

Waterfront Priest Dies

New York (NC)—Requiem Mass for Msgr. John J. O'Donnell, known as New York's "waterfront priest," was offered by Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle of Washington, a long time friend, in St. Patrick's Cathedral here, Oct. 12, the day before his 76th birthday.

The monsignor, a native of this city, who served 49 years in the priesthood, was Catholic chaplain of the Port of New York. Since 1934 he looked after the spiritual welfare of staff members of the Customs and Immigration services, longshoremen and other dock workers.

'Scare Tactics' Distort Value of New Constitution

Albany—Forecasts of the financial cost of implementing the new state constitution have been called "fiscal scare tactics" and "a veteran legislative observer called them "estimates in the extreme."

The financial forecasts of the costs were made by Budget Director T. Norman Hurd and immediately the several billion dollar price tag he hung on the document was challenged.

Hurd estimated that the new constitution would mean an increase of 80 per cent in state spending in 10 years.

An item-by-item analysis of

the Hurd figures—done with more realistic consideration of possibility and probability—dropped it to 18.5 per cent.

At the same time, Bob Fusco of the Troy Record, a legislative correspondent writing about these estimates would be borne out, only if the Republicans in the Legislature, the Republican governor and the courts were to abandon their respective roles.

In an analysis of Hurd's figures, about 31 per cent of the 80 per cent—according to the Hurd report—would represent no increase in taxes at all, but a tax shift. That's because 31 per cent represents the cost to the state of assuming the welfare and court costs from local government.

Poverty's Massive Anguish

More than Charity Needed

San Francisco (RNS) — Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey sees the efforts of religious organizations in the war on poverty as the development of a "new American ecumenism—an ecumenism which recognizes that all of us suffer if the few are left behind."

Addressing the 53rd annual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Charities here, Mr. Humphrey said:

"We have, once and for all, laid to rest the idea that poverty and blighted opportunity can be adequately treated with charity, or, in more modern parlance, 'welfare.' We have decided to seek basic and lasting solutions, rather than contenting ourselves with palliatives.

"We have decided that we are going to do whatever is necessary to throw open the door of American opportunity to every resident of this nation.

"This broader task is one that the federal government cannot and must not undertake alone. We in Washington can dispense 'welfare,' but we cannot manage the intricate task of social growth that the permanent elimination of poverty and blight will require."

The Vice President noted that this approach has already pro-

duced some results. He cited the Model Cities Program which has stimulated corporations to invest in low-income housing and the Job Corps camps which have encouraged private firms to undertake on-the-job training programs for the hard-core unemployed.

Noting the convention's theme, Mr. Humphrey said that this indicated that "all our institutional resources — governmental, voluntary, business and labor — are beginning to mesh in a cooperative national effort to build the 'Cities of Hope' you have been discussing."

Mr. Humphrey voiced strong praise for the efforts of the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

"In your work you were ecumenical long before Vatican II," he said. "For 10 years anyway you have been working har-

In Retirement

New York (RNS) — Father William Gaudreau, C.S.S.R., who retired as superior general of the Redemptorists on Sept. 9, arrived here en route to Connecticut, where he will live in retirement.

The 70-year-old priest had served as the leader of the 9,000 Redemptorists since 1954.

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