

# THE WEEK'S NEWS IN REVIEW

## NDU Expels Demonstrators

Five Notre Dame University students have been expelled and five others suspended following a campus demonstration and sit-in against Dow Chemical Co. and Central Intelligence Agency recruiters.

A university spokesman said that all 10 students will have an opportunity to appeal the decision made by Father James L. Riehle, C.S.C., dean of students.

The action was in keeping with a policy dealing with student confrontations enunciated last Spring by Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president.

That policy stipulates that demonstrators will be given 15 minutes to halt disruptive tactics or be dismissed. The current demonstration against Dow and CIA was the first test of this formula.

"You forced my hand on this," Father Riehle told the crowd of 150 demonstrators in enforcing the 15-minute formula. "I have no alternative."



## Commandos Control U.N. Camps

A political battle of the Palestinian refugees is being waged in the United Nations amid indications that the U.N. may have to rethink the mandate under which its relief organization operates in the Middle East. Responsible U.N. sources familiar with the refugee situation in Lebanon have confirmed published reports that 4 of 15 of the U.N. refugee camps there have been penetrated by Palestinian commandos who apparently exert control. In this photo, Arab commandos stand outside their headquarters in the one-time mountain resort of Cyr, Lebanon. (Religious News Service)

## Employment Project Succeeds

The Tri-Faith Employment Project in Chicago will place more than 23,000 unemployed adults in permanent, full-time jobs in 1969, according to its director, John Robinson.

His estimate was based on the fact that in the first 10 months of the year 20,839 placements were accomplished. The average per hour salary for the placements was \$2.49 for men and \$1.91 for women. Mr. Robinson said.

The service, sponsored by the Chicago Conference on Religion and Race in cooperation with the Chicago Committee on Urban Opportunity, operates out of storefronts and church basements. More than 3,000 Chicago-area businesses come to Tri-Faith for their personnel, Mr. Robinson reported.

## Saigon Bishop's Bid Fails

Bishop Nguyen Van Bihn of Saigon failed in his bid to bring all four chief negotiators of the Vietnam peace talks together for a joint meeting with him.

French radio reported here that the archbishop, accompanied by Bishop Pham Ngoc Chi of Danang, said that because he had not been able to meet with all four negotiators—South Vietnam, Vietcong, North Vietnam and the United States—he preferred not seeing any delegation individually.

Reportedly the archbishop did not have any specific peace plan, as was reported earlier, but simply wanted to show the Catholic Church's "wish for peace and to appeal for an end to dissension."

Previous reports from Saigon claimed that the two Catholic prelates were on a "Vatican-sponsored" mission and that the South Vietnamese government of President Nguyen Van Thieu had given its approval.

## CCD Extends Enrollment

The Philadelphia archdiocese's Confraternity of Christian Doctrine has reported that its religious education program reached 47,875 of 80,760 Catholic children enrolled in public schools in 1968, for an increase of more than 7,000 over the previous year.

## Cdl. Wright in Yugoslavia

John Cardinal Wright, prefect of the Congregation for the Clergy, has gone to Split, Yugoslavia, to preside at the blessing of a new experimental Center for Community Living, established by Archbishop Franjo Franic.

The Archbishop, who has visited the United States twice, was a guest of Cardinal Wright when he visited the Croatian community in Pittsburgh.

## Vatican Weekly Raps M-Day

L'Osservatore dello Domenica, Vatican City weekly, has criticized organizers of the Moratorium Day demonstrations in the United States for demanding peace "without worrying about the methods to follow in order to attain it."

The journal praised the motives behind the anti-war demonstrations.

Referring to demands for prompt troop withdrawals, the article declared that President Nixon would be quite willing to withdraw all American forces from Southeast Asia, "if there were corresponding gestures of good will on the other side."

## Australia Losing Priests

A spokesman for the Sydney (Australia) archdiocese, Father W. E. Murray, has told newsmen that in recent years there has been a "big increase" in the number of priests

seeking leave or dispensation from priestly functions. Between 180 and 200 have left in the last two years, he reported.

His statement, according to Australian Radio, was prompted by the announcement that Father John Vanderim, rector of St. John's College at Sydney University for the last 10 years and a leading Catholic scholar, has decided to leave the priesthood and the Church.

The archdiocesan spokesman said that Father Vanderim's case was only one of many and that until the last few years it had been extremely rare for priests to seek dispensations from the priesthood. Such requests, Father Murray added, have been much more numerous since Vatican II and appear to be "part of a wave of unrest evident throughout the world."

## Southern Group Scores Racism

North Carolina's Southern Baptists were urged "to obey the law of the land regarding school desegregation and to cooperate with its implementation."

Delegates to the 139th annual session of the state Convention were told that "there is no Christian argument in defense of racial discrimination."

"Racism strikes at the very heart of the Gospel itself. There is no social issue on which the light of the Gospel is clearer."

## People

Gold medals of the National Institute of Social Sciences, for "distinguished service to humanity," have been awarded Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of the University of Notre Dame and chairman of the U.S. Commission of Civil Rights; Lady Jackson (Barbara Ward), British economist and author; Frank Borman, astronaut, commander of the Apollo 8 mission that first orbited the moon; and Lester B. Pearson, former Prime Minister of Canada, chancellor of Carleton University, Ottawa.

## 'I Must Go And Tell the King!'

Bay City, Mich.—(NC)—Father Thomas Kowalczyk likened Catholics who panic over changes in the Church to "Chicken Little" of the nursery fable.

"Someone gets hit on the head with an acorn—a change in liturgy, a new interpretation of a Scripture passage, a development of doctrine—and before he investigates what's happening, he excitedly clucks and cackles, caws and crows that the Church is falling down," he said.

At St. James parish here, where he is an associate pastor, Father Kowalczyk told parishioners: "We have become so crisis-conscious that we forget the Church always has been in crisis."

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## Quebec See To Sell Some Churches

Quebec—(RNS)—The Catholic Archdiocese of Quebec City will sell some of its little-used urban churches to make ends meet, Maurice Cardinal Roy of Quebec disclosed here.

In releasing the archdiocese's financial statement, the cardinal said population shifts have made it necessary to get rid of the properties. He said certain parishes are located in areas that became commercial and have few parishioners.

He placed the value of archdiocesan property at \$2,377,000. Cardinal Roy said 150 of the 285 parishes under his jurisdiction are in debt.

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