



KC Membership Drive

"Operation Re-member" is the theme of the New York State Council of the Knights of Columbus 1968 membership drive. Emphasis will be placed on the re-instatement of former members as well as the enrollment of new members. Here James E. Foley, K.H.S. (second from left), State Deputy of the New York State Council of the Knights of Columbus, is shown issuing the first poster of the campaign for the up-state jurisdiction to John B. Evans (right) of Owego, State Chairman of the Indotriation Committee. Looking on are John Pasucci (left) of Long Island, State Chairman of Conservation and John Breglia K.M. (second from right) of Brooklyn, State Chairman of membership for the Knights of Columbus.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words. Includes a small illustration of a person.

Notre Dame Education Meet

Washington—An invitational conference on "The Campus Ministry in Higher Education" will be held March 20-22 at Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana.

The conference is being sponsored by the National Catholic Educational Association, College and University Department, and by the National Newman Apostolate, both with headquarters in Washington, D.C.

About 100 top-notch educators and religious leaders interested in the relevance of moral and religious values in university life will take part in the conference.

Speakers include Father Andrew Greeley, National Opinion Research Center, Chicago University; the Rev. Harold Viehman, General Secretary, United Presbyterian Board of Christian Education; and the Rev. Jeffrey Hadden, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland; Robert Michaelson, Chairman of the Department of Religious Studies, University of California at Santa Barbara; and the Rev. Henri Nouwen, visiting professor at Notre Dame University.

Peace, Viet Bishops Ask

Saigon—The Roman Catholic bishops of South Vietnam have called for an immediate end of the war, and start of North-South negotiations.

In a statement issued this week, the bishops scored the government of President Nguyen Van Thieu, a Catholic and took official society to task for "laziness, hypocrisy and corruption."

"It is now that the conflict must be settled," the Council of Bishops declared. But they asked "How can there be peace if the citizens no longer believe in their just cause and no longer have confidence in each other?"

Bishop Offers Senators Food For Meditation

Albany — New York's State Senate opened its 1968 session officially last Monday, with its first business being a lesson in prayer.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen of Rochester, scheduled to lead the opening prayer for the State Senators, chose instead to lead a brief meditation in the classic three-point style. His subject: Prayer.

Said Bishop Sheen: "Now, I am not going to pray. There are certain things that every man must do for himself: blow his nose, make his own love and say his own prayers."

"I know that you are all men of prayer, but sometimes there is an incident that happens that teaches us a new lesson. There was a man hurt in an automobile accident and was brought into the hospital, and he said to the sister in the hospital, 'Sister, pray for me, I have not prayed in about 30 years.'"

"She said, 'Pray for yourself. Sometimes a strange voice is the one most quickly heard.'"

"I am going, therefore, to suggest two or three ideas as they come to my mind, and I am going to pause for a few seconds in which you will do your own thinking and praying, not I. I feel that very often people who pray in public are not praying to the Lord, they are praying to the audience."

"So the first thought is this: Am I conscious of the beautiful responsibility that has been given to me to share in the authority of God in making laws? For one day the Lord said to Pilate, 'You would not have this power unless it were given to you from above.' Do I ever think of that?"

"And in my public relations, in my talk about the rights and liberties of the people, am I conscious of their origin? Rights and liberties of people do not come from government. If they did, the government could take them away. They do not come from the will of the majority, because the majority is only the custodian of the minority's rights."

"The second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence answered the question about the rights and origins with reference to liberties. It is the 'self-evident principle' that the creator — has endowed man with certain unalienable rights — the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

"In all of my discussions, in all of my debates, am I conscious of this origin of the rights and liberties?"

"And finally, do I ever thank God that I am given a part in the government of the greatest nation upon the face of the earth? This great country of ours has at one time been a sanctuary for the persecuted; then against dictatorship it was an arsenal, and now it is the pantry of the world, and I am part of it!"

"This state and this country are thrust somewhat into the role of Simon of Cyrene, the African who halved the cross of Christ for when he was on his way to Calvary — always an interesting spectacle to see a man go to death — the long arm of the Roman law reached out to this Simon of Africa and said: 'Take up thy cross, bear it, carry it. He did not want to do it but he could follow footsteps and it was a little easier. He was the first to share the cross and maybe he has been sharing it ever since.'"

"I see that America is cast once more into this role in which providence is saying to us: in the face of the hunger, of the want, of the social injustices of the world, take this cross, this cross of oppressed people, bear it, carry it. Actually we are carrying a nobler cross than we know, a nobler cross than we deserve."

"What a beautiful destiny it is to be a law-maker in this great country. We thank God."

"God love you. Goodbye."

Mid-East Refugees Made '67 UN Year of Crisis

United Nations, N.Y.—(RNS) — For the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNWRA), 1967 was a year of crisis in human as well as social and financial terms.

Although many new and urgent problems resulted from the June Arab-Israeli war, the underlying humanitarian issues of 1,344,567 Palestine refugees registered before the conflict remained as formidable as before.

Despite world publicity and increased international awareness of the problem, 1968 poses even greater concern to officials who lack sufficient funds to tackle the existing problems, and who have little immediate hope that drastic political change of heart among the Middle East antagonists might pave the way for radical solutions.

To the pre-war refugees in Jordan, the Gaza Strip, Lebanon and Syria, were added some 350,000 to 400,000 additional

refugees who were rendered homeless by the war, including 130,000 Palestinian Arabs.

A heavy burden of emergency relief for newly displaced persons immediately fell on the Middle East governments concerned and UNWRA. Valuable contributions to the relief operations were made by many countries, the Red Cross and Red Crescent, the World Food Program, UNICEF, as well as many international and national specialized agencies and private individuals.

In Syria, which refuses to have the Middle East problem mediated by a special United Nations envoy, Ambassador Gunnar Jarring of Sweden, there are 116,000 newly displaced persons now living in the Damascus and Deraa areas.

In Jordan, an estimated 250,000 displaced persons are now living on the East Bank — 110,000 of them formerly registered with UNWRA on the West Bank. About 50,000 of them live in six camps in the

Jordan Valley. Additional thousands of refugees a month are still coming from the Gaza Strip and the West Bank of Jordan.

In Egypt there are 35,000 new refugees from the Sinai area, plus 4,000 Palestinians from the Gaza Strip.

The financial situation of UNWRA—precarious last year, gives further cause for continuing concern in 1968. While funds are forthcoming to expand and improve the facilities for education and training of the refugees, and in some respects the health program, the adequacy of funds to carry on essential basic services remain in doubt.

UNWRA's Commissioner-General Laurence Hichelmer fears that unless additional funds are received quickly, the consequences, such as the reduction of food rations, would be so harsh that "I could not bring myself to contemplate them," he recently told the U.N. General Assembly.



Catholic Hour Drama

Biff McGuire and Michael Goodwin enjoy a hearty laugh as father and son in an original drama "The Workout" by Robert Cream to be telecast on The Catholic Hour-TV Sun., Jan. 14 at a special time of 4:30-5:00 p.m. over the NBC-TV network. This special will be seen in addition to the regular Catholic Hour-TV program at 1:30 p.m., which is currently presenting "The Catholic Faith—A New Perspective."

Funeral Directors advertisement for Haubner & Stallknecht, including contact information and services offered.

Funeral Home advertisement for Paul W. Harris, including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for A.G. Bonsignore Co., including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for F.H. McElwee & Son, including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for Assumption Parish, including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for Emery-Curtis Funeral Home Inc., including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for Harloff Funeral Home, including address and phone number.

Funeral Home advertisement for St. Jerome's Parish, including address and phone number.

Draft Card Returner Regains Deferred Status

Camden, N.J.—A local Selective Service board has reinstated the draft deferment (4-D status) of the Rev. Henry Bucher, a staff worker for the National Council of Churches.

Mr. Bucher and two Cornell chaplains are involved in court action against their draft boards. The three had been reclassified 1-A after they turned in their draft cards as a gesture of protest against the Viet Nam war. The others are Father David Connor, associate Catholic chaplain at Cornell, and the Rev. Paul Gibbons, chaplain for the United Ministry there.

Their suit is supported by the National Council and the American Civil Liberties Union. It asks Federal Court to restrain Selective Service from making such reclassifications "pending a judicial determination of the constitutionality of the boards' actions."

ACLU officials have charged that the reclassifications came as a result of an Oct. 28 memorandum from General Lewis B. Hershey, director of the National Selective Service, instructing local draft boards to review the status of those de-

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Advertisement for Mission Contract (A Gift Annuity) by Rev. Father Ralph, including details about the investment and contact information.

CLASSIFIED ADS

A collection of classified advertisements including business services, help wanted notices, and other local listings.

Prayer For Ev

"The Lord of ages... ever before... has been remorse over their division. Catholics are exhorted to times and to take an inter-ecumenism."

Such is the directive of which applies in a special way for Christian Unity observed during January 18-25. The praise of His glory" stresses man in giving glory to God.

All Christians should ways, especially during the optional, a matter for pre- an obligation binding on all for one's neighbor. Jesus own prayer for unity on that they all may be one, just as You, that they also may believe that You sent Me."

The posture of the Catholic position, is a result of the can bishops have declared a new hope... maps out a new openness... a new fr cooperation.

Ecumenism demands in everyone and this change and sincere prayer, through love. The document on ecumenism tells us: "This life along with public and of Christians should be a whole ecumenical movement spiritual ecumenism."

Ecumenism must be problems which beset the poverty, drug addiction, m, lems, war and so many other with ecumenism, but they it and ecumenism should be

Modern man seems to we are! Help us to make technocratic age without brutality of a new paganism and affection for our fellow Good Samaritan burns in us share our anxieties and as build the city of man, we faith and hope alone can

We must hear the cry today who are so restless, We must hear them and we we must pray.

Our prayers for unity urgency. It is because of the face the world and are cry. Bue we desire unity, not a need to be united against many sides. There is a faith will that His followers be He has established for the

Accordingly all Christians and sincerely during the U by Father Paul, S.A., of Gr oped by Fr. Paul Couture. At the present time it is many parts of the world a bring the blessing of unity family.

We should pray fervently especially during January brothers and sisters in so God "that all may be one three gathered in my name them." If Christ be in us a shall come.

—Father Titus

Joseph A. Breig An Anal

Unrelated things can sometimes bump oddly and unexpectedly in the mind. What on earth, for instance, can be the intellectual relationship between the word "billiards" and the words "birth-control?"

What these terms have in common is the fact that they are widely and grossly misused, in the press and in conversation — and this is in the loosest and foggiest fashion, as if the world were not already sufficiently supplied with the ingredients for confusion and tubehead-ecness.

At the risk of publicly confessing both a misapprehension and the chronological age of a disclaimer, permit me to say that I am the only creature left alive who knows that billiards is not pool and pool is not billiards, and that to call pool billiards is like calling a squash a chrysanthemum, or a carrot an orchid.

Perhaps a better comparison would be to say that calling pool billiards is like calling checkers chess.

This is not to say (peace, Jackie Gleason!) that I look down my nose at pool, or that I do not admire its expert practitioners, such as Minnesota Fats. Quite the contrary. I like to see every honest writer, I like to see people keeping things sorted out, not dumping them helter-skelter together.

Billiards and chess are the royalty among all the games ever devised by the ingenuity of man.

I speak as one who has sat many a night brooding, with a boon companion, over pawns and knights and rooks, and as one who not only used used to hang around pool parlors, but