Chicago: Catholic Pupils Tune In Public School

fate of tax money is a source of curiosity, irritation and puzzlement to many Ameri-

An opportunity to see one way tax money is fruitfully spent is available in certain public and Catholic elementary schools of Chicago. The vehicle is closed circuit TV instruction.

The Chicago public school system developed classroom TV instruction in the early 1960s, but only since 1966 has the program been federally funded through Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

There are now some 24,000 s c h o o l system, Catholic Black studies, music, art, for Catholic schools, she said, ters of the five clusters. students in 35 schools, all in urban poverty areas, participating in the program. Its purpose is to raise the general educational level of youngsters from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Some 4,000 of the children in the program are from 15 Catholic schools.

They are able to take part because of Title One's provision that the federal funds involved be used to meet the needs of disadvantaged children, regardless of school they attend.

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schools with students who qualify under Title I receive all necessary instructional TV materials and equipment.

Under the guidance of Carole R. Nolan, director of the public schools' division of instructional TV, a "cluster system" has been developed through which several schools, all within a mile radius of the sending studios, receive a full day's schedule of classroom instruction, five days a week. There are now five clusters made up of six to eight receiving schools.

Instruction takes in all Through a cooperative ar- areas of the usual school curriculum as well as classes on

story telling and current

Miss Nolan said the TV curriculum is developed during summer training and planning seassions. Each cluster, she explained, has a steering committee made up of representatives from the participating public and Catholic

There are about 100 teachers involved in the actual TV production, said Miss Nolan, including 20 lay and Religious teachers from Catholic schools.

The main conflict in the closed - circuit programming is the time scheduling of certain courses, since Catholic school classes don't always coincide with the same time and of public school length

To produce the programs the public school has hired TV engineers, uses five teachers as producer-directors, five teacher coordinators, and five teachers as graphic artists for visuals.

In addition, there are 10teacher aides for operating cameras and five school clerks to handle necessary clerical work. All personnel are distributed evenly throughout the control cen-

In discussing why television is important for the education of disadvantaged students, Miss Nolan pointed out certain common characteristics that most share:

"They usually do not listen well, they have a disinterest in school topics, they feel school subjects are irrelevant to their lives, they have poor work habits, are poor readers, are tardy and absent often."

"These children," she said; "are usually more visually than audi-oriented. They seem to be able to think better pictorially."

Toledo Catholics Support School **Sex Education**

Toledo - Sixty-three per cent of Catholics who cooperated in a recent religious survey in the Toledo Diocese believe that sex education should be offered in both grade and high schools.

Twenty-four per cent of the respondents said such education should be limited to high schools, and 13 per cent would restrict the task to parents.

This was one of 59 questions asked in the survey, taken last autumn. One third of the Catholics 18 years of age and over in the 19-county diocese filled out the questionnaire. There were questionnaires returned.

Vt. Refuses Aid To Parish Schools

Montpeller, Vt. - (NC) The Vermont House of Representatives refused to accept a \$100,000 appropriation request to help parochial schools hare more lay teachers next 'year and thus offset school closings. The chamber voted, 82-59,

against the money request which had been reduced from \$250,000.

Earlier, the Burlington dioce san school board had issued a statement informing the legislature that as much as \$500,000 might be required "to finance the cost of additional ray teachers for the 1969-70 school year."

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German Socialists vs. Church

Bonn, West Germany — (RNS) — Continuing tension between the Catholic Church and the powerful Social Democratic Party (SPD) is expected to be a significant factor in the upcoming general

The SPD, the second strongest party in West Germany, is a partner with Christian Democrats in the coalition currently ruling West Germany.

Foreign Minister and former Berlin Mayor Willy Brandt heads the Socialists and will be the party's candidate for chancellor if it can out-poll the Christian Democrats.

Marxist in origin, the SPD has faced the opposition of the Catholic Church in Germany. Church support, or even "neutrality" toward the party in this Fall's elections appears highly un-

Pontiff Favors Common Bible

Vatican City — (RNS) — Common translations of the Bible for use by Roman Catholics and other Christians were praised by Pope Paul VI during an audience here.

To a group of Catholics and others who are engaged in joint work on the Bible, the Pope said that "cooperation in the translation of the Scriptures, making them easily accessible to all people, results in bringing Christians closer together and this fraternal collaboration in this work renders the Christian message more credible. It is clear how much this work should be esteemed by every-

Pope To Visit Protestant Center

Geneva (RNS) A spokesman for the World Council of Churches said here that Pope Paul would visit Council headquarters in June, at his own request.

The pontiff will come here to take part in the 50th anniversary meeting of the International Labor Organization, probably on June 10.

The Swiss press reacted enthusiastically to the visit, some journals pointing out that Geneva is called "The Protestant Rome." Some noted that half of the Swiss population is Catholic.

Pope Paul will be the third reigning pontiff ever to enter Switzerland, and the first since 1948.

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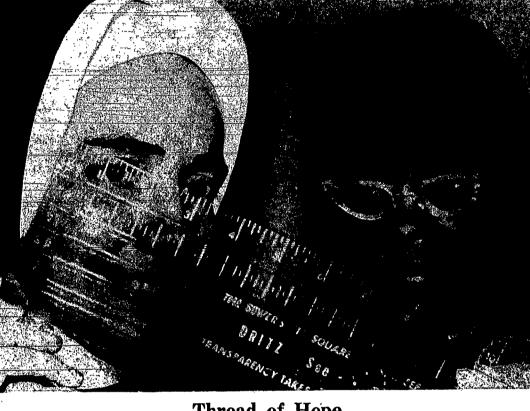
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Thread of Hope

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Community Sense Needed by Colleges. Fr. Hesburgh Says

Notre Dame, Ind.—(NC)— Theodore M. Hes-C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame said here the survival of the contemporary university design pends .. upon .. "recreating a vital university community united by values it is willing to articulate, and defend.

Only a strong sense of community can "confront the free wheeling of faculties, the occasional violence of students, the capriciousness of administrators," he stated.

Father Hesbrough addressed an international conference on "The Task of Universities in a Changing external forces.'

World," held at Notre Dame's Center for Continuing Educa-

"The university," he said, "needs great inner strength, but this strength has been sapped by inner disunity: faculties that have forgotten that the most important function of a professor is to teach . . . students who have on occasion pressed dissent administrators who have forfunction is to unite all the

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Father Hesburgh defended traditional university heritage of humanism. 'Values loom high in any assessment of university wisand values are best manifested by the priorities that characterize the university enterprise," he said.

TEMPERANCE WEEK

Evanston, Ill. — (RNS) ipril 20-26 will be observed as gotten that their greatest Youth Temperance Education Week, an annual project of the Youth Temperance Council of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

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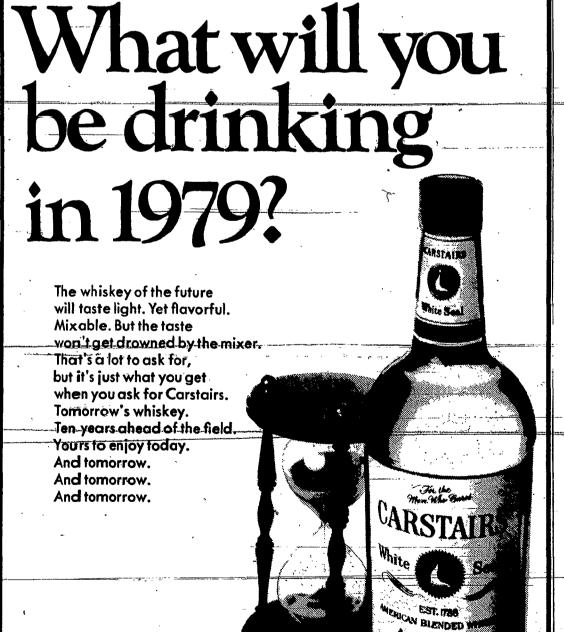
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Valuable Pair Stolen in Ital

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