

## AROUND THE COUNTRY



### Discussion Replaces Sermon

A woman at All Saints Roman Catholic church in Portland, Ore., discusses prayer with Father Gary L. Jacobson during a Sunday Mass. The traditional sermon at the Mass has been replaced by the dialogue format in an effort to involve the laity more fully in the service. The experiment has increased attendance impressively, a spokesman for the church claimed. (RNS)

### Black Churchman Scores Churches

Kansas City, Mo. — (RNS) — A leading Negro churchman said here that Protestantism must take much of the blame for the racial crisis in the United States.

Dr. Charles S. Spivey, Jr., a minister of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and social action director of the National Council of Churches, made the statement in an address to a United Methodist Church meeting.

"The Churches helped originate and rationalize slavery, facilitated and transmitted the myth of white superiority... and benefited from investments in racist enterprises," he said.


He urged the Churches "to bear down on their constituency to use their power, presence and prestige to change the racist structures which they and their members support."

### Church Schools Seek Wider Support

Jacksonville, Fla. — (NC) — The St. Augustine, Fla., diocesan superintendent of schools has urged the community to support Catholic schools in Escambia County, in order to insure continued tax savings of nearly \$2 million.

Mr. Mortimer Danaher stated that 3,901 students are enrolled in the 10 Catholic schools in the County. These parochial schools "are in no way subsidized by school taxes, and receive no funds from the county or state," he said.

Using the public school system's projected cost of \$685 per pupil, the diocesan school superintendent said the parochial schools are saving \$1,808,295 in possible additional taxes for Escambia County.



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## As I See It

### First Lady Gives White House Insights

By PAT COSTA

In an hour-long special, that had its dull spots, Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson last Friday night showed why she has remained respected and regarded with affection by most of the nation including some of her husband's severest critics.

The ABC documentary, "A View of the White House," which featured Howard K. Smith asking Mrs. Johnson the expected questions came off primarily because the First Lady is the kind of person that she is: intelligent, outgoing, gracious and warm and all in spite of her dedication to her husband, very much her own person.

There were times in the presentation when her manner seemed overly ebullient, but one tended to put it down to a slight edge of nervousness rather than any forced display.

Under the soft-voiced, deferential interrogation of Mr. Smith, Lady Bird told of the joys, the hardships and general routine of the day to day existence in the White House.

Among the joys: Living in such beautiful quarters among a collection of furnishings and art objects rich in beauty and history.

Among the hardships: Wak-

ing to a phone ringing at 4 a.m. always with bad news at that time of day, losing friends because of decisions the President must make.

LBJ appeared briefly, a coup for the ABC crew which had gained permission for an interview with Mrs. Johnson only.

Poised and very much at ease, the President was most personable exhibiting the kind of charm that rarely shows in his televised press conferences.

On the minus side, the hour was fraught with filler.

There were pre-taped segments centering on the First Lady's beautification projects,

her daughters' marriages, 1967 Christmas in the White House, state dinners and other entertaining of foreign dignitaries.

While some of it seemed integral to the hour, much appeared as an obvious play to pad out the 60 minutes.

On the whole, the special was a success in showing the warm and very human lady she is. A person one can easily care about, a First Lady who has served her nation with love and pride.

As one who deplores the gambits of the cigarette companies to depict smoking as glamorous and sophisticated, in spite of what medical authorities tell us, it is always a pleasure to report one upmanship for the opposing side.

The latest commercial by the American Cancer Society to tickle our funny bone is the one in which a bunch of rough looking, cigarette-smoking varmints, ready to shoot it out among themselves, begin to cough one by one until they are reduced to helplessness.

Bravo and many thanks to the clever minds who are performing a public service that will be heeded where more serious messages fail.

## Movies

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

Paramount — "The Brothers in Arms" (Adults)

Regent — "Bullitt" (Adults)

Cinema — "The Subject Was Roses" (Adults)

Waring — "Camelot" (Adults & Adolescents)

Monroe — "Funny Girl" (Adults and Adolescents)

Riviera — "Star!" (Adults and Adolescents)

Studio 2 — "Skidoo" (No rating)

Loew's — "Horse in the Grey Flannel Suit" (General); "Winning the Pooh" (General)

Stoneridge — "Yellow Submarine" (General)

Panorama — "2001: A Space Odyssey" (Adults and adolescents)

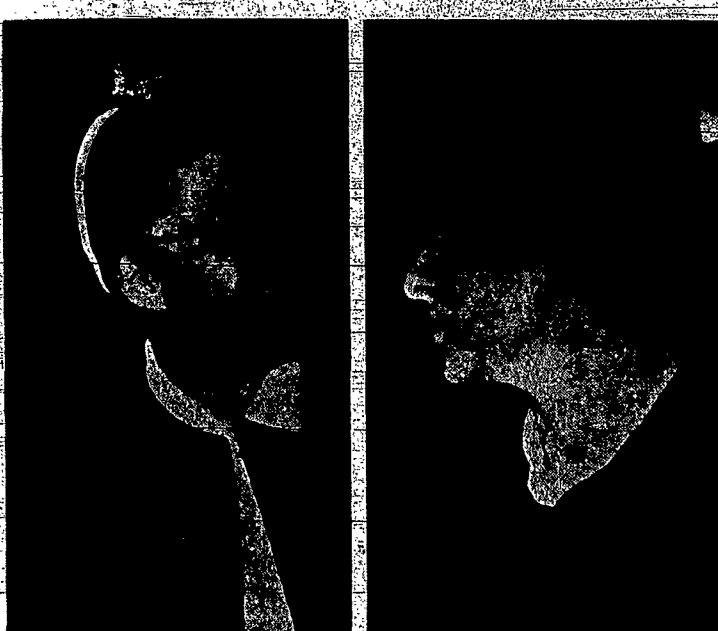
Towne — "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" (General)

Stutson — "Finian's Rainbow" (General)

Fine Arts — "The Shaggy Dog" (General); "The Absent Minded Professor" (General)

Little — "The Fixer" (Adults)

Lyle — "Hell Fighters" (Adults and Adolescents)



### Nuns Exchange Views

Two Maryknoll nuns, Sister Maria del Rey (left), noted writer, and Sister Alice Haller, professor of philosophy at Mary Rogers College, exchange views on the reforms that have taken place in the religious life as they affect all religious orders in general and the Maryknoll Sisters in particular. Their ideas will be presented on a telecast which will be shown 10 to 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5 on Channel 10. (RNS)

### FISH Story Coming on TV

"The FISH Story," a docu-drama by the Rochester Council of Churches, is a community assistance organization that has spread across the country, will be broadcast this Sunday noon on Channel 18 and again Jan. 10, at 10:30 p.m., on Channel 24. The showings are sponsored by the Council of Churches.

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## Bishop

MINNEAPOLIS (RNS) — Auxiliary Bishop James J. Shanon has called on the 88 priests of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis to make clear that they do not support the "illegal" action of a Minneapolis priest who helped seize and burn draft records in Milwaukee.

The bishop proposed a mail ballot to secure the views of all the priests, stating that a earlier vote taken by 25 priests at a meeting of the archdiocesan Presbytery raised "several serious questions."

The Presbytery, in a widely criticized resolution, voted 14-

## Bulgarian Ch

Sofia — (RNS) — Church has formally will synchronize its calendar with the Gregorian Calendar.

It had previously dar, which was super Gregory XIII introduced.

A spokesman for that the use of the "the anomaly of celebrating the pre-Christmas period the change reflected a and unity of Christian

## "Army" Con

London — (RNS) gave the blessing when vation Army staged Westminster Cathedral.

The occasion, a here, raised funds for peal, designed to insure famous choirs of the Westminster Abbey a

## Paganism Seen

Santa Isabel, Gu tion, the only one ir ing majority of Cath pagan influences, acc Rio Muni.

The threat com ticularly polygamy, ti inhabitants of Guine olics.

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The good Lord once holders who bring out of (Matt. 13:52) At the New tradition to look back as fiction—a time to admi but it is also a time to r in God, our values, goal

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