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THE WEEK'S NEWS IN REVIEW

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Prayers and Bible readings at the elementary school in Leyden, Mass., even on a voluntary basis, are unconstitutional, according to a ruling by the Massachusetts attorney

School officials in the small rural town on the Massachusetts-Vermont border declared that Robert H. Quinn's decision was "incredible."

In a nine-page opinion, Quinn listed several U.S. Supreme Court decisions, including one which struck down another voluntary prayer plan, to support his ruling.

"Such practice is unconstitutional under the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution," Quinn's opinion

Pa. School Aid Bill Pushed

Rep. Martin P. Mullen (D.-Philadelphia), chairman of the Pennsylvania House Appropriations Committee, declared here that "there will be no compromise" in his efforts to get a \$23 million appropriation for Catholic and other private

Current annual aid to parochial schools approximates \$4.5 million. Rep. Mullen had first asked for \$45 million, but finally cleared through the House an Allocation of \$23 million. It is now stalled in the Senate pending settlement of the total state budget problem.

The Pennsylvania aid program is in the form of "purchase of educational services" in non-religious subjects taught at parochial schools.

A Cannonball of a Nun!

A peppy 67-year-old Dominican nun who has kept the Wabash Cannonball on track—at least for another year—was honored in Detroit by the United Transportation Union. They gave her a number of gifts, including an attache case and \$304 in cash. Her efforts preserved 28 union jobs.

Sister Ann Joachim was honored for bucking the Norfolk and Western Railroad last April when it sought to stop operating the storied Wabash Cannonball passenger train.

Sister Ann, a regular commuter between Detroit and Siena Heights College in Adrian, Mich., where she is chairman of the history department, interested other commuters in the fight, claiming the railroad was more interested in freight than people. Through her efforts the Interstate Commerce Commission opened an inquiry on the railroad's



A miniature copy of the statue at the United Nations world headquarters which illustrates the passage from Isaiah 2:4 ". . . and they shall beat their swords into plowshares . . . " is presented to President Richard M. Nixon by W. Clement Stone of Chicago, national chairman of Bible Week. The statue was given in recognition of Mr. Nixon's ser-

claim it was losing a great deal of money with the Wabash Cannomball.

When one of the commissioners told me I didn't have a 'snowball's chance in hell' of keeping the train running, that did it," Sister Ann Joachim said.

She bombarded the ICC with petitions, statistics, legal precedents and other evidence. The ICC was swayed to her cause and ruled the railroad would have to keep the train operating at least for another year.

News Capsules

• were advised not

"panic" in the face of opposi-

tion to sex education in the

• finalized plans for a na-

tionwide effort which will

study outstanding projects be

ing conducted under Catholic

auspices for minority groups

• elected Father Bernard

A. Cummins, superintendent of schools in the archdiocese

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Father Lawrence E. Lucas, a black Harlem pastor, said he is pessimistic about Catholicism's response to the black revolution. . . . Pressed by growing money problems, the Maryland Catholic Conference has for the first time asked the state to recognize the despérate financial needs of non-

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vice as honorary chairman of National Bible Week, from Nov. 23 to 30. Looking on are, from left: Father Louis Hartman, C.SS.R., executive director of the Catholic Biblical Association of America: Stone: Mr. Nixon: K. S. Giniger, president of the Laymen's National Bible Committee. (RNS)

Moravia - Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey dedicated a new parish center and school of religion Oct. 26 at St. Patrick's

The school, directed by the pastor, Father Thomas C. Kane, has a faculty of 11 men and for grades 1-12. The rectory was remodeled to accommodate five classrooms, an office and a large meeting hall.

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Specifically cited as being objects of unwarranted criticism were "Our Life with

ship: series, Allyn and Bacon;

"Come to the Father," Paul-

ist Press; "Lord and King,"

Holt, Rinehart and Winston:

"New Loyola Religion Series," Loyola University Press:

"Roots of Faith" series, Har-

and Light" series, Sadlier; "To Live is Christ," Regen-

ery, and "Living with Christ,"

publisher.

Catholic schools will gain public favor they need when seeking public funds if they will show results of dealing with those considered underprivileged, or uneducable, a Catholic schools and identi-U.S. Office of Education official told diocesan school

superintendents meeting here Dr. Leon Lessinger, associate compatibilities for the God series, Sadlian Words and World Barry Cations U.S. Office of Educations inger; "Bible Life and Words cation, U.S. Office of Educaschools "my to public schools which have difficulty that we'll take the dropouts and

we will produce."

One way to impress public education," Lessinger said, Leourt, Brace and World; "Life "is to have a strong, energetic school system that is not a carbon copy of public education. This is the time we desperately need innovation, flexibility and new approaches—and you have these. It is within your heritage to deal with the handicapped and the disadvantaged. This is part of the Christian message."

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The superintendents also:

Christian Brothers series, St. Mary's College Press. BABY WASH The books in question have been criticized as containing "strongly Protestant" bias

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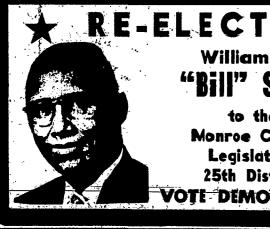


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