

Award Given Nun for Serving Poor

Manila — (NC) — Mother Teresa said that the 1962 Ramon Magsaysay award she won would be "a new source of encouragement" in serving the poor.

The Yugoslav-born foundress of the Missionaries of Charity, an Indian congregation that works among the country's poor, received a \$10,000 award (Aug. 31) and a citation for the promotion of international understanding in Asia from the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation here. (The nun visited Rochester in 1960.)

"This award which is given to me and through me to the young congregation, to the countless benefactors and to our poor in India," she said, "will be a new source of encouragement for us to love and serve the poor."

She will use the money to build a house for the poor of Agra, she said.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurance S. Rockefeller of New York represented the Rockefeller Brothers Fund at the ceremony. The initial fund for the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation, set up to perpetuate the ideals of public service of the late Philippine president, was given by the Rockefeller brothers in 1957.

Prayers For Cuba
Bogota — (RNS) — Luis Cardinal Concha, Archbishop of Bogota, issued a pastoral here urging the faithful of his See to pray for Catholics in Cuba.

Mothers Blamed For Increased Steady Dating, Pregnant Teenagers

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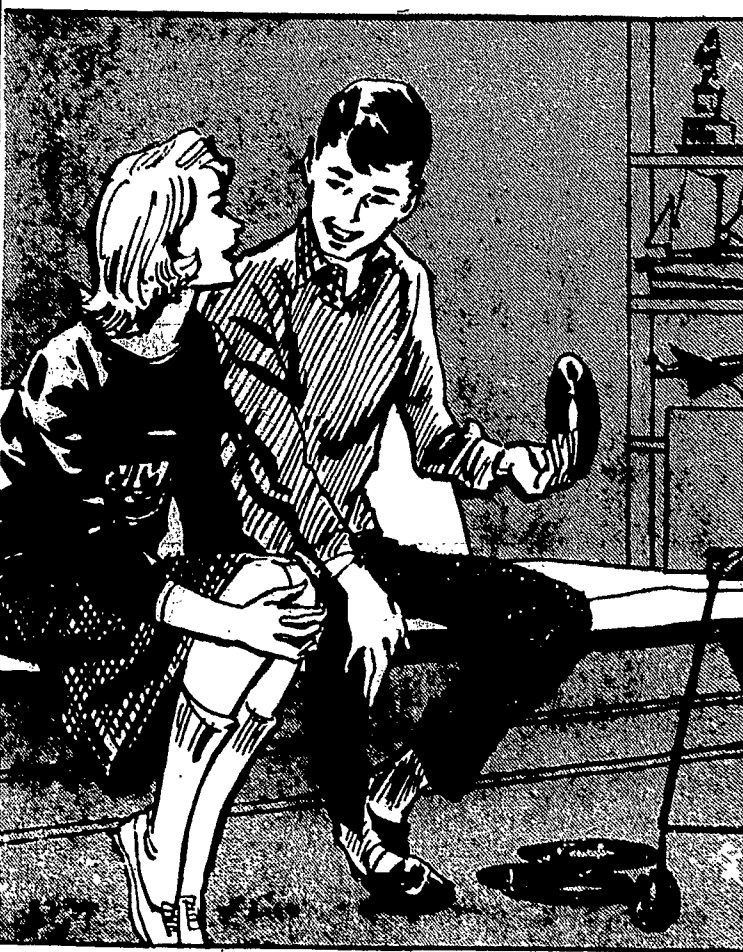
Will you restate your views on steady dating and settle an argument for us? My sister's 15-year-old daughter is allowed to go steady (3 or 4 times a week) with a 17-year-old high school junior. When I suggested this wasn't right, sister quoted you as saying that some types of steady dating were all right, as long as the couple were properly supervised and knew how to behave. I feel there's more to the problem than that, especially when the couple are so young.

Here we go on steady dating again, Audrey!

Steady dating was the subject of one of the first articles I wrote for this column back in 1957, and I have discussed different aspects of the problem at various times after that, but apparently I have not succeeded in making my position entirely clear, so let's tackle it again.

Some of the difficulties related to clear thinking about steady dating stem from its definition — the term is not univocal but is frequently loosely used to designate several different patterns of dating conduct.

When discussing steady dating I have tried to identify these various patterns as they currently exist and to lay down the relevant moral principles that apply to them. At the same time, in dealing



with the different solutions to the "problem" that are presently proposed, I have constantly insisted that a solution can prove effective only to the extent that it comes to grips with the real sources of a problem. Widespread parental promotion or toleration of early and frequent dating, together with the maintenance of a social system provide youth with few opportunities for sharing in the social life of their age-groups except on the basis of couples.

I maintain that as long as these conditions continue unmodified, steady dating will be prevalent, and it is probably this manner of defining and stating the problem that has caused your sister some confusion.

Let us begin by defining some terms. At one time "going steady" or "steady dating" was confined to the courtship period. This exclusive, intimate association of a couple mature enough to think seriously about marriage still constitutes one form of steady dating.

As dating for "fun" began to become acceptable after World War I, the term "steady dating" was used to designate a somewhat temporary though convenient agreement between a given couple that they could rely on each other for dates. When the situation called for this type of participation, in other words, it was taken for granted by themselves and others that they would go out together if they were to attend couple-centered affairs.

According to a current fad among teen-agers, "steady dating" has come to mean more than "going steady." For them it seems to designate the exclusive, affectionate, intimate association of a couple on all social occasions, thus differing neither in practices or privileges from steady dating among engaged couples.

Although most young people are often not clear in their own minds concerning what they mean by steady dating, it is the pattern similar to the last type I have described that has justly aroused the concern and criticism of all responsible people. Such couples are not ready for marriage in our society, yet they insist on establishing an association that ignores both the fact that they are sexually mature, since they have already experienced puberty; and their need to apply their major interest, time, and energy to the serious study and training required to prepare them for adequate participation in contemporary adult society.

As a matter of fact, some of these girls — and their mothers — are apparently so shortsighted and implicitly biologically motivated that they make every effort to cap-

ture a mate long before there can be any reasonable expectation of starting a family. There is need to speak frankly here. Modern Christian mothers — and their daughters — have serious need to analyze their real motives in this regard.

Many — and these are hard words but substantiated by factual evidence — are willing to ignore the moral laws relating to chastity in order to secure a mate.

I recognize the indignant, horrified disclaimers this statement will arouse. Mothers will claim that they only want their children to be popular and to enjoy themselves.

Does this explain the current eager promotion or thoughtless toleration of early, frequent, unsupervised cross-sex associations? The widespread rise of feminine social and sexual aggressiveness from grade school on? The marked rise of pregnant brides and illegitimacy? The startled look on the faces of high school girls when informed that a boy is not only not obliged to marry them but should be dissuaded from doing so should pregnancy result from their irrational association?

I hope I have made my position clear this time, Audrey. I quite agree that the situation your sister is permitting is wrong and reprehensible. However, since she allowed her daughter to date three or four times a week, I don't think that anything you or I can say will prove of much avail.

Abortion Law Stirs Debate In Germany

Bonn — (RNS) — Widespread controversy has been sparked in West Germany by the sharply divergent stands taken by Roman Catholic and Protestant members of Parliament on the question of making abortion legally permissible for victims of rape. This is one of a series of recommendations made in connection with a proposed reform of the penal code.

Recently, the Bundesrat, the upper house of Parliament, rejected, on a first reading, an amendment proposed by a parliamentary penal reform commission, made up largely of Protestants, which would have authorized abortion in cases of crime, subject to court approval. The amendment, backed by a majority of medical groups and associations in the country, had previously been voted down by the Bundestag, the lower house.

However, public leaders and a large section of the West German press have criticized the stand taken by the federal lawmakers, claiming that their votes had been prompted, not by judicial considerations, but out of deference on the part of Catholic politicians to Catholic theology, which forbids abortion under any circumstance.

Significantly, members from predominantly Catholic states voted against the amendment, while those from largely Protestant states supported it. Representatives of Baden-Wuerttemberg, the only West German state where Protestants and Catholics are about equal in number, abstained from voting.

Families Of Alcoholics To Be Helped

Stirling, N.J. — (NC) — Sometimes the spouse or other relatives of the drinking man or woman is just as badly in need of help as the drinker himself.

With that in mind, a priest here has formed two groups allied with the Alcoholics Anonymous movement. They are Al-Anon, an organization for the spouse of the problem drinker, and Ala-Teen for the children of the drinker.

Like Alcoholics Anonymous itself, Al-Anon and Ala-Teen are non-denominational but attempt to lead people to God as they understand Him, Father Frederick Lawrence, chaplain, said. AA and its more recent offshoots have long enjoyed the cooperation and interest of the Church, he added.

Mexicans Plan 'Day of Faith'

Mexico City — (NC) — Mexican Catholics will observe this country's first National Day of Faith on October 12. The celebration was decided on last October at the meeting of Mexico's Bishops, who set up a National Secretariat for the Defense of the Faith to promote the observance.

The secretariat, whose president is Msgr. Jose Torralba, has issued a statement spelling out the aims of the celebration. The statement declared:

"IN VIEW of governmental disregard for the Church, the celebration of a National Day of Faith is proper in order to show clearly that the spiritual mission of the Church and the temporal mission of the state, far from interfering with one another, complement and aid one another when both Church and State act in harmony.

"In view of the multitude of basic problems — those involving Indians, the family, school, morals, the social question and amusements — the celebration

of a National Day of Faith can show that an adequate solution of these and similar problems can be achieved only under the sign of the Faith."

Hardship Faces Press

New York — (NC) — The president of the Catholic Press Association has told the Senate Post Office Committee that proposed mail rate increases threaten "grave hardship" for many publications and extinction for others.

Floyd Anderson, managing editor of the Register, Denver, made his statement in a telegram sent to Sen. Olin Johnson of South Carolina, chairman, and to other committee members.

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In the Old Testament and in all pagan religions, the priest was always separate from the victim, whether he offered a lamb, a goat or a bullock to Divinity. But Our Blessed Lord united in Himself both priesthood and victimhood, for "He offered Himself." Inasmuch as we are priests of Jesus Christ, we are never to separate victimhood from priesthood. Yet, though we always insist on the dignity of our priesthood, we seldom insist upon the indignity of our victimhood.

It may be asked why a state of victimhood or sacrifice is so essential for our priesthood. The reasons are as follows:

- 1) In the Mass we not only offer Our Lord to His Heavenly Father — we offer ourselves to Him. His death is mystically represented by the separate consecration of the bread and wine, which sacramentally reveal the separation of His Body and Blood, the manner of His death. If all we did was to offer Christ without dying with Him, we would be parasites upon the Mystical Body of Christ.
- 2) Expressing our priestly lives in sacrifice prevents piety from becoming emotional. If all we had toward our great High Priest was religious feeling, without any appropriate form of sacrifice, our feelings would eventually die. Nothing gives so much power to the Words of the priest in the pulpit, the classroom or the home as his self-denials.

May we now suggest some appropriate forms of victimhood or sacrifice:

- 1) Send your surplus Mass stipends to The Society for the Propagation of the Faith that we may send them to the Bishops. They will, in turn, forward them to priests in the Missions, many of whom have no other livelihood than that of the stipend.
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