

U.S. Bishops' Pastoral: Human Life in Our Day

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COUNTERACT THE SUBVERSIVE FORCES BENT ON THEIR EXPLOITATION.

In addition, may we not hope that violence will be universally discredited as a means of remedying human ills, and that the spirit of love "may overcome the barriers that divide, cherish the bonds of mutual charity, understand others and pardon those who have done them wrong"? (*Pacem in Terris*, Article 171).

The Role of Conscience

The war in Vietnam typifies the issues which present and future generations will be less willing to leave entirely to the normal political and bureaucratic processes of national decision-making.

It is not surprising that those who are most critical, even intemperate in their discussion of war as an instrument of national policy or as a ready means to the settling even of wrongs, are among the young; the burden of killing and dying falls principally of them.

There is sometimes ground for question as to whether the attitudes of some toward military duty do not spring from cowardice. In this problem, as in all crises which test generosity and heroism, cases of

moral as well as physical cowardice doubtless occur. But a blanket charge of this kind would be unfair to those young people who are clearly willing to suffer social ostracism and even prison terms because of their opposition to a particular war.

One must conclude that for many of our youthful protesters, the motives spring honestly from a principled opposition to a given war as pointless or immoral.

Nor can it be said that such conscientious objection to war, as war is waged in our times, is entirely the result of subjective considerations and without reference to the message of the Gospel and the teaching of the Church; quite the contrary, frequently conscientious dissent reflects the influence of the principles which inform modern papal teaching, the Pastoral Constitution an da classical tradition of moral doctrine in the Church, including, in fact, the norms for the moral evaluation of a theoretically just war.

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This new spirit must be taken seriously; it may not always match the heroism of the missionaries and the full measure of the life of faith, but it is not contradictory to these and may open up new forms of Christian apostolate.

As witnesses to a spiritual tradition which accepts enlightened conscience, even when honestly mistaken, as the immediate arbiter of moral decisions, we can only feel reassured by this evidence of individual responsibility and the decline of uncritical conformism.

If war is ever to be outlawed, and replaced by more humane and enlightened institutions to regulate conflicts among nations, institutions rooted in the notion of universal common good, it will be because the citizens of this and other nations have rejected the tenets of exaggerated nationalism and insisted on principles of non-violent po-

litical and civic action in both the domestic and international spheres.

The present laws of this country, however, provide only for those whose reasons of conscience are grounded in a total rejection of the use of military force. This form of conscientious objection deserves the legal provision made for it, but we consider that the time has come to urge that similar consideration be given those whose reasons of conscience are more personal and specific.

WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND A MODIFICATION OF THE SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT MAKING IT POSSIBLE, ALTHOUGH NOT EASY, FOR SO-CALLED SELECTIVE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS TO REFUSE—WITHOUT FEAR OF IMPRISONMENT OR LOSS OF CITIZENSHIP—TO SERVE IN WARS WHICH THEY CONSID-

ER UNJUST OR IN BRANCHES OF SERVICE (E.G., THE STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCES) WHICH WOULD SUBJECT THEM TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ACTIONS CONTRARY TO DEEPLY HELD MORAL CONVICTIONS ABOUT INDISCRIMINATE KILLING. SOME OTHER FORM OF SERVICE TO THE HUMAN COMMUNITY SHOULD BE REQUIRED OF THOSE SO EXEMPTED.

Whether or not such modifications in our laws are in fact made, we continue to hope that, in the all-important issue of war and peace, all men will follow their consciences.

We echo the warning given by Pope Paul at the United Nations: "Today as never before, in an era marked by such human progress, there is need for an appeal to the moral conscience of man. For the danger comes not from progress, nor from science—on the contrary, if properly utilized these could resolve many of the grave problems which beset mankind. The real danger comes from man himself, who has at his disposal ever more powerful instruments, which can be used as well for destruction as for the loftiest conquests."

THE HOUR HAS INDEED

STRUCK FOR "CONVERSION," FOR PERSONAL TRANSFORMATION, FOR INTERIOR RENEWAL. WE MUST ONCE AGAIN BEGIN TO THINK OF MAN IN A NEW WAY, AND OF HUMAN LIFE WITH A NEW APPRECIATION OF ITS WORTH, ITS DIGNITY AND ITS CALL TO ELEVATION TO THE LEVEL OF THE LIFE OF GOD HIMSELF. ALL THIS REQUIRES THAT, WITH REFRESHED PURPOSE AND DEEPENED FAITH, WE FOLLOW THE URGING OF ST. PAUL THAT WE "PUT ON THE NEW MAN, WHICH HAS BEEN CREATED ACCORDING TO GOD IN JUSTICE AND HOLINESS OF TRUTH" (EPH. 4:23).

Conclusion

The doctrine and defense of life require a renewed spirituality in the Church. Such a spirituality will re-affirm the sacred character of married love through which life is begun, the dignity of the family within which love brings life to maturity, and the blessed vision of peace in which life is shared by men and nations in a world community of love.

Conclusion of the Pastoral

Chrysler - SCLC Negotiate Development Agreement

ATLANTA (RNS)—Chrysler Corporation, the nation's third largest automotive manufacturer, has completed negotiations with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for a major program designed to assist in economic development of the black community.

The Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, president of the SCLC, announced details of the unprecedented program in a statement issued here.

Major facets of the program include:

- Chrysler's agreement to deposit \$100,000 a month in each of three Negro-operated banks, an annual gross deposit of \$3.6 million.
- An extensive training program designed to prepare 2,000 to 3,000 Negro men for employment as auto mechanics.
- Agreement by Chrysler dealers in the Atlanta area to hire some of these trainees.

Holy Cross Brother To Advise Lesotho

Washington, D.C. — (RNS)—A Brother in a Catholic religious order has been named food consultant to the tiny kingdom of Lesotho in southern Africa.

Brother Herman E. Zaccarelli, international director of the Food Research Center for Religious Institutions, North Easton, Mass., and a member of the Holy Cross community was appointed to the new post.

His duties, according to a spokesman for the Lesotho Embassy here, will include teaching the citizens of the tiny state to utilize their natural food resources to their best advantage through modern techniques of food processing and development.

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White 'Have-Nots' Making Wreaths

ATLANTA (RNS)—Chrysler's report that it is currently training six Negroes to take over dealerships; that it is surveying sales potential for a possible black car dealership in Atlanta. Chrysler also reported it has five black dealerships now operating—in Newark, Detroit, San Francisco, Brooklyn and Baltimore.

Mr. Abernathy hailed the development as a "milestone agreement" and commended Chrysler Corporation "for their cooperation and understanding in these negotiations."

Most interesting was the plan under which large Chrysler deposits will be made monthly in Negro banks, a move that will increase the institutions' lending power for projects designed to improve the prospects of Negro-maintained commerce and industry.

COVINGTON, Ky. (RNS)—A seasonal anti-poverty program is being renewed in Eastern Kentucky by Father Ralph W. Beiting, dean of the 27-county Mountain Mission deanery.

It employs impoverished Appalachian whites to make Christmas wreaths from the yellow pine abounding in the area. About 10,000 wreaths will be sold, the priest said.

Father Beiting is founder and president of the Christian Appalachian Project Inc., a self-help mission. Its work includes experimental farms, a dairy farm, a woodworking factory and a logging program.

These programs are almost last ditch stands, the priest said, because "the people in Appalachia have nothing."

By comparison, he added, the "people in the ghetto have something."

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