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their own. They have done this by adopting its sentiments and an underlying philosophy of conduct in their movement to obtain justice under the laws of their land.

The 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner thanked Father Crowley for "this wonderful and meaningful gesture."

Dr. King told the priest and the nuns their more than twenty-five years of religious, educational and hospital work in Selma has "given so many people courage and vision" and he thanked them for "the light of love and understanding" they have kept burning in that area for the past quarter century.

He also described the "warmest comradeship" he has experienced in recent years with Catholic priests. The Baptist clergyman said due to "the great vision" of Pope John "new levels of understanding are developing between Catholics and Protestants."

Another minister, Rev. Cecil Abernathy, a long-time associate of Dr. King, also voiced gratitude for the Negro civil rights workers for the honor given Dr. King. "May God bless the hospital for it truly is the Good Samaritan. You have had the vision and concern to see your fellowman lying in the gutter and to care for him."

He showed Father Crowley and the nuns a medal Pope Paul gave him recently and repeated his deep reverence for both Pope John and the present Pontiff in their efforts to make all men realize they are brothers.

POPE PAUL at the Vatican Sunday noon told a crowd in St. Peter's piazza that he prayed to Our Lady to end the racial discord which "creates hatred, victims and disorders."

The Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano the same day denounced the "bestial violence" of state police in Alabama and deplored the murder of Unitarian minister Rev. James L. Reeb who went to Selma to protest continued blocking of Negroes seeking to vote.

The Vatican paper encouraged "clergymen of every denomination" to continue "working side by side in defense of human values."

OTHER EVENTS which focus on the Selma situation this week include:

Cardinal Spellman sent \$10,000 to the Good Samaritan Hospital in Selma to serve as a memorial to the Unitarian minister whose death he termed a "tragic and senseless loss." He also urged "all who are concerned against the evil of violating the basic rights of men."

The New York Cardinal also authorized 20 priests of his archdiocese to go to Selma to take part in the civil rights demonstrations there.

Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington directed that prayers be said in all Catholic churches in the nation's capital last Sunday for God's guidance as government officials probe for ways to solve the racial strife tearing the nation apart.

Prelates and priests in scores of dioceses and hundreds of churches made similar statements and calls for prayer.

President Johnson told Congress to enact legislation promptly to overcome racially restrictive voting rights.

Prayers and proposals, however, failed to damp down the fires of hate.

In Lexington, Massachusetts, a Ku Klux Klan-style cross was set aflame on the lawn of St. Bridgid's Church on the eve of an inter-denominational memorial service at the nearby Lexington Green, famed Revolutionary War battleground.

The cross was marked with a sign bearing the KKK initials and the words, "We hate niggers."

Parents Told Details

Seminarians at College Plan

Five hundred parents of students at St. Andrew's Seminary toured St. John Fisher College Sunday afternoon and heard details of a plan to have students of the seminary college department make their college studies at the Basilian school.

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey outlined reasons why Bishop Kearney has decided that the Diocese will terminate its present arrangement of six years' study at St. Andrew's and six years' at St. Bernard's Seminary, a system which has been in existence since 1892.

According to the new plan, seminarians will make their four-year high school studies at St. Andrew's, their four college years at St. John Fisher and their theological studies at St. Bernard's for four years.

Bishop Casey told the parents and the seminarians that the new 4-4-4 plan will provide greater opportunities for the students without duplicating facilities and staffs already available at the two seminaries.

The alternative, he said, would be to build a separate seminary-college and this, he stated, would be unwise. The Diocese has no reserve fund to erect such a college and could not staff it if the funds were available.

The Bishop cited the present St. Bernard's Seminary enrollment which indicates that an average of eight to ten new priests will be ordained each year for the Diocese in the next five years, far short of diocesan personnel requirements in parishes and special assignments.

"It is evident," he said, "that we have no priests to spare to staff the separate seminary college department we have described. We intend to have in the years ahead a complete staff of priest and lay professors at St. Andrew's for the high school department and a complete staff of priest professors at St. Bernard's. Beyond this we cannot go."

He said the Diocese will build a House of Studies on the Druid Hills property of St. John Fisher College. This building should be ready for occupancy by September, 1967. Very Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, S.T.D., was



Bishop Casey with seminary and college officials prior to his talk Sunday explaining plan of Diocese to have seminarians make their college studies at St. John Fisher. With him in photo are Ronald Proud, Fisher admissions director; Monsignor Richard Quinn, rector of St. Andrew's Seminary; Very Rev. Dr. Joseph Hogan, rector of the seminarians-in-college; and Very Rev. Charles Lavery, president of St. John Fisher College.



Parents and seminarians toured St. John Fisher campus Sunday afternoon and then heard Bishop Casey in talk on new seminary program scheduled to begin this September.

recently named rector for the seminarians at college.

Bishop Casey also stated that the seminarians will be charged regular Fisher College tuition but that "any worthy candidate in extreme need will not be

allowed to depart from the seminary for financial reasons."

Dr. Hogan outlined the diocesan plan for the spiritual formation of the seminarians at the House of Studies and the academic advantages of the new system.

St. Andrew's students of College I and College II will inaugurate the new arrangement at St. John Fisher College beginning this September. Students who board at St. Andrew's will commute to the college by bus. Students living at home will use other means of transportation.

Ronald Proud, director of admissions at St. John Fisher College, spoke on tuition arrangements and funds available to students for loans or scholarship awards.

There was a question period after the talks and Bishop Casey at the close of the meeting commended the parents and seminarians "for the fine cooperative and optimistic spirit" they evidenced in their questions.

Comments of both parents and seminarians following the meeting were most favorable.

Catholic University Planned in England

London — (NC) — The Catholic bishops of England and Wales are setting up their own university-level institution of higher studies at Heythrop College, Jesuit seminary 16 miles from Oxford.

With the approval of the Holy See, students for the secular priesthood and the religious orders — and also lay men and women — will be able to study there and receive recognized doctorates and other degrees in philosophy and theology. Hitherto Heythrop has been able to grant degrees only to Jesuit students. While the ancient universities such as Oxford and Cambridge were originally Catholic establishments, there has been no general Catholic institution on the university level in England since the Reformation.

Cardinal John Heenan of Westminster becomes chancellor of the new "university" with the Jesuit provincial, Father Terence Corrigan, S.J., as vice-chancellor. Its official title secured from the Congregation of Seminaries and Universities in Rome, is the Heythrop Athenaeum of Ecclesiastical Studies, with faculties of theology and philosophy.

The Jesuits will continue to administer the two faculties. But non-Jesuit professors — as

Physics Teachers
Detroit — (NC) — The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant of \$35,800 to the University of Detroit to support its 1965 summer institute for high school teachers of physics.

Ancient Order Near Extinction

Madrid — (NC) — Lack of vocations is endangering the existence of an old religious order of nuns, founded in the Middle Ages when Christians fought the Moslems in Spain.

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Men's Unit Stresses Ecumenical Spirit

Washington — (NC) — The National Council of Catholic Bishops has decided to abandon the massive convention format and encourage the ecumenical movement at its 1965 biennial meeting to be held from April 28 to May 1 in Dallas, Tex.

Instead of encouraging unlimited delegations from its affiliated organizations, NCCM headquarters here disclosed it will request each affiliate to limit its delegation to five laymen, a moderator, executive secretary and a Non-Catholic observer. There are some 110 diocesan and national organizations affiliated with the NCCM.

The NCCM said the purpose of requesting a Non-Catholic observer in each delegation is to foster the spreading ecumenical spirit. Representatives from Non-Catholic religions will be welcomed at all sessions, the NCCM said.

For the first time in the 45-year history of the NCCM a Protestant will deliver the keynote address at the organization's convention. He is Dr. Albert C. Outler, who heads the Perkins school of theology at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. Dr. Outler has served as an observer for the World Methodist Council at the three sessions of the Second Vatican Council.

The NCCM, which represents some 10 million Catholic men in this country, is blueprinting its convention to provide leaders of diocesan and national affiliates with oppor-

tunity to study and plan the council's program for the next two days.

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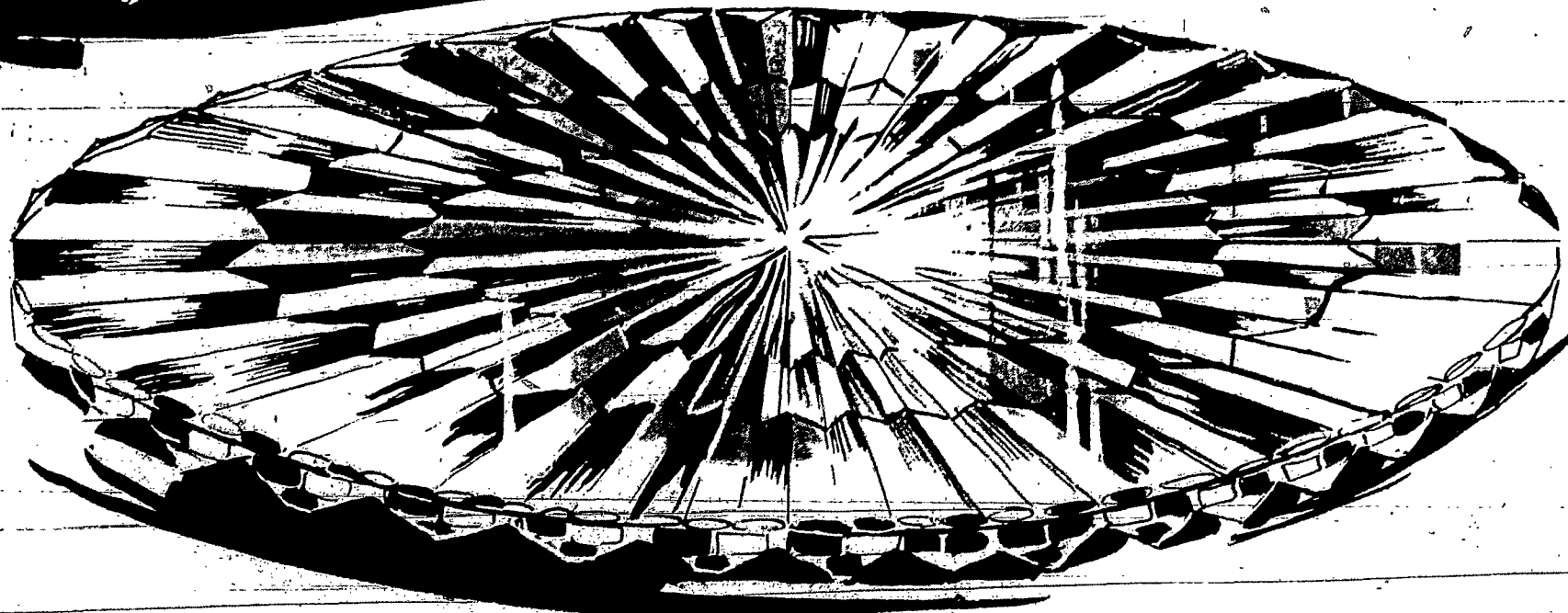
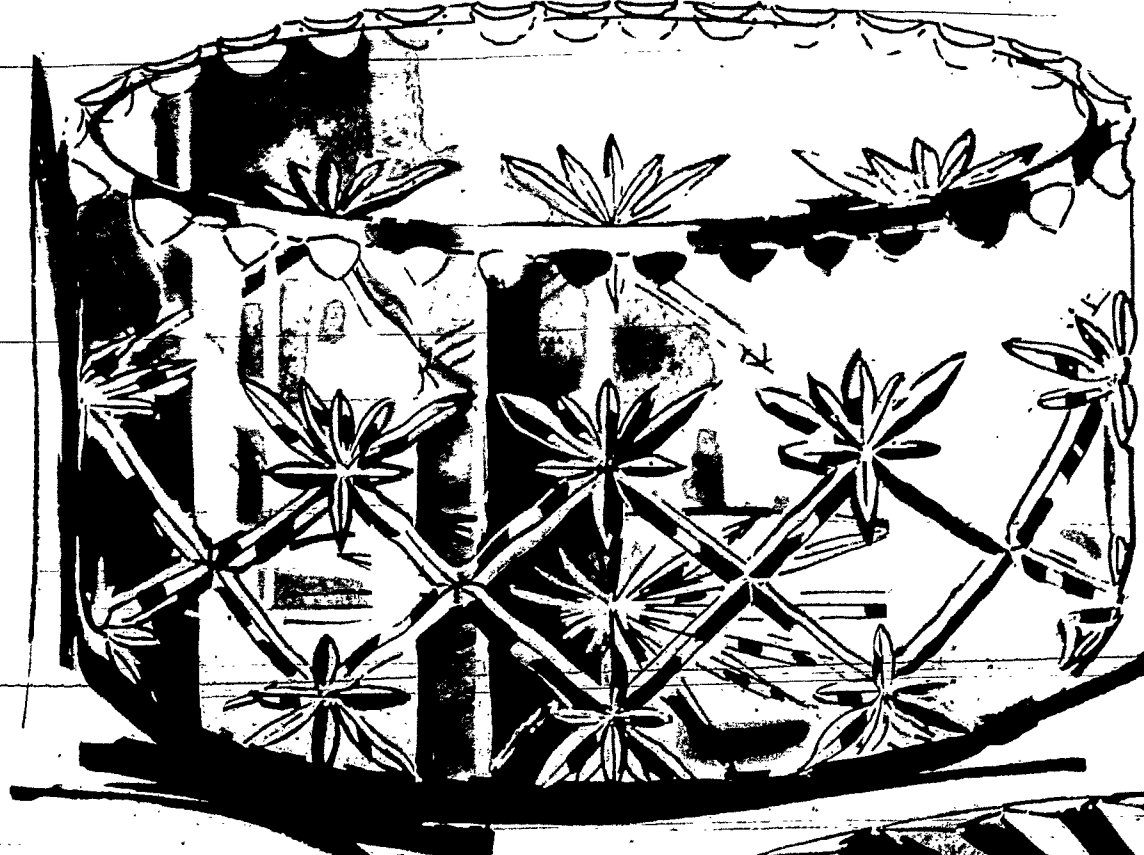
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