

## Inside WASHINGTON

### MARCH OF EVENTS

CONGRESSIONAL VOTE ON WAR COULD HELP  
ANTI-JOHNSON CRITICS WOULD BE PUT ON SPOT

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WASHINGTON—Mounting dissatisfaction and concern over lack of progress toward some conclusion in the Vietnam war is reflected in Washington in many ways. There are the seemingly needless repetitions in congressional speeches and statements demanding a withdrawal, or an all-out effort to crush North Vietnam, or a bombing halt, or a call for greater participation by the South Vietnamese, or proposals by which it is thought the Communists can be enticed to the negotiating table.

Beyond these direct groupings for some alternative to the present policy, the unhappiness is evident in general denunciations of Johnson's presidency, attacks on his every proposal or effort in almost any field, domestic or foreign, rural or urban, social or business. And beyond this is the resultant weakening of the Johnson influence in Congress, an anti-Johnson sentiment that evidences itself mainly by a desire on the part of some legislators to be on any side of a given issue other than on the President's side.

In short, the opposition to the present policy in Vietnam, while completely divergent on proposed alternatives, have a common position—anti-Johnsonism. Some Washington officials whose official futures are tied directly to Johnson's political fortunes are beginning to think in terms of trying to identify the size of this anti-Johnson sentiment. A few of them are privately talking about the possibility that President Johnson himself might want to take the bull by the horns and put these opposing forces on the spot. The vehicle would be an official request by the President for a congressional vote on a formal declaration that a state of war exists between the United States and North Vietnam.

Bringing such a resolution to a vote in the Senate and the House would undoubtedly result in a heavy favorable majority, informing the country, and incidentally Ho Chi Minh, of the relatively small degree of division that actually exists.

**MISTAKEN IDENTITY**—The Ripon Society recently issued a Vietnam research paper suggesting a decentralized approach to the problem of finding an end to the war and urging negotiations with the Viet Cong. The Democratic National Committee thought it should make a response.

In its reply, the committee, no less than six times, identified the society as being composed of "The Young Republicans," an organization of GOP members who are hawkish and whose Vietnam views are far different than those of the Ripon Society, which is composed of young GOP moderates.

The result of confusing the two GOP groups has hurt the Democrats who are desirous of splitting the moderates and extremists in the Republican ranks.

The only similarity between the two GOP groups is that they are composed of "young" Republicans.

## Father Groppi Says Jesus a Rights Worker

St. Paul—(RNS)—Jesus Christ was ostracized and finally crucified because he was a totally committed civil rights worker. Father James Groppi told more than 1,400 persons at the College of St. Thomas here.

The tough-talking 36-year-old white Roman Catholic priest who has spearheaded open housing demonstrations in Milwaukee said Jesus "fought for brotherhood and equality, and he was ostracized because he associated with the wrong kind of people—the publican and the Samaritan."

The black man looks at the white man today and says I want a total commitment from you," Father Groppi declared. "If I'm going to feel the policeman's club, I want you to feel it. If I'm going to go to jail, I want you to go with me."

"What the black man is saying is either you are with me or against me—the same thing Christ said many years ago," Father Groppi said.

Flanked by two husky "commandoes" from a corps of Negro youths, Father Groppi described what he termed "harassment and intimidation" against his open housing marchers and their "freedom houses" by Milwaukee police.

He said he is often asked what he teaches his young followers, mostly members of the Milwaukee NAACP Youth Council.

"I teach them black history," he said. "I teach them what Harriet Tubman taught the slaves she helped free many years ago. 'And when they would say to her, 'Why didn't you let me stay?' she would point a shotgun at them and say, 'I'll see you dead before I'll see you a slave.'"

"That's how I feel about my people. I'll see them dead before I see them slaves to white oppression and indignity."

He likened the efforts of the churches to eradicate racism to the story of the man who tried to remove grains of arsenic from a pitcher of milk.

"You've got to throw the whole damn thing out and if that means half the people who are in church every Sunday cease to go, well and good. They shouldn't be there in the first place."

Father Groppi's talk at St. Thomas was sponsored by the Catholic Interracial Council of the Twin Cities and the Minnesota Council of Churches. He also spoke at Luther Theological Seminary, an institution of the American Lutheran Church.

**Pilgrim Statue**  
Calcutta, India—(NC)—A Fatima Pilgrim Virgin statue was presented here to India by a group of nearly 200 members of the Blue Army of Our Lady.



## Award for Girl Scouts

New York — (RNS) — Dr. James Eagan, a vice-president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, presents to Mrs. Holton R. Price, Jr., head of the Girl Scouts, the NCCJ's 1967 President's Award for Rearing Children of Goodwill. The Scouts were honored for "promoting understanding among girls of different races, creeds and socio-economic backgrounds."

## Glenmary Nuns Elect Superior

Cincinnati — (RNS) — The Glenmary Sisters, a Roman Catholic religious order which saw 50 of its members including the mother general leave at the end of July, have elected a new superior.

Sister Mary Joseph Wade, a native of Long Island City, N.Y., was named to the post by all the remaining members of the religious order at a meeting in the motherhouse here. Archbishop Karl J. Alter of Cincinnati presided.

Officially called the Home Mission Sisters of America, the order was founded in 1941 by Father William H. Bishop, who headed the Glenmary Fathers, also of Cincinnati.

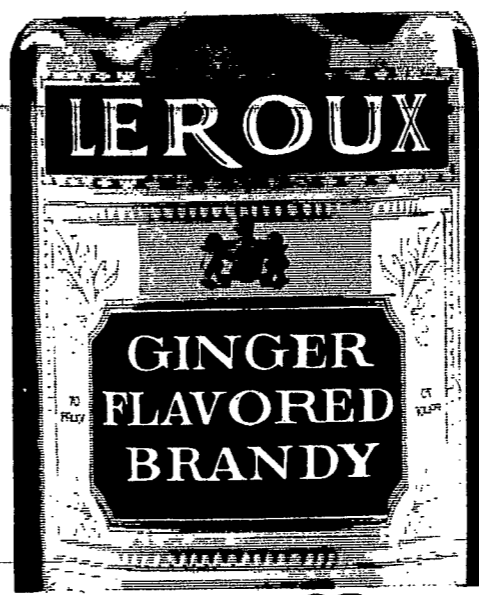
Sister Joseph, a member of the Glenmary Sisters since 1946, has spent more than 15 years doing mission work in West Portsmouth, Statesboro, Russellville, Ky.; Eaton, Ohio, and Big Stone Gap, Va. During the past year, she took graduate studies at St. Louis University.

## Psychological Tests Urged

Hingham, Mass. — (RNS) — A priest-psychologist urged bishops and major religious superiors from throughout New England to inaugurate an intensive program of psychiatric and psychological testing for all priests and Brothers under their jurisdiction, and to expand a similar program for all students now in seminaries and houses of formation.

Father John McCall, S.J., clinical psychologist at Boston and Weston colleges, said he did not make the recommendation because he saw any greater incidence of mental illness among priests and Brothers than among other American males, but because many problems that do exist could be alleviated by early detection and treatment.

He spoke at an all-day meeting sponsored by the Regional Conference of Major Superiors of Men and involved the superiors general and provincials of orders represented in the New England area and the bishops of the six-state region.



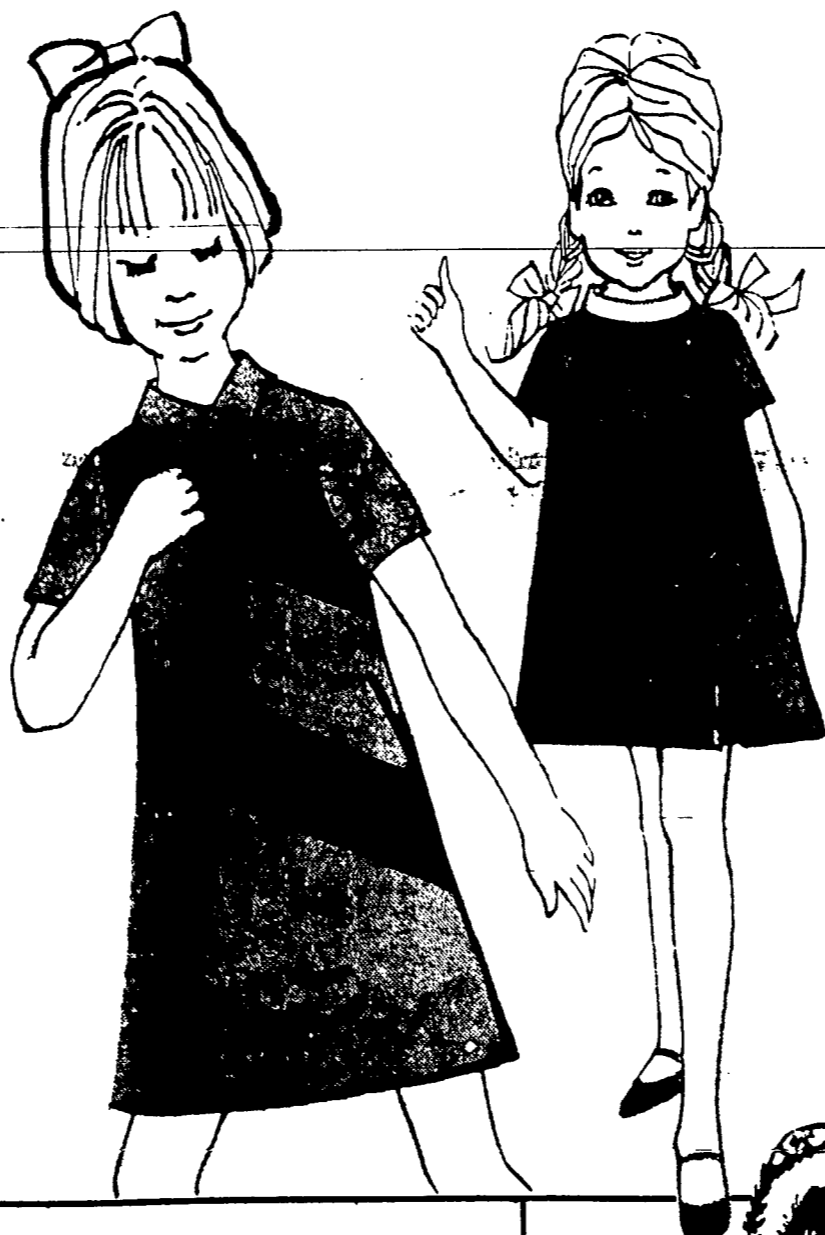
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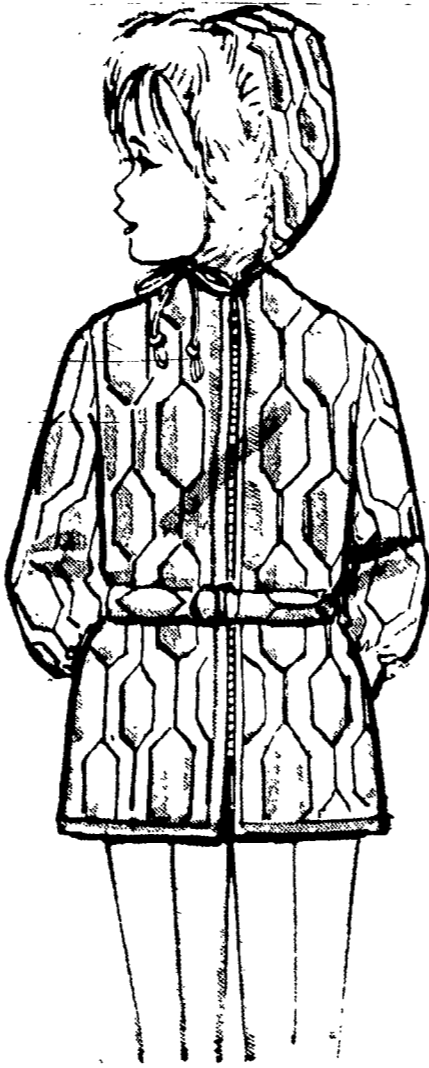
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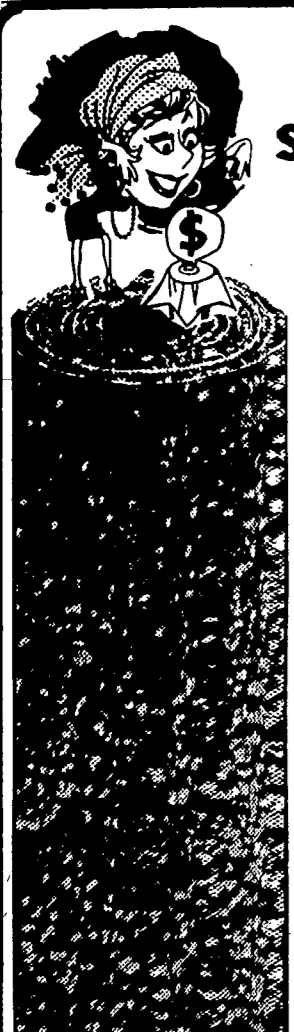
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## School At C

Washington — (RNS) — The financing of education in the U.S. Roman Catholic Church can be described as "a meeting" on the future of public education here.

Holy Cross Father told, assistant professor at the U.S. Roman Catholic Church, to drop the fair individualism, narrowing of its school in its place, planning at all levels of decision-making.

Speaking to the Symposium on Catholic Education sponsored by the Catholic Educational Association, Father Bart...

"The principal revenue upon which her schools have... take a larger, more diverse, and more effective low income...

of high income." He cited, as examples, the kind of secular through the graduation tax," he said, and...

"The same is true which simply as...

## Schism Dogs

St. Paul — (RNS) — Within the Roman Catholic Church is much spread than most Christians believe, a Minnesota Protestant who served as an ant at the recent press of the Lay Rome.

At the same time Lutz said, he feared the horror of schism" the Catholic Church.

He said the question asked by Catholics we move forward, ting the Church?

Mr. Lutz, who is the Center for Union here, was No representative of World Federation press.

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A harvest buffet served on Tue Nov. 14 from 5 to 7 auditorium of St. Mother Church, H

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