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Dear Friends:

It has been a jolting experience to move from the Cornell campus to the Editor's chair. But ever since Bishop Sheen shifted me from collegians' cares to news-stories, I have been encouraged by the expressions of good will that our diocesan paper may continue to thrive.

I have high hopes and ambition in this new responsibility because so many of you, laity and priests and religious, have told me you want the COURIER to prosper.

I sit in a chair enriched by the dedication and hard work of recent previous editors, Monsignor Patrick Flynn, Father Henry Atwell and Father Robert Kanka. Their brilliant service here has made the COURIER memorable to the readers, important to the diocese and respected in whole nation. Their traditions impose on me the fullest commitment I can make to the people of the diocese.

Please be patient with our efforts. Next Friday you will get a big paper, the new COURIER JOURNAL plus a colorful supplement marking the consecration of the new Auxiliary Bishops for our diocese. It will be a more attractive, easy-to-read paper with a new look, some new writers and extra features.

Gradually in future weeks we will be offering material from new sources, thought-filling writing which we hope will broaden your awareness of our place in the Family of God.

We know the pleasure readers have in seeing their parish written about: we intend to emphasize parochial stories that are truly unique. I have plans to improve our reporting from communities outside the city of Rochester, to establish youth-features, to offer more book and entertainment reviews. We will try to entertain you and show the hopeful, positive side of our faith-life.

Limitations of staff and finances will impede us for awhile. But you can give me a big boost, leading to new features and a larger editorial staff, if you renew your subscription this month and make sure we have your support. It's not my responsibility to worry about the COURIER's finances, but it takes circulation-money as well as advertising revenue to keep the editorial department of any newspaper operating.

Cordially yours,
Richard Torney

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