

## Public Issues Committee Airs Drug Scene Probe

Rochester's four television channels will produce this month a series of programs on "Our Drugged Society" — a documentary on the growing number of people, including teenagers, who use drugs.

The four-program series is the first product of a six-month-old Public Issues Committee of the Rochester, Monroe County Council of Social Agencies. The committee, organized last spring by John Mulder, Council president, with Father Henry Atwell as committee chairman, includes representatives of business, civic, religious and news media groups. Coordinator for the television series was Rev. Conrad Massa, also a committee member.

The series began on UHF Channel 21, Mon., Dec. 18. Other programs in the series include one aired Dec. 21, on WOKR-TV, Channel 13 and one scheduled for Tues., Dec. 26, as part of a CBS network program, 10 to 11 p.m., on WHEC-TV, Channel 10; and Sun., Dec. 31, at 1 p.m., on WROC-TV, Channel 8.

Warren Doremus of WHEC-TV will include his program "The Search" in a Dec. 26 CBS network program probing local people for their opinions whether present illegal drugs should be legalized and are there advantages to the community in possible increased drug use by individuals.

Tom Decker of WOKR-TV will conclude the series with a Dec. 31 program titled "The Question" seeking an answer to

"What is fact and fiction about present drug use?" A physician and a chemist will give their views toward an answer.

The Public Issues Committee's purpose has been described as fact-finding for the Social Agencies Council and for the general public — a two-way information quest.

Mulder said, "The Council has been an umbrella for the past 43 years to link numerous agencies in coordinating their work to serve people in need in this area. Our complex way of life has created new problems and we think we have resources enough to meet these new issues as previous generations met theirs. Our first job, however, is to focus our attention and that of the community on what issues should claim our immediate attention. Our study showed us one such issue is drug addiction."

Committee members, besides Mulder, and Father Atwell, Dr. Massa, and the television directors already listed above, are Dr. Alex Braiman, Dr. Harold Borgstedt, Stanley Legan, Rabbi Allan Levine and Kenneth M. Storandt.

Father Atwell said the Committee will follow up its drug addiction television program with a study of such other issues as the needs of the aged, the handicapped, possible plans for "the city of the future" — to prevent continued "urban sprawl" with its consequent ugliness and destruction of natural resources.



## Vandalism Hits St. Pius X Parish

Ruefully surveying damaged statue of St. Pius X as a boy are Father Donald Murphy, pastor of the Chili Avenue parish, and students of the parish school. The incident was the most recent of a series which have numbered broken school windows,

smashed lights in the parking lot and two small trees cut down. The Carrara marble statue of the boy Joseph Sarto, who became St. Pius X, cost more than \$700.

## Charges 'False Doctrines' In Some Catholic Schools

St. Paul, Minn. — (RNS) — Some Roman Catholic schools are teaching "false doctrine," a Catholic pastor and theologian has charged here.

Msgr. Rudolph Bandas, pastor of St. Agnes Catholic Church and former rector of St. Paul Seminary, made the charge in an article in "The Wander," conservative Catholic weekly. The paper is publishing a new series of catechism lessons designed by Msgr. Bandas for home teaching.

"To protect their children from perversion, some parents are withdrawing them from Catholic schools and placing them in neutral public schools," Msgr. Bandas wrote. "Slowly but surely the Catholic religion is going into the catacombs of the Catholic home and leading refuge in the hearts of our wonderful and devout Catholic fathers and mothers."

Msgr. Bandas said "if a distraught parent objects to these false doctrines, he is haughtily told: 'Like it or withdraw the

child'—despite the fact that the salvation of souls is the 'supreme law of the Church.'"

The priest, a peritus (expert) at the Second Vatican Council, did not specify what "false" doctrines were being taught but criticized the "new theology" as objectionable.

## Recent Film Ratings

Following are the titles of films reviewed recently by the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures.

Class A, Section 2  
Vengeance of Fu Manchu

Class A, Section 3  
Charlie Bubbles  
That Man George

Class A, Section 4  
Bedazzled

Observation: This film is a satirical and sometimes hilarious reshaping of the Faust legend to cut off contemporary man. Although its theme is the commendable one that salvation begins with self-acceptance, its theological implications are ambiguous and subject to widely different interpretations. Moreover, the erudition and flippancy of some of its treatment may prove offensive to some viewers.

## France Sets Social Week

Lyons, France — (NC) — France's 55th Social Week, a meeting of Catholic social action groups, will be held in Orleans July 9-14, 1968.

Its theme will be "Man in a Changing Society."



## Layman Takes Pulpit

C. Donald Munroe, chairman of the finance committee at Owego's St. Patrick's Church, spoke at all the Masses in his parish church recently. Munroe, a Certified Public Accountant, outlined the financial status of the parish. Other members of the committee include J. Edmund Morton, Edmund Barber and Richard Eschler.

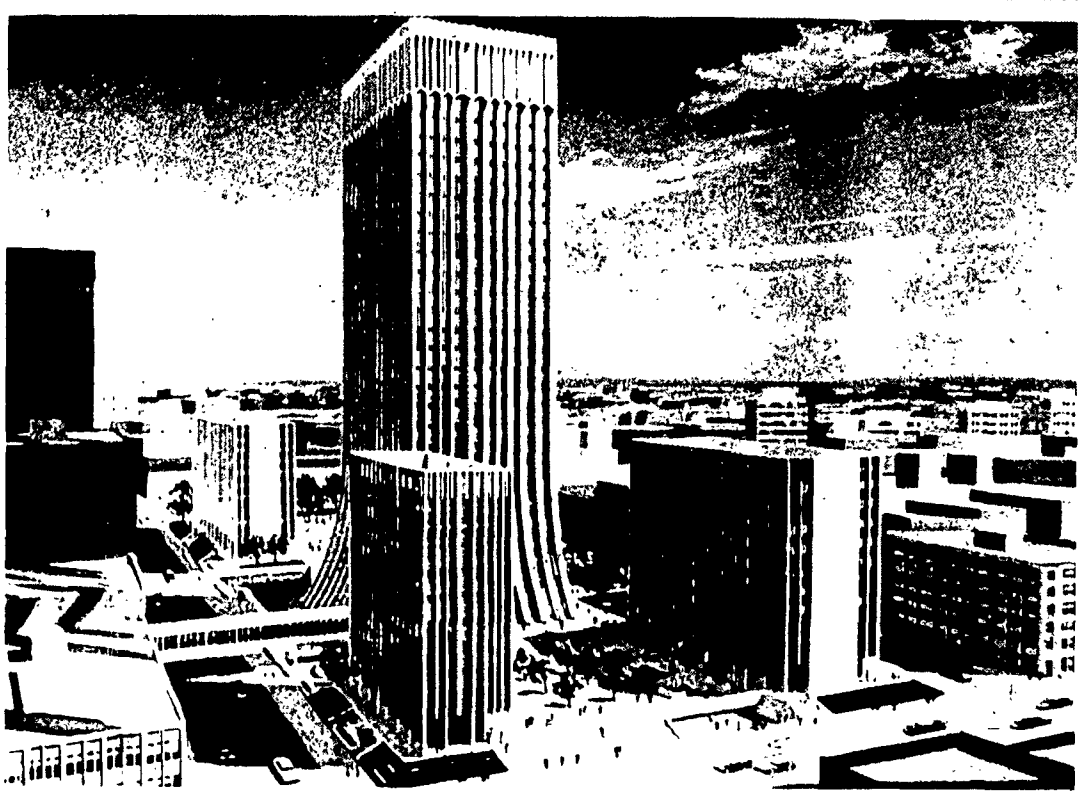


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## On the Rochester Skyline

Architects' conception of Lincoln Rochester's Clinton Square Project as visualized in the "long-range" development plan. Hopefully, the Project will eventually cover this entire 3.9 acre site bounded by Main Street East and Broad Street, Clinton Avenue and Stone Street.

## Interchurch Aid Group Meets

Belgrade — (RNS) — An Interchurch Aid Consultation, organized by the World Council of Churches, is meeting here with 150 delegates from Protestant, Orthodox and Roman Catholic church organizations throughout Europe.

The theme of the consultation is "European Churches and the reconstruction of 125 houses."

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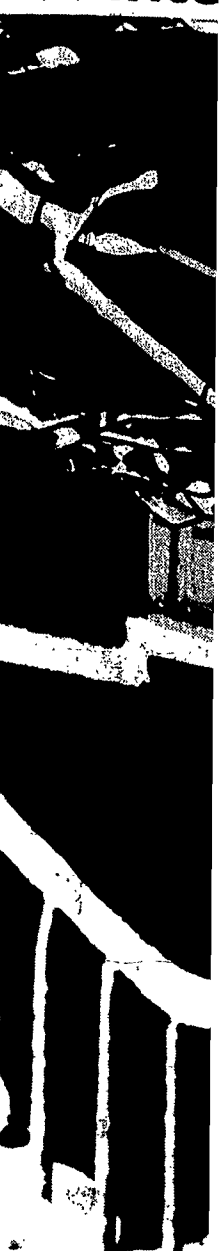


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New York — (E) Anglo-Catholic leader Episcopal Church's impression with Europe that there for further changes man Catholic liturgy drop some reforms older customs.

Canon Albert J. d active director of th Church Union, said generally that the kneeling to receive communion was prefer new custom of stan

Canon duBois mentions about his vis and other Europea the American Church is managing editor of official publication of cean Church Union the Anglo-Catholic Episcopal denomina

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