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Eyebank Success Story

Cleveland — (RNS) — Nearly blind two months ago. Sister Mary Vida demonstrates that she can now thread a needle without glasses. The nun, a member of the Holy Humility of Mary order, had her sight restored through the aid of the Cleveland Central Eye- |Church's liturgy so people can tion of the Church after he inbank. The eye that saved her vision was willed to the worship together in easily un-tervened in what probably eyebank by a man who died recently in Akron, Ohio. derstood rites, greater emphasis would have become a long and The cornea transplant in her left eye will enable Sister Mary Vida to return to her teaching duties at St. Cecilia School in January. She has been a teacher for

Council Probes for Unity

OTHER EVENTS at the

schools anti-biblical.

inflame the community and to

encourage religious power

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A third trend in action for unity is also discernible in Catholic circles, set in motion to a great extent by the words and great extent by the words and bers but because other people on Pope John himself reported

His own many years experi- bers. eastern Europe brought him week released to newsmen a Vatican spokesmen. eastern Europe brought hills week released to newshich a statement which says money numerous Orthodox clerics and lay people of that area. He has schools, hospitals and churches schools, hospitals and churches day is a good day to be born notably avoided the old polemay in the future be used to day is a good day to be born mic approach — the Church better advantage in radio and any day is a good day to better advantage in radio and day is a good day to under his pontificate "prefers to make use of the medicine of television programs. avoids simplifying the Catholic- to treat such a topic. "Even the excessively concerned." Orthodox schism as merely a code of canon law, which men-'misunderstanding.'

dox in the present structure of have entered into the homes direction deserves not just our the Catholic Church — a structure largely explained by historical circumstances but hardly comparable with "the simple and pure lines that the face of the Church of Jesus had at its be the more feasible way to

To "renew" the Church in evangelism. this direction is Pope John's first target on his road to ulti-Council this week included mate religious unity.

work by a special commission HIS "RENEWAL" program set up by Pope John to clarify includes revision of the the Scripture - Tradition posion Scripture and less emphasis highly technical debate and the of Sheed & Ward, Roman Cathon Church traditions, and wider Pope's announcement that the olic publishers in New York use of modern methods of communication — press, radio, telemext September rather than in
of the interreligious Religious vision and films — to carry out May as previously scheduled. Education Association.

flect religious conviction?"

He suggested that laws enact-

ed by Americans "should reflect

views, even if the views are tion in their churches.

viewpoints have been "so long charged that "official resolu-

out of touch" that at the pres- tions of protest sent to com-

ent time an American moral munity agencies and published

be discovered, but declared that tule was the premiere showing

"it's worth trying." He warned of a case study film, "Buses and

against a "lowest common de Ballots," produced by the NCCJ.

nominator" type of consensus. The film traces the develop-

tive director of the National Department of Education.

values on which they agree,"

held by as much as a majority.

Msgr. Lally acknowledged blocs.'

that he did not know how an

accurate moral consensus could

Christ's command to "preach Voting on changes in the the gospel to every creature" in liturgy also began this week acto Cardinal Massaia's statement, a world with an exploding popu- cording to proposals made durthese crusaders for union claim lation where 1 out of every 4 ing the Council's sessions Octodifferent rituals and traditions men on the face of the earth ber 22 to November 12. Four by their mere multiplicity con- is a Chinaman, 1 out of 3 lives items were voted upon. All stitute the best sign of true under Communist domination passed with overwhelming macatholicity. They state that "get-and where 1 out of every 2 jorities ranging from 2191 for ing to know you" will erase the Christians is not a Catholic — and 10 opposed to 2175 for and chasm of nine centuries of sep- a world which was 50 per cent 26 opposed. No details were an-Christian in 1900, 30 per cent nounced concerning the items

actions of Pope John himself. are increasing in greater num- on Pope John himself reported suffering from an attack of influenza and rumored in need ence as a Vatican diplomat in The Council's press office this of surgery, a rumor denied by

die." He told well-wishers in Rome, "We are at the start of mercy rather than that of The statement noted that this our 82nd year. Will we arrive severity" - and he equally is the first ecumenical Council at the end of it? We are not

His hopes and his goals are tions newspapers but once, According to this new third makes no mention at all of radio, television or films, since trinal and institutional problem admittedly exists for the Orthoday and the orthoday in the control of the contr gratitude but our commitment to the task that journey demands.

-Father Henry Atwell

adopt these new methods of COURIERJOURNAL Friday, Nov. 30, 1962

Editor Heads Educators

Philip Scharper, editor-in-chief

Dr. James C. McLeod, dean of students at Northwestern University, was chosen as one of the vice-presidents at the association's national convention in the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

Other new vice-presidents are olic editor added, was the ques- Protestant evangelicals choose Sister Annette J. Walters, tion: "To what extent civic law not to resort to legal action C.S.J., executive secretary of and administration should re- even though they consider cer- Sister Formation Conference in tain teachings in the public Washington, D.C., and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, New The NAE leader said evan-

and should not follow sectarian teaching only through educaversity of Chicago political science professor who is currently Dr. Henry reported that one lecturing in California, is the Representatives of differing specific workshop finding outgoing president.

by more than 900 Protestant, consensus can only be guessed in the press tend to divide and Roman Catholic and Jewish

Another feature of the insti- Pastor's Plea For Electricity

ment and outcome of a com- Roman Catholic pastor here Some participants in the in- munity controversy in Wilton, hardly had time to finish celestitute apparently disagreed with Msgr. Lally on the desirability of such a consensus. One ability of such a consensus. One Jewish representative called the proposal "utopian."

was authored and narrated by him away to preside at an emergency meeting called to cope with an electric power Dr. George L. Ford, execu- consultant of the Connecticut breakdown in the Villa Galicia

Moral Unity, Liberty Said Linked Still to be resolved, the Cath-Association of Evangelicals, said

Washington — (RNS) — A prominent Catholic editor urged here the development of an American "moral consensus" as a means of lessening tensions between religious groups.

A code of moral principles must be discovered, said Msgr. Francis J. Lally, editor of The Boston Pilot, archdiocesan newspaper, upon which the overwhelming majority of the population can agree.

Msgr. Lally made the plea in commenting on the significance and implication of four workshops held in connection with the First National Institute of the Religious Freedom and Public Affairs Project of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

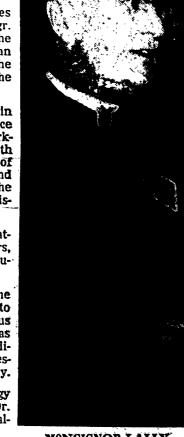
THE INSTITUTE was attended by 128 religious leaders, political experts, law yers, educators and sociologists.

A companion review of the workshops devoted to amalysis of current religious conflict in the public order was gaven by Dr. Carl F. Henry, editor of the conservative Protestant journal Christianity Today.

"The gulf between the clergy and the laity remains," Dr Henry said, "and anti-clericalism may be growing."

He pointed out that some of the most severe religious con-Hick has occurred in the na- within communities on matters

tion's intellectual centers, cit- which cause tension. ing Washington, D.C., New Haven, Conn.; and Boulder,



MONSIGNOR LALLY local level dialogue

Textbook Aid Defended

Pawtucket — (RNS) — State understanding can be accomprectly to the parent or child. No aid for parochial schools of the lished "then, as in biblical days, public funds can go to the paro-"The present avenues are in type sought by the Catholic society will be amazed to see chial school directly or indirectadequate," he said, "in spite of Diocese of Providence may be how these Christians love one ly. No religious organization or laudable pioneer work carried legal and constitutional under another even in the midst of a school can acquire new prop-Msgr. Lally also proposed forward by the National Con-certain conditions deriving from real difference about issues." establishment of "local levels ference of Christians and Jews. U.S. Supreme Court decisions in of dialogue" - discussions New avenues must be opened." | related cases, a Yale political | In discussing the Catholic rescientist told the Rhode Island quest for state aid in the pur-State Council of Churches here. chase of mathematics, science is provided by the state.

However, George R. LaNoue LaNoue said the principles he said that rather than set a precedent — "by going to the state like its welfare functions in the state benefits. for a little here and a little Rhode Island issue "are high there"-a "better way" to solve and fit into the context of "shared time."

Shared time is a system under which parochial school students method, Catholic youngsters would share their time between A complete census of all Episcopal Church, was named subjects) and parochial school

LaNoue is the author of a

In his address he noted what Christians and Jews. the results were never publishing statistics in the National Luth he called the "remarkably limited" aid request of the ed. There was no religious cen-eran Council's Division of Pub-limited" aid request of the lic Relations, as secretary. Providence Dioces an School views on America's constitu-mandate against public financial lic aid requests nationally.

HE SAID the tone of the dis-annual meeting here, was "The cussion throughout the state Responsibilities of Religious Cloughjordan - (NC)-Jun. had been "moderate," despite Freedom."

a special study of Catholic Urging continuance of "this contention that various uses of as before, is for a complete and teaching," the official report of moderate dialogue" between public funds for church-related absolute separation. There is no Canon Charles M. Guilbert of the junior ministers' annual Rhode Island's Protestants and schools and institutions are simplace for compromise or 'de-Wes Yesk City, secretary of the convention here has stated. Catholics, he said that if mutual ply a benefit to the child or grees' of separation."

erty in the state action. "2. No religious use or adap-

and modern languages texts, "3. The state must keep complete control of the administra-

tation can be made of whatever

He said this means the text-

the problem would be the use of Supreme Court decisions" on books requested by the Dioceother related issues. His stand san School Board would be given by the local public school board to parochial school chil-"1. The services must go di-Idren on a loan basis.

National Council, Protestant public school (for non-religious Episcopal Church, was named subjects) and parochial school Fears Aid Wedge

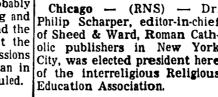
Washington — (RNS) — The pupil and not a benefit to the greatest "menace" to America's school or institution.

Church-State separation is the has become the chief wedge of "child benefit" argument, a those seeking to obtain public lawyer for the American Civil funds for religious institutions, schools and purposes and to Liberties Union asserted here. Attorney Kenneth W. Green-stitutional principle of separa-

Greenawalt characterized the and Public Affairs Project of the National Conference of proach."

"It neatly attempts to circum-Greenawalt presented his vent the clear constitutional Board as compared with Catho-tional tradition and religious aid or support to religious liberty. Overall theme of the schools and institutions," he institute, held during the NCCJ said.

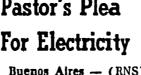
"I believe the wall of separation must be kept impregnable.' the attorney told the institute The ACLU lawyer defined the participants. "The constitutional 'child benefit" argument as the principle, and the need today



York. gelicals attempt to counter such

Jerome Kerwin, retired Uni-

The convention was attended



Religious Census Likely In 1966

New York — (RNS) — Members of the Association "could exercise their rights to of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies expressed religious subjects," according to "deep interest" and support here for a possible 1966 LaNoue's interpretation. In that method, Catholic youngsters Lawyer governmental census of all re-Ligious groups.

American religious bodies has president of the ASARB, suc-not been made since 1936, How-ceeding Otto K. Finkbeiner of ligious importance). Such a proerd E. Brunsman of Washing-Philadelphia, Pa., manager of gram is currently being conton, D.C., chief of the popula-the department of administraducted in several communities tion division of the U.S. Census tion of the United Presbyterian around the country. Bureau, told the statisticians at Church. their annual meeting.

IT WAS noted that such a Helen M. Knuble, also of New stis in 1956.

The government official praised America's larger church bodies for the efficiency of their statistical work, but said a goveximental census would progroups - "sects and storefront Church in Ireland are "making have opposed the aid plan." groups" as well as larger de- a special study of Catholic nominational channels."

Ministers Study

ards were these:

The organization also re-elect-recent report on the religious Brunsman said reaction to the ed Thomas B. Kenedy of New content of parochial school textproposed new religious census Catholic Directory as first vice and modern languages. He was sufficient desire by religious field, director of the Jewish affairs seminar sponsored by session of the first national indeclared.

Statistical Bureau in New York, the Rhode Island State Council stitute of the Religious Freedom Greens. second vice-president, and Miss of Churches.

vide complete data on all ior ministers of the Methodist the fact most Protestant bodies

constitutional provision for "The 'child benefit' theory

break asunder the wall and conject will be undertaken if there sided directors of the variety affairs coming sampled and the principal speaker at a public awalt stressed this point at a tion of Church and State," he





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