

Australians Cite Need For Schools

Sydney — (RNS) — The Australian Education Council has declared that Australia "needs Catholic schools" and that even a "partial dismantling" of these could have serious implications for state governments which are already hard-pressed to meet educational commitments.

An independent body supported by the commonwealth and state governments, the council gave its warning in the Quarterly Review of Australian Education.

Surveying the position of Catholic schools in Australia generally and in New South Wales in particular, the report said that Church authorities have found it difficult to expand their school facilities sufficient-

ly to meet the great post-war rise in enrollments.

These tasks have proved beyond the resources of the individual parishes and the particular religious teaching orders and as a result many of the 27 Australian dioceses set up central planning and coordinating bodies.

The report noted that during this decade the growth of Catholic school enrollments in New South Wales has been "remarkable," and concluded by declaring:

"The large-scale commitment to education now being undertaken by the Catholic Church in New South Wales appears to have reached critical proportions."

Priests Hear A Woman

Chur, Switzerland — (NC) — A of the priests of Grisons canton was followed by another at the of priests here when a woman was invited to give an address. The speaker was Dr. Elisabeth Goessmann of Munich, Germany, who holds a degree in theology and teaches at the Catholic University of Tokyo.

Dr. Goessmann expounded the view that women should be given wider opportunities in the liturgical life of the Church.



Safe Behind Church Doors
San Sebastian, Spain — (RNS) — Police stand by while a priest talks to demonstrators who took refuge in the Church of Santa Maria at San Sebastian, Spain, after clashing with riot police. After receiving permission from diocesan officials, police entered the church and arrested 41 demonstrators. The incident was one of several involving violence in May Day demonstrations.

Journalists
Vienna — (RNS) — German-speaking Roman Catholic journalists from various European countries will gather in Saint Pölten, Austria, Sept. 21-24 to consider the role of the printed word in the Christian unity movement.

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Keep it refreshing . . . a glass of iced Chase and Sanborn coffee will be a good pick-up . . . or try a cold bottle of Pepsi for refreshment without that full feeling.

Of course regardless of the weather, you'll want some hearty and sustaining fare such as Prince salads, casseroles and other dishes provide. Here's a salad that should perk up lagging summer appetites. Serve with warm crusty bread spread with Blue Bonnet margarine.

Meat 'n' Mac Salad
8 oz. Prince Macaroni
1 1/2 oz. can luncheon meat, cubed
1 1/2 cups chopped celery
1 tbl. chopped pimiento or green pepper
1/2 tsp. black pepper
salt to taste (also a little sugar if desired)
1 cup mayonnaise

COOK Prince Macaroni according to package directions. Drain and chill. Combine with remaining ingredients. Serve in salad bowl lined with lettuce. Garnish with sliced stuffed olives. Serves 6.

Speaking of recipes, what's ever happened to those originals from our POP participants? During our first Game, we received a good many, but since this Game started we've had only one (see June 16 Courier). Remember, this is another way for your group to earn additional points.

For the benefit of those who may not be aware of this "bonus," we repeat the requirements here. . . .

Any individual can earn 200 bonus points for her favorite POP group by sending us a recipe using one or more POP Products. However, this recipe must be original—that is, not previously published but made up by the individual or handed down in her family. Secondly, it must be used in a POP Topics column before the bonus points can be given.

So get on the ball, friends, and start sending us the directions for making one of your treasured concoctions. You'll be helping some POP organization and you'll be providing a new cookery idea for Courier readers.

Several people have asked us what "proof" they can furnish that POP stickers are being used. Here's a suggestion: On a small piece of paper write the statement, "I have placed a POP sticker in my store window." Have the manager sign this adding the name and location of the store. . . . for example, "John Jones, manager, Loblaw's, 42 Smith St." This should take only a few minutes and won't be a burden for anyone.

Incidentally, we're very pleased that so many chairmen have made an effort to place these stickers in neighborhood stores. In fact several have asked for more. If you'd like some, please let us know.

God's World New Freedom in Prayer

By DENNIS J. GEANEY, O.S.A.

Football Saturdays at Notre Dame are no climate for real students. The emotionalism that pervades the campus destroys the reflective atmosphere that goes with ivy covered walls and bearded buns. At Mass the next morning, in Sacred Heart Church, the student community become their unemotional selves again.

But times change.

There is a group of about one hundred on the campus who believe that emotions have a place in their religious life as well as at the stadium. A group of students and faculty have started a pentecostal movement on the campus that is more free-wheeling emotionally than hearing for an Irish victory.

From my reports they seemed filled with the same new wine that the apostles were accused of drinking. They seem to take the Acts of the Apostles literally in their fraternity, their love or prayer, the laying on of hands and speaking in tongues.

The Notre Dame pentecostal trend is not a revolt as much as it is an exposure to the "spirit." It is not a rejection of any theological position or a protest against the system. Liturgically, it is strictly extra-curricular. Because of it those involved feel that the Eucharist should be more meaningful.

Cursillo Influence

I see the Notre Dame pentecostals as another example of a loosening up of our approach to communal prayer. While it is a totally different experience from the cursillo, it has in common with it a greater sense of freedom in prayer and a belief that the Holy Spirit is alive among us.

Spontaneous vocal prayer received a great assist from Prayers by Michael Quoist. And now from the more popular and more earthy book, Are You Running With Me Jesus?, by the Episcopal priest, Malcolm Boyd are helpful for their insights and encouragement, but they are of little help to me. Whatever I say must come from the depths of my heart, not theirs.

Guitars Play a Part

The guitar Mass is all part of the same loosening process in the prayer life of the Church. I offer one for instance. Last Lent in a parish in Fort Wayne, Indiana, a guitar Mass was scheduled for teenagers for every Wednesday evening. It is not a large parish, but 400 showed. It was continued after Lent with a few hundred. This happened in the face of a sharp drop in daily Mass attendance during Lent elsewhere.

It would take a team of sociologists and psychologists to explain the guitar Mass phenomenon. For some, I suppose, the guitar is a symbol of protest against the old way of doing things. For others it may be a religious novelty. For some, I suppose, it is a new and genuine identifier with the worship of the Church.

I would guess that it attracted many who do not go to Mass on Sunday and who might begin again with this new contact. I suppose the opposite is also true, that it attracts teens who went on Sunday out of duty, but when they see that the liturgy can be meaningful and express their feelings about God and each other, they quit going on Sunday because going to Mass out of sheer duty no longer makes sense to them.

(May I say, parenthetically, dear reader, if you are not aware of the shift away from Sunday Mass as sheer obligation, you are not close to people in their thirties and younger.) The younger generation is not being held by the obligation that we have said birds under the pain of mortal sin.)

Signs of Vitality

What do I make of all this? As I see it, the loosening process will continue. There will be more forms of prayer, life, private and corporate. We believe in unity in diversity, not uniformity, but how much diversity can unity contain?

I suppose this freedom in prayer forms must raise hair on the bald heads of our diocesan liturgical commissions. Much of what is happening would not come under their jurisdiction.

The Notre Dame pentecostals use extralitururgical forms and, therefore, can feel free to improvise. In dioceses where liturgical commissions are hide-bound following the lack of leadership of a bishop who is too timid or does not understand the spirit of Vatican II, priests and people are going underground—coasting above ground what they feel encouraged controlled an approved experimentation, but what does one do on the local scene when requests for experimentation are denied on principle? The question then is: Who is disobedient to the Church: the local authorities, the people who go off on their own, or both?

To me, this loosening up process is all very simple—the Church is coming alive in the hearts of men.

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By MSGR. JOHN . . .

New York — (NC) — days ago, I was busalem, helping to relines to refugees and families scattered by Holy Land war.

Every once in a PHWOOM!

Somewhere in the hood, soldiers were unexploded shells let the six-day war.

PHWOOM! And would shake.

This is the city wtaught and died, vmen built the Tem Mohammed is said cended into heaven.

But PHWOOM! — concentrate on Chrmon or Mohammed, ing any of their

At Our Hou . . .

This . . .

Like many nuns t year, Sister Mary X B.V.M., is about to a new tour of du Army!

That's right, a n Army, with a mand tion from captain T colonel and a pair eagles to prove it.

The invitational taking a 15 member girls from Clarke C hicago, Iowa, on a sored trip to enter "the big lexbox" as —Iceland, Greenland and Newfoundland— outgrowth of a previiv tour of Europe w girls presented perfor for a combined a 35,000 enthusiastic

Sister Mary Xvie of the drama dep Clarke, and Sister M Macklin of the samment, were the first to travel abroad fo Their 1964 Clarke C fee House Theatre s tional and internatio

Time magazine, c show in Munich, troupe "virtuous, v venturesome" and G's surprised comm on second thought, tice that this is a c

Story of the toures, fun and pat by Sister Mary X recently published Nuns" co-authored C. Healey (F.J. Ken \$4.50). It is cleverly by Sister Mary Paul of the Clarke Art

Over the T . . .

Coffee House Th was a smooth and Z nation of songs, (quick jokes and s ment on current aff tary life) and audie pation. Hit of the s evitably the male girls appeared in ning gowns, elbow-kid gloves, ear rings then "went over marching offstage in of the audience—14 ing with 500 boys.

"Thanks, Ma'am, f gloves" one big Sister, with tears i "Reminded me of Prom — and I ne member."

Another said, " first people that tr if we were human."

The nuns, call in black," often f selves listening to of bored and lonely establishing the "l logue, largely, Siste cause of wearing t habit, "ticket to the of all sorts of peo has high regard for them "gentle men" are treated—as gen

"Cutest Ar . . .

In an interview August 3 departun "children," the maj motherly nun spok duty as "an implican II, an extens apostolate, within the Order and my capabilities." With her superiors, she out the Rule: " should be free to in the world whe hope of service."

That hope was filled as the all-gir its brightly dressed worthy, intelligent by world of lonely in their khaki and The Army Chroni girls "the cutest lit the world" and the

Asked about the of that 1964 troupe us that half of the on to graduate scho half into marriage.

Selections of gi summer's coveted followed along the in 1964, with the ad