

As I See It

TV Mass... What Must Be Done

By PAT COSTA

In the past week, we have been in touch with the Pastoral Office and with the head of one of Rochester's three commercial television stations regarding the possibility of a televised Mass on Sundays.

According to Rev. Michael Hogan, secretary to Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, there are many factors to be considered before any decisions can be made for such a project.

One of those factors that can concern the readers of this column is that both Bishop Sheen and the interested television station must be assured that there is a substantial audience for a Mass.

How many people must watch to make it a successful venture?

The station executive to whom I put that question on Monday of this week set a minimum figure of about a thousand viewers for such a religious oriented program.

Thus far about 50 readers have sent us word that a televised Mass would fill a real need in their spiritual lives.

Most of the letter writers have been the elderly and the invalid who find it difficult or impossible to attend Mass at Church.

If you, too, are in that category, know someone who is or for some other reason are interested in seeing a Mass regularly on television write to us at the Courier-Journal.

Remember the goal is a minimum of a thousand viewers. Your interest expressed in writing may help get the venture off the ground.

Among those we have heard from this past week Mrs. H. De Maecker of 40 St. Jacob St. writes:

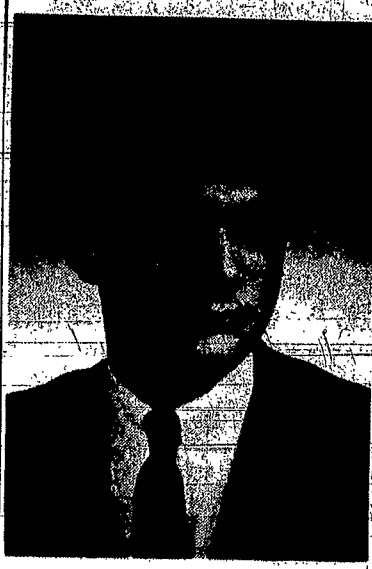
"We are subscribers to the Courier-Journal and have read about the TV Mass. I really think it would be wonderful as when we can't get to church it affects the whole day."

"So far we have been able to attend Mass on Sunday only twice since the last of November due to bad weather. My husband has Parkinson's disease and he has to attend Mass in a wheelchair. There are so many shut-ins for whom it would be wonderful to have a TV Mass. Then we could all feel as if we had gone to church."

Mrs. De Maecker lists eight other persons, all of whom she says are shut-ins, who would watch a TV Mass if it were available.

Mrs. Katerina Sebastian of Kennedy Towers told us:

"I am one of the many who would like to see a television Mass. You can put my name down. There are many people here who cannot go out, and they would like the TV Mass, too."



MICHAEL A. CAVAGROTTI

Aquinas Orator Legion Winner

A 17-year-old Aquinas Institute senior won the top position in the American Legion's Seventh District Oratorical Contest at Red Jacket Central School, Manchester, N.Y.

Michael A. Cavagrotti, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cavagrotti of Suncrest Drive, is a member of St. Ambrose parish. Cavagrotti spoke on "Freedom and the U.S. Constitution."

Michael, who previously won first place in the Monroe County competition, will now compete in the Legion's Zone Contest in Hamburg on Sunday. State and national championships are at stake, along with a \$4,000 college scholarship.

Night Call On AM Radio

"Night Call," the radio program that features headline personalities and telephoned questions, can be heard here soon on the AM standard broadcast band.

WROC, which has aired the program on FM since November, will add the AM broadcasts beginning Monday, March 3, at 11:30 p.m.

The program, subtitled "The National Call-in Program on Vital Issues," is produced by an agency of the United Methodist Church and released in cooperation with the National Council of Churches, National Catholic Office for Radio and Television, American Jewish Committee and the Urban Coalition. It was the only church-promoted program recognized in Variety Magazine's "Accolade for 1968."

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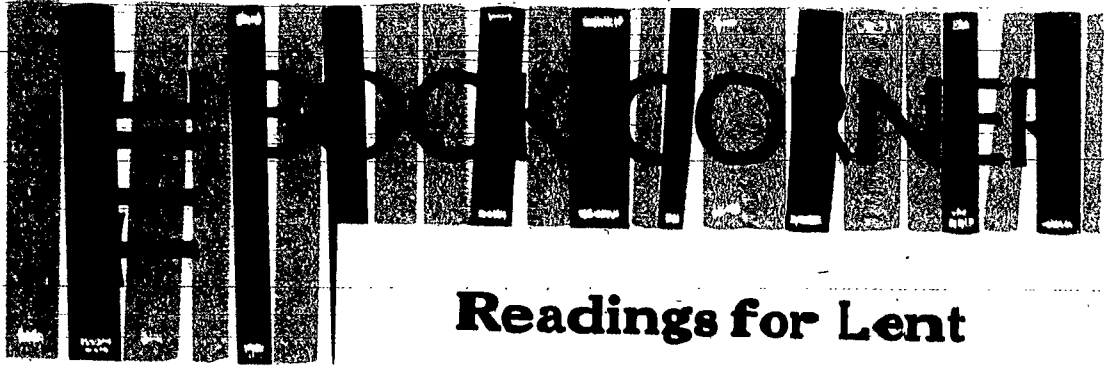
Washington (NC)—The National Catholic Educational Association has received a \$15,000 grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York to study and plan expanded research activities on behalf of Catholic education.

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Readings for Lent

For the Spirit

In Time of Temptation, by Ladislav Boros (Herder and Herder; \$3.95). These short meditations on Jesus' responses to the temptations of his life are not primarily intellectual exercises; they are an introduction to the practice of meditation.

The Future as the Presence of Shared Hope, by Maryellen Muckenheim (Sheed; \$4.95). Six qualified American scholars succeed in making the word "eschatology" come alive.

Prayers for the Self-Sufficient, by Don Kanaby (Regnery; \$1.95). Thirty-nine prayers for the man who can't make up his mind whether he needs God or not. He wants to believe he is self-sufficient, but nagging doubt disturbs his sense of independence. From his dilemma he cries out to God with honesty and humor.

Faith and Politics, by Reinhold Niebuhr, ed. by Ronald H. Stone (Braziller; \$6.50). Dr. Niebuhr delineates two major themes: "to validate the resources of biblical faith by enjoining responsibility for the neighbors welfare... and an explanation of the wily of religious life in an age which expected the death of religion."

The Lure of the Pond, by Wallace Kirkland (Regnery; \$6.95). The Life magazine story of a new Walden odyssey. Coming in April.

The Sacrament of the Eucharist, by G. T. H. Leisting, S.S.S., trans. James M. Bou-

mans (Newman; \$7.50). Because of its balance that eschews novelties under the guise of modernity, Father Leisting's book deserves high commendation.

Open to the Spirit, by Ladislav M. Orsy, S.J. (Corpus; \$6.50). While writing about radical renewal, the author writes strongly about the need to preserve certain basic structures of religious life.

Lighter Sides The Egologists; Sixteen Surprising Interviews, by Oriana Fallaci (Regnery; \$5.95). The internationally famous Italian lady journalist slices open the lives of Mary Hemmingway, Ingrid Bergman, H. Rap Brown and others.

I May Be Wrong, But I Doubt It, by Mike Royko (Regnery; \$4.95). Bark, bite and barb in selected columns

Kodak to Exhibit Prize-Winning Photos

More than 1,000 photographs, representing the "pick of the pictures" taken by employees of Eastman Kodak Co., International, will be displayed at the Kodak Recreation Center auditorium, 200 Ridge Road West, tonight (Feb. 21) at 8 p.m.

The photos represent the winners in Kodak's 34th annual International Salon of Photography which this year attracted more than 4000 entries from all parts of the world.

by a nationally syndicated journalist.

The Memoirs of a Superfluous Man, by Albert Jay Knock (Gateway; \$2.85). "He belongs to the great American tradition of the judicious eccentric... a genuine political mind, a true scholar, an intellectual hedonist whose classic prose is graced with insidious wit."—Jacques Barzun.

The Death of Kyratessa, by C. Vargil Gheorghiu, trans. Mari K. Mihaili (Regnery; \$5.95). A modern fairy tale, set in Romania, that deals with the confrontation between good and evil. "Impossible to put down."

Occasions and Protests, John De Fusses (Gateway; \$2.95). A catalog of the concerns of the past thirty years through the eyes of one of the litra's most able commentators.

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Regent—"Bullitt" (Adults). M. "The Secret of Magic Island" (No Rating).

Cinema—"Charge of the Light Brigade" (Adults). M.

Warning—"The Lion in Winter" (Adults). G.

Monroe—"Funny Girl" (Adults and Adolescents).

Riviera—"Swiss Family Robinson" (No Rating). G.

Studio 2—"The Sergeant" (Adults). R.

Loew's—"Candy" (Condemned). R.

Stoneridge—"The Impossible Years" (Adults). G.

Panorama—"Oliver" (General). G.

Towne—"Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" (General). G.

Stutson—"Bouba Sera Mrs. Campbell" (Adults). M.

Fine Arts—"The Night They Raided Minsky's" (Objectionable).

Lyell—"Inga" (Condemned). X. "The Secret of Magic Island" (No Rating).

Little—"The Fixer" (Adults). M.

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:

With the Catholic Office ratings, we include the ratings of the Motion Picture Association: G, general; M, mature audiences; R, restricted (persons under 16 admitted only when accompanied by parents or adult guardian); X, persons under 16 not admitted.

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Forty Hours

Forty Hours devotions will begin Feb. 23 at Holy Name and St. Ambrose, Rochester, of 1721 Stone Road, Greece, and in Lyons.

TV Movie Ratings

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.B. Before A-3 classification was established, A-2 indicated morally unobjectionable for adults.

Movie listings supplied through the courtesy of TV Guide Magazine

Friday, Feb. 21 thru Thursday, Feb. 27

Friday, February 21

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	Women Obsessed	A-2
9:00 p.m.	10	Raintree County	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	The Chalk Garden	A-2
12:30 a.m.	10	The Deep Six	A-1

Saturday, February 22

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
2:00 p.m.	13	Pygmy Island	A-1
5:35 p.m.	10	Underwater Warrior	A-1
9:00 p.m.	10	Deadlock	Not Listed
11:00 p.m.	10	Shadow in the Sky	A-2
11:15 p.m.	8	Rally Round the Flag Boys	B
11:15 p.m.	13	The List of Adrian Messenger	A-1

Sunday, February 23

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
5:00 p.m.	8	Song Without End	A-2
5:00 p.m.	13	The Chase	A-2
9:00 p.m.	13	The Slender Thread	A-2
11:15 p.m.	13	Knute Rockne—All American	A-1
11:35 p.m.	10	Do You Love Me?	A-1

Monday, February 24

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	The Last Wagon	A-1
9:00 p.m.	8	The Ghost and Mr. Chicken	A-1

Tuesday, February 25

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	The Mouse that Roared	A-1
9:00 p.m.	8	The Perils of Pauline	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	The Last Sunset	B

Wednesday, February 26

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	Track of the Cat	B
9:00 p.m.	13	Marnie	A-3
12:00 a.m.	13	Dinosaurs!	A-1

Thursday, February 27

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	The Gift of Love	A-1
9:00 p.m.	10	Sex and the Single Girl	B
11:30 p.m.	13	Sword of Lancelot	A-2

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