



ELATION AND CONGRATULATIONS mingle happily as Mrs. Ronald J. Gledhill, center, is given the Rochester "Club Woman of the Year" award. J. Wallace Ely, president of Security Trust Company, which sponsored the Golden Gavel Luncheon honoring local women's club presidents, is at left. Miss Ruth Chamberlain, right, Times-Union women's editor, presented the award.

Former DCCW Head is 'Club Woman of 1967'

Mrs. Ronald J. Gledhill, former president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and currently president of Women's Human Relations Council, has been named Rochester "Club woman of the Year."

The award, conferred Oct. 17 at the Golden Gavel Luncheon sponsored by the Security Trust Company was given by the Times-Union in conjunction with its annual Club Guide.

Besides her work with the DCCW, Mrs. Gledhill has worked with the Each-One-Teach-One program sponsored by the United Church Women to teach illiterates to read and through interfaith meetings at Birth

English Mass In England

London—(RNS)—The Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales are expected to approve an all-English Mass before the end of this year—probably in Advent—according to Msgr. John Humphreys, secretary to the hierarchy's liturgical commission.

He made this forecast following an announcement that the United States hierarchy, with the consent of the Holy See, had approved an all-English Mass on a temporary basis beginning Oct. 22. Canada had previously become the first country in the world to offer the Mass entirely in English.

Msgr. Humphreys said the English and Welsh hierarchy has already approved a version of the Canon prepared by the International Commission on English in the Liturgy and is now awaiting final approval for its introduction here from the Holy See.

He said the text of the Canon is "almost certain to be the same as the one adopted by the Canadians and Americans."

74 Million Lutherans

Geneva—(RNS)—The number of baptized Lutherans in the world during 1967 totaled 74.4 million.

According to statistics compiled here by the Information Bureau of the Lutheran World Federation, some countries had marked gains, but decreases in other areas—notably among United Evangelical Churches in East Germany—caused a world decrease of 20,000 members.

The total, 74,419,334, represents 57,486,334 members of Lutheran Churches in about 80 countries, plus an estimated 16,933,000 Lutherans belonging to United Evangelical Churches in Germany (who also have Reformed membership). Last year's total membership was 74,439,999.

Lutheranism is the world's largest Protestant grouping. It follows Roman Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy in total constituency among Christian traditions.

Two U.S. Films Rated 'C'

New York—(NC)—The National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures evaluated in its Class C (condemned) category two movies from major U.S. studios—"The Penthouse" and "Reflections in a Golden Eye."

Seminaries Report Drop

Madrid—(NC)—A sharp decrease in seminary enrollment in the last three years, together with a rise in the number of those leaving the seminary before ordination, has prompted the Spanish bishops to undertake a thorough seminary reform.

New seminary curricula have been put into effect to help avert a further decrease in the traditionally abundant priestly vocations.

Among the statistics given at the meeting were:

In 1963, 4,796 boys entered the seminary and there were 7,623 seminarians in Spain.

In 1965, there were only 4,200 new seminarians, and in 1966, only 3,771.

In 1962, 834 students in the later years of studies left the seminary. The number of those leaving rose to 906 in 1964, and to 1,147 in 1965, almost one-sixth the total number of seminarians in that year.

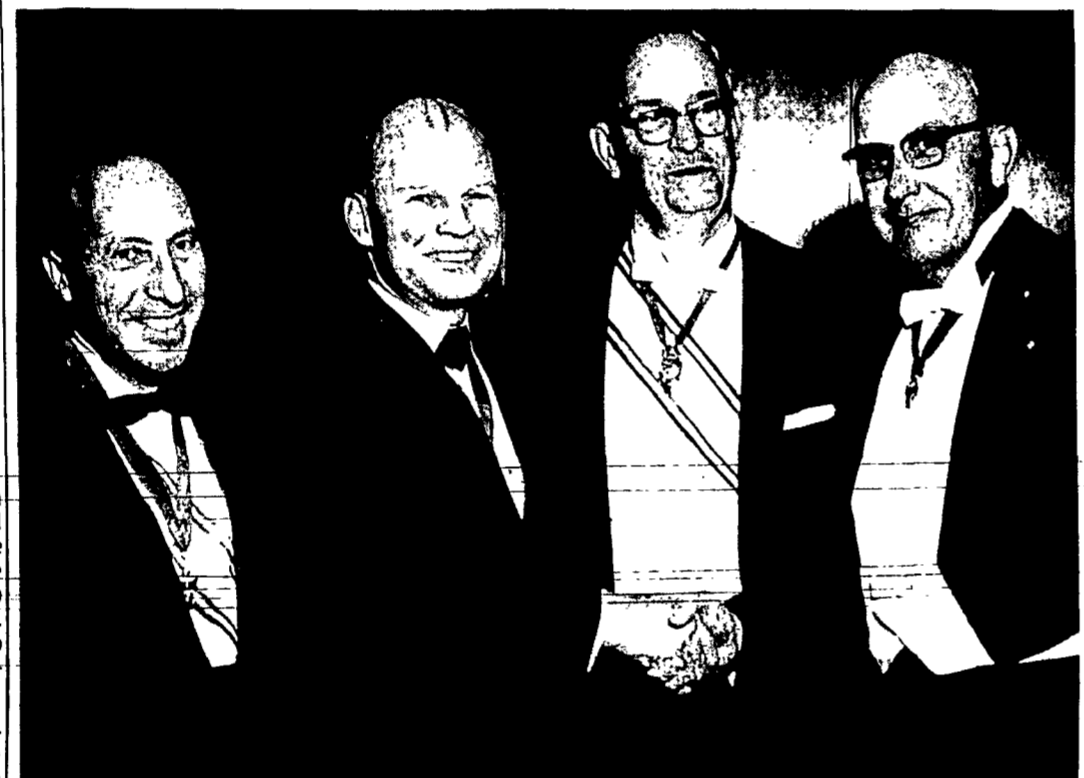
KC Aids Fund For Newman

New Haven—(NC)—The Knights of Columbus have contributed \$12,000 toward a research project aimed at gathering and publishing all the writings of John Henry Cardinal Newman, 19th-century British scholar and convert to Catholicism.

The gift was approved at an October meeting in Elkhart, Ind., of the board of directors and announced here by Supreme Knight John W. McDevitt.

City Club Lists Speaker on UN

Mrs. Marietta Peabody Tree, America's first woman Ambassador to the United Nations, will address the annual United Nations Week luncheon on Saturday, October 28, at the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. She will discuss "The New Age of Human Rights" at the luncheon meeting sponsored by the City Club of Rochester and the Rochester Association for the United Nations.



Knights Honor Nary

Rochester Knights of Columbus conducted fourth degree ceremonies for a class of close to 100 candidates at Our Lady of Lourdes parish hall, Brighton, Sunday, October 15. Dinner followed at the Manger Hotel. The class honored Raymond L. Nary, former 5th district master. Congratulating him are Thomas J. Grosdonia, James E. Foley and Francis Smith.

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A Plea for Openness

Home Masses, New Type Parishes

Washington—(RNS)—Calling the neighborhood Mass "a parallel and equally welcome experiment," the statement said:

"We all need, and bishops and pastors in particular need, the help of sociologists and theologians to appreciate the growing instability of present parochial structures.

"The neighborhood Mass program has the virtue of the territorial parish: it brings together people of disparate concerns and backgrounds, perhaps united only by accident of dwelling together, but now united by their faith in Jesus Christ and their following of his command of love."

The Liturgical Conference statement noted that mistakes will be made in such programs. Stressing that the statement was not intended "to praise the errors of approved programs or to comment on the non-approved," the Conference emphasized two points:

1. "Whatever the liturgical aberrations that may exist or may be alleged, there is an extraordinary devotion and reverence and faith in such celebrations— which would often put to shame the routine parochial celebrations of hurried and unintelligible Masses."

2. "While censures and condemnations have long outlived most of their usefulness in the Church, if there must be censure let it first be directed to those who have failed us, the priests and pastors and bishops whose radical opposition to liturgical renewal does not seem to have changed over

the years—in spite of the Popes and the Council itself."

The Liturgical Conference told the bishops that it has rarely played the role of critic—it has been busy "in the work of study and promotion and education."

"It speaks now," the statement said, "only because some of those more zealous for the reality of meaningful Eucharistic participation seem to have no public defender, and this when it should have been supposed that many would have risen to commend their motives if not their practice."

The statement concluded with a manifesto by the Conference "to cooperate in what it hopes will be a sener path of liturgical renewal."

• "Serious effort by priests to preside well over the praying people of God.

• "A fresh approach to liturgical catechesis, especially concerning the Eucharist which the Christian community celebrates.

• "An acceleration of needed liturgical experiment, adaptation, and reform.

• "Diffusion of experimental programs of new kinds of communities and of places within parishes for liturgical celebration.

• "A sense of collaboration and a willingness to consult in an open dialogue of bishops and priests and the whole body of lay men and lay women.

• "A generous spirit which will show appreciation for any

Although no reference was made in the statement to any group or experiment which has been censured, a news release sent out with the Conference's message to the bishops did. A Liturgical Conference spokesman stressed that the statement was meant to be general and to apply to the whole nation.

The Conference press release noted the action of Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle of Washington, D.C., and his halting of the experimental liturgical practices of a group known as "The People," and Bishop George Ahr of Trenton, N.J., who refused permission for an experimental group known as the "Christian Layman's Experimental Organization" (CLEO) to function in his diocese.

The press release also noted that at least two U.S. dioceses, Oklahoma City-Tulsa and Atlanta, have officially approved experimental parish groupings.

Father Connolly said that all 36 members of the conference board were polled for their acceptance of the statement. He said that 29 indicated agreement, one did not agree with the statement as issued, and six failed to reply.

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