

## Around The Country

### "Our Father" for All Proposed

Pittsburgh—(NC)—The Pittsburgh diocesan commission on ecumenism has recommended that an "Our Father," or Lord's Prayer, acceptable to all U.S. Christian faiths, be adopted.

Father Francis Glenn, secretary of the commission, said "a common Lord's Prayer will help ecumenism." He said a version acceptable to both Catholics and Protestants now is in use in Germany and a similar prayer is being considered in France.

### Intercommunion Ruled Out

Berkeley, Calif.—(NC)—A member of the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity said there is "no room for intercommunion" in the theology of the Roman Catholic Church.

The reason, said Father Jerome Hamer, O.P., is that the Eucharist cannot be dissociated from the Church itself, "for the simple reason that this sacrament is the center and culmination of the whole life of the Church."

### Institute Studies Nazi Genocide

New Orleans—(NC)—A Christian-Jewish Faculty Institute here is believed to be the first joint scholarly exploration of the Nazi extermination effort and the meaning of the state of Israel to American Jewry.

Dr. Joseph L. Lichten, Anti-Defamation League spokesman, said the purpose of the institute was understanding, not judgment. He said, "Had the people during World War II understood, or wanted to understand, that they were witnessing the most unspeakable act of genocide in man's evolution, perhaps we would not be speaking today of six million deaths."

### Church Must Lead Way to Peace

Gainesville, Fla.—(NC)—Auxiliary Bishop John J. Dougherty of Newark said the Church in the United States is now providing sufficient leadership in the peace movement.

Bishop Dougherty, chairman of the Bishop's Committee on World Justice and Peace, was interviewed here during Religion-in-Life week at the University of Florida. He said he spoke as an American citizen "who happens to be a bishop."

However, he continued, "It seems to me... we should be champions of peace as disciples of Christ. And I don't think that we are getting enough leadership in that specific target area of the efforts that are made for peace, the causes of peace, the philosophy of peace, the Christian attitude of peace, the whole Gospel message of peace. It seems to me that this is where we need the leadership."

### God's "Death" Naive Idea

Milwaukee—(RNS)—Radical Christian theologians are "too naive" in their discussion of traditional Christian beliefs, a Canadian Jewish philosopher said here.

Dr. Emil L. Fackenheim, professor of philosophy at the University of Toronto, told a Marquette University audience:

"Certain theologians are crying that God is dead and certain Christians are seeking an atheistic Christianity at precisely the time when former atheists are losing their confidence in atheism and beginning to think that religion may not be just pie in the sky after all."

### Catholics Urged To Join "Y"

Providence, R.I.—(RNS)—Roman Catholics in Rhode Island have been given permission, and are being encouraged, to join the YMCA and the YWCA.

Guidelines approved by Bishop Russell J. McVlinay noted:

"The principles and spirit of ecumenism on one hand and a change of emphasis by the YMCA's and YWCA's in the Diocese of Providence over the past several years on the other hand have made possible this new attitude toward membership in these organizations in the Diocese of Providence."

### Pastor-less Parish Planned

Memphis—(RNS)—The Paulist Fathers are considering the establishment here of an experimental, "pastor-less" parish having ecumenical overtones.

The plan calls for the parish to be directed by a team of priests whose purpose would be socio-religious work in the inner city. They would work closely with Protestants in an area of great social need.

### Salary Scale Set for Priests

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.—(RNS)—

A uniform salary scale of \$115 to \$165 a month for priests has been set by Bishop Alexander Carter of Sault Ste. Marie. Food, laundry and living accommodations will continue to be supplied through parish funds, and there will be a travel allowance.

Bishop Carter made it plain that churches unable to meet the salary schedule must be helped by the richer parishes.



## New And Retiring Bishop

St. Cloud, Minn.—(RNS)—Bishop Peter W. Bartholome of St. Cloud, Minn. (left) has received papal permission to retire after serving as spiritual leader of the diocese since 1953. The 74-year-old prelate will be succeeded by Bishop George H. Speltz (right), who has been his Coadjutor since April, 1966. Bishop Bartholome has been a priest for 50 years and a bishop for 25. Bishop Speltz was ordained in 1940 and served as a vice-chancellor, school superintendent and seminary rector in Winona, before being appointed to the episcopacy in 1963.

## Priest Newsman Suggests One Big Catholic Daily

By MARGARET M. CARLAN (NC News Service)

St. Louis—Establishment of a Catholic daily newspaper of the Christian Science Monitor-type was proposed here as the ultimate solution in the problems of the Catholic press in the United States.

The suggestion was made by Father Joseph Michenfelder, director of the Catholic Information Center in Lima, Peru. He spoke at the fifth annual national conference of the Catholic Inter-American Cooperation Program.

Father Michenfelder joined the principal workshop speaker, Jose Alvarez Icaza, president of the National Center for Social Communication in Mexico City, in lamenting what they saw as an inaccurate picture Latin and North Americans receive of each other through the press.

The Maryknoll journalist said he was "so cynical" about the possibility of radically improving U.S. press coverage of Latin America that he looks to new means to break the communication barrier.

As the chief hope in this direction, he cited "the great possibilities" of audio-visual presentations which could be made by communication satellites. He suggested that control be given to the universities. He said that were private industry, government, or the churches given control, the new medium might

fail for the same reasons as older ones.

Father Michenfelder attributed the U.S. news media portrayal of Latin America to business-profit motives and reliance on "gringo" and part-time journalists who do not care about Latin America.

The Catholic press has shared in this failure, he said, noting

that the entire Catholic press in the United States does not employ one full-time reporter in Latin America.

Why, he asked, couldn't the NC News Service, Our Sunday Visitor, Jubilee, Commonweal and the National Catholic Reporter raise some \$25,000 together to support the salary and expenses of such a man for a year?

## Bishop's Board Scores Copyright Violators

Washington—(NC)—In a statement aimed at the unauthorized reproduction of music for use in parishes, the president of the music advisory board of the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy called for an end to "the increasing abuse of authors' and composers' rights, legal and moral, through the indiscriminate and unauthorized use of copyright materials."

"We wish to point out," the statement's authors emphasized, "that it is absolutely illegal and immoral to reproduce—by any means—either the text or music or both of copyright materials without the written permission of the copyright owner."

"Likewise, the loss of publishers of legitimate profits in turn compels them to cut back production and hence reduces the number of new works for publication."

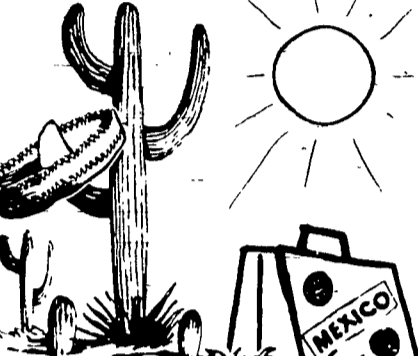
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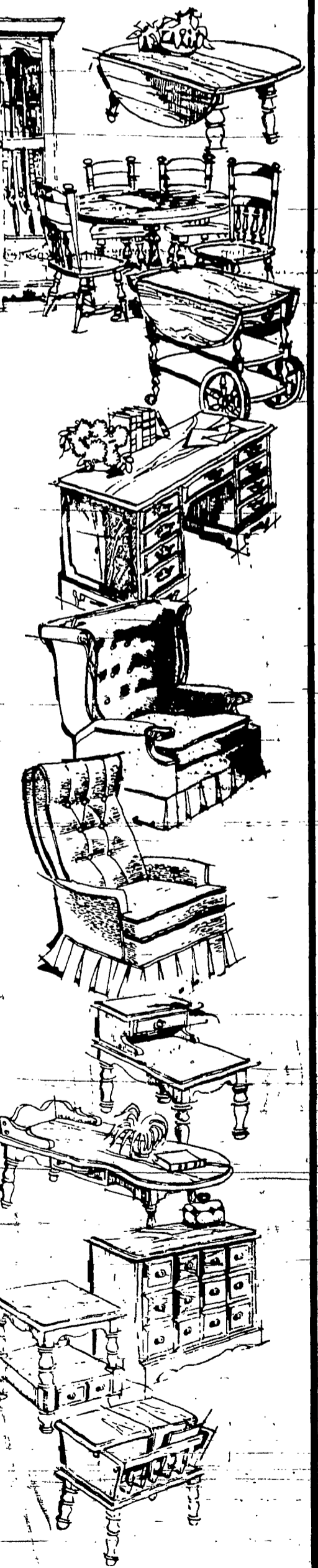
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By JOHN R. SULLIVAN (NC News Service)

The summer of 1968 could look a lot like that of 1967, when scores of cities were hit by rioting, disturbances, looting and widespread unrest on the part of Negro slum residents.

And then, maybe they won't. If that sounds inconclusive, so the attitude of the citizens, white and black. Paradoxically, if there are civil disturbances of any size in 1968, they will be caused in large part by that same inconclusiveness of thought and hesitancy to act.

Neither, however, has stopped the question from being asked—often and fearfully: Nor do they stop answers from being given. Most often the answer is, "Yes, there will be riots, if nothing is done."

But the answer begs the question of what must be done? Or is what is being done the right thing? To those questions nobody knows the answer—except, perhaps, the President's National Commission on Civil Disorders, which is due to issue its report—and programs for action—by March 1.

These programs, even if adopted, may not take effect soon enough and may not raise Negro hopes far enough to halt a recurrence of last year's disasters.

Much depends on the mood of the people, white and black.

And in an attempt to assess that mood and the actions since the riots which have affected that mood—for good or bad—NC News Service asked its correspondents and other sources in five large cities—among them Newark and Detroit—to report their findings.

Here is their assessment for the future:

Detroit

"This is a city to watch in 1968," reported NC correspondent Don Hagerty. "And if you believe what you hear from leaders in the city, it's a city to stay away from in summer, 1968."

"Trouble is expected to follow last summer's riots," he added ominously. "Big trouble."

Hagerty singled out statements from the right and the left as evidence. Right-winger Donald Lobsinger, leader of Breakthrough, has recommended that white citizens arm themselves in order to protect themselves in the event of new riots.

From the left come rumors of a plan to murder suburban white children thus driving fearful parents into the ghetto to spark wide-spread bloodshed. The Detroit police department has purchased a large store of new riot-control weapons.

There is other, more solid evidence of a black-white break. Shortly after the first of this year, the Rev. Albert Cleage Jr., black power advocate and chairman of the Federation of Self-Determination, turned down an offer of \$100,000 if Ford Foundation funds made through the coalition New Detroit Committee. The rejection could spell the end of the committee which was named by Mayor Jerome Cavanagh in the wake of the 1967 riots.

The Michigan state legislature turned down an open hour bill in a special session called specifically to consider it. A fight is expected when the regular session of the legislature convenes.

A Detroit open housing bill did gain passage. But it may never be amended, due to the efforts of a conservative group to collect signatures on a referendum petition.

Hagerty, however, also found signs of hope in the thoughts of Al Denmore, editor of the Michigan Chronicle, the city largest Negro newspaper.

Denmore, in turn, sees hope in political action—the kind that put Negroes in the Mayor office in Cleveland and Gary, Ind.

"If there is any progress either of these two cities," said

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