

Byzantine Art

"The Splendor of Byzantium," an exhibit of Eastern Church art from the collection of the St. Paul Center Byzantine-Melkite Information Bureau in Washington is on display at the Mullen Library of the Catholic University of America. Melkite Rite Archpriest Armand J. Jacopin, left, executive director of the St. Paul Center, explains the craftsmanship of an enameled and gemmed 18th Century Russian chalice to Bishop Panken Variabedian, representative of the Armenian Orthodox Church in Washington, D.C. The exhibition features examples of Eastern Church art, including icons, ceremonial objects and vestments dating from the 6th Century. (RNS)

Most Crucial Ecumenical Area?

By MARJORIE HYER (NC News Service)

New York - A growing number of ecumenical leaders feel that Christian-Jewish relationships constitute a crucial area much in need of further exploration.

One of these leaders is the Rev. Dr. Robert C. Dodds, associate secretary of the division of Christian unity of the National Council of

"Jewish - Christian relationships are the single most important item on the ecumenical agenda," Dr. Dodds be-

But while American Protestant and Orthodox churches have extensive ecumenical programs concerned with the various branches of Christendom, Dr. Dodds complained that there is "virtually no interest in the Jews at present.

Attendance at Church Down 7P.C. in U.S.

Princeton, N.J. — (RNS) - Forty-two per cent of the U.S. adults in 1969 attended church in a typical week, 7 per cent less than in 1958,

Attendance at worship steadily declined over the 11year period, the survey or-ganization said. The 1969 percentage was down a point from 1968, A high of 49 per cent was reported in 1955 and

Gallup reported that the falloff was higher among Roman Catholics than among Protestants. The Catholic decline was from 74 per cent adult attendance in 1958 to 63 per cent in 1969.

The Protestant drop was from 43 per cent in 1958 to 37 per cent in 1969.

The Gallup Poll has been measuring church attendance since 1940 and on a regular basis since 1955. The research is conducted on the basis of samples of 12 widely scattered weeks during a year. In 1969, 18,090 individuals were interviewed.

They were asked, "Did you, yourself, happen to attend church in the last seven

The greatest decrease was

noted among young adults of all traditions. In 1969, the percentages of those 21 to 29 who went to worship in a typical week was 15 points

Among persons 30 to 49, attendance was down 6 per cent, and among those 50 and older the decline was 4 per

Fight Crime. Catholics Asked

Jersey City —(NC) —Parishioners at the more than 30 Catholic churches in this city are being asked to write to Gov. William T. Cahill and express their concern about organized crime.

Mimeographed letters addressed to the governor are being distributed at many of the churches as a result of a resolution adopted by the Jersey City Priests A sociation, an independent group.

The action was taken to buttress a resolution adopted by the Jersey City priests asking for expansion of the current federal-state investigation into organized crime

Parents: Police Kids' TV Viewing

Minneapolis — (RNS) — Parental control of television viewing by children—"turning them off and leaving them off when there is no program which merits view-- was the key recommendation of a study document issued here entitled, "Violence in Television Pro-

"Children especially need this evidence of a disciplined viewing; television ought not be made into a babysitter," declared the joint statement issued by the Commission on Research and Social Action and the Commission on Public Communications of the American Lutheran Church.

The two units of the Church urged the denomination's 2.5 million members to "express appreciation on behalf of the American Lutheran Church television network officials for their efforts to provide wholesome program materi-

The statement approves, in principal, "current public efforts to establish a strong national commission, council or agency representative of major segments of the general public for the purpose of effectively safeguarding the basic rights, interests and concerns of the American public, such a body to be so constituted as to be capable exerting influence upon Congress, the Federal Communications Commission and the television industry."

·Dr. Dodds credits the Ro-

man Catholic Church with be-

tants at present in this field,

though this has not always

"There was a period - be-

fore Vatican II - when Jews

working on this problem felt

that Protestants were more

"Now through the declara-

tion on the Jews of the Vati-

can Council and the recent

draft of the Vatican Secre-

tariat for Promoting Chris-

tian Unity, the Catholic

Church - in the hierarchy

and officialdom - recognizes

the Jew as brother. Protes-

tants have yet to take any

Dr. Dodds noted that "out-

side of officialdom," both

Protestant and Catholic the-

ologians and thinkers are call-

ing for more progress. "They

are beginning to say that it is

as important to the future of

Christianity that we reorder

progressive than Catholics,"

been the case.

he explained.

similar step.

"way ahead" of Protes-

The study document provided the following, fairly widespread, definition of violence: "amoral aggressive use physical force, bringing bodily injury to persons or damage to or destruction of their property."

However, the statement maintained there were additional concepts of violence: "psychic injury, systematic degradation or dehumanization of persons or classes of persons, systematic exclusion from or denial of opportunity to persons because of race, religion, national origin or socio-economic status, and severely disproportionate depictions of life which lead to false and misleading concepts of reality."

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High Court Rejects Challenge to Law On Birth Control

Washington — (NC) — Cases involving birth, control, the draft, and race were settled by the Supreme Court in recent opinions.

The court rejected a challenge to a Massachusetts law prohibiting the distribution of birth control devices by anyone except a doctor or pharmacist. The law allows only married persons to receive the devices.

The court's brief order left standing as final a decision made last May by the Suoreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts that a ban on distribution of contraceptive devices to other than married persons presented no conflict with the Constitution.

The state court did strike down as a violation of free speech rights the ban on exnibition of such devices. The Supreme Court also re-

a challenge to the power of draft boards to compel conscientious objectors to work in hospitals. Timothy J. Boroski -of

Mount Morris, Mich., had claimed that orders to work in a hospital were outlawed when the 13th Amendment prohibited slavery and invol-

jector by a draft board in

This ruling will be cited in

groes on construction jobs. month by the Contractors As-

The Ohio Supreme Court held that "the capacity to assure a performance which complies with anti-discrimination laws is reasonably a part of the standard of a best

He was convicted in 1967 port for work at Harper Hospital, Detroit. He had been classified a conscientious ob-

in a Cleveland case uphold-

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Bishops Name **News Chief**

Washington, D.C. — (RNS)
- Robert B. Beusse, director of administration and public affairs for RKO General Radio and Television, has been named communications director of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

He will succeed Warren W Schwed on Feb. 2, Bishop Joseph L. Bernardin, USCC general secretary, announced here. and sentenced to five years in prison for refusing to re-New York.

Mr. Beusse, a veteran in broadcasting, advertising, public relations, and magazine, news paper and book publishing, has been with RKO General for 10 In another action, the court | years. Earlier, he was assistant let stand a state court ruling advertising director of Schering Corporation, assistant public reing non-discrimination re- lations director of McCall's, and quirements in a construction a staff assistant at the now-defunct New York Daily Mirror

The USCC Communications support of the Nixon admin- Department includes the Naistration's "Philadelphia tional Catholic Office for Radio Plan" for hiring more Ne- and Television (NCORT) and the National Catholic Office for A test of the Philadelphia both with headquarters in New plan was begun earlier this York City; and the National

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will be taking courses begin-

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spring semester includes

courses by four professors who

are new to the seminary faculty.

Luther King Jr., memorial pro-fessor in Black Church Studies

at Colgate Rochester Divinity

School/Bexley Hall, will offer

a course entitled "The Black

Bible and the Black Imagina-

tion." This course will analyze

the characteristic elements of

the use of biblical stories in

black preaching, with special application to life-situations. (Friday, 1:30:3 p.m.

Canon John Townroe, warden

of King's College, London, Eng-

land, and noted Anglican

scholar, will offer the course

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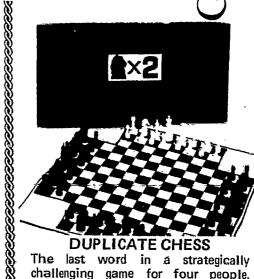
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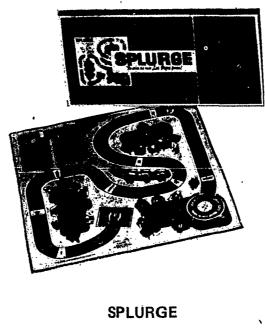
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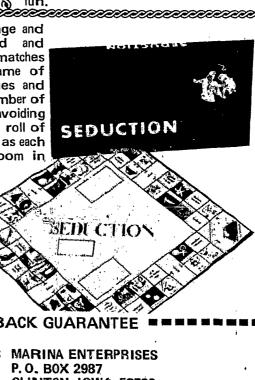
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