

# Fund Drive Names Xerox McColough

C. Peter McColough, executive vicepresident of operations of Xerox Corporation, Rochester, will be a general vice chairman for the \$9 million fundraising drive for St. John Fisher and Nazareth Colleges.

McColough will head the corporations and major gifts divisions of the joint college campaign, it was announced today by Robert B. Wegman, general chairman.

Solicitation of corporation and individual major gifts will get under way in June, McColough said.

Wegman pointed out that funds also will be sought from graduates of the two colleges and from parishioners throughout the 12-county Rochester Diocese. Solicitation of commerce and industry, alumni, alumnae and parishioners is slated next Fall.

St. John Fisher College plans include a science building, library, student center and diocesan house of studies. Nazareth College will add a fine-arts complex, including auditorium and music and arts wings.

In accepting the campaign post, McColough said:

"All citizens, including the business community, should be encouraged to take an active interest in helping colleges and universities solve their financial problems.

"The improvement of our system of higher education represents an improvement of this entire area and everybody benefits. Financial support of these institutions can be considered a very real investment for business, which seeks the end result of education — new knowledge, trained manpower and the favorable climate in which to operate and expand."

McColough is a member of the board of regents at St. John Fisher College and is a trustee of the Rochester Institute of Technology, Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart, the Rochester Savings Bank and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

He also is a member of the Urban Renewal Commission of Rochester and a director of the Lincoln Rochester Trust Company and the Rochester Red Cross Chapter. Other memberships include the Harvard Club

# World's Women Gain Status, UN Report Reveals

By ALBA ZIZZAMIA

United Nations (NG) members will be unable to agree on who should pay the bills for peacekeeping. But they are unanimous about the need to ensure the "advancement of women" if economic and social progress in developing countries is to come anywhere near the goals of the "decade of development."

This is reflected in a report currently under review by the UN Commission on the Status of Women, Iran. The report is a of Women, which is meeting in compilation of replies from governments, specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations.

The views of four international Catholic organizations are included in the report, while the government of Ireland based its reply on the comments of three missionary orders' experienced in under-developed countries.

The role of women in national development was put succinctly in the Italian reply: "It follows that a country cannot become socially and economically developed when one half of its citizens — the women — are kept in a state of political, social, economic and cultural inferiority, when the economy is based on the illegal exploitation of a group of workers (women), and when some of its citizens (women) are not represented or cannot propose, sustain and develop enterprises conducive to the benefit of the entire national community."

Practically all of the 35 governments and 19 international

organizations which replied to the UN secretary general's inquiry stressed the need for education at all levels, including vocational training and adult education programs.

Several also stressed that the community as a whole must be educated to accept and encourage this advancement of women, especially in view of the cultural patterns and traditions in many areas that have kept women from enjoying many of their fundamental human rights.

The three missionary orders included in the Irish reply were the Convent of the Mother of Mercy, Blackrock; St. Louis Convent, Monaghan; and the Medical Missionaries of Mary, Drogheda. Their comments paralleled those of governments in pointing up the usefulness of seminars, training institutes and scholarships, and the necessity of more concentration on the economic, social and educational fields. (Most countries have granted women equal voting and political rights). The Medical Missionaries of Mary made a number of concrete suggestions for the training of medical personnel.

The importance of the work being done by international non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the UN and their potential for future usefulness in this field were emphasized in a third of the government replies as well as in the comments of the non-governmental groups.

Women's Organizations (WUCWO) requested absolute priority for education, includ-

ing adult education, in programs designed to prepare women for a broader role in society. It emphasized the need for flexibility in such programs, given the widely divergent circumstances in different areas of the world. It declared "it would be disastrous to separate the idea of the progress of women from that of the progress of the community and society."

On the basis of its own experience, the WUCWO recommended regional seminars and study courses for countries with similar problems, "especially if these . . . are the basis of future action on the national and local level." It also supported the recommendation that national commissions on the status of women be set up in every country. (Such a commission was set up in the United States by President Kennedy.)

The World Federation of Catholic Young Women and Girls (WFCYWG) pointed out that the advancement of men "is as imperative as that for women, and what is needed is an integrated approach to the subject of development which, while taking into consideration the different roles which men and women play in their societies, will still allow the fullest development of their respective capacities, and assure qualified men and women leaders of their societies."

The WFCYWG also stressed adult education and adequate vocational training and noted that education for family life is as necessary for young men as it is for young women and girls. The WFCYWG expressed similar views, stating that efforts and research should be undertaken by non-governmental organizations "to involve the cooperation of men in eradicating prejudice against women, and discovering new formulae for the benefit of both men and women."

The use of interregional seminars and study courses was the main recommendation of the Catholic International Union for Social Service. The Catholic International Education Office made a number of specific suggestions for adult education programs, including special cen-

ters for training handicapped women. It recommended, as did most of the governments, that "a long-term program for the advancement of women should be developed as an integral part of existing programs."

While most of the non-governmental organizations are handicapped by lack of funds, the Catholic education body observed, they could provide experts familiar with the customs and cultures of the countries in which the programs are to be carried out.

All four Catholic organizations reported on their own programs for the advancement of women, most of them training of one kind or another. Among the types of aid they consider-

ed would be helpful were teaching equipment, audio-visual aids, leadership materials and reading material for new literates.

Also on the agenda of the current session of the Commission on the Status of Women is the preparation of a draft declaration on the elimination of discrimination against women. This was requested by the 18th (1963) session of the UN General Assembly.

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# LBJ School Law Aids All Pupils

Johnson City, Texas — (RNS) — In a small red school house where he first went to school, President Johnson signed into law a measure destined to help him

fulfill what he called a long-time ambition — helping the poor to better education opportunities. This was made possible when the Senate, by vote of 73 to 18, passed the first general federal aid to education bill in the nation's history, specifically designed to helping 5 million of the nation's children coming from families whose income is less than \$2,000 annually.

But perhaps the main significance of the bill was not that it was the first federal bill ever to be passed, but in the fact that for the first time a bill cleared both the House and the Senate which did not stumble over church-state questions. The bill makes it possible for the poor among parochial students to share in its benefits, as well as the poor in public.

For the President, the signing of the bill in his native Texas, in a school house that, though public, housed many poor students of Mexican descent and a predominantly Catholic religious background, constituted a major accomplishment.

Mr. Johnson has often said he wants most of all to be known as the President who did something for education. Recently, in addressing the nation, he said that in witnessing what he had in the little Texas school house, he had vowed then and there that he was going to do something to help the lot of the poor.

But in another realm, signing of the \$1.3 billion bill also served as a milestone in his legislative career. It provides what he considers the cornerstone for his vision of building the "Great Society." He sees in the bill, which, at present, provides funds for only one year, the tool for breaking the cycle of ignorance and incompetence engendered by poverty.

In his State of the Union Message, when he called upon Congress to give the bill top priority, he argued that so long as individuals are deprived of proper education because they lack the means, whether they go to public or parochial schools, the hold of poverty will be unrelenting. Ignorance begets ignorance, he argued, and poverty breeds more poverty.

As in the House, numerous attempts to add amendments to the bill, were made in the Senate, but not one stood a chance against the overwhelming Dem-



**Moslem Congratulates Cardinal Cairo**—(RNS)—Grand Sheikh Hassan Maamoun, spiritual leader of the Al Azhar University in Cairo, world center for the Islamic faith, congratulates Franz Cardinal Koenig, Archbishop of Vienna, after the Catholic prelate addressed Moslem students at the university. The cardinal spoke on "Monotheism in the Contemporary World." During the talk he made a fervent plea for increased cooperation between Islam and Christianity in solving major world problems. Cardinal Koenig had been invited to speak at the 1,000-year-old university during a previous visit in December.

# More Diplomats at Vatican

Rome — (RNS) — Hope that more countries would establish diplomatic relations with the Holy See was voiced here by Amleto Giovanni Cardinal Cicognani, Vatican Secretary of State.

The cardinal — in effect the Pope's "prime minister" in administration of Vatican City — spoke at a dinner tendered in his honor by members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See.

Replying to a speech by the dean of the corps, Baron Prosper Poswisch of Belgium, Cardinal Cicognani said: "It is never the custom for the Holy See to make the first move in entering into diplomatic relations with a country, just as it is never the Holy See which takes the initiative in breaking off existing relations."

On the other hand, he said, "the Holy See welcomes with joy proposals made for the establishing of diplomatic relations and asks for nothing more than to see these relations growing and attaining world dimensions."

"We hope," he added, "that the collaboration of all men of goodwill may bring about establishment of a just peace which is solid and lasting and to which peoples aspire."

Present at the dinner in addition to almost all members of the diplomatic corps, were numerous high-ranking Vatican dignitaries, including Archbishop Antonio Samore, secretary of the Sacred Congregation for Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs; Archbishop Pericle Felici, secretary general of the Second Vatican Council; and Msgr. Agostino Casaroli and Antonio

Mauro of the Vatican Secretariat of State.

In his speech, Baron Poswisch expressed the diplomatic corps' "deep admiration" of the "exceptional stature" of the pontiffs of modern times and the "universal import and bearing of their teachings" as exemplified in the recent international convocation on the encyclical Pacem in Terris of Pope John XXIII held in New York.

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