

Homings In On Weather

Fenas, Bolivia — Aymara Indians living in the sky-high Andes' Mountains do more than just talk about the weather — they blow horns at it.

Maryknoll Father John J. O'Brien, of Flushing, N.Y., reports that the violent hail storms here which shower chunks of ice the size of golf balls so terrify Indian farmers that just before an impending storm they climb the highest peak and blast away on their petatas — giant trumpets which are supposed to blow the storm in the opposite direction.

"From what I've seen," says Father O'Brien, "the buglers are blowing 500 — half the time they chase away the storms, and the other half they get belted."

1 Priest, 108 Ministers As Congress Chaplains

Washington — (NC)—There has been only one Catholic priest among the 108 clergymen who have served as chaplains of the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

This has been brought out in an editorial in the Capital Baptist, a weekly publication which has caused considerable discussion here. The editorial proposed that Congress set a time limit on the number of years a chaplain could serve either house of Congress; that successors come from different denominations, and that the House and the Senate be of different denominations.

THE EDITORIAL said the periods served by individual chaplains in the past have not been equitable. A Methodist, it was noted, served the House for 29 years and his successor

of Sen. Henry Clay, and served the year 1832-33 during the 22nd Congress.

Father Pise was born at Annapolis, Md., in 1802 and died in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1886. He was educated at Georgetown University and the College of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith in Rome.

He received the doctorate of divinity. He was ordained in 1825. He spent some years as a missionary in Maryland, and was an assistant at St. Patrick's church in this city at the time he was elected chaplain of the Senate. He later served in Brooklyn.

Father Pise was also a pioneer Catholic editor, publishing The Metropolitan or Catholic Monthly Magazine, first in Baltimore in 1830.

Bus Ride Proposal Endorsed

St. Paul — (RNS) — Two Minnesota Catholic weeklies have urged support of a bill in the Minnesota legislature to permit tax-paid bus rides for private and parochial school children in the state.

The Catholic Bulletin of the St. Paul archdiocese said the constitutionality of school-bus transportation for all children was decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in its 5 to 4 Everson decision in 1947.

"That ruling was endorsed even more decisively, by a 7 to 2 vote, only last month when the Supreme Court refused to challenge a lower court ruling affirming the constitutionality of tax-paid bus rides for private and parochial school children in Connecticut.

Minnesota's state constitution does not prohibit bus rides for non-public school children, but early state attorney general opinions with the effect of law have discouraged the practice."

New Orleans Laymen Battle Race Bias

New Orleans — (RNS) — Roman Catholic laymen here have formed a new organization, known as the Catholic Council on Human Relations of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, to work for better race relations in this Southern city.

The group, which has received the approval and blessing of Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel of New Orleans, is headed by a prominent attorney here, C. Ellis Henican.

Secretary of the organization is John P. Nelson, Jr., another New Orleans attorney, who also serves as vice-chairman of the National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice. Mr. Nelson has been a leader in the New Orleans "Save Our Schools Organization" formed to keep public schools open on an integrated basis.

With an invitation to Non-Catholics to join in the movement, the organization was formed at a recent interracial meeting of some 300 Catholic laymen.

Stated aims of the organization are:

To promote good relations among people of all races in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

To make known the teachings of the Catholic Church on matters of interracial justice and charity, with emphasis on a 1958 statement of U.S. Catholic bishops against discrimination.

To work in cooperation with public and responsible private agencies to promote good human relations.

To exhort all of the clergy, religious and laity to offer their daily prayers, good works and sacrifices for the peaceful and charitable solution of all problems of human relations.

**You spent
\$300,000,000
on chewing gum
last year!**

**More than 9 times as much
as you gave to fight cancer**

**Shocking? Yes. And here's
another shocking fact: in 1961
cancer will strike in approxi-
mately two out of three Ameri-
can homes.**

**Chew all the gum you like.
For every penny you spend for
chewing gum, give a penny to
the American Cancer Society.**

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**Fight cancer with a
checkup — and send a
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Where do prayers go?

Do steeples poke holes in the sky so our prayers will get through?

Will grandpa come and see me this afternoon? I love grandpa. I wonder if that chocolate bunny in my basket is marshmallow inside.

Are clouds maybe whole bunches of prayers on their way to Heaven? I made a cut-out of a green rabbit and a red tulip in school and Mrs. Williams put it on the bulletin board.

Is rain maybe a lot of people's prayers coming back down to them because they didn't say them right? God loves grandpa, too. God loves everybody.

My new shoes hurt. They are too tight. I hear a bee. Does God love bees, too?

I think I will close my eyes real tight and say a prayer for grandpa, and Mrs. Williams, and all the bees in the world.

On This Day, all hearts are young and the world is fresh, new, full of wonder and promise. We cordially wish you a joyous Easter.

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