

Schools OK, No Churches In St. Louis

St. Louis (RNS)—A moratorium on new church building in the St. Louis Catholic archdiocese was issued by Joseph Cardinal Ritter here.

The moratorium follows a history of 15 years of continual building. It will not apply to projects now authorized or under construction, the Archbishop of St. Louis said, but the moratorium is to take effect immediately.

One of the reasons mentioned in the cardinal's letter was the general condition of the economy, especially "tight money."

"It would be most unwise and imprudent in these days of restricted availability of money to undertake a high school construction program with outside financing even if available," Cardinal Ritter wrote. "If we can build our future new high schools and additions from our revolving fund, we should do so. These funds are almost entirely borrowed funds, but they are borrowed from our own family institutions and parishes."

N.Y. Priests Form 'Senate' by TV

New York (RNS)—Formation of a "priests council or senate" in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York was announced by Cardinal Spellman at the opening of a pastoral conference.

The clergy meeting was attended by 1,200 priests of the archdiocese gathered at 12 locations scattered from Staten Island to Ulster County. The cardinal addressed the audience via the closed-circuit Archdiocesan Educational Television Network.

"To get a senate that will be truly representative," Cardinal Spellman said, "and an effective conveyor of the best thinking of our most thoughtful priests, requires serious consideration and careful planning. We hope that soon we shall have a good plan and we ask your cooperation in fashioning it."

The cardinal issued an invitation to all the priests to be "free and frank" in the discussions in order that a clearer picture may emerge as to "what positive and constructive things should be doing, which we were not doing five or ten or twenty years ago, to make the faith more vibrant in our lives and in the souls of the people to whom we are shepherds."

The priests at the 12 centers followed the cardinal's advice and launched into discussions of their role in the Church.

At one center, one clergyman suggested that a better organization of rectory operations could free the priest for more vital activity in the community. Another priest pointed up the need for training qualified lay people to assume the administrative details of the modern urban parish.

At another location, a priest suggested that the term, "assistant priest," be dropped and those members of the clergy assigned to help a pastor be called "assistant pastors." It was also suggested that the subordinate priest in a parish be given specific duties and added responsibility in which he would be assigned to care for a region of the parish.

Concerning the retirement of clergy, one priest suggested that the senior-citizen priest should not be just turned out to pasture but should be given another post where the duties are lighter.

A spokesman for the archdiocese said the move to establish a senate was "revolutionary" to the extent that it marked the first time in the U.S. that priests would be totally elected to advise archdiocesan officials.

Coadjutor Archbishop John J. Maguire, who also addressed the clergy conference via TV, said that ballots would be sent to priests for the election of a committee which will present recommendations on the size, manner of representation, method of selection and term of office of the members of the advisory senate.

He said the committee would consist of 12 pastors by groupings of parishes, 24 assistant priests by area and by age, six members belonging to religious orders, and two priests active in teaching or special service.

Anglican Group Seeks 'Reunion' With Rome

Winnipeg (RNS)—The Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land called for reunion talks with Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches and asked Anglicans to "begin official conversations" on the question.

The Canadian Primate, Archbishop Howard H. Clark of Rupert's Land, was pessimistic.

He said the resolution, first proposal of its kind from a Canadian Anglican diocese, would have to go before the General Synod of the Canadian Church next summer.

"Such matters cannot be dealt with by individual dioceses," he said. "Personally, I feel the time is not yet ripe, but others may feel differently. Emotionally, some people find the idea of union or reunion with Rome more easily acceptable than union with the United Church."

"But we have been talking with the United Church for 23 years and we now have the

Msgr. Rigney told the conference that Vatican II saw the Church as a mystery as well as an organization.

In explaining the influence of the Council on the parish, Msgr. Rigney said that a parish should have three features. It is a worshipping fellowship, a center for ecumenism, and an institution serving the whole Church and the world beyond, he said.

After the talks, the clergy went into small group sessions at the 12 centers and formulated their recommendations and suggestions. These suggestions were then phoned to the TV studio and the clergy at the 12-centers heard comments from them by Msgr. Rigney and Father Greeley.

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THE TELECAST originated from the TV studio at St. Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoody, N.Y. Prior to their discussions, the priests heard two talks which were presented as guidelines for their group sessions. They heard Msgr. James F. Rigney, former professor of dogmatic theology at St. Joseph's Seminary and now secretary to the cardinal, and Father Andrew Greeley, lecturer at the University of Chicago and study director for the National Opinion Research Center. Their topic was "Parish Life and Vatican II."

Father Greeley listed six problems which the contemporary parish faces:

1. The problem of sheer size. "It is difficult for us to know even the names of all of our people, much less to know who they are and what their problems are. It becomes crucial that we find ways to overcome the size, the anonymity, the impersonality which seems to be built into so many of our parishes."
2. The majority of the parishioners spend little time during the working day within the parish and often consider it "a place where the action is not."
3. "The parish has precious little if any influence, at least direct influence, on the larger society."

Seminarians Said in Need Of a Voice

By FATHER ROBERT A. GRAHAM, S.J. Special Correspondent

Vatican City — (RNS) — The acting head of the Sacred Congregation of Seminaries and University Studies, Archbishop Gabriel Garrone, told professors and students of Gregorian University that rapid changes in society and in the Church carry the risk of creating a well between today's students and their teachers who were educated in another context and by other methods.

Archbishop Garrone fully endorsed the right and need for seminarians today to express themselves freely in order to make themselves understood by those in authority. The top ranking prelate spoke at a ceremony inaugurating the 414th academic year of the Roman institution founded by St. Ignatius.

Two factors are essential to the dialogue between generations, said the French-born prelate, if it is to have positive results: fidelity to the Church's tradition and fidelity to the Second Vatican Council.



UN Model at Holy Cross

Holy Cross pupils marked United Nations week by building a model of the UN headquarters in New York City and hearing J. Edward Gramlich of the U.S. Agency for International Development in the Sudan. Barbara Glasow shows the UN model to Mr. Gramlich. A poster contest was also held to highlight the UN week.

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No Bongos At Masses
Rio De Janeiro — (INC) — Msgr. Guilherme Schubert, president of the Rio de Janeiro archdiocesan committee of sacred art and music here, has forbidden the use of all percussion instruments in the liturgy. The ban also includes guitars and harps, which may not be used unless there is no organ available. The priest said that it would be an insult both to the Church and the people of Brazil to lower the artistic level of Church music.

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A PERSONAL NOTE ON THE BLAINE AMENDMENT

from **Dennis J. Livadas** Candidate City Court Judge 18A



For years I have been in agreement on many issues with the readers of the Catholic Courier. I am delighted to state my views once more as a candidate for City Court Judge.

The most important work of that Court, long range, is the correction of young offenders. Nothing should be overlooked that can encourage our youth to believe in God, obey the laws, live a moral honest life, love our country, respect our family, and honor our father and mother. These are the eternal virtues and our society is only as good as our youth are taught to become.


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Knights For To Upstate

McQuaid's football will be out to salvage season from a losing season they won't let it be. The incentive is simple and town is unbeaten and going to reports, can be...

The Knights certainly overdue for a good period after bowing to Waterbury in a frigid, wind setting at McQuaid's. The loss was a one-sided affair. McQuaid's team, topped by a 38-0 setback by Kearney the previous week. Convinced that their much better than their 1-6 record, coaches Timour and Frank No been pointing them to week's finale. It's a 1-0 home when you lose.

It proved to be a surprise for Watertown, and clones saw to it that they got their hands ball. With Don Dixon on heavy work, the Cyclones first touchdown. Dixon on a short plunge a Shephard-added the conversions for a 7-0 lead.

Not noted for its Watertown surprised Knights with a pair aerials that went down and a 20-0 halt in the second half, the Cyclones again on long punt returns Miller, one for 75 yards for 44. A long march and another completed the visitors a pla McQuaid record book opposition points.

McQuaid looked good one drive, that coming third period when Stevejak's passes to Bob Hromjak's short run Knights their only score.

5 Straight For Kearney

The Bishop Kearney team finished their winning their last five. In its final week of season swept by Eastward and Penfield, the champions.

On the season the players for Bishop Kearney the various departments: Goals: Jorge Weiser (7), Chuck Callahan (12), Chuck Callahan (16).

Polish Reds 'Cooperativ'

Vatican City — (RNS) — Polish Radio reported that past year Polish authors "very cooperative" leaving Catholic mission leave Poland for several years.

It said six Polish members of the Society of the Divine Word, which has its headquarters in Rome, had been permitted to mission fields in Guinea and Ghana, and Polish members were to take up posts in Latin America, Australia and New Guinea.

"This is in contrast Communist countries low missionaries to only in exceptional rare cases," the Vatican said.

Germans Bul Chile School

Berlin — (RNS) — German government German Catholic relief, Misericordia, to contribute one million toward the construction new medical faculty at University of Chile.

West German Catholic organization contributing to several charitable undertakings.