



Golden Jubilarians

MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH L. SCHWAN, 3 Knox St., Dansville who will observe their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a family dinner, Sunday, Sept. 30 and a 50th Anniversary Mass, Tuesday morning, Oct. 2 in St. Mary's Church, Dansville. They have one daughter, Kathleen, at home. Mr. Schwan, now retired, was formerly employed at F. A. Owen Publishing Co., Dansville where he served 58 years. They were married in St. Mary's, Dansville, Oct. 2, 1912.

Science, Faith 'Wall' Persists

Manchester — (NC) — "There still exists a wall between religion and science," the Vatican Observatory's Father Patrick Treanor, S.J., told Catholic delegates to the annual meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

The English Jesuit astronomer spoke at a special Mass at Holy Name church here.

"THE WALL," he said, "is not something which is there by the nature of the case, any more than the wall which runs through Berlin. It has grown up as an artificial by-product of a defective sociology and it is a defeat of the scientific life itself."

"The wall presents a chal-

lenge to Church and scientists alike.

"There is a challenge to Catholics not to be content with regretfully accepting the fact that thousands of our finest minds are slipping beyond our reach and message. It is a challenge to the Church to find methods of presenting her truths; new methods, if needs be, inspired by an intimate knowledge, appreciation and respect for the scientific mentality," he continued.

"The problem also presents a challenge to all serious-minded scientists, including those with vague religious persuasions. They should examine and acknowledge the practical limitations of science and face up to what science has not done and cannot do for them in regard to the whole question of right and wrong, and of the meaning and purpose of life. These are things which science is not to discover but to serve.

"Scientists should see the Church as a collaborator, not as a competitor, in the business of life.

"Catholics must not see their Faith as a frail plant trembling in the breeze at every new discovery and at every latest theory, nor as something which must prop itself up against some favored hypothesis. They must see the Faith as a gift to be courageously shared with those to whom it is given by God."

Karen Finucane Awarded Grant

Miss Karen Finucane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. M. Finucane, 222 Long Meadow Circle, Pittsford, has been awarded a fellowship of \$2,000 by the New York Catholic Charities Child Guidance Clinic of the Archdiocese of New York, for her second year of study at Boston College Graduate School of Social Work.

Miss Finucane, a candidate for a masters degree in June, is a graduate of Trinity College, Washington, D.C., 1961.

Fahy Couple Marks 50 Years

A Mass in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Fahy of Frost Ave. will be said in St. Peter and Paul Church at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29.

THEY WERE married in Norwich, N.Y., and came here shortly afterward. Mr. Fahy worked as a toolmaker until his retirement in 1955.

Their son, Dr. William Fahy, of Morehead City, N.C., is here with his family for the occasion and their daughter, Mrs. Robert Werth, will have a family dinner in her home. The couple have five grandchildren.

tion that they feel strongly compelled to occupy themselves with the private affairs of others.

They want to know everything about everybody else because they find so little of interest in themselves and their own affairs.

What can you do? Well, Carl, if your wife is unduly curious, this tendency will show up on many different occasions and you should regard these as opportunities to point out to her that her interest is misdirected. Ask her to analyze her real motives in this regard. Sincere concern for the good of others? Hope of discovering another's failures? Or personal shallowness and insecurity, prompting her to live like a parasite off of the activities of others?

This approach may not effect a major change in character, but it may promote the growth of some insight, and insight is the beginning of wisdom.

Moon-man's Faith

'God at the Controls'

Jackson — (RNS) — Air Force Capt. James A. McDivitt, Jr., one of the nine new astronauts who are candidates for the first moon space flight, is confident that God would be with him at the controls if he is chosen, his parents said here.

Thirty-three-year-old Capt. McDivitt, a Roman Catholic, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James McDivitt of Jackson, Michigan.

"Of course we can't help but worry," said Mrs. McDivitt as friends, neighbors and strangers called at their small white frame house to offer their congratulations.

"IT IS something he has always wanted to do," she told the visitors.

Then, the astronaut's mother got out an article her son had written for "Way," a magazine published by the Franciscan Fathers of California.

"I am a professional military man," he wrote. "The military forces are responsible for the defense of our nation. The defense is maintained during the times of war but also during the times of peace.

"In fact, the best defense is one that prevents wars. . . . If we are to remain a free nation in today's cold war and in the race for space, there must be people who are willing to work in the more dangerous parts of the battleground.

"I think I know what would happen to my family and our nation if we were to lose this race or war. This is not a pleasant thought. And when I think of what would happen, I know



Air Force Capt. James A. McDivitt

I am totally justified in being a test pilot.

"I know — I don't merely hope — that God is still in His Heaven. He's up there — or out there — far beyond the range of our rockets and space probes."

"And He's also with me at the controls."

While the well-wishers gathered around Mrs. McDivitt and her husband, who is an electrical engineer, the phone rang. It was their son.

"Jim," she exclaimed, "every-one is asking about you and sending congratulations. I'm so proud."

The astronaut's mother, her voice breaking a bit, asked, "Are you coming home before you go to the moon?" He assured her he would be.

He is married to the former Patricia Ann Haas of Cleveland. They have three children — Michael, 5, Ann Lynn, 3, and Patrick, 2.

State Dept. Picks Prexy

Washington — (RNS) — Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of the University of Notre Dame, has been named to an advisory committee which will evaluate the State Department's cultural programs.

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Cayuga DCCW Lists Talk By Fr. O'Connell

Auburn — Rev. James F. O'Connell, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Waterloo, and Moderator of the Ontario - Seneca-Yates Deaconry Council of the National Council of Catholic Women, is slated to be the speaker at the Cayuga Deaconry Council First Saturday Luncheon, Oct. 6, at the Auburn Inn, Auburn, at 1 p.m. There will be corporate Mass and Communion at St. Mary's Church, Auburn, at 12.10 p.m. The pastors of parishes in the Cayuga Deaconry will be guests of the Council.

Mrs. E. Joseph Hassett, Cayuga Deaconry Council president, extends an invitation to all women in the deaconry to attend, and asks that they make reservations with the president of their respective organization no later than Oct. 3.

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Husband and Wife Can Carry 'Togetherness' Too Far

By FATHER JOHN L. THOMAS, S.J.
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How do you deal with a wife who thinks that she has to know everything — and I mean everything — about what a man does? For example, here's the latest. I've just become a Third Degree Knight in the KCS, and she's all upset because I won't tell her about the initiation ceremonies. We've never kept anything from each other, but this is different. She claims that refusal to share my experiences with her is setting up a barrier to our sense of togetherness. I feel she's being unduly curious.

It's always possible to carry a good thing too far, Carl, and your wife appears to be doing just that! In fact, as moral philosophers have pointed out from time immemorial, most virtues develop into vices if they are practiced without prudent measure or balance. A couple's earnest endeavor to foster a deep sense of togetherness is worthy of high praise, provided both husband and wife recognize that even though marriage makes them "two in one flesh," their togetherness has definite limitations.

Most modern writers feel that the term "togetherness" is so vaguely defined and so loosely applied that it would be well if we never used it in connection with marriage.

They may have a point there, for the word has come to be employed as a catch-all term that more frequently than not tends to blur necessary distinctions and cloak confused thinking. In this sense "togetherness" has suffered the same fate as words like "service," "democratic," and so on, which careless usage has reduced to little more than emotion-laden, suggestive symbols, evocative of feeling rather than thought.

Yet whether we call it "togetherness," or use some more appropriate term, a developed sense of intimate sharing or unity is indispensable for happiness and success in marriage.

As Pius XI reminded us in his classic encyclical on marriage, God created husbands and wives to be helpmates or companions not only in bearing and rearing children but also in striving for mutual human fulfillment and Christian perfection.

Because marriage partners are made to the image and likeness of a Triune God, they have the mission of imitating the life of the Trinity by es-



Establishing a community of love through their union. Hence whether we call it "togetherness," "companionship," "communication," mutual sharing, or some other name, the heart of the matter is that the marriage contract joins husbands and wives in a unique, mysteriously intimate union which they are bound to cherish, maintain, and foster throughout life.

Because this "sense of togetherness" that your wife talks about is so essential in marriage, we must make sure we understand its true nature and practical implications. If the example you cite is typical, Carl, it appears that your wife is either confused about "togetherness" or, as you suggest, is using the term to disguise her curiosity. In either case she's on the wrong track and needs help.

MUCH OF WHAT is currently proposed as ideal togetherness in marriage is a romantic fallacy based on the mistaken belief that love miraculously eliminates individual differences, so that true lovers must always think, feel, and act as one on all occasions. This conception of marital love ignores reality and can work serious harm, for it leads couples to expect a type of unity that is impossible among normal adults.

Paradoxically, true marital love, like all charity, is founded on separation rather than unity, in the sense that it must be based on sincere recognition of and respect for the otherness of the other, that is, for the right of the other to be other, to be himself — to be different. True love does not seek to stifle, smother, overwhelm, or absorb the other, but with a delicate awareness of the otherness of the other as a person, a distinct image of God, strives to aid the other in reaching full growth and perfection.

This concern to promote the good of the other as other is the basis of love, while major source of difficulty in learning to love truly in marriage is the unconscious, self-centered tendency either to try to absorb the other in a unity that in reality is nothing more than an extension of self (the two shall be one, and I am the one), or if differences arise, to see the other as an obstacle or hindrance to one's own fulfillment.

In other words, marital unity (togetherness) quickly deteriorates into domination by one or a stunting of growth in both if it is not based on mutual respect for the right of the other to be distinctively other.

If your wife is merely confused about the meaning of togetherness, Carl, it seems to me a little discussion of its meaning should clarify her thinking. Refusal to communicate secrets of a professional nature cannot be regarded as a barrier to unity by any sensible person. However, if your wife is unduly curious, as you infer, you face a more difficult problem. Overly inquisitive or curious people tend to have little sense of personal autonomy or depth, with the result that their own inner shallowness offers them so little security or satisfac-

UN Head, Devout Moslem Prays for Wisdom, Mercy

United Nations — (RNS) — Muhammad Zafrulla Khan of Pakistan, in his acceptance address following his election as president of the United Nations' 17th General Assembly, prayed to God for "wisdom, understanding and tolerance" among members of the international organization.

The devout 69-year-old Moslem leader prayed: "I humbly beseech God to bestow upon us the wisdom, the understanding and the tolerance that would enable us to order our work and share our decisions that they might serve to abolish mankind's ancient fears, to assuage its hurts and to forward the fulfillment of its eternal hopes. Amen."

Mr. Zafrulla Khan told the representatives from some 100 nations that there is a "striving today among all peoples to live in freedom and in peace with each other. The agenda you have before you deals with issues of freedom, peace, progress and prosperity."

The Pakistani diplomat and lawyer also said that as the new President of the Assembly he implored God "humbly, sincerely and earnestly" for "His grace and mercy, so to guide me, in His wisdom, that in the discharge of my responsibilities I might prove worthy of your confidence."

As a Moslem Mr. Zafrulla Khan rises daily before dawn to say his first prayers for the day and read the Koran. He has been his country's permanent representative to the UN since 1961. In 1939 he led India's delegation to the League of Nations Assembly.

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