



Still Life -- Real Life

Beirut — (RNS) — A statue of St. Joseph seems to come alive as a nun strikes a similar pose while talking to a child. The occasion was an outing for pupils under the nuns' supervision at a park near Beirut.

Education

Model Code Urged For Teacher Pacts

Washington — (NC) — Catholic school officials should work with representatives of teachers' unions to create a model code to guide collective bargaining for Catholic school systems, a group of Catholic school superintendents were told here.

E. Riley Casey, general counsel of the National School Boards Association, told the superintendents from all parts of the country to meet the problem of teacher unionization "head on."

The creation of a model bargaining code would be desirable for several reasons, he said, because it would:

- Serve to regularize the presently confused dealings of school superintendents with teacher organizations.
- Help to make clear the status of members of religious orders in teacher organizations.
- Help prepare superintendents psychologically by giving them a tool with which to work and guidelines to work under.
- Avoid animosity and fear by recognizing the right of organizations to represent teachers.

Casey spoke at the Conference on Collective Bargaining sponsored by the education department of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

It was called at a time when growing numbers of teachers — Religious

Jesuit Tells Symposium

Theology Should Adapt to Times

Pittsburgh — (NC) — Father Bernard Lonergan, Jesuit theologian, speaking in a symposium on "The Nature of Belief," sponsored here by North American affiliate of Pax Romana, international Catholic students' organization, sounded the theme that adaptation in theology seems required in the confused times. But religion must steer clear of "trash" in contemporary thinking.

Father Lonergan, now at Regis College in Ontario, shared the platform with Father Martin D'Arcy, S.J., a philosopher and author.

Father Lonergan said that in times of great social and cultural change, "beliefs too are changing and, because they are only beliefs, because they are not personally acquired knowledge, such change leaves believers at a loss.

"They are disoriented. They do not know which way to turn. They feel that all they have taken for granted is menaced. They may be tempted to unbelief as a liberation or, again, they may dread it as destructive of truly human living," he said.

He spoke of the stability of classicist culture, which he said, "had to think of itself as the one and only culture for all time. But modern culture is culture on the move.

Father Lonergan said Catholics are suffering more keenly from the confusion of change because "up to Vatican II they were sheltered against the modern world and since Vatican

and lay — in Catholic schools are following the lead of their public-school counterparts by forming professional associations and unions to bargain with school officials for pay and professional conditions.

The National Labor Relations Board, which governs labor-management relations which affect interstate commerce, does not now have jurisdiction over private religious schools. Only one state — Wisconsin — specifically includes teachers in such schools in its labor relations law.

This issue, which has raised the possibility of conflict between religious obedience and membership in a union which bargains with the religious superior, continues to haunt labor relations in such cities as Philadelphia, where organizing activity has been high for the past year.

Casey called this "community of interest" a cornerstone of effective labor-management relations. "If a group of teachers have a community of interest in the terms and conditions of their professional lives, they should be treated the same, whether they are wearing button-down or a turned-around collar," he said.

He noted that Vatican Council II supported the concept of Religion having some voice in the direction of their own affairs. "They should be allowed a voice in the direction of their professional lives," Casey said.

If they have been exposed more and more to the chill winds of modernity."

Only recently, he said, has Catholic tradition acknowledged that "the world of the classicist no longer exists and that the only world in which it can function is the modern world." He said that religious faith goes beyond human belief. "But faith is not in man's word but in God."

Father Lonergan stressed that "religion is one thing, and theology another.

"Most saints were not theologians, and most theologians were not saints. Theology stands to religion as economics does to business," he declared.

He said today's social and cultural

'Tramp' Leaves Church Estate of \$400,000

Pretoria, South Africa — (RNS) — A man who had been considered a penniless tramp here has left an estate of \$400,000 to the Roman Catholic Church.

The bequest was made to Archbishop John Colburn Garner of Pretoria by the late John Tutlis, 70, for the establishment of a special fund to be named after the donor and used for any purpose chosen by the Church. Most of the estate is in mining shares.

Mr. Tutlis came to South Africa

Bishop Predicts Statewide Catholic Papers

Omaha — (NC) — Auxiliary Bishop James P. Shannon of St. Paul and Minneapolis said it is likely that a single, statewide Catholic newspaper will emerge as the most effective means of reaching Catholic readers.

Bishop Shannon, assistant episcopal moderator of the Press Department, United States Catholic Conference, told the True Voice, Omaha archdiocesan newspaper, that the consolidation of diocesan weeklies is "a very promising line of development."

"In many instances, he said, the dioceses themselves do not have the strength to put out a quality newspaper every week.

"As a result we have duplication of effort in advertising and editorial work. Great economies could be effected and a great improvement in quality would come from a Catholic paper every week that would cover, for instance, a state that had three, four or five dioceses."

Asked if there were opposition to such consolidation, Bishop Shannon replied: "In one state where this is being discussed, I know that at least two editors whose papers would be the kind you speak of — papers of quality and strength — are the persons most in favor of this. Men who are editors of such papers see quite quickly the advantage to the Church and to Catholic journalism of strengthening their papers.

"They would be able to draw on more reporters for coverage," he continued. "They would be able to depend editorial coverage; they would have different vantage points for the editorial page."

The bishop pointed out, however, that "some editors feel the obstacles are greater than the advantages."

Commenting on the future of the diocesan press, Bishop Shannon said: "I think it is going to be progressively more difficult for marginal Catholic papers to survive. That is another reason for their merging with other papers within the state."

"The Church was not front-page news even 10 years ago," he said, "or just before the Second Vatican Council."

Bishop Shannon stressed the importance of "responsible and reliable commentary within the Church on her own news." He said that frequently articles appearing in secular publications "are not necessarily unsympathetic, but lack in the depth of perception that could be given, by a writer who is both a competent journalist and well versed in the theology and traditions of the Church."

Jazz Mass for Lent In Harlem Parish

New York — (RNS) — Jazz instruments are being used here at a special experimental Mass offered for Harlem Roman Catholics every Sunday in Lent.

Composed by the famous jazz composer, arranger, and pianist Mary Lou Williams, the Mass also features tenor saxophones, drums, guitar and Bass. Mrs. Williams joins in each Sunday at the organ. Also participating in "A Mass for the Lenten Season" are the Young People's Choir and the entire congregation of the 11 o'clock Mass in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 118th St., Harlem.

Leading the choir and congregation is Eddie Bonnemere, whose "Mass for the Easter Season" will be sung at St. Thomas in April and May.

The Lenten Mass, the second composed by Mrs. Williams, is part of a pilot experiment with new musical forms for worship being conducted in Harlem with the approval of the New York Archdiocesan Music Commission.

Biblical themes from the traditional Lenten liturgy are incorporated into the Mass, which has been described as having a restrained and soulful mood in keeping with the Lenten spirit."

changes call for adjustment and adaptation are in forms and structures much more than in content. Theology has to operate within a different context; it will have to operate differently; but it will not therefore be a different theology," he stated.

He described today's challenge as a call for a collective effort. "It is not the individual but the group that transforms the culture. The group does so by its concern for excellence, by its ability to wait and let issues mature, by its persevering efforts to understand, by its discernment for what is at once simple and profound, by its demand for the first-rate and its horror of mere destructiveness."

from Lithuania after World War I and established a small store which he sold several years ago.

On several occasions, Mr. Tutlis was ejected from the Union Building, South Africa's main government administration buildings, after being mistaken for a tramp.

When he died, only \$5 in cash was found in his shabby room and his furniture and personal effects were sold for a total of \$25.

He was unmarried and had no relatives in South Africa.

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