World Looks to Rome on Eve of Council

Paradox of the Council-Few Results, Immense Progress

By DR. GARY MacEOIN

Nome—Bishops and observers assembling for the second ses-alon of Vatican II exhibit a level of optimism far greater than that which marked the eve and opening days of the first session last October

The hundreds of reporters present then are back in Rome, resharpening their wis and pencils for a new word orgy. Their favorite pastime is analyzing the now well-documented if largely unofficial accounts of the first session in an attempt to find the reasons for the change in atmosphere.

The reasons are curiously par-

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was carried to a tentative con-clusion. The first section of the draff on the liturar had been revised to the satisfaction of the Fathers, before they left Rome in December.

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DE. GARY MACEOIN 'source of optimism'

of finality, the session ended with a sense that Pope John's primary objectives had been achieved. This sense grew steadily as world reaction defined itself and has been particularly confirmed by the cardinals' choice of Pope Paul VI as the successor to Good Pope John.

The first great surprise of the Council was that it quickly reversed an awareness among the Falliers of the need for a major renewal of the Church's inner life as well as her tech-niques of communication with her own members, and most important, an equal determination to effect such renewal. This is the urimary source of the optimalsm with which a new ses-

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sion miarts.

considerable and its expression occasionally bitter in the first tession. For lack of more adequate words, newsmen were driven to meak of progressives and conservatives.

The differences, nevertheless, did not hide but rather highlighted the universal agreement on what are the big issues for the Church today.

These big issues include: • The need to give the Church's coremonles of religion meaning for the faithful;

. The authority of the bishops as a group or college, as successors of the apostles (the unfinished work of Vatican I which defined papal authority);

• The inadequacy of a highly centralized civil service to deal with problems in far-off places. urging the devolution of administrative decision to national or regional councils of bishops;

 Above all, the inadecausey of a legalistic approach to man's relations with his Maker, the stress of a renewal of the Church according to the Gospel, according to the Gospel so that she will not rule but serve the people of God.

This re-evaluation of the Church by herself had a profound impact on the observers from the Christian de-nominations not in union with Rome. Some of their reactions and possible feed-back to the session now opening will be deiscussed in next week's article.

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Pope Pledges 'Reform' To Meet Needs of Times

By FATHER EDWARD

an 8 a.m. Pontifical High prepare themselves for an over-due but reasonable reorganization. this Sunday, Sept. 29.

revolution inspired by Pope John XXIII and inaugurated at the first session of the Council is certain to continue. Indeed, the work of the coming session will be more effective and more expeditious by reason of the immense experience

gained last fall.... Pope Paul VI has termed the Vatican Council the great harringe of John XXIII and has premised incessantly that he will carry out the policies of his predecessor and make the Council his life's work.

Such a papal pledge is obvi-ously not limited to the solemn gathering, the twenty-first in the Church's history. It is a formal engagement to assure the imprementation of the as-plrations (to use a phrase that Paul VI did not hesitate to employ last year when he was Archbishop of Milan) for "the reform of the Church."

1. What the new pontiff will tay at the opening session is tagerly awaited but few surprises are looked for. His words before and after his election as forereign nontiff have clearly identified im with the movement of ' ie "aggiorntmento," the inner enewal and updating

him and experience in adminis-

Council Rite

Catholic Church's meeting of its bishops.

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the central administrative agen staff, no clinging to acquired sites of the Holy See. prerogatives over and against

buff, S.J.

Special Correspondent

Vatican City (RNS)

Rome awaits expectantly the re-assembling of the Curia, reminding them in diplomatic language whose plain meaning was inescapable, that their primary function is to serve unreservedly the movement of inner renewal of the Church, to share without second Vatican Council at Second Vatican Council at an 8 a.m. Pontifical High prepare themselves for an over-

The first session of the Coun-THE NEW POPE indicated clusive vote on a single item catholicism has a new that he will not tolerate any of its agenda. It is not often Pope, but the spiritual foot-dragging on the part of his (Continued on Page 2)

Special News Reports, Features on Council

Correspondents with a ring-side seat at the Vatican Council will give Courier Journal readers a clear view of the historic meeting of the world's Catholic

Dr. Gary MacEoln's weekly column from Rome begins at the top of page one in today's edition. He will be working with Time magazine's special staff at the

The Courier has added the Divine Word News Service to its regular National Catholic Welfare News Service (NCWC) and Religious News Service (RNS) as an authoritative source on Council news. The Divine Word News Service, begun during last year's session, is scheduled to be published in 12 languages and will be carried by papers in 50 countries.

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will write special feature articles for the Courier when he gets time from his duties of Council business.

And Courier Journal editor Father Henry Atwell will go to Rome October 3 through 20 to get pictures and stories as the Council begins its two month second

effort to make religion relevant to modern man and his present Vatican Paper 'Goofs' Moreover, his sense of real in Translating Pope

in and experience in adminis-tration give good grounds for the hope that the coming ses-sion will move shead orderly of Pope Paul's changes in Vati-time extends to all men and is and with more dispatch. Finally, can Council arrangements re-going to be concretized in the greater cooperation with the suited in a general mistake in new secretariat, was translated work of the Council can be ex-pected from the Roman Curia, jected secretariat for relations the present Secretariat for Prowith non-Christian religions, ac moting Unity, under Augustin cording to Jesuit Father Ed Cardinal Bea, S.J., would be exward Duff. ward Duff.

On TV Sunday

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Catholic Church's meeting of

Prayer to the Holy Ghost for The Success

Of the Ecumenical Council at Rome

be read from the pulpit after each Mass on Sunday, September 29.)

of You, the fullness of Your gifts on the ecumenical Council.

truth and justice, the kingdom of love and peace. Amen.

(His Excellency, Bishop Kearney requests that the following prayer

O divine Spirit; sent by the Father in the name of Jesus, and ever

Grant that from this Council abundant fruit may spring; that the light

We gray to You also for the sheep who are not yet in the true fold of

Renew Your wonders by a new Penlecost in our time. Grant to Holy

present in the Church to guide it infallibly, graciously pour forth, we beg

and the power of the Holy Gospel may more and more spread through

human society; that the Catholic faith and its mission work may flourish

with increased vigor, and that the final result may be a fuller knowledge of

Jesus Christ, so that as they glory in the name of Christian, they may finally return to "their Father's house."

Church that, persevering constantly in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, it may spread the kingdom of the divine Saviour — the kingdom of

the Church's teaching and salutary progress in Christian morality.

Picture-Story

On The Vatican

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ecumenical Council. Television cameras will carry the spectacle around the world via Telstar communications satellite. Bishop Casey will represent the Rochester Diocese at the hostoric meeting. He will send a report of the event for Courier readers.

for young people, conducted an

and the sick and aged.



Funeral Rite Tomorrow

Solemna fune-ral rites will be held tomorrow morning, Satur-Nothingle, 34. who died Tues-

Bishop Kearmey wiFl offer the Requiem Mass at Holy Rosary Church at 045 a.m.

surgery early this week. years and served in two parlikes as anistant pastor — at the Church of the Annunciakion. Rochester, from 1955 to 1962, and for the past year at

a brief illness and following

He is the som of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Nothensile, 133 Dove and was ordained by Bishop chre Cemetery. Functal by a Vietnamese Special Forces
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Holy Rosary school, St. Andrew draf June 4, 1955.

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extensive religious instruction Newsweek, that the Vietnamese program for public set of pupils Special Forces ethat assailed and was revered by parishion. Buddhist pagodas in Saigon on ers for his quiet devotion and August 21 were Catholics is not warranded by evidence svall-'able here, according to Colum-He promptly acquired a simi han Father Patrick O'Connor, Tar deep respect from his El-NCWC corwespondent here.

parismioners especially for his concern for the children Newsweek described the troops engaged im Operation Pagoda will as having three dominant chargive the cutogy at the funeral acteristics: "They were Cathelic, they were from Hue and

Father Nothnagle is survived they were Tuthless." his parents, two sisters, Rita (In its September 23 ism II. Nothnagle of Rochester and the editor repeated this statelister Jean Miriam of Canan-ment, saying that the troops

dalgua, live brothers, Raymond, were Special Forces handpick-Paul, Philip and Mark of Roch ed for the occasion.) ester and Dr John T Nothnagle at the University of Iowa. Newsweck description proves to Burial will be in Holy Sepul- be a statement re-portedly mails

had charge during the raid on Monuments and Markers for one paged a. All were Catholics



Pope Paul stands at a Vatican window overlooking vast St. Peter's Piazza. More than two thousand of the world's Catholic bishops and scores of thousands of clergy and lay people will fill the piazza for rites Sunday morning which open the second session of the Vatican

day, for young Father John T.

Priests of the Diocese will chant Vespers of the Dead at the church tomight at 8 p.m. Father Notimnagle died after

He had been a priest eight

St. Mary's Church, Elmira.

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