

Institute to Promote Faith, Race Projects

New York (RNS)—A charter for The John LaFarge Institute here, founded last year to foster ecumenical and racial understanding and cooperation, was approved by its interreligious Board of Advisers.

Approval of the charter set in motion the institute's conferences scheduled to begin in the fall. According to the charter, these conferences will be two-day meetings of small groups of men well informed, enlightened about their own interests and the interests of others who understand responsibility and are respected for their views.

The institute will help these participants pool their knowledge and resources in constructive action for implementing the ideals of racial justice and religious harmony.

Father Walter M. Abbott, S.J., the institute's director and an associate editor of America magazine, said the center will bring together men of "scholarly competence and practical experience, who, in many cases, might otherwise never meet."

Dr. Dumont F. Kenny, president of Queensborough Community College of The City University of New York and chairman of the institute's Board of Advisers said the center's program is "open to men of all creeds and opinions for discussion and confrontation."

He added that "in a practical sense, the formation of the institute board and preparation of its charter served as a demonstration of the effectiveness of the kind of cooperative action we project for the institute on racial and other social questions in the future."

Father Thurston N. Davis, S.J., editor-in-chief of America, observed that the institute was founded by the magazine's Jesuit editors as a way of keeping alive the spirit and work of their former colleague—Father John LaFarge.

Father LaFarge, who died Nov. 24, 1963 at the age of 83, was widely known for his leadership in interracial and ecumenical activities and had been associated with America for 37 years.

Book Store

In Spain

Barcelona—(RNS)—"Liberia Evangelica"—Spain's first authorized Protestant book store—was opened to the general public here.

It is managed by Harold Kregel, an independent Baptist minister from the United States, who is also the editor of the Protestant fortnightly "Portavox" (The Spokesman), which has a circulation of approximately 6,000.

Nazareth, Fisher Colleges Graduate 277

Names of the 133 graduates of St. John Fisher College are as follows. They will receive their degrees from Bishop Kearney at the college's 11th graduating ceremony this Sunday at 3 p.m.

Richard F. Albert, Richard L. Alocco, John W. Altjeter, Robert F. Augustine, Robert A. Babcock, Donald L. Bausch, Richard J. Beck, James B. Beckman, C.S.B., Gary M. Benjamin, James D. Blackburn, John A. Bosner, Michael J. Bracci, Philip Brancatisano, E. Michael Callan, James E. Carey.

Warren T. Chase, Stephen V. Christopher, P. Daniel Clancey, Charles J. Coeca, Alfred C. Constantino, Donald G. Cook, John A. Coughlin, Edward C. Courtney, G. Thomas Crombach, Leonard N. Cross, Drake J. D'Alessandra, Michael K. Davids, Frederick A. DeNunzio, Raymond C. DePalma, John J. DeRosa, William F. Dolke.

Lowell A. Dunlap, John V. Ehmara, John C. Englet, Lawrence A. Ennis, Edwin W. Ewart, Jr., Daniel L. Fagan, Richard F. Ford, Richard W. Friday, Jr., Craig J. Fuehrer, David N. Furioso, John D. Galbraith, Thomas C. Gard, Gary L. Gardner, Emanuele Genovesi, Robert J. Geger, Gabriel Germano.

Thomas G. Gintano, Richard A. Glossner, Joseph O. Gorman, Robert L. Granger, Joseph L. Griffo, James A. Hahn, Robert E. Harris, Francis J. Hayes, Jr., James M. Henderson, Francis G. Hogan, James P. Hogan, Thomas R. Hogan, James D. Hyde, Terrance A. Kamp, Robert J. Kiehammer, David O. Klein, C.S.B., James A. Knaut, Jr.

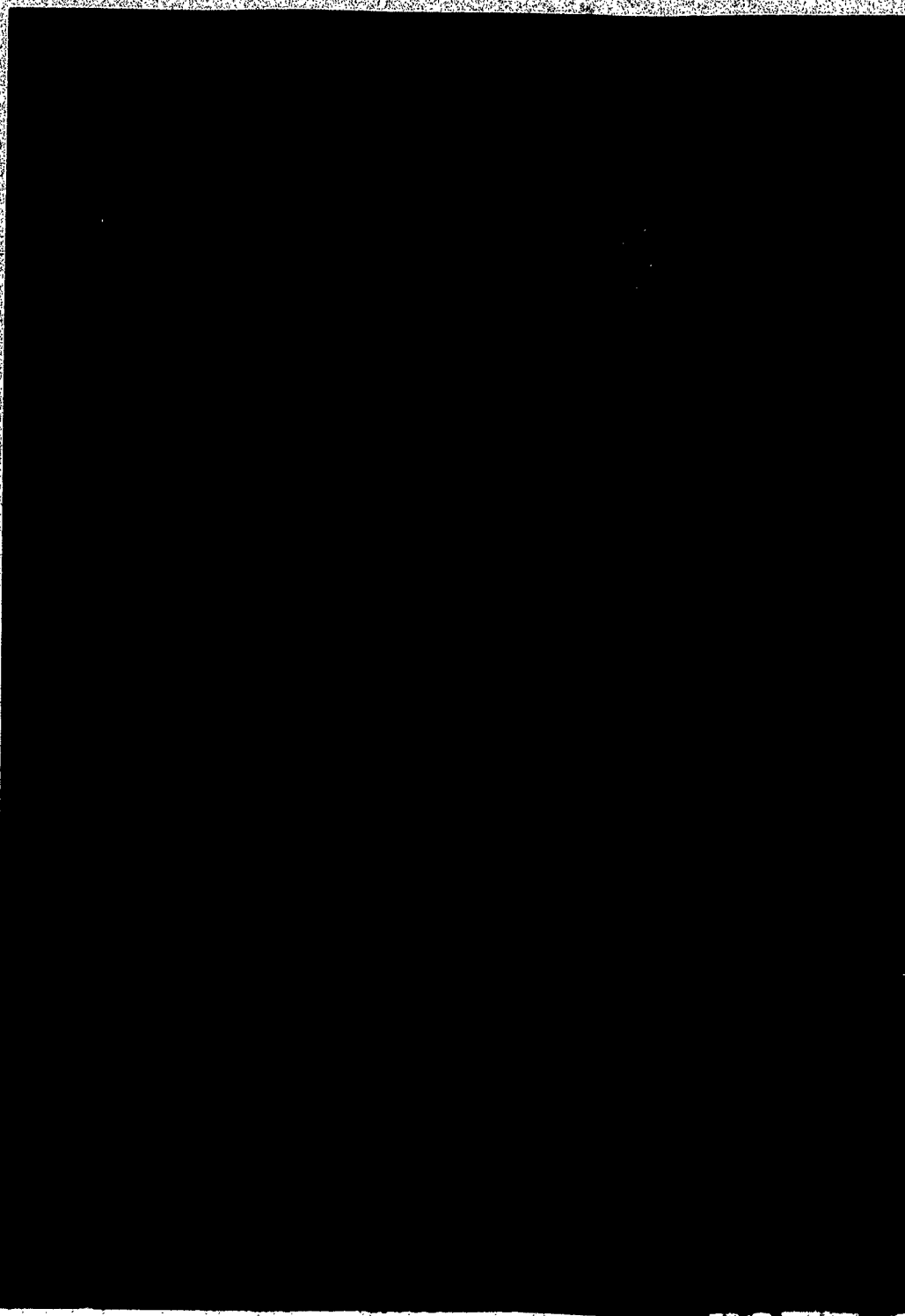
Paul O. Krenzer, Robert M. Kuebel, Paul J. Laboski, John J. LaDuca, Joseph E. Lill, Bernard F. Lillis, Jr., Michael F. Lindsay, George A. Lorenzo, Anthony W. LoVerdi, Steven J. Maler, Arthur F. Maira, Joseph P. Mancuso, Vito Marcellio, Stephen R. Matkowsky, Dennis M. McCrossen, C. Kerry McDonald, H. David McDonald, Michael T. McGrath, Thomas R. McKague, Ralph P. Meleo, Thomas F. Melville, William J. Meyer, Jr., Thomas W. Miller, Gerard A. Mitrano, Richard F. Montrosi.

William J. Morabito, John W. Norton, Donald J. Nogrinski, Stephen M. Nowicki, Lawrence J. Nucitelli, Joseph C. Pallone, Angelo J. Panepinto, Stephen J. Paris, John S. Petrella, Bruce C. Pickering, Charles T. Polizzi, William B. Predmore, Edward Quigley, Lucien R. Randazzo, Salvatore Randazzo, Frederick O. Reed, Jr., James E. Rice, Henri J. Richard.

Daniel E. Richards, Joseph G. Ryan, Thomas M. Ryan, Samuel Salerno, Harry A. Salla, Gerard E. Sauter, Edward G. Schepel, John Schifferli, Nicholas J. Schurawel, Andrew J. Sciarabba, Frank D. Sementino, James Seymour, Michael D. Shea, Robert T. Sherrill, Andrew C. Sikstema, James L. Sloan, James P. Snyder, Thomas Stokes, Robert L. Suglia, Gerald R. Territo.

John A. Toscano, Robert A. Tripodi, Edward E. Tunney, Joseph C. Urban, Richard P. Wheat, James P. Ward, C.S.B., Clement C. Wesley, Leonard G. Whitcraft, John A. Zdanecia.

Padre Pio
Sua Giovanni—(NC)—Padre Pio, famed Italian stigmatic Capuchin priest who had been ill and unable to celebrate Mass since Easter, celebrated his 78th birthday, May 25, by offering Mass in the monastery chapel here. He has resumed a full schedule of activities, including the hearing of hundreds of confessions daily.



Outstanding Student at Fisher

BISHOP KEARNEY congratulates G. Thomas Crombach, St. John Fisher College senior from Webster, who was selected by the Rochester Teachers Association as the outstanding student graduating from the college in 1965 preparing for a teaching career. Observing is Very Rev. Charles J. Lavery, C.S.B., Fisher president. Crombach, a biology major, will attend graduate school at Catholic University of America in the fall on a fellowship granted by the University.

Noted Artist Riles Reds

BY PATRICK RILEY

Zabreb—(NC)—All Yugoslavia is proud of its greatest modern sculptor, Ivan Mestrovic, but official Yugoslavia is rather embarrassed by him. Mestrovic, a religious man, according to the official "Cultural History of Croatia" (one of Yugoslavia's six republics), Mestrovic started off well enough.

His first subjects were "the great Yugoslav national myths." But by the time World War I erupted "the artist was already fully occupied with medieval religious topics."

However, Mestrovic's "extraordinary talents enabled him to remain a true artist even in this ideological and thematic retardation."

In the long run, religion and the fact that he didn't like communism got the better of poor Mestrovic. The "Cultural History of Croatia" sadly records that "his ideological deviation, which at certain times linked him closely to religious views, gradually estranged him from

the national myths as an inspiration, as well as from the reality of his own country."

The history's final judgment on Mestrovic is that "his expressed ideological deviation (outrageous opposition to, contempt for) in the latter part of his life left negative marks on his art."

As it happens, one of Mestrovic's most prominent statues here in Zagreb has a religious subject: the 19th-century Yugoslav bishop, Josip Juraj Strossmayer.

Official Yugoslavia seems rather embarrassed by Bishop Strossmayer, too. Through his outstanding participation in the First Vatican Council, Bishop Strossmayer has become one of the few South Slav patriots to be well known in the West, and it is known that his Slav patriotism prompted officials of the

Austrian Empire to veto his elevation to the college of cardinals.

But the official guide to Slovenia, Yugoslavia's northernmost republic, describes him as "one of the well-known Yugoslav patrons of arts and letters," J. J. Strossmayer.

The "Cultural History of Croatia" does him fuller justice, recording that he founded and financed national institutions that thrive to this day, such as the Yugoslav Academy of Arts and Sciences and the University of Zagreb. Both the academy and the university were "the first institutions of their kind in Yugoslavia and the Balkans," the history notes.

But it fails to record that the present regime, not long after coming to power, threw the university's theological faculty out with due wit and formality.

Following are the names of the 139 young women who were graduated from Nazareth College Monday, May 31, at the school's 38th commencement rite:

Bachelor of Arts

Blissina Ann Allen, Caroline Badger, JoAnn P. Bambino, Mary Johanna Barrett, Sally Margaret Beecher, Maureen Elizabeth Bell, Ann Hayes Best, Janice Elaine Boyd, Catherine Brieddy, Karen Louise Callahan, Rose Marie Capanna, Dorene Caroscio.

Eleanor Mary Carter, Mary S. Cassata, Joyce Ann Chesky, Amelia B. Choromanski, Edna Marie Chryssafides, Karen Ann Clarico, Marie A. Cirando, Carol Cleveland, Mary Anne Clifford, Angela Jo Coppola, Linda Mary Corcoran, Joan Marie Curtin.

Antonina Denysenko, Elaine Anne Marie DiFlorio, Erminia (Erma) DiGioia, Linda Regina DiIodato, Elizabeth Mary Dolan, Kathleen Margaret Doran, Patricia Ann Doran, Elaine Gale Dunn, Sheila Mary Dwyer, Linda Rose Easham, Jeanne Marie Eismont, Maria Claire Everill.

Janet Mary Ferrante, Sheila Mary Fitzsimmons, Barbara Gail Friedland, Helen B. Gormley, Ellen Margaret Hahn, Wendy Ann Hall, Linda Elaine Hallen, Barbara A. Healey, Patricia Dianna Heberger, Joan Mary Heim, Teresa Hickey, Joan Helen Hull.

Pauline Marie Jameson, Karen Eileen Kirby, Linda Ann Kitz, Patricia Jean Kreckel, Carol Ann Lanzione, Barbara Jean Larsen, Suzanne Marie Lieb, Ann Patricia MacArthur, Susan Thalia MacDougall, Marianne Scrofano Maines, Lorraine Arlene Majcher, Blanche Victoria Malankowski.

Linda Catherine Markey, Diane Ruth McCutchen, Ann Marie McGee, Sheila Alma McGinn, Karen E. Metzger, Kathleen Theresa Moran, Joy Elaine Murphy, Joan Ellen Neller, Mary Jean O'Connor, Ann O'Hara, Mary Ann O'Neill, Margaret Ann O'Reilly.

Barbara Ann Orioli, Judith Ann Otto, Kathleen Anne Parker, Eleanor Elizabeth Pugh, Patricia A. Quinn, Sharon Racine, Susan Elizabeth Reynolds, Lorraine R. Rheude, Ann Marie Rock, Mary Frances Rodzal.

Margaret Elizabeth Rooney, Rosalie Ann Sassano, Mary Ann Schipper, Sharon Ann Schupp, Sheryl Ann Seager, Margaret Ann Simmons, Kathleen A. Smith, Ann E. Stahl, Roberta M. Stoffel, Carolyn Marie Suters, Bonnie Marie Trau, Joan Marie Unger.

Sandra F. Wehage, Mary Elizabeth Weinschneider, Maryann Weisner, Ruth Alice White, Mary Ellen Woods, Judith Ellen Woods.

Bachelor of Science

Jean Ann Bellini, Jessica Marie Ferrar, Claudia Adelle Gray, Karen Elizabeth Helms, Helen Marie Kaniey, Bernadette Malone, Joan Christine May, Judith Grace Perry, Mary Frances Pliager, Eileen Frances Walsh, Maryanne M. Weiskopf.

Bachelor of Science

(Degree in Art)
Judith Anne Boldish, Anne Marie Ledoux Erwin, JoAnn Marsha Friedland, Bernadette Louise Nelson, Lynne C. Schulte.

Bachelor of Science

(Degree in Business)
Frances Helen Conboy, Nancy Fenwick, Donna Hyland, Margaret Rose McCarthy.

Bachelor of Science

(Degree in Music Education)
Gall Ann Cabic, Bettina Anna DiRienzo, Eileen Marie Drechsel, Jane Marie Flynn, Nancy Mary Denise Friedhoff, Kathleen Marie McMinn, Grace Frances Pecore, Diane Mary Redmore, Carol Marie Remacle, Virginia Ann Sarosy.

Bachelor of Science

(Degree in Speech Correction)
Carol B. Constanza, Katherine J. Donovan, Mary Geraldine Furino, Nancy Jo Geiger, Kathleen Ruth Merle, Mary Ann Scurr, Mary Kathryn Stasko, Gail Ann Zimmer.

Prelate Says Criticism Runs Riot

Spokane—(NC)—Spokane's Bishop Bernard J. Topel has charged that adverse criticism of the Church "is now running riot," promoting divisions and anticlericalism.

The outspoken prelate made his charges in his column, "Your Bishop and You," in the May 28 issue of the Inland Catholic Register, diocesan newspaper.

He said that "there is still need for constructive criticism" but most of the present fault-finding is unnecessary. He warned that few Catholics are prepared for the kind of criticism now being spread and most are spiritually harmed by it.

In his column the bishop said: "Adverse criticism is now out of hand. The Church will be the better for much less of it." He also asserted: "Much present criticism of the Church is totally negative and, consequently, harmful rather than beneficial."

U.S. Edition Of RSV Bible For Catholics

New York—(RNS)—A special Roman Catholic edition of the New Testament in the Revised Standard Version (RSV), prepared in England under the sponsorship of the British Catholic Biblical Association, also will appear in this country, it was announced here by Thomas Nelson and Sons, publishers.

The Catholic adaptation of the Protestant-produced RSV has been hailed by both Protestant and Catholic leaders as an ecumenical development of high significance.

A special copy of the English edition was presented to Pope Paul VI on May 22 and the edition went into general publication in early June. The publication date of the American version is July 15.

The American edition will contain a preface by the late Cardinal Albert Meyer of Chicago and an introductory note by Cardinal Richard Cushing of Boston.

Thomas Nelson and Sons, original publishers of the RSV, which was the result of 22 years of work by a special committee of Protestant scholars and educators, is publishing both Catholic editions from Edinburgh, Scotland, and New York.

Permission for the Catholic adaptation of the RSV was granted by the National Council of Churches' Division of Christian Education, which holds the copyright, and the Catholic edition in England has received the imprimatur of approval of Catholic Bishop Gordon J. Gray of St. Andrews and Edinburgh.

At the present time, the Catholic edition is intended for personal use and study and not for liturgical worship.

Ecumenical Units Meet

Rutland, Vt.—(NC)—Members of the ecumenical commission of the Catholic Diocese of Burlington and the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont met here for the first time for "exploratory" talks investigating possible future cooperation.

Msgr. Edwin T. Buckley, chairman of the Catholic commission, said after the meeting that "everyone present sensed the inspiration of the work of unity and the promising future of such undertakings."

'Moment of Truth' Near For Louisiana Catholics

Baton Rouge—(NC)—Bishop Robert E. Tracy has told Catholics of the Baton Rouge diocese that the "moment of truth" has arrived on the issue of racial charity.

In a letter read in all churches the Bishop said: "Let us now prepare ourselves, prayerfully, for the fact that within the near future no Catholic door will any longer be closed to any Catholic person."

The prelate noted that two years ago Catholic schools here began to desegregate. In most cases, the process was carried out jointly with public schools, he noted.

Bishop Tracy said this matching process will continue in most cases but he added: "There will be other cases in which we will simply have to move ahead of them, as we judge best."

The Bishop said that for the past three years, desegregation has advanced cautiously and quietly in the diocese to allow time "for whatever additional adjustment was needed."

Now, he said, "let us all prepare to face, faithfully and courageously, our clear Christian duty. We should be prepared to accept the fact that the Church must vindicate her avowed teaching by practical decisions and these decisions will be announced now and in the immediate future."

Friday Meat For Astronaut

Washington—(NC)—Astronaut James A. McDivitt, a Catholic, will eat meat three times on Friday, June 4, while circling the earth in his Gemini capsule.

McDivitt and fellow astronaut Edward H. White II are scheduled for a four-day Gemini trip beginning June 3 and ending June 7.

McDivitt's schedule calls for him to eat meat three times on Friday. A fourth meal will feature a salmon salad.

Actually, even apart from the extraordinary circumstances of his trip, the Catholic astronaut would be allowed to eat meat on Friday as a member of the armed forces on active duty (he is an Air Force major).

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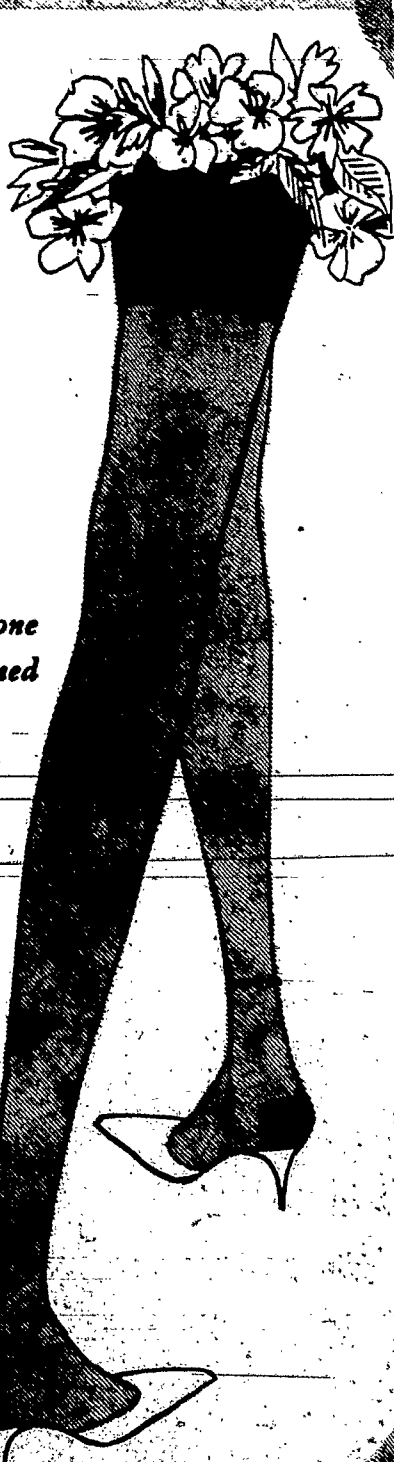
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