

# Churchmen Probe Peace, Mixed Marriage

New York — (NC) — Representatives of the National Council of Churches and the Catholic Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs at their first full meeting discussed a broad spectrum of topics ranging from mixed marriages to peace.

While the meeting was described as "a very encouraging one held in a very good atmosphere," no public statement was issued at its conclusion.

The working group brought together Orthodox, Anglicans and Protestants representing the NCC with a Roman Catholic delegation composed of bishops, priests and laymen.

Cochairman on the NCC side was the Rev. John Coventry Smith of New York, who is general secretary of the United Presbyterian Church's Commission on

Ecumenical Mission and Relations. The Catholic team was headed by Bishop John J. Carberry of Columbus, Ohio, chairman of the Bishop's Commission for Ecumenical Affairs.

The May 25 to 26 sessions were held in the center attached to the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

At the beginning of the second day's session, all joined in a modified form of the service used by Pope Paul VI and Anglican Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury at the Basilica of St. Paul Outside-the-Walls in Rome last March 24. The service was led by Dr. Smith and Bishop Carberry.

The first day's session began with a dinner meeting which was followed by explanations of the status

of the responsibilities of the groups involved and reports on various on-going discussions affecting the talks.

These included reports by Dr. R. H. Edwin Espy, NCC general secretary, and Msgr. William W. Baum of Washington, executive director of the bishops' ecumenical commission, on the meetings already held in Europe between representatives of the World Council of Churches and the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity.

The second day's deliberations, it was learned, included an explanation by Bishop Carberry of the Holy See's new regulations concerning marriages between Roman Catholics and other Christians.

Msgr. Joseph Gremillion, New York, socio-economic director of Catholic Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference, presented proposals for cooperation in promoting peace, especially by joint efforts in social and economic development.

Dr. Smith said later that the meeting had gone very smoothly. He noted that many of the participants had come to know each other through previous meetings—he himself had been one of the Presbyterians engaged in national-level talks with Roman Catholics here in New York less than two weeks earlier—and said this made for "a very good atmosphere."

He said there is now "a corps of people accustomed to talking to each other" on both sides. This brings to such dialogues a working relationship different from a ground-breaking session, he said.



The Vietnam war and continuing racial tension — two of the nation's agonizing questions — are dramatized in this photo. A Negro U.S. medic, Richard C. Jackson of Richmond, Virginia, gives an ailing Vietnamese orphan an injection to halt the ravages of an infection. Article at top of this page tells how some churchmen this week probed for peace and, in article below, how others called for a Christian attitude on racial issue.

## Conscience Examen On Racial Justice

New York — (RNS) — A national examination of conscience on racism based on a new definition of racial justice was called for by a group of religious, civil rights and community leaders on the eve of the White House Conference on Civil Rights June 3 and 4.

In a statement drafted at the John LaFarge Institute here, an interreligious conference center affiliated with America, national Catholic weekly, the leaders said that racial justice means "something different this year of 1966."

It means, they stated, "economic justice, the end of racism, correcting past injustices and action now."

The statement called on religious groups to open their doors to members of all races asserting, "It is not enough to desegregate as a matter of policy. Open churches must go forth and invite other people to join in their worship."

Endorsing the statement were Protestant, Catholic and Jewish religious officials, heads of major civil rights groups, and top business, union and educational executives. Most of the endorsers had participated in a series of discussions on which the statement was based.

## Germans Cite Bonds with Poles

Berlin — (RNS) — Germany's Roman Catholic bishops, in a joint declaration, called upon the laity to link themselves in prayer with fellow Catholics in Poland celebrating the millennium of Christianity in their homeland.

They noted that Polish bishops, in their letter of Nov. 18 to the German hierarchy, had voiced forgiveness for German guilt in World War II and asked for forgiveness for any Polish guilt.

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## Airport Chapels Seeking Funds

New York — (RNS) — Plans for a \$1 million fund campaign to complete Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish chapels at the John F. Kennedy International Airport were announced here.

The three chapels, all in various stages of construction, are located on a three-acre site known as the Tri-Faith Chapels Plaza, across from the airport's International Arrival Building.

Total cost for the three chapels, each a distinct and separate building on the Plaza, is estimated at \$2,765,000. An estimated \$1,685,000 has already been spent or is on hand. The \$1 million now being sought will be used to complete the buildings, landscape the site and meet the initial operating and maintenance expenses.

The first chapel to be built at the airport was the Catholic Chapel of Our Lady of the Skies, dedicated in 1955. However, in 1960 the Port of New York Authority, which operates the airport, decided that the area occupied by the chapel was needed to expand facilities at the busy airport.



MONSIGNOR GRADY



FATHER WINIECKI



MONSIGNOR SMITH

## Golden Jubilees for Three

Three priests in the Rochester Diocese will mark their golden jubilee in the priesthood this June. They are: Rev. Fr. Joseph E. Grady of St. Bernard's Seminary, St. Mary's Church, St. Jerome's, East Rochester, and St. Louis, Pittsford.

He is a graduate of St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries and holds an M.A. and LL.D. degree.

FATHER WINIECKI will celebrate his jubilee Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Rochester, Sunday, June 5, at 9 a.m. Bishop Kearney will preach the anniversary sermon. A reception honoring the jubilarian will be held later this year.

He is still active, particularly as a confessor.

During his fifty years in the priesthood, Father Winiecki has served in Puerto Rico, New York City, Buffalo, Boston, as well as mission work in scores of cities and as chaplain to hospitals in Baltimore.

Since his coming to Rochester, he has been confessor at St. Bernard's Seminary, at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph and at several convents, besides parish churches at St. Joseph's Church.

He was born Jan. 4, 1890, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Winiecki of Philadelphia. He attended schools there and Mt. St. Alphonse Seminary, Esopus, N.Y. He was ordained by Cardinal Patrick J. Hayes at the seminary chapel June 7, 1916.

Monsignor Smith will celebrate his jubilee Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rochester, Friday, June 10, at 7:30 p.m. Bishop Kearney will preside and preach at the Mass.

A reception honoring him will be held in the Good Counsel parish hall following the Mass.

Monsignor Smith will also celebrate a jubilee Mass in his home parish, at St. Ann's Church, Hornell, Sunday, June 12, at 11 a.m. He will preach at that Mass.

Monsignor Smith has been pastor at Good Counsel Church for twenty years during which time the school was doubled in its capacity and the church and other parish properties renovated.

Prior to his pastorate there he was spiritual director at St. Bernard's Seminary from 1935 to 1946. Following ordination on June 10 in old St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rochester, he was a curate at Blessed Sacrament Church for two years and at Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester, for fourteen years. He was then named pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Danville where he served from 1932 to 1935.

He was born March 20, 1887, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William K. Smith of Hornell. He attended St. Ann's School and Hornell High School, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries.

## Piety to Mary Rooted in Truth

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has urged Catholics not to shy away from devotion to the Blessed Virgin.

He told a Sunday crowd who had come to St. Peter's Square to recite the noonday Regina Coeli with him, "We must not keep aloof from this flowering of Marian devotion, when we know that it has its real roots in the truth of the faith."

"Indeed, we must translate this affectionate religious homage to Mary into spiritual and moral strength."

"May the piety which binds us to her strengthen our adhesion to the faith. May it strengthen our moral sense, which alone gives dignity to life. May it strengthen the sentiments which must penetrate the human links of the family and society."

## Ordination For Sixteen

Bishop Kearney will ordain 16 young men to the priesthood for the Rochester Diocese at Sacred Heart Cathedral tomorrow, Saturday, June 4, at 10 a.m.

The 16 are all graduates of St. Bernard's Seminary and will receive their assignments later in June.

Schedules of their first solemn Masses and receptions were published in last week's Courier.

## Five Bishops in 1916 Class

St. Bernard's Seminary famous class of 1916, marking its 50th anniversary this year, counts five bishops in its 58 priest graduates.

Twelve of the graduates were ordained for the Rochester Diocese, of whom only three survive — Bishop Walter A. Foery who became Bishop of Syracuse in 1937, Monsignor Joseph E. Grady and Monsignor Leo V. Smith.

Other bishops of the class include Bishops John J. Boylan of Rockford, Ill., Matthew F. Brady of Burlington, Francis P. Keogh of Providence and Emmet M. Walsh of Charleston.

Also a member of the class was the late Monsignor William M. Hart, long the Vicar General of the Rochester Diocese, and twice administrator of the Diocese.

Mrs. Bridget Grace, also a 1916 graduate, will attend with her son, Patrick J. Grace, a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy chaplain's corps.

Monsignor Grady's entire priestly career has been devoted to education.

Prior to his appointment in 1937 to St. Bernard's Seminary faculty, he was principal of Aquinas Institute and before that, of the old Cathedral High School.

Following his ordination June 10, 1916, he taught at the Rochester Division of Niagara University and, during summers, at Notre Dame University and

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## Change of Systems Needed to End World Poverty

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI suggested that it might be necessary to revise the world's economic and financial systems to eliminate poverty and hunger and achieve a social justice.

He said also that new

sources of subsistence, a greater productivity and increased international commerce must be realized to change conditions in the world "incompatible with the dignity of the human being."

Although these goals were not directly within the Church's province, he said, there are many contributions the Church can make for the promotion of social justice and solidarity among men.

The Pope spoke to a group

of clergy and lay social welfare leaders in Rome to study the formation of a Catholic Church secretariat dealing with problems of need in underdeveloped nations.

Such an agency was called for by the Second Vatican Council to foster "progress in needy regions and social justice on the international scene."

In speaking of the Church's role, Pope Paul said although it is unable to "aspire to any spectacular action in this regard," the Church nevertheless "wants to offer her contribution to the solving of these agonizing problems — above all

through the education of her members and by sharpening the conscience of all."

The pontiff then defined some actions that the Church intends to take such as "making the stark reality better known, helping to disclose its gigantic dimensions, pointing out ways of remedying, and, above all, arousing a livelier awareness of the obligations deriving from man's universal brotherhood."

Continuing, the pontiff said, "Goods and fruits of this world were created for all; no one has the right to reserve them for himself, neither individuals

nor communities. All have the great duty of placing them for all to use.

"This is not only a question of setting technical and economical machinery in motion, but of furthering an integral and harmonious development of the human person, allowing each to lead a life in conformity with the dignity of his being created in the image and likeness of God."

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## Ferment Follows Council

Chicago — (RNS) — The Catholic Church in the United States faces difficulties unless it resolves growing tensions between extremes of authoritarianism and freedom, a noted layman warned here.

Don Herr, author and president of the Thomas More Assn., a literary and book-selling organization, wrote in the current issue of U.S. Catholic magazine that "leadership from the center" needs to be developed soon in the Church.

He said most American bishops did not realize the effect their actions at the Second Vatican Council would have back home.

As a result, he added, many bishops are worried and the ferment that resulted from Vatican II is creating a great number of Catholics.

"The end of the Council brought new problems rather than just solutions for old ones," he said.

Herr cited a combination of problems besetting the Church today: "a crisis in obedience... the new posture of the layman... the ferment among seminarians and young priests... the aggiornamento (updating) in the convent... the new role of the Catholic press... the fears of the more conservative leaders... the 'beat' generation... the new era of affluence... introduction of the new liturgy... changing laws of the Church... the continuing increase in the educational level of Catholics..."

With such a combination, he commented, "you have all the makings and more of a period in Church history that certainly won't be boring and may prove far less rough for sensitive souls."

Regarding the unexpected consequences of Vatican II, Herr said: "What seemed reasonable enough in cold Latin print appears far more radical when it is translated into action in a bishop's own diocese."

One of the problems facing Catholics today is that on the one hand some people are still trying to solve problems with the same old authoritarian methods, while on the other Catholic "extremists" are calling for a freedom that in some cases would amount to religious anarchy, Herr said, adding:

"We are faced with far too many Catholics crying for freedom, but neglecting to inform the world: freedom for what? Most of the publicity seems to be given to the extremists and the result is that not only are the bishops alarmed by the demands for such end-to-end restraints, but a growing body of American Catholics are seriously concerned about the present and future of the Church."

## Time to Bring Back the Chains

Bibles used to be chained in churches during the Middle Ages — like telephone books in phone booths today.

Maybe it's time to chain the Bibles again!

A large Bible was kept open on a side altar at New St. John the Evangelist Church in Greece, somewhat as a shrine to the written Word of God.

Last week somebody walked off with the Bible.

Whoever it is should read Exodus, 30:15.