

THE WEEK'S NEWS IN REVIEW

Black militant activities, birth control and internal Church problems highlighted the world of religion during the past week:

Aid for Black Panthers?

In Chicago, a police intelligence specialist charged that hundreds of thousands of dollars are being donated to militant Negro groups through the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization (IFCO).

Sgt. Robert Thomas of the Los Angeles Police Department said Black Panthers are among those receiving church funds and declared "the issue is whether or not charitable donations should go to groups involved in disruptive tactics."

Birth Control Bills Hit

Puerto Rican Catholic bishops described legislative measures favoring birth control as "an attempt to sneak massive neo-Malthusian legislation past the people of this island."

Archbishop Luis Aponte Martinez of San Juan, speaking for the Puerto Rican hierarchy, criticized two birth control bills in the Puerto Rican Legislature.

The proposals would give the Secretary of Health power to transfer funds to government agencies and private non-profit associations for birth control activities.

'The Wrong Track'

In Bangalore, Valerian Cardinal Gracias of Bombay told a national seminar on the applications of the decrees of the Second Vatican Council that the Church in India has been "on the wrong track" for the past 20 years in "its spirituality, its theology and its educational, social and missionary policy."

Cardinal Gracias, president of the Indian Bishops' Conference which sponsored the seminar, appealed to delegates not to close their minds to new ideas and opinions and not to accept uncritically everything they hear or read.

Ecumenical First

An ecumenical Sunday worship service, at which Roman Catholics attending will fulfill their obligation to attend Mass, has been scheduled here on Pentecost Sunday by some 15 Protestant and Catholic churches in the area.

The service in the University of Iowa Fieldhouse, "a Liturgy of the Word," will not include Communion.

\$1 Million for Notre Dame

Gulf and Western Industries of New York has awarded 1 million to the University of Notre Dame. The amount is believed to be one of the largest corporate gifts in U.S. higher education history.

Charles G. Bludhorn, chairman and chief executive officer of Gulf & Western, said the gift was made to demonstrate the firm's belief that this is a time for increased financial support of American colleges and universities.

He said that Notre Dame is "one of a relatively few national universities whose influence in higher education is comparable to the impact of the leading business and industrial firms on our national economy."

Action on Saints Mistake, Says Byzantine Priest

Washington — A Byzantine rite priest-historian here said the dropping of several popular Eastern saints from the Church's festal calendar "is a great ecumenical mistake."

Commenting on recent liturgical changes made by Pope Paul VI, Father Armand J. Jacopin, executive director of the St. Paul Center Byzantine-Melkite Information Bureau here, said:

"The removal of such popular Eastern saints as St. George the Great Martyr and St. Nicholas of Myra from the festal calendar of the Roman rite cannot serve the cause of ecumenism between Catholic and Eastern Orthodox, and is a great ecumenical mistake."

"St. Nicholas (Dec. 6), in addition to being the patron of Russia, is universally regarded as 'the wonderworker and protector of sailors and children. Thousands of Eastern Christian churches are dedicated to their honor throughout the world.'"

"It is interesting to note that St. Cecilia of Rome whose actual historical status has been doubted by historians for years is included in the new calendar because of the popularity of devotion to her. What about the popularity of St. George and St. Nicholas in the East as well as throughout the Western Church?"

"Would it not have been a magnificent gesture to retain these saints as an ecumenical token toward the nearly 200 million Eastern Christians and thus fulfill the stated goals of the calendar reform to make the calendar expressive of 'all kinds of Christian lives?'" he declared.

Urban Needs Pinpointed: Change Seen in Mandate U.S. Funds On Teaching

(NC News Service) — Washington — (NC) — Economic and social integration of the cities' minority groups and a \$20 billion increase in federal aid must come if the nation is going to solve its urban crisis, a top urban affairs advisor told a group of Catholic urban affairs workers here (May 12).

Daniel Patrick Moynihan, director of the White House Urban Affairs Council, addressed the 1969 conference of the Task Force on Urban Problems of the U.S. Catholic Conference at the University of Maryland.

He said the nation must develop a comprehensive urban policy before it can hope to cure the cities' ills. Moynihan added that the first task of the Urban Affairs Council is to develop such a policy.

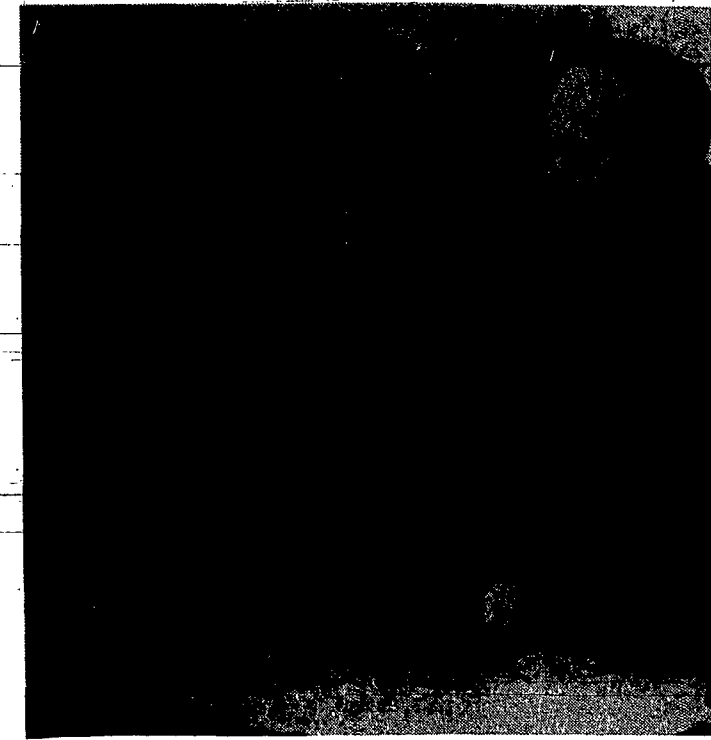
He offered a list of "rudiments for a solution" to the urban crisis, nevertheless, which included:

• An end to the "poverty and isolation" of the cities' minorities. They are living in a state of "demographic siege" in which black working people have twice as many dependents as their white counterparts, he said.

An end to the "constant fiscal crisis" of the cities. The surest way is to increase the federal subsidy to cities to about \$20 billion.

• Government must concern itself with population movement, settlement and growth. Moynihan noted that the federal government has launched programs to ease the way for Hungarian and Cuban immigrants in recent years, but did "absolutely nothing" for those taking part in the migration from American farms to the cities.

In addition, he said, urban policy must strengthen and



Parochial School Post

Dr. Bernard E. Donovan, center, retiring superintendent of the New York City public school system, will soon take a new post, supervising and planning for schools of the Diocese of Brooklyn. He is shown here with Monsignor Eugene J. Malloy, left, secretary for education, and Father Franklin E. Fitzpatrick, superintendent of the schools. Dr. Donovan will assist the largest wholly urban parochial system in the U.S., one of 220,000 elementary and high school students, of whom 70,000 come from families whose salaries place them at the poverty level. He will leave his \$46,500-a-year city post at the end of the school year. (RNS)

On the School Scene

A University of Notre Dame research team reported here that the shifting of students from closing Catholic elementary and secondary schools next year may cost U.S. taxpayers an estimated \$32,200,000.

The data was based on a survey of the nation's 148 Catholic school superintendents.

Data collected by the researchers indicated that 60,000 students, now attending parochial or diocesan schools, will shift to public schools in the fall.

The figure \$32,200,000 — for operational costs — to be borne by taxpayers was reached by using the \$638 national average per pupil expenditure in the nation's public schools.

AUSSIE CHAPLAINS LACK CHAPELS

North Queensland, Australia — (RNS) — Anglican Bishop Ian Shevill of North Queensland described as "scandalous" the continued refusal of the Australian government to provide chapels at permanent military bases.

Other church leaders are expected to join in the attack on a government policy which supports a military chaplaincy but bars construction of chapels.

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Unity the Problem

Unity was the topic of Leo Cardinal Suenens of Malines-Brussels, Belgium, when he was interviewed in Paris.

The fundamental problem in the Church today, he said, is the difference in views of the Church's unity. He admitted there is real tension between the Roman "center" of the Church and the "periphery," but added:

"I believe that the fundamental problem that divides us, consciously or not, is a problem of theology, a differing initial vision of the Church, particularly with regard to its necessary unity."

People

Pope Paul VI has given the four new U.S. cardinals membership on congregations of the Roman Curia, the Church's central administration.

John Cardinal Wright, the only one of the four new U.S. cardinals to be summoned to Rome for a curial post, as prefect of the Congregation for the Clergy, has also been made a member of the Council for the Church's Public Affairs and a member of the Congregations for Bishops and for the Evangelization of Peoples.

John Cardinal Dearden of Detroit has been appointed a member of the Congregation for the Sacraments and of the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Christians.

John Cardinal Carberry of St. Louis becomes a member of the Congregations for Bishops and for the Evangelization of Peoples.

Terence Cardinal Cooke of New York becomes a member of the Congregations for Bishops and for the Eastern Rite Churches.

Cardinal Carberry Criticized by Lutheran Paper

St. Louis — (RNS) — The St. Louis Lutheran, semi-monthly publication of the Council of Lutheran Churches of Greater St. Louis, has sounded a warning note in the ecumenical symphony by editorially criticizing John Cardinal Carberry, Archbishop of St. Louis.

In its edition of May 10, the Lutheran charged that Cardinal Carberry, recently elevated to the Sacred College, has "estranged many Lutherans" and weakened ecumenical relations in the metropolitan area by his personal emphasis upon "Mariolatry" and his pronounced allegiance to Pope Paul VI.

"It must be admitted that Cardinal Carberry himself has estranged many of us. Lutheran-Roman Catholic ecumenical relations were healthy and growing over a year ago. Carberry's personal emphasis on 'Mariolatry' and his pronounced allegiance to the bishop of Rome, however, have weakened these relations."

CHURCH IN HUNGARY

Vatican City — (RNS) — The situation of the Church in Hungary was discussed by Pope Paul and Bishop Joseph Bank, Apostolic Administrator of Vác, who reported to the pontiff on the recent meeting of the Hungarian Episcopal Conference.

Strengthening of adult education programs, he said, "might well be the mandate given to us" in the light of the threat that Catholic elementary and high schools "may go under" because of religious teacher shortages, declining enrollment and increasing financial burdens.

Adult education programs will have to be organized "on a much more professional and far-reaching scale than has hitherto been the case," he added.

He said the recommendations of Vatican Council II "will be taken seriously by the bishops." It appears that "we are going to have to advise the bishops rather strongly as to the best use of their diminishing personnel and diminishing funds for religious education and formation," he added.



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