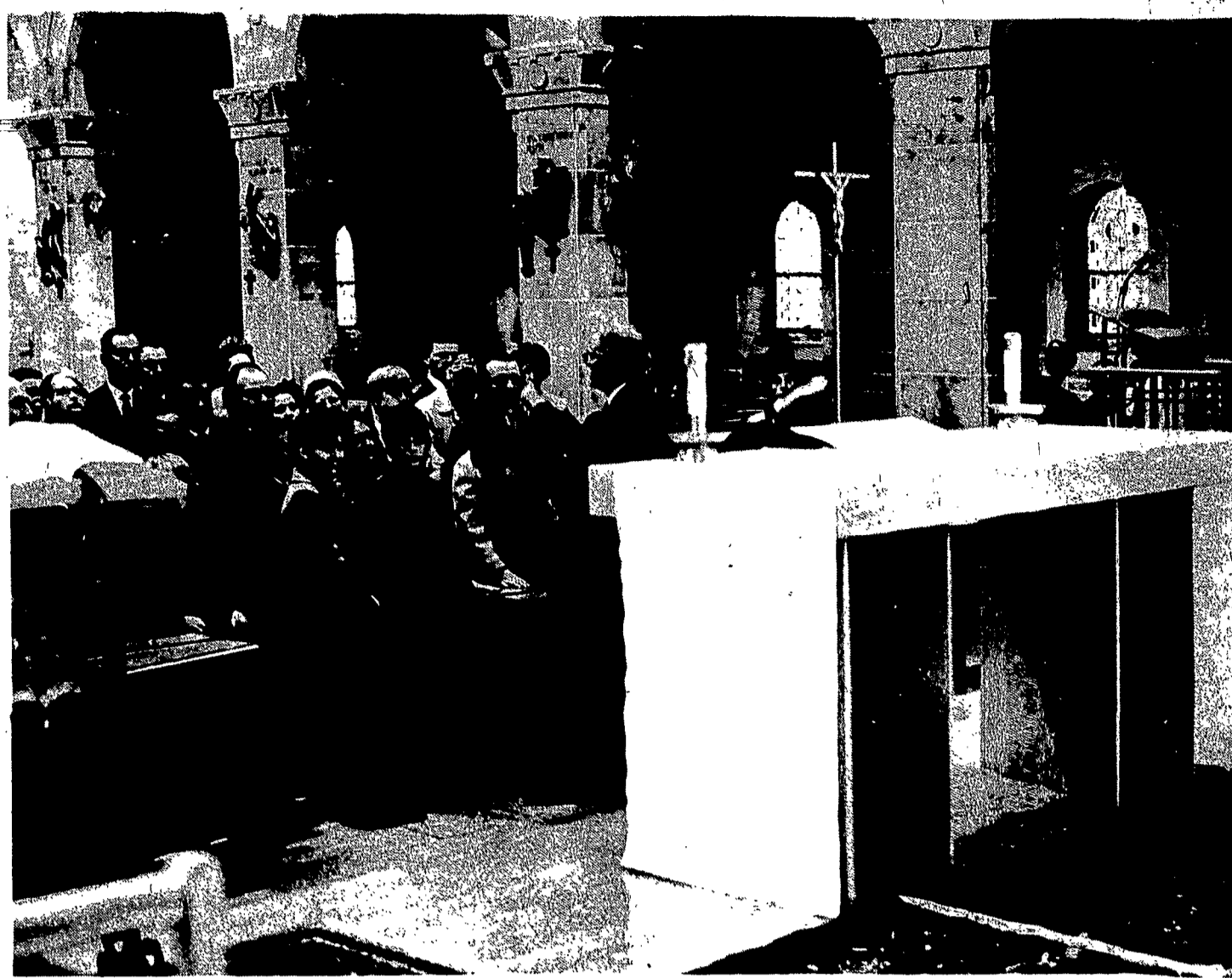


Catholics hear explanation of Methodist form of worship at Seneca Methodist Church as part of exchange visit with St. Margaret Mary Church parishioners.



Andrew Knauf explains sanctuary furnishings at St. Margaret Mary Church. Mr. and Mrs. John Reinhart, at far right, explain Catholic devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary at statue of Our Lady.

## Open House Program Reported 'Successful'

Recent open-house programs in 19 parishes of the Rochester Diocese has been reported as "extremely successful."

At an evaluation meeting held last Monday, those who arranged the event said their only apparent failure "was our underestimating the numbers we expected would attend."

An estimated 300 to 400 attended in each parish.

The program included an exchange visit with a neighboring Protestant church.

The ecumenical afternoon was a project of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and comparable Protestant groups in the various areas of the Diocese.

A typical program is illustrated in the accompanying pictures taken at St. Margaret Mary Church, Irondequoit, and Seneca Methodist Church.



Mrs. Robert Merle explains Catholic baptismal rite to Methodist group which includes, in right foreground, Rev. Carlyle Smith, pastor of Seneca Methodist Church.

## How Children Learn Apathy or Action

By REV. ALBERT JEANDEHEUR

Rev. Albert L. Jeandheur has been pastor of the Duway Avenue Presbyterian Church since September of 1960. He is a graduate of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio and Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Before coming to Rochester, he served for five years as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Oceanside, Long Island. His concern for neighborhood problems led to the formation of the Maplewood Neighborhood Association which represents about 25,000 residents of the Northwest sector of Rochester.



REVEREND JEANDEHEUR

This summer I beat the system!

I was wandering the aisle of a discount department store. As usually happens, my eyes became glazed and my mind somewhat detached. Cutting in above the muzak, the sound of a rasping voice jarred me back to reality. "Shoppers, a special sale has just begun in our hardware department. Tools valued up to five dollars are now selling for 27 cents. This sale will last only fifteen minutes." I raced to the hardware department, arriving somewhat breathless. In the mountain of merchandise heaped on the counter, I found an item I

could use. I bought a ratchet wrench—for 27 cents.

A few days later our washing machine developed a leak. With the ratchet, I was able to remove the back cover and trace the problem to the water pump. Again, with the ratchet, I removed the pump. I plugged the hole with two cents worth of epoxy. In a few hours, it was back together working well. Total cost: 2 cents for epoxy, 27 cents for the ratchet. But the

significant thing is, I beat the system! Had I called a repairman, it would have been eight dollars just to have him appear at the back door. (Some physicians still come for seven.)

I'm quite certain he would have deemed the pump beyond repair, installed a new one, and left a bill for parts and labor of approximately forty dollars. I figure I'm \$39.71 ahead in cash and much more in psychological uplift. This is a hard day in which to beat the system; it's cause for celebration when you do.

Everyday I encounter people who feel defeated. For instance, they read in the paper that 500 of our young men are wounded in Viet Nam weekly; 100 are killed. They abhor the facts, and feel defeated, for there isn't anything they can do about it. We just assume it is all part of our common life, a great huge system we have to accept and cannot control.

At the other end of the scale, at the level of local government, the same apathy is visible. Whether they are plagued by vandalism or some other neighborhood condition, people shake their heads and complain. "Look, I'm only one person. What do you think I can do about it? Not one thing!" There



may be a will, but there isn't any way. Conclusion—defeat.

This could all be excuse. The opposite of love is not hate; it's indifference. Perhaps, the opposite of positive behavior isn't negative behavior, but inaction. During the Nazi regime, as people saw their neighbors shoved into vans and hauled off as political prisoners, they pulled their shades and lamented, "Isn't it a crime!" Pulling their shades and doing nothing may have been the greater crime.

Incidentally, parents pull their shades over many community problems—big and little—thus educating their children to inaction. They often don't bother to vote. What does this do but teach a child to be an irresponsible citizen. They violate parking ordinances by leaving cars on the street all night—just because they are too lazy to pull a car into the driveway. This educates their children to a disregard of the law. They blight a yard with a junked car which teaches their children a complete disregard of a neighbor's right to a decent well ordered neighborhood.

These may seem like small complaints but they add up to an enormous educating force leading to apathy and disorder. However, let us assume that parents truly want to educate for the best rather than the worst. Let us assume that people care, that they have the

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### Provincial

Jesuit Father Cornelius Carr has been appointed Provincial Superior of the 450-member Buffalo Province of the Jesuit order. Father Carr was principal of McQuaid Jesuit High School from 1960 to 1964. The Buffalo Province includes upstate New York and is responsible for mission work in the Caroline and Marshall Islands, largest mission territory of the Catholic Church.

### Dedication on Dec. 11

## Haffey Hall At Fisher

Formal dedication and blessing of Haffey Hall, the new 200-man dormitory at St. John Fisher College, will take place Sunday, Dec. 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Announcement of the forthcoming event was made today by Robert B. Wegman, chairman of the St. John Fisher Board of Regents, and Very Rev. Charles J. Lavery, president of the college.

Guests of honor will be Basilian Father Hugh J. Haffey, first executive director of St. John Fisher; Bishop Kearney, retiring bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester and former chancellor of the college; and Justice Kenneth J. Keating of the New York State Court of Appeals and former U.S. Senator.

All three participated in the formal groundbreaking for the first building on the Fisher campus June 10, 1949.

Father Haffey, who selected and purchased the original 70-acre north campus at St. John Fisher for the Basilian Fathers who direct the college, is a native of Welland, Ont. He is now on the faculty of the University of St. Thomas, Houston, Tex.

The \$1,350,000 residence hall named in Father Haffey's honor was occupied at the opening of the current school year. The five-story brick and glass structure provides for students' rooms, private study chambers, self-service laundries, and lounges on each of the four upper levels. A foyer, formal lounge, private dining room, and offices occupy the ground level. A basement contains recreation and storage rooms. A common kitchen-dining area links the new building with Ward Hall, the first Fisher dormitory.

Giffels & Rossetti of Detroit, Mich., designed Haffey Hall. The LeCasse Corporation of Rochester was the general contractor.



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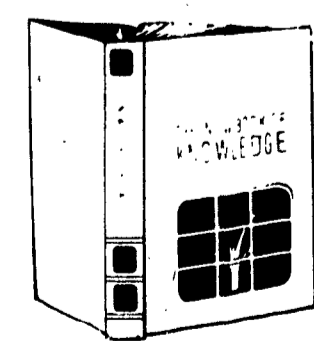
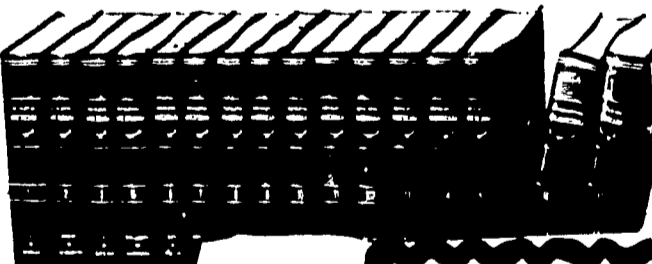
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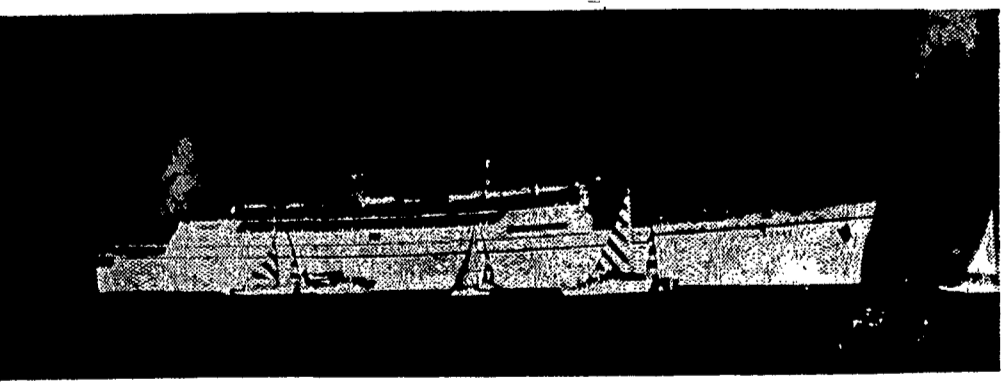
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