

As I See It

Words of the Times: Violence, Hatred, Murder

By PAT COSTA

Another national tragedy, another superb performance by the television industry. So superb in fact that our set remained silent at least through the day. At night there are others to consider, but as for me, I have been satisfied. I have sat through the drama that evolved from the assassination of a President and the events that followed. I have sat through a similar playing out of a tragedy when the foremost leader of our nation's black family was struck down.

I have seen the others. I do not need to see the gun again. I have seen it and I have seen the other guns. I know what guns look like. I know what they do. I know what remains after their bullets have been spent. We have been through it before. The pictures we have already seen, the words we have heard repeated to the point of inanity we take with us to bed at night trying to dispel them with the routine of prayers. They refuse to go. I hear the words used over and over again by the commentators who invoke them when the concrete, the factual have been spilled out to us, thrust at us, hurled at us in a

hundred different ways and they must fill the moments with some kind of sounds. Before I sleep, those sounds come back at me. Brutal, violent, meaningless, chaotic, hatred, lawlessness, murder, blood, coroner, autopsy, de-aged, insane, security, fear. These are the words, the sounds of our times. There are experts who tell us that we as a nation are becoming inured to violence, pain, fighting because television brings it into our home nightly in the form of the Vietnam War. The sounds of the big guns and the anguish of the cries of the young men are merely something to be digested along with the dessert and

coffee we carry from the table into the living room. We have, they said, become callous and hardened. I do not watch the nightly reports from Vietnam. I cannot. I do not watch the scenes of rioting, the looting, the burning that appear on television only a little less frequently than the battle pictures of the Far East. I will not. And I have finished watching the making of history according to assassin's bullets. We have become expert at recording and reporting the kill and placing the victims to rest. But, I will not become an expert watcher. I have seen enough.

Movies

Here is a list of motion pictures currently playing in Rochester area theaters and the ratings given them by the National Office of Motion Pictures:

- Paramount** — "Sweet November" (Objectionable in part for all)
- Regent** — "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" (Adults and adolescents)
- Little** — "In the Heat of the Night" (Adults)
- Monroe** — "Benjamin" (Continued)
- Covest** — "In Cold Blood" (Adults)
- Varling** — "Charade" (Adults)
- Madigan** (Adults)
- Studio 5** — "The Graduate" (Adults, with reservations)
- Lewis** — "Planet of the Apes" (Adults)
- Sheridge** — "The Devil's Brigade" (Adults)
- Station** — "Private Navy of Sgt. Farrell" (Adults, adolescents)
- Cinema** — "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush" (Continued)
- Fine Arts** — "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" (Objectionable in part for all)
- Wolfe** — "The Fox" (Continued)
- Twine** — "Yours, Mine and Ours" (Family)
- Evel** — "Good Morning and Goodbye" (rating unavailable); "Young Girls of Rochefort" (Adults)
- Parsons** — "Inspector Clouseau" (Adults)



Father Robert Farrar Capon, an Episcopal priest, practices a musical passage with two of his sons.

Fr. Capon's Book: Steering Bicycle

Port Jefferson, N.Y. — Many writers have tried to explain the seeming conflict between Predestination and Man's Free Will. But only the Rev. Robert Farrar Capon would put it down as "the way God steers the bicycle of history with his hands in his pockets. He never even touches the handlebars." Father Capon's bright, vivid and practical approach to deep theology has just brought the 42-year-old Episcopal priest a Catholic Book Award prize for a book about how everyone can and should be priests in their everyday lives. For whom Fr. Capon now writes a regular column. "He is the perfect incarnation of incarnational psychology." The idea is not unusual, but the title of the book—"An Offering of Uncle"—and its ap-

proach match the unorthodox life-style of its author, a bearded father of six who with his sons has given music concerts in Carnegie Hall and who is a gourmet cook. "His one dominating insight is that everything that God has made is good," commented the Rev. Arthur McNally, C.P., associate editor of "The Sign" in "An Offering of Uncle." Father Capon mentions the similarity between the words "person" and "parson" and that "somebody has already caught the hint that both parson and person are up to the same thing — that both are priests, offerers."

"The evolutionary notion that man has slowly risen out of meaningless savagery into meaningful history has so captured their minds that they find the notion of a historical time of innocence simply unthinkable. "If they comment at all on the story of the temptation, they do it by trotting out their Adam-is-Everyman (downy piece and blast the monkey out of it). But, two can play that game. I have here an Adam-has-got-to-be-Somebody squirrel rifle, and I intend to use it. History must not go undefended. Stand back." (Catholic Press Features)

TV Movie Ratings

Friday, June 14 - Thursday, June 20

Ratings are those given by the former Legion of Decency, now the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures, when films were originally shown. A-1: morally unobjectionable for general patronage; A-2: morally unobjectionable for adults and adolescents; A-3: morally unobjectionable for adults; A-4: morally unobjectionable for adults with reservations; B: morally objectionable in part for all; C: condemned. No Rating: film has not been reviewed by the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures (formerly the Legion of Decency). N.R. Before A-3 classification was established, A-2 indicated morally unobjectionable for adults.

Movie listings supplied through the courtesy of TV Guide Magazine

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	The Jazz Singer	A-1
9:00 p.m.	10	On the Waterfront	A-3
11:30 p.m.	13	The Gallant Hours	A-1
11:45 p.m.	10	Silbocho	B
Saturday, June 15			
2:00 p.m.	13	Tiger of the Seven Seas	No Rating Avail'd
2:00 p.m.	10	Maniac	A-3
3:30 p.m.	10	Jamaica Rum	A-3
9:00 p.m.	8	Prescription: Murder	No Rating Available
11:00 p.m.	10	Red Ball Express	A-1
11:15 p.m.	8	Sea Wife	A-2
11:15 p.m.	13	Nocturnal Landlady	A-3
Sunday, June 16			
2:00 p.m.	8	The System	B
2:00 p.m.	13	Pals of the Saddle	A-1
3:30 p.m.	10	Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror	A-2
9:00 p.m.	13	The Amorous Adventures of Moll Flanders	B
11:15 p.m.	10	Desert Sands	A-2
11:45 p.m.	13	One Way Passage	A-2
Monday, June 17			
4:00 p.m.	8	Stage Fright	B
9:00 p.m.	13	The Wackiest Ship in the Army	A-1
12:30 p.m.	13	New Frontier	A-1
Tuesday, June 18			
4:00 p.m.	8	You're My Everything	A-1
7:00 p.m.	8	The Pink Panther	A-3
11:30 p.m.	13	The Goats	No Rating Available
Wednesday, June 19			
4:00 p.m.	8	The River Changes	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	Carry On, Sergeant	B
Thursday, June 20			
4:00 p.m.	8	A Millionaire for Christy	B
9:00 p.m.	10	Call Me Swann	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	The Fighting Kentuckian	A-2

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Educational

ND Establishment
Notre Dame, Ind.—(RNS) Members of the University Notre Dame's board of trustees in the current nationwide campus unrest, sat for 10 hours listening to university's students, faculty and administration.
The result was a Policy Statement issued for the bios which consists of 29 laymen, seven priests, by his chairmen Chicago attorney Edmund Stephan. It followed a 10-hour campus hearing conducted an ad hoc committee of trustees which gathered testimony on various aspects of student life from the undergraduate faculty members, residence directors, and the administration.
Noting "the violence and alienation that are so characteristic of today's world," the statement expanded its definition.

Vonderlin Anniversary
Mr. and Mrs. John J. Vonderlin, 289 Pennsylvania Ave., Mira, are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with Mass at St. Mary's Church Elmira, on June 14 and a family dinner on June 15.
They have two sons, John Ithaca and Charles of Callia, and three daughters, Raymond (Margaret), Edmund, Mrs. Eugene (Catherin) Cusker, and Mrs. Carl (Ma) Farmer, 26 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren.

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