

Methodist Leader Sees Unity Model In Catholic Orders

By FR. JOHN FOLEY (NC News Service)

Philadelphia — The diverse religious orders in the Catholic Church offer a model for eventual Christian unity, the retired Methodist bishop of Philadelphia said in an interview here's commenting on the ecumenical outlook in connection with the 1969 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The former president of the World Methodist Council, Bishop Fred Pierce Corson, said: "I know I've surprised some of the Catholic brethren when I've said that in the Catholic system of rites and religious orders we have the beginning of the idea of how Christian churches could be brought together — with autonomy, yet with order."

"Protestants are amazed at the amount of local decision and autonomy there is in the Roman Catholic Church they had considered 'monolithic.' Why is it unthinkable that there should be an Anglican rite or an Evangelical rite, just as there is today a Byzantine rite?"

Noting the importance of prayer in hastening Christian unity, Bishop Corson, who served as a Methodist observer at the Second Vatican Council, said: "If in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we did no more than create an awareness of the need for mutual prayer, then we would gain spiritual strength and blessings from the thought that we were experiencing the communion of saints."

"On the grass-roots level," Bishop Corson said, "I'd start out with the premise that many of our so-called differences grow out of our isolation. Thus, when we come to speak, we come to know and love each other more. The emphasis on dialogue is good, but we must also make a conscious effort to demonstrate our oneness."

"Therefore, there should be more services of worship, since a massive witness of the churches coming together in such a manner can be most effective. Also, we should learn to seek answers to public problems from a common point of view, since this enhances the estimation of the church in the community and helps to bring about a favorable outcome by cooperative effort."

"Our first, real, immediate need in ecumenism," Bishop Corson stated, "is practical education, so that we have an informed clergy and laity on both sides regarding our oneness in Christ. This will help to remove many misunderstandings which now occur."

"Second," he continued, "we need to demonstrate the idea and doctrine we enunciate. You can't understand ecumenicity in the abstract. You have to experience it-to-know it."

Many "misunderstandings occur, Bishop Corson explained, because of the problem of vocabulary."

"We carry over words from the past," he said, "which have an implication unsuitable to ecumenical relations."

"For example," he explained, "before Pope John, a non-Catholic was called a 'heretic.' Pope John inaugurated the phrase, 'separated brethren,' a stroke of inspiration, in my opinion."

"Another term with a bad connotation," Bishop Corson continued, "is 'infallibility.' Every Protestant knows what ultimate authority is and he respects it. As Methodists, we have a judicial council which, at times, makes judgments from which there is no recourse, which is something like 'infallible.'"

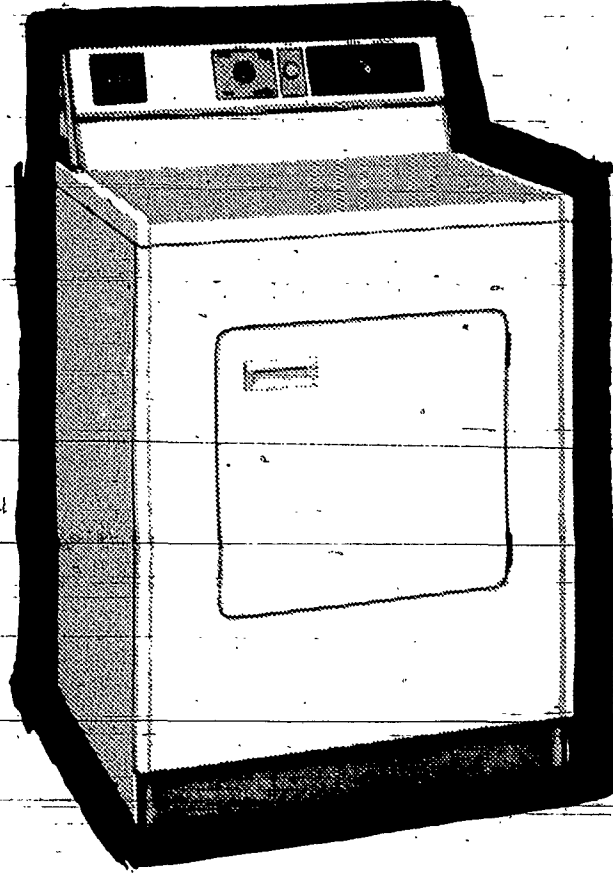
"As a matter of fact, I got into trouble once because I was quoted out of context in the press. I was quoted as saying, 'There are times I'd rather have the Pope make the decision than the judicial council.' The paper left out my next phrase, 'provided I would choose the Pope!'"



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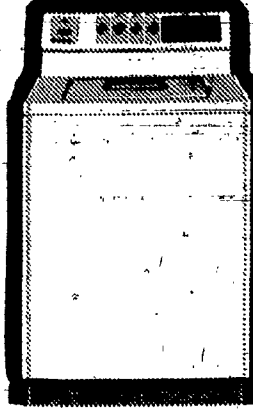
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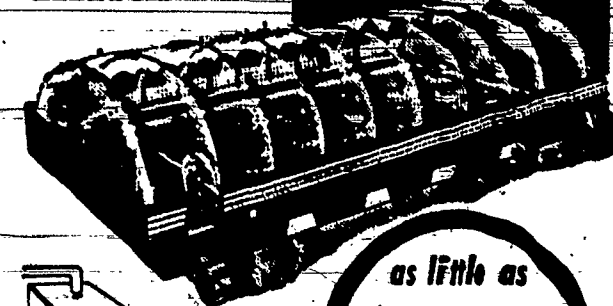
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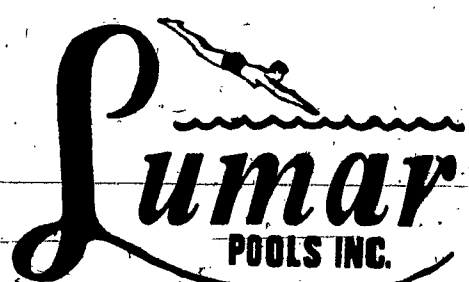
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