

Commission Now Admits North Irish Complaints

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BELFAST, Northern Ireland—The validity of the grievances of Catholics in Northern Ireland has been acknowledged once again as an uneasy peace continues in the country.

Catholic complaints of discrimination and police misconduct were also found to be valid by an official commission of inquiry into the disturbances in Northern Ireland.

A three-member commission, headed by Lord Cameron, a Scottish High Court judge, found that officials of Northern Ireland's ruling Unionist party had flagrantly gerrymandered local voting boundaries to keep Catholics out of office, favored Protestants in government jobs and "manipulated" public housing allocations.

In the past two years, members of the British Parliament and British newsmen who visited Northern Ireland had also found evidence of discrimination in voting, housing, jobs and education.

The commission's report also said that some policemen had used "unnecessary and ill-controlled force" against civil rights demonstrators and that police had committed "acts of illegal violence."

The day after the report was made public, Northern Irish Prime Minister James D. Chichester-Clark admitted that his Unionist party has treated Catholics badly and reaffirmed the party's determination to reform.

Commenting on the report, Chichester-Clark said: "It is self-evident that in the past all of us have made mistakes. The question is what do we now do — profit from these mistakes, or sink into a welter of recriminations which would insure that those mistakes will be repeated."

"We are quite prepared to accept the facts the report contains," he said. "What we have to do now is get on with the reforms we have promised."

Militant Protestant and Catholic leaders denounced the report, which

accused them of fomenting the religious strife.

The report sharply criticized both the Rev. Ian Paisley, a militant Protestant leader, and Bernadette Devlin, a young Catholic member of the British Parliament from Ulster and a leader in the civil rights movement. Miss Devlin recently toured the United States seeking funds to aid victims of the mid-August riots.

Of Miss Devlin, the report said: "We do not think she would rule out the use of force to achieve her own purposes if the method of political persuasion had, in her opinion, failed."

The report was published as British troops, stationed in Northern Ireland to keep the peace, resumed work in Belfast on the erection of a barbed wire and wooden barricade "peace wall" between Protestant and Catholic areas.

The report presents a brief but concise analysis of the socio-religious and political background of the present unrest in Northern Ireland.

"This is a society," it said, "in which political and religious faiths are passionately held... and one in which political, religious or economic issues or differences have in the past often resulted in serious violence."

In its discussion of the religious causes of the riots, the report said, "segregated education — insisted upon by the Roman Catholic Church — also plays a part in initiating and maintaining division and differences among the young."

The Unionist party which has been in power since the establishment of Northern Ireland in 1920, the report said, is "mainly, if not in fact exclusively, Protestant."

"A party in power," it noted, "which can never be turned out tends to be complacent and insensitive to criticism or acceptance of any need for change or reform."

On the other hand, it said "An opposition which can never become a government tends to lose a sense of responsibility."



Polish Cardinal Greeted

Charles Cardinal Wojtyla, Archbishop of Cracow, Poland, is greeted with flowers on his arrival in Montreal. It was the cardinal's first stop on a tour he is making of Canada at the invitation of the Canadian Polish Congress which is celebrating its 25th anniversary. He is the first Iron Curtain prelate to visit Canada since World War II. (RNS.)

Archbishop Sheil Dies; Friend of Youth and Labor

Chicago — (NC) — Final accolades were paid here to Archbishop Bernard J. Sheil, 83, the founder of the CYO — Catholic Youth Organization.

John Cardinal Cody of Chicago and the six auxiliary bishops of the archdiocese celebrated pontifical requiem Mass Sept. 17 in St. Andrew's church here, where Archbishop Sheil was pastor from 1935 to 1966. The archbishop died Sept. 13 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Tucson, Ariz.

Archbishop Sheil, a native of Chicago, had a colorful career. He was among the favorites of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt. When labor unions were fighting for the right to organize, Archbishop Sheil espoused the cause of the working men, and throughout his life he was esteemed in union circles. Through his work with youth, he also won wide support among business executives.

Born in Chicago, the archbishop attended now defunct St. Viator College, in Bourbonnais, Ill., where he earned the priesthood. He was or was a better than average student and an outstanding baseball pitcher. He was deluged with offers from major league teams, but rejected them because he had decided on a vocation May 21, 1910.

The idea for the CYO came to Archbishop Sheil while he was serving as a prison chaplain. This was during the era of prohibition, gangsters and racketeers.

Archbishop Sheil frequently noted that youngsters idolized the gangsters and tried to emulate them. As

a means of channeling the energies of the young into an appealing program, he founded the CYO with an initial budget of \$112. The venture proved an almost instant success. The young of every religion and color were welcomed in programs that accentuated the spiritual as well as the athletic.

He was consecrated to serve as auxiliary bishop of Chicago on May 1, 1928, and was given the personal title of archbishop in 1959.

Cardinal Cody said in a tribute: "In the minds of many his name always will be synonymous with youth, for it was through his creative imagination and relentless perseverance that the now famous CYO, the Catholic Youth Organization, became a reality. This will be a living monument to his memory."

New Commission To Meet Oct. 5

Vatican City — (NC) — The first meeting of the Central Theological Commission established by Pope Paul VI last April will be held here in October.

The theological commission was one of three new offices established by the Pope in April to carry out the program of renewal called for by the Second Vatican Council. It is attached to the Doctrinal Congregation, formerly the Holy Office.

Progress Noted in Ministry On Secular Campuses



Interfaith Chapel at State University College in Geneseo, opened this month, will aid diocesan Newman Apostolate.

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tionship of the Catholic community to the whole school, at Ithaca College;

- improved "campus parish community" structure at Cornell University;

- student parish council for running the whole program at State University College, Brockport;

- Sunday evening entertainment and food open to the whole campus, sponsored by the Catholics at Rochester Institute of Technology, at an ecumenical "coffee house."

Geneseo, the only unit of the State University to have an interfaith center, will use its new building for the religious services and educational programs of the Catholic, Jewish and eight Protestant denominations. Not officially connected with the college, it will serve all students, faculty and staff.

For years Catholic students have worshipped in St. Mary's Church, Geneseo, but now all Newman Apostolate activities, including two Sunday Masses and a daily afternoon Mass, will take place in the center.

Father Thomas R. Statt, chaplain, reports that besides his office in the center, his community will have use of lounges and seminar rooms, kitchen, small chapel and a multi-purpose room able to seat 400 which will be used for worship.

Contributions from the Catholic and Episcopal Dioceses of Rochester, students and their families, faculty, alumni and townspeople paid for the center.

Father James Lawlor, University of Rochester chaplain, reports that chapel with seating capacity of 600 will be available for his campus parish probably early in 1970. The interfaith building now rising between River Boulevard and the Genesee River, will have three levels, involving large windows facing the river and its banks.

The building will contain chaplains' offices, four different-sized chapels, library, kitchen and meeting rooms.

Father William Donnelly, newly arrived for full time duty at Monroe Community College, finds that the student body of 4,700 day-students includes nearly 2,500 Catholics. He will be "operating out of the Student Activities Office, for want of chaplain's facilities," he says.

"I've received a very warm welcome from the administration and students, but getting organized and

well-known here will be a slow process."

Living at Becket Hall, where he will "probably hold meetings for MCC students," Father Donnelly will begin community-liturgies for his campus parish at St. John the Evangelist Church, Humboldt St., with a 5 p.m. Mass this Sunday and a 7 p.m. Mass on the 28th, followed by a "get-acquainted supper" both evenings in the parish hall.

Ithaca College, with 1,000 Catholics out of the student body of 3,000 has chaplain Father William Graf and his assistant, Sister Joyce, SSSJ, on the faculty this year. Father Graf will teach two sections of American History and Sister Joyce two sections of sociology.

The Ithaca Newman program this year will emphasize ecumenical and welfare projects as the students aid REACH in Perkinsville, juveniles at Camp McCormick, children of Ithaca needing tutoring, as well as participate in campus student-affairs.

Brockport State, where Father Michael Daly is chaplain, will lean heavily on the 12-person Parish Council which directs the entire program of the Newman Oratory, serving about 2,500 students and faculty.

At Cornell University, where Father David Connor is pastor for about 2,500 Catholic students, priests in residence with him as students will share the chaplain's burdens. A parish council will direct the liturgical and educational programs.

St. Louis Decries Parish Councils

St. Louis — (RNS) — All parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis are to have parish councils by Jan. 1, 1970, John Joseph Cardinal Carberry decreed in a pastoral letter issued here.

A set of guidelines accompanying the pastoral letter describes the parish council as "a coordinating body... leading and representing all members of the parish."

The guidelines also state that "in all matters pertaining to the parish, spiritual and temporal, the parish council will have a consultative vote." It should be composed of priests, religious, lay men and lay women, should study the temporal and spiritual needs of the parish and work for the renewal of the parish and for the good of the church and the community.

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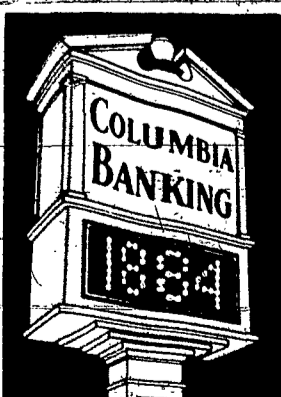
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Fr. Haering Authority

Irrington, N.J. — (NC) — can Catholics have an authority up.

That is the opinion of Father Bernard Haering, CSSR, noted theologian who has been in the try giving retreats for nuns, and Protestants, lecturing a participating in ecumenical prog

He said he found that the pal question on the minds of can Catholics is the place of ity in the Church. But he finds a certain ambivalence approach of young people question.

"Surveys have shown,"

Lawyers Urged To Discuss War

San Francisco — (NC) dean of Boston College Law addressing a gathering of hers, charged that Catholics legal profession have failed their special competence to the lens of fashioning "an entire attitude toward war."

Stating that Catholics should demn the savagery of the war Father Robert Drinan, S. "America should withdraw a guarantee asylum to all Vie who want to leave their nat cause they fear reprisals."

He urged lawyers to re-th Christian view of modern v to re-assess what he termed for non-military solutions to tional disorder — assistance derdeveloped countries, arms and "world federalism."

Father Drinan said that a Vatican Council II neither nor rejected the Church's tra teaching on "a just war," t cept of such a war is being s by Catholic theologians becau not applicable to modern war said one of the basic requi of a just war is "proportiona that the good to be achiev weighed the evil to be don

"How in any modern war nuclear or guerrilla, can th achieved outweigh the count recent civilians killed, the tion brought to crops and hor the almost total annihilation to the land and to the cult whose soil the war is wage asked.

"Every modern war is alm evitably genocidal," Father stated.

Noting that Pope Paul h one way to world peace is t development of the poorer F Father Drinan quoted a Viet bishop as telling him the States could do infinitely more communism by spending the lion it now spends on the wa year to bring food, medicine ucation to the people of the

Bishops Named For 2 U.S. Sees

Washington, D.C. — (RNS) Paul has accepted the retire two veteran American prelat appointed new bishops to t case of Kansas City in Kans Nashville.

Retiring are Bishop William rene Adrian, 83, of Nashv Bishop Edward Joseph Hunke of Kansas City.

Pope Paul has named Bish seph A. Durick, 54, coadjut apostolic administrator, to the ville see. Bishop Durick ha appointed coadjutor with ri scription in 1964.

Bishop Ignatius J. Strecker, the Diocese of Springfield-Cap deau in Missouri was named Pope to succeed to Bishop ler's post in Kansas City.