Courier Journal-Friday, December 12, 1969 U.S. May Consider Acting on TV Profanity

Washington, D.C. - (RNS) - The Justice Department may prosecute radio and television stations that broadcast profanity, according to Dean Burch, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

Burch testified before a Senate subcommittee that was critical of profamity used on some radio broadcasts and concerned about movies that may someday be shown on television.

Sen. John O. Pastore (D.-R.I.),

Cardinal Cooke To Visit Troops

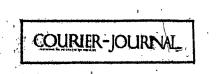
New York - (RNS) - Terence Cardinal Cooke, for the second consecutive year, has scheduled an around the world tour at ChrEstmas time in which he will visit U.S. troops overseas.

During the more than three weeks he will be abroad, the head of the Archdiocese of New York, who is also military vicar for Roman Catholics in the Armed Forces, will visit seven countries in Europe and Asia.

One again, the prelate will spend Christmas Day in South Vietnam, He is scheduled to arrive in Salgon on Dec. 20 for a one-week stay.

The 48-year-old cardinal will depart from New York City on Dec. 14, with his return set for Jan. 6. Places he will visit include:

Dec. 15, Barcelona; Dec. 17, Wiesbaden; Dec. 19, Bangkok; Dec. 20, Saigon; Dec. 28, Philippines; Dec. 29, Okinawa; Dec. 30, Koren; Jan, 1, Japan; Jan, 2, Guam; and Jan, 3, Hawail.



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chairman of the subcommittee, objected to the FCC's "permissiveness" in failing to act against stations that have broadcast profanity. Present standards of the FCC would permit television networks to show the controversial film, "I Am Curious (Yel-low)," he charged.

Sen. Pastore and Sen. Edward Gurney (R.Fla.) cited a Pacifica Foundation station in Los Angeles that broadcast a poem containing several fourletter wods.

FCC Commissioner Kenneth A. Cox said the Los Angeles station had been trying to present both sides of a public controversy over a teacher's use of the poem in a public school and had presented the broadcast in the evening to avoid young viewers.

In the past, the Justice Department has advised the FCC that such cases are "not prosecutable," he added, because they involve no appeal to "prurient interest," a major guideline in such cases.

Burch said he had found a different attitude about prosecution during a recent meeting with Justice Department officials.

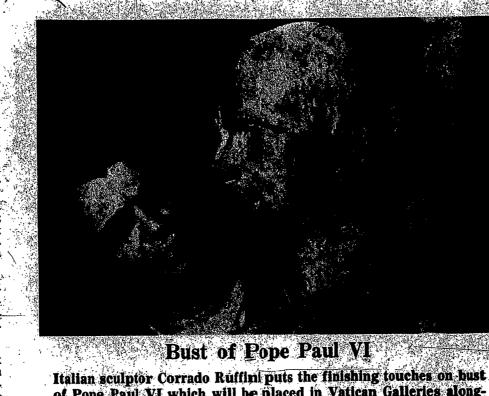
"I feel the word 'profanity' still has meaning," Burch said. "The FCC has the duty to pursue a course of action.'

Sen. Pastore asserted that what is broadcast into a home should not be protected by court decisions on movies, art and literature. Sen. Gurney said that in the past the FCC has fined shrimp-boat operators who use "dirty" words over their short-wave radio communications.

CHRISTIAN ESTABLISHMENT 'DISENCHANTMENT' SCORED

Minneapolis - (RNS) - A United Presbyterian pastor told the U.S. Congress on Evangelism here that there is "a general and alarmingly deep disenchantment with the Christian establishment by a large segment of American society of all ages and classes!

Dr. Richard C. Halverson, pastor of Fourth Presbyterian church, Washington, D.C., said that "one stubbornly persistent view of the church today, held by insiders as well as outsiders, is not only not supporting her outreach, it is sabotaging it."



of Pope Paul VI which will be placed in Vatican Galleries alongside busts of his predecessors. (Religious News Service)

New Office Established On Permanent Diaconate

Washington - With 87 men currently enrolled as candidates for the permanent diaconate in the United States, diocesan officials throughout the country will be alerted within the next few months to the oppor-tunity of establishing diaconal training programs in their particular, areas. A new central office for information will give advice and assistance in setting up such programs.

Father William W. Philbin, a priest of the Chicago archdiocese, is executive director of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on the diaconate.

The 87 men currently enfolled are in four training centers now in operation in the United States: St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn.; St. Joseph's Seminary, Washington, D.C.; Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit; and Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, Orchard Lake, Mich.

"There is no one national, centralized program." Father Philbin said. "The restoration (of the diaconate) . is decentralized, in the sense that a diocese or group of dioceses has basic responsibility for the programs they establish."

"Ultimately," he continued, "the bishop of a diocese - the man who ordains a deacon — is responsible for seeing that the candidate is properly equipped and trained."

The training program includes two school years (four semesters) of actdemic preparation and pastoral epperience. The academic proparation emphasizes the study of Scripture, systematic theology and liturgy, to gether with pastoral psychology, soci-ology and communications.

training programs are being "tailored" to the needs of those particular areas, Father Philbin said. Candidates at these centers are enrolled on a part-time basis, attending classes and group discussions twice a week for two years prior to ordination, while retaining their present jobs. A third year will be devoted to post-ordination training with continued pastoral supervision in diocesan work.

The U.S. Bishops' Committee on the Permanent Diaconate was formed in October, 1968, after authorization had been granted by the Holy See to the bishops of this country to establish the diaconate for married and unmarried men of mature years in those, dioceses where the local Ordinary requested it.

New Ecumenical Unit Urged by NCC Aide

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to join the new, ecumenical general

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Own Soldiers

A 'New Event

Vatican City — (NC) — The de-cision of U.S. authorities to bring U.S. soldiers to trial for war crimes

"is a completely new event" in a , world where war criminals are ordi-

narily tried by their enemies, the

"And it is precisely this fact that gives us food for hope," L'Osservatore

due the Americans when they decide

to make amends as best they can and,

in some way, repair the guilt with

which some of their soldiers have

"In fact neither the fury of war

nor the ideological reasons that push.

opposing armies into the field can

ever justify crimes against a popula-

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The magazine also observed: "It is

clear, unfortunately, that every war

produces its crimes. Sometimes

crimes are inevitable in the exasper-

ated climate that overwhelms the

combatants sruggling for survival. But

After referring to "the revelations"

on the alleged massacre of civilians

at Song My village in South Vietnam,

"On this point we must give recog-

nition to the Americans. The Allies

put Nazi war criminals on trial in

Nuremberg, and that Karl Adolf Eich-

mann (a Nazi war criminal) was

tried and executed in Israel. But for

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By MARJORIE HYER Detroit - A new concept of a general coumenical council in the United States, broad enough to encompass Roman Catholic as well as Protestant and Orthodox denominations, has been proposed by the general secretary of the National Council of Churches to replace the organization he now heads.

Dr. R. H. Edwin Espy made the proposal in his report to the NCC tri-ennial general assembly, meeting here.

His proposed new organization en-visioned a "consultative assembly" in which all Christian communions and agencies could regularly gather to share their views on major issues in the life of the church and the nation, speaking to their own faithful with. a common voice whenever agreement is given to them."

Within the framework of this general ecumenical council, Dr. Espy proposed the creation of a "broad framework" comparable to the speci-alized agencies of the United Nations. Under this umbrella would be gathered "highly focused instrumentalities for particular spiritual, educa-tional, theological, social, communication or service objectives," he explained.

These organizations would be largely automomous. Member communions of the larger council would be free to decide which of these groups they would support.

John Cardinal Dearden of Detroit, esident of the National Conference of Cainolic Bishops, who spoke brief-ly to the assembly, said in response to a question that he would "certainly study" the new proposal, which Dr. Espy had speculated could be put into effect within five to ten years.

In today's ecumenical climate. he said, the consequences of NCC actions "are far-reaching. They will affect us as well as you."

Noting that it was only five years since Vatican Council II issued the document on ecumenism, the cardinal declared that "so much has been accomplished in that time."

He particularly praised "that type of dialogue that will cause us to know and appreciate" Christians of different traditions.



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Center Opens In London

Radio-TV

LONDON (NC) - Architek tions, as Pope Paul's repre-sentative, concelebrated Mass with John Cardinal Heenan of Westminster at the opening of the new Catholic Radio and Television Center here.

Built at a cost of \$400,000 the center is technically one of the most advanced set-ups for radio and TV in the world.

Its purpose is to make programs on tape and film-especially for developing countries to train men and women in the use of the media, to teach religious broadcasting and to act as a center for exchange of ideas between broadcasters, whether Catholic

Backed by the bishops of England and Wales and of Scotland, it serves all threecountries.

Already, from temporary premises, it has trained 500 missionaries, most of whom are now full-time broadcas-ters, 147 of them in Africa. Asia and South America.

30 Bishops To Study Communications

Washington, D.C. — (RNS —About 30 members of the Roman Catholic hierarchy in the United States will attend classes in January to learn how "to present the message of the Church more effectively through modern media."

Their teachers, some of the top professionals in the communications field, will present the bishops with the necessary techniques at a week-long workshop at Loyola University in New Orleans, Jan. 11 to 16.

The conference will be spon sored by the Communications Department of the United States Catholic Conference, secretariat of the National Conference of Catholic Bish-

Warren W. Sched, director of the Communications Department, said, "The aim of the workshop is to give the bishopparticipants laboratory and lecture instruction from leadng professional communicators in order to equip them-with the knowledge and ex-perience required to present the message of the Church more effectively through mod-ern media."

The bishops, according to Mr. Schwed, will attend dur-ing the workshop period. 16 hours of studio and on-camera laboratory sessions, 14-hours of lectures, 13 hours of group discussions and criti-ques, and five hours of screen-ings. These screenings will be outstanding examples of trees

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