

# Women: Are They Second-Class Church Members

If they can find time for it between the demands for black power, student power and lay power in general, church leaders might do well to listen to the increasing insistence on feminine power.

Women, agitating for the right to vote early in this century, developed many of the ideas and direct-action techniques which have been used recently by other pressure groups. They marched, carried signs, shouted slogans, disrupted meetings, chained themselves to the doors of public buildings and went to jail enthusiastically by the hundreds for acts of civil disobedience.

In this tradition, various forms of "symbolic action" are now being considered, according to Dr. Elizabeth Farians, convener of the ecclesiastical Task Force on Women and Religion of the National Organization for Women (NOW).

Dr. Farians, who spent part of the summer as a visiting scholar at Union Theological

Seminary in New York, is a Roman Catholic theologian.

The ultimate objective of NOW's religious task force is stated as "the attainment of the full participation of women on an equal basis with men in all areas and levels of church life and practice."

In many denominations the chief symbolic and practical expression of this goal is the ordination of women, but there are other ramifications.

Among Episcopalians and Missouri Synod Lutherans much of the discussion in recent years has concerned women's right to vote. A proposal to admit women to the Episcopal House of Deputies (by substitution of "lay persons" for "laymen" in the qualifications for this position) was approved overwhelmingly at a first reading at the Church's last convention and will probably be given final approval at the next one.

There is less evidence that the Missouri Synod Luther-

ans will change their present policy at the denomination's 1969 convention, but a "detailed and exhaustive study" of the subject is underway.

Meanwhile, the Lutheran Church in America is studying "the role of women in the ministry," including the advisability of their ordination.

More than 30 American Protestant churches ordain women and the figure for the world is approximately 80.

The United Church, a 1925 merger of Methodists, Congregationalists and some Presbyterians, has about 60 women ministers.

The ordination of women received considerable support at the Lambeth Conference

this summer, but the assembly of Anglican bishops finally stated that arguments for and against the practice are "inconclusive." Meanwhile, the admission of women to vestries is being approved by a growing number of Episcopal dioceses in the U.S.

While Catholic and Orthodox bishops have shown no signs of modifying the traditional attitude toward ordination of women, several Catholic theologians have endorsed the idea — notably Father Bernard Haerle, C.S.S.R., and Father George Tavard, A.A. In a recent address, Father Tavard said the acceptance of women as priests "is probably the fastest way to change the image of the Church and the way the Church functions."

A Catholic organization, the St. Joan's International Alliance, has devoted itself formally to promoting this cause.

The Alliance is on record as charging that women are treated as "second-class citizens" in the Catholic Church. And Margaret Mealey, executive director of the National Council of Catholic Women, has escalated this charge. Catholic women are becoming third class citizens, she said.

"As the participation of laymen in liturgical and ecclesiastical affairs continues, it becomes painfully evident that women are being left behind in a class by themselves," she said.

The situation is changing to some extent, though there

appears to be little probability that the church plans to reconsider its position on ordination.

Optimists among the women seeking change point out that women were admitted as observers to the Vatican Council after their absence from its first session provoked criticism. When the Council ended, women were still forbidden to act as lecturers or leaders of the congregation at Mass, but this permission is being granted in a growing number of countries.

Even more striking is the permission, granted to superiors of some convents, to distribute Communion not only to Sisters but to lay people under some circumstances.

Dr. Farians noted that Catholic organizations in the U.S. are giving their attention to the problem, naming the Canon Law Society of America, the Liturgical Conference

and the National Association of Laymen.

At the NAL's second annual convention last June, Dr. Farians was the chairman of a workshop on women's rights. She told the workshop that "there are at least 20 canons in the Code of Canon Law which not only restrict women but which also insult and degrade them. These canons range all the way from classifying women with minors and the insane to excluding them from the priesthood."

Discrimination against women in the Church is "probably worse than in most other institutions of our society," she said, because it is enforced "by positive law."

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1 cup rice, parboiled  
4 large peppers, washed and cored  
2 large fresh tomatoes, mashed, or 1 cup canned tomatoes

Brown sausage and onion. Add tomato paste, water, grated cheese and salt. Let simmer about 10 minutes. Add rice and stir. Stuff peppers with this mixture and place in baking dish. Top with mashed tomatoes. (Any extra may be arranged around peppers.) Bake at 375 F. about 1 hour. Serves 4.

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### Wife Called Key to Mixed Marriage

Boston — (RNS) — Mixed marriages in which the husband is a Protestant and the wife a Catholic are characterized by greater adjustment than those in which the wife is a Protestant and the husband a Catholic, sociologist Rudolf K. Haerle of Middlebury (Conn.) College reported here.

Mr. Haerle presented a 23-page report on Sexual Adjustment in Catholic and Mixed Marriages at the 30th annual meeting of the American Catholic Sociological Society.

The Middlebury researcher found marriages between two Catholics characterized by greater adjustment than mixed marriages of a Catholic husband and a non-Catholic wife. But he noted that the all-Catholic marriages have similar or less adjustment than those of non-Catholic husbands and Catholic wives.

In an attempt to interpret the research, focus was placed upon "the mate selection process" and the possibility of conflicting "role definitions" of husbands and wives, stemming from different religious training.

The Catholic husband and non-Catholic wife combination.

Mr. Haerle said, "stands out as missing a basic sexual adjustment, apparently due to different levels of sexual desire and different conceptions of role performance."

Mr. Haerle went on to offer some possible interpretations of the data:

"Catholic husbands in mixed marriages, at least in this sub-sample," Mr. Haerle stated, "appear to have very strong sexual desires. They may be a self-selected segment of the Catholic male population who have found the more inhibited sexual attitudes and behavior of potential Catholic dating partners less than attractive and in their more 'emancipated' style have sought sexual satisfaction among the non-Catholic population."

He said this possibility, along with the literature on role expectations in marriage, "may go a long way toward explaining the differential pattern for the intermarried."

The sociologist added: "The Catholic mate had traditional-

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Father Trabold joined the Franciscans in 1945, and was ordained a priest in 1951. He holds a master's degree in theology from the Franciscan Institute of the university.

## Knights Honor 20 'Old-Timers'

Ithaca—The Knights of Columbus honored their "Old Timers" at a buffet dinner Aug. 22 in the WFW hall.

Grand Knight Donald Bennett presented honorary and honorary life certificates to Francis Egan, Joseph Farley, Michael Dooley, Lawrence Och and Paul Sturm. Fifty-year pins were also awarded to Michael Dooley, Lawrence Och and John Sigler.

Among the 20 "Old Timers" honored were Ben Clynes, 56 years; Tom Solan, 54 years; Clarence Wilson, 49 years; George Lovelace, Dr. Arthur Cross, M. Kolar and Anthony Stirling, 48 years each.

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1 1/2 cups sugar 1/2 tsp. cloves  
3 eggs, room temperature 1/2 cup finely chopped nuts  
1/2 cup light molasses 1/2 cup cut-up dates

Dissolve yeast in warm water. Add 1/2 cups flour; beat until smooth. Set aside in warm place for 30 minutes.

Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs; blend. Add molasses, then yeast mixture; mix well. Add second amount of flour with rest of dry ingredients. Beat until smooth. Stir in nuts and dates. Pour into greased and floured 9 x 13-inch pan. Cover. Let rise in warm place 1 hour.

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Washington — From through the end of this year, 637 Catholic elementary and secondary schools have closed, and during same period, 207 new will have opened, the search Office of the National Catholic Educational Association reports.

School closings as a result of school openings produced net enrollment loss of 1.4 in the three-year period.

(Total U.S. Catholic elementary and secondary school enrollment in the 1967-68 school year was 5,254,771; the 1967-68 school year were 10,517 Catholic elementary schools and 2,322 secondary schools.)

The most significant of that body is that very large and very schools are disappearing with a corresponding increase in numbers in middle-sized group. smallest group of all—enrolling 50 pupils or less, which numbered about 2,192, total only 65 to

The drop in number large schools is accounted mainly by the nationwide movement toward restrictive class size. Another important factor has been general shift of population out of the large cities and the suburbs.

**Non-Public Pup Decline in State**

Albany — Record high roll-ins marked the opening of school this month in nonpublic schools throughout New York State but nonpublic schools declined, according to

**Baptist**

By ANNE COLLIN

Nashville — (RNS) — Where he traveled—in Buenos Aires or Rio de Janeiro—the situation was about the same. A Southern Baptist team said here, Baptists have made only the best dent in meeting the

**Don't J Too F**

New Brunswick, N.J.—A call to college students to judge the older generation Christians too harshly, limitations and failing, voiced by Bishop J. Dougherty at a field Mass lighting the National Congress here.

Bishop Dougherty, archbishop of the Archdiocese of Newark and president of Seton Hall University, spoke at the campus of Douglass College, where the women's division of Rutgers University.

"I am of an older generation," said Bishop Dougherty in concluding his remarks. "Judge not our generation harshly, lest you be as harshly judged after you. Our best gift is not a new world but faith, ever old and new because it is really the eternal Spirit Who every generation of the world has had. In the world we have trouble, but we have conquered the world."

"As Christians, the said, we must be judgmental people. In every place and in every place in judgment on religion, Temple, on the Church

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