The new law was hammered out by keen debate and careful analysis by the state's legislators at Albany after hearing the needs of pupils and the ideas of top educators. Impulsive revision of the law will easily make a shambles of years of patient research, study and experiment,

Monroe County citizens in particular should re-member that the "rides for all" system was pioneered here in the Town of Greece long before even the old state law was enacted. Back in 1928 when the Greece district was centralized and incorporated, school officlais there proposed a permanent agreement to pro-vide via ricks for all pupils. This was the first dis-trict in the state to incorporate on this basis. The sys-tem served as an example when legislators began to

He Tells The Pope What To Do By LUCIANO CASIMIRAI ther Dante as a papal master Vatican City-(NC)-One of the few men who tell the Pope what to do is Monsignor

The slight gray-haired Mon-signor is chief Master of Pontilical Caramonias. In this post Magr. Danis directs the actions of the Pope and all others taking part in any papal ceremony.

A newsman summed up the activities of Msgr. Dante at the time of the coronation of Pope John by describing him as "ringmaster of the most magnificent show on earth."

Enrico Dante, '

During the coronation, Msgr. Dante directed the movements of more than 50 cardinals, hundreds of archbishops and bishops and the whole retinue that makes up the Renaissance splendor of the papel court

man Rots, high Church court. ceremonies on March 25, 1914, when he was 30. Pope John recently summed up the Monsignor's long service by praising his "competent and knowing calm."

Monsignor Enrico Dante escorta Pope John to a Vatican ceremony. The

Monsignor, as papal master of ceremonies, guides the Pontiff in proper per-

formance of church rites. Despite his key position, he plays his part so un-obtrusively many who attend Vatican rites never recall seeing him.

Papal Cérémonies.

Msgr. Dante was morn in Rome on July 5, 1884, the first of five children. His father, Achille, was a lawyer from Trent who had followed Garibaldi, the Italian soldier of fortune who brought about the unification of Italy under

a monarchy at the expense of the Papal States. .. Lawyer Dante was always under, suspicion by the Au-strians who at that time held the Trent region. He moved

to Rome to get away from continual questioning.

When Enrico Danie was eight years old his mother died. His tather sent him io Paris to study with the Fa-thers of Slon. At the age of

17 he decided to become a

promoted to the post of Sec-retary in 1959. He taught philosophy until

Msgr. Danie almost had a 1930, when he was named diplomatic career in the Church as well. "I failed as a professor of theology, He continued to teach until 1947, diplomat before I began," he when he was simed Prefect says. For in 1923, Pope Bene-dict XV wanted him to reof the College of Masters of open the Apostolic Nuncis-

Magr. Dante slav served in the Apollolic Pemitentiary, dinal but Msgr. Dante dethe Church's tribunal for clined the offer rather than leave his two sisters behind cases of conscience, from 1913 to 1923. In 1923 he was in Rome, named Substitute Secretary The 77-year-old Monsignor of the Sicred Comprepation

of Rites. He slayed in this post for ## years and was an enthusiatic athlete who played soccer and tennis, and engaged in long distance swimming and mountain

climbing.

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Breaking Down Blas

Cleveland — (NC) — A "getting to know-you" ap proach to more Christian race relations was tried here when 15 white persons visited two Negro homes.

The move was sparked by mer school teacher, added: Caritas, a Catholic inter racial Years ago, I was hateful group headed by Joseph Newwhen I ran into racial prejuman, a Negro.

their feelings.

Among the whites was Mar-

tin Ribar, father of nine who is blind and lives in a mixed Negro-white neighborhood. In

answer to a question on why Negroes had such a hard time

climbing to the top, Mr. Ribar said:

"It's largely prejudice and ignarance. It's a shame that everybody panics and fless

when a Nerra moves into a neighborhood. We certainly don't intend to move. Our

children and get along fine. They find Négroes good neighbors, as we do."

dice. But now I'm witter. Besides relations are im-proving." The 15 whites were from 10 Cleveland parishes. They visited the homes of Mrs.

Jessie Bailey and her daugh p However, she added, bias ter-in-law, Mrs. Earl Harris, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard still is present. She clied an eximple what happens often while she is shopping:

For most of the white per-"Sometimes a clerk will deliberately pass me up to serve a white woman who arrived call on a Negro family. For the Negroes, it was their first after me," she said. "I always chance to sound all about try to do the Christian thing and be patient. But some-

times I remind the clerk, as politely as possible, that I was there first."

Helen Kraus, one of the white visitors, summed up the wirmth that usually arises when people of apparently different views get to know each other.

"Visits like these show howwell people from two races can get along if they just forget themselves to talk to one another," she said. "I's good to see a group like Caritas working for harmony. But individuals can't let a group take the entire initiative There are many thinks only

Mrs. Newman, wife of the Caritar president and a foran individual can do.



overpopulation problems by miting of contraception stems to be so défeatist - an attempt to solve a most complex issue by one oversimplification."

> Concerning the related question of the world's food supply, Father Filas pointed out that "we have not yet begun to tap many of the * World's resources."

"Making deserts productive by moans of freahened see water, farming the sea for

feed, removing taboos on certhis foods, production of chap slowle power, wider spread of agricultural knowhow would more than relieve the food problem - the ex-perts, spree on this," the history. It contradicts the unlimited potentials which the Creator has provided in His Joult theologian said. He warned against the con-Father Filas admitted "besequences of accepting a "gillitarian attitude" toward -wilderment" about the differthe world's population probences among experts on the extent of the so-called popula-"The same utilitarian arguments are advanced to sup-Be called attention to a port sterilization and, in tome national journal of economic affairs which declared in in places, abortion and suthanasis," he said These were the editorial: "Bad economics, ullitarian factors appealed not overpopulation, perils to in Hitler's horrible hells of Belsen, Dachau and Buchen-MY CATHOLIC failh wild, when the Third Reich, according to the nazis, was overpopulated with Jews." neither obliges me nor even

ture in Paris. Such an important office would normally have led to the rank of car-

problems by contraception "defeatist" and has warned against any "hysterical stam-pede" of public opinion in that direction.

Is a stately figure as he Father Francis L. Film,moves through papal cere-monies. In his youth he was S.J., head of the Loyola Uni-versity, Chicago, theology depariment and author of "The Family for Families" and other books, told the Xavier University Family Life Insil-

As a young priest he helped "To take a passimistic at-develop the Pro Romo atta-titude the limiting man's po-tetic organization, the particle of the Roms soncer team, one ment is contrary to all human

the most important in

the last four conclaves for

the election of popes. He has taken part in 95 beatifications

and 41, canonizations On a

double capacity; as a papal maxier of ceremonies and an

official of the Congregation

of. Rites. Among Canoniza-tions he remembers with spe-

cial fondness are those of St.

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and the long hours decvoted

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consider the idea for a state-wide arrangement.

The 30 year record of satisfaction in Greece indicates citizens prefer a system which refuses to-discriminale, against children on their way to school.

SERMONETTE

TRY, TRY AGAIN!

By Rev. Richard Maddam, O.C.D.

Robert Bruce supposedly was the originator of these famous words. We are told how he had been

beaten in battle time and again. This particular time

he had sought refuge from his enemies in a cave. As

he lay there, he saw a mider attempting to weave its web across an opening. Each time the little creature

would almost make it the web would break. But the

spider kept on ... and finally made it. This gave Bruce

for the night.

It is not going to be done in a day. And each failure, if accepted rightly only helps the finished project to be

As long as there is a good God in the heavens there is no absolute living failure. Yes, we know that you can point out apparent failures today but who are you

of God before this day is through.

to say that they will not be touched by the grace

St. Monica prayed a long time for her son, Augus

tine. After five years of good solid seeking from God

her bey's conversion I suppose she had a fight to ask God, "How much do you want, O Lord!" But she didn't.

She kept on praying. She didn't set any limits. She didn't try to put God under contract or on a time table. She didn't say I'll pray five or ten or lifteen years. No.

ane simply said, "O God, if you let me live long enough

I will pray this boy of mine back to You." And so she

prayed for thirty years before God answered her prayer.

And just by the ways, if Augustine had been a duliful son and not one who had caused his mother so

nuch worry, perhaps Monica would never have been a

Saint. For it was in her persevering prayer for her son that she forgot herself completely and climbed the lad-dar of mancity.

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nothing more than the sum of our

failures. Even the dog who stops

barking and gives up loses the chance of setting inside the house

that we must not let these little failures frustrate us. In fact we

must expect them. If we are going

accomplish anything worthwhile

After all success is sometimes

And what is more important is

at the Pope's elbow. His long, ivory-toned fingers move constantly but without haste as he subtly orders or reminds participants in ceremonies to stand or sit, to put miters on or to take them off.

MSgr. Dante is constantly

At Pope John's coronation a wave of Msgr. Dante's hand transferred 50 visiting monsignors from one side of the anse to the rear so that there would be room for the unexpected overflow of bishops who came for the ceremony.

Despite his unquestioned nuthority in the sanctuary, Magr. Danie is never obtrasive. Most visitors who see papal ceremonies de not remember seeing Magr. Dante although he is always at the Pope's side. For Magr. Danie has a kind of genius for be-ing in the midst of whatever is happening and yet is shie to blend harmoniously into the pageant that surrounds the Pope,

It is no wonder that he acquired this knack. He has been - officially engaged in pontifical ceremonies for 46 Years.

Pope St. Plus X chose Fa- in law from the Sacred Ro-

priest and entered the Capranica College in Rome, Another brother, Arnaldo, became a Father of Sion and has been working as a missionary in Brazil for 45 years.

Erinco Danie was ordzined on July 3, 1910, and the following year he was samed a professor of philosophy at the Urban College of the Sacred Congregation for the Propa-station of the Faith. During a 36-vear career as a teacher. Magr. Dante had some illustrious pupils.

Among them, are Cardinal Spellman of New York, Car-dinal Meyer of Chicago, Gregorio Pietro XV Cardinal Agagianian, Prefect of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith; Cardinal Gilroy of Sydney, Australia; and Cardinal Dol of Tokyo. He also taught some 50 bishops, including Archolahop Martin J. O'Connor, rector of the North

American Collège in Rome. While teaching, Msgr. Dante earned graduate degrees in philosophy, theology and canon law, and a diploma-

Reapings at Random

A Chief Marche, Ark --- (NC) ---Italy.'It was only two years

When a pastor here dicided ago that Msgr. Danle gave up to-haul water for the cistern his habit of taking twoday climbs in the Dolomite Alps. that serves his parish, he didn't realize he was lining Msgr-Dante has attended

Pastor,

up another job for himself. The pastor, Magr. Thomas J. Prendergast of Innmaculate Heart of Mary parish, bought a government surplus tank truck to haul the water, because this small community has no municipal water supply. The truck is equipped

with a hose and nump. Bosco, St. Mary Goretti, St. Pius X and St Frances Ca-A few days ago (Nov. 27), when the Monsignor's new \$100,000 parish school and hall were dedicated, he got a aurprise.

Bishop Albert L. Fletcher of Little Rock, who dedicated the buildings, pinned a fire Mage Danie's vocation as a chief's badge on Magr. Pres. priest has been conscientious dergast and placed a fire-man's helmet on his head.

The pastor's partishioners has some almost daily to Sa-ad arranged to designate him cred Heart church in Rome is chief of a volunteer fire to hear contessions, and he had arranged to designate him at chief of a voluniter fire department because his tank truck fullof water is the besto day his interest in St. Peter's fire fighting equipment in center, a youth organization town.

ly pursued, For the past 40 years he

brini.

has continued to the present

For Americans to he "apos iles of contraception" would be "dynamite for good inter-national relations," Father

"Are we to help other na-tions to stay small while we prosper: . . . If it is a choice between atheistic communism and a democracy that apes the absolutist state in discarding the moral law for expedi-ence, a conscientious Christian sets little difference in the

tions seem uncertain. "An attitude of solving just outside the Vatican walls. CONTRACTOR OF AND A REAL PROPERTY OF THE REA

Therefore, population projec-

to preparing for and taking peded hysterically into an unpart in pipal ceremonies. justified position eventually Filas said. outmoded by a new vogue." He continued: "The dilliculty seems to be that we have no accurate methods of "knowing whether fertility rates will continue on the

inclines me-to want unlimited.

population growth." he said.

On the other hand, he added,

he is "unwilling to be stam-

same basis as at present. moral code of either group."

Our Family Visits Disneyland

BY GERARD E. SHERRY Editor, Central California Register

Well, we made it. After weeks of constant pressure, promises of good behavior, and angelic countenances, the kids got their way. Mr. Khrushchev couldn't make it, but our family went to Disneyland.

For a new arrival from the East the average Californian has only one piece of advice: "You must go to Disneyland." Funny. this is, some who advised us to go had never been themselves. Nevertheless, they were rooters of Walt Disney's 20th Century colonialism, south of Los Angeles.

There is Adventureland, Frontierland, Fantasyland, and Tomorrowland. Each is a separate entity, and can only be entered hrough Main Street of Walt Disney's magic

And what a Main Street it la! It has horse-drawn trolleys and surreys, horseless carriages and a railway station. You pass through turn-of-the-century type stores and shops, and browne leisurely through them. The major difference is that the shops have the most modern goods at the most modern pricet.

Main Street has its bars and cafes. Alas, the strongest drink one can get is a coke -In one of these 19th Century "gin" mills, Peopl Cele presents the Frontierland Geldon Refeation Invite "It's mails the respectable

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toobe taken seriously. Some of the notso-old Equator, and discovered the sunken civiliza-wage who were expecting a little excitement. tion of Atlantia. In the same manner you take tion of Atlantis. In the same manner you take came away reminded that Dimeyland is a a trip through the jungle and in ten minutes, have gone from the Nile to Victoria Falls, children's Mecca. Adults are-welcome only because they provide the money which pays the admission and buys the books of rides which'. the children hope are endless.

vate the minds of the young is a more tangi-

ble way. However, you forget your idealiam,

friendly, and not so friendly, Indians; the

points to the burning cabin asking you to note the body of the settlex lying near the

well with an arrow through his heart. It's all

gory enough in he life like --- is are the por-trayals of Indian villages and the animated

animals which dot the shore line, wagging

their tails, growling, or twitching their sais. After this memorable trip, you can take a raft to the smugglers' caves, and canoes to outlaws' bideputs in the bad lands.

Of course, in all of Dismoyland, you have to use your imagination. When you take the

atomic automatine, in the space of five min-

the Jon here covered the North Fold, the

The skipper of the Riverboat proudly

a white man's cabin.

through the Congo, and back to the "pier of civilization. Fantasyland is typical Walt Disney --- the Sleeping, Beauty Castle, the Jumbo ride, and One must confess to a sense of admiration other things help you to see it as a happy for Walt Disney - even if one wonders whether, the \$25 million spent on the enter-prise could not have been better used to elekingdom. You relive the storybook adventuresof Peter Pan, Alice in Wonderland, Snow

White, Mr. Toad and many others. All this of course, takes time. One came once you enter Frontiesland and take the Riverboat down the Minimippi - meeting the inin Disneyland at 10 a.m.; had lunch at one of the saloons which served hot dogs and cokes and then, under the prodding of the kids, accepted indigestion, and back to the wild beasts which roam the woods; and the rather life-like setting of an Indiam raid on fray.

> Here it was 3 p.m. and the young bundles of energy had yet to see Tomorrowland --where one viewed the future in a rocket ship outer space; traveled abroad the streamlined trains of the monorail system and through "liquid space" sailed beneath the Seas in the submarine. Of course, that wasn't all.

There was also bob sledding down the anow capped slopes of Matterborn Mountain, and driving through specially built freewaya-of Autophilis, where one's children can become neurolic without waiting for a driver's license. Finally, in Tomorrewland, there was the House of the Future --- a monstroalty of plastice from which, I trust, that death even at a ripe old age, will spare me.

It was getting dark when we literally dragged the youngsters from Walt Dismey's Empire. It was all too much, and weary on ; the nerves. That's not all. As we got into the car, one of my angels asked met "Are we coming back tomorrow? I want to go on the horses down the trail in Frontierland."

The bittle was on Another one of the girls reminded me she had missed the Casey Jones Special; while our eldest observed that we hadn't bought any souveniers. Of course, this is typical of children. They believe in Mr. Disney's Fantasyland where father has the pot of gold and the goose has laid the rolden err.

Souveniers or no, Disneyland had strained family budget considerably. This, despite the fact that the kids had saved \$3 each from their allowances in order to pay their own way. When one added up the admission and the parking, the kids had just plaid the en-trance lets. There was yet the rides to buy, the food to buy, the popcorn, the balloons (with tean when they quickly burst) and the postcards to Grindma and Grandps, and the

Frankly, I wish they had let Mr. Krush-chev see Disneyland. He would have lost some weight and maybe some of his arrogance. Despite in commercial atmosphere, Disney-land makes the lids happy, proves father to be a great spender, and mother the inspiration for it all Lut's my we all had a good time. We'll leave high ideals for mother weik.

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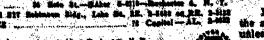
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