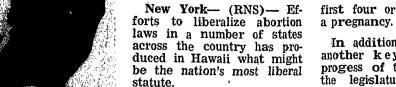


Blacks In Mormon Choir

The Mormon Church, which has come under fire recently because of its policy barring Negroes from the full priesthood, now has two black singers in its famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Wynetta Martin, left, and Marilyn Yuille, both converts to the church, made their debuts with the ensemble this year. (Religious News Service)



In Honolulu, the Hawaiian Senate, by a vote of 15 to 9, approved a measure which radically changes an abortion law which had been on the books for more than 100 years. Previously, the House had sanctioned the measure, 31 to 20.

Roundup on Abartion

Gov. John A., Burns, a Roman Catholic, indicated that he would allow the bill to become law without his signature.

While the old law would only permit an abortion if the woman's life was in danger, the new statute would allow any woman who has lived in Hawaii for at least 90 days to have an abortion simply because she did not want to have a baby.

However, the embryo. or fetus would have to be what the law calls "nonviable." Legal experts interpret this to mean that women would be eligible to undergo abortions only if they were in the

first four or five months of sentiment for and against is about even.

In addition to Gov. Burns, The proposed law would alanother key figure in the low an abortion on the folprogess of the bill through lowing grounds: danger to the life of the mother, harm legislature was another Catholic, State Sen. Vincent to the mental and physical H. Yano, chairman of the Public Health Committee. health of the mother or child, and pregnancy resulting from rape or incest. The current law only recognizes danger to

Both Gov. Burns and Sen. Yano had said before the meathe life of the mother. sure was put to a vote that they felt an abortion should affidavit from the worman's be left to the individual dephysician and her consent. cision of the mother and sets up a hospital abortion doctor. review board, and has a state

residency restriction of six Meanwhile in Annapolis, Md., at a hearing conducted months. the House Environmental by Matters Committee, physi-cians and officials of the state Department of Health claimed that abortions are solely a medical question and should not be controlled by state abortion law unconstitutional. law. In other actions concernnecessary to preserve the life

ing abortion reform around the country:

• A liberalized abortion The California court charged measure has been reported that the statute infringed out by a legislative subcomupon the women's rights of mittee in Virginia. It has now privacy in sex, in marriage, been placed on the docket of and upon their freedom to the House of Delegates Genchoose whether to bear chileral Laws Committee where dren.

Hawaii Liberalizes Statute other Catholic priest has filed as a candidate for Congress. Father Joseph R. Lucas, phi-

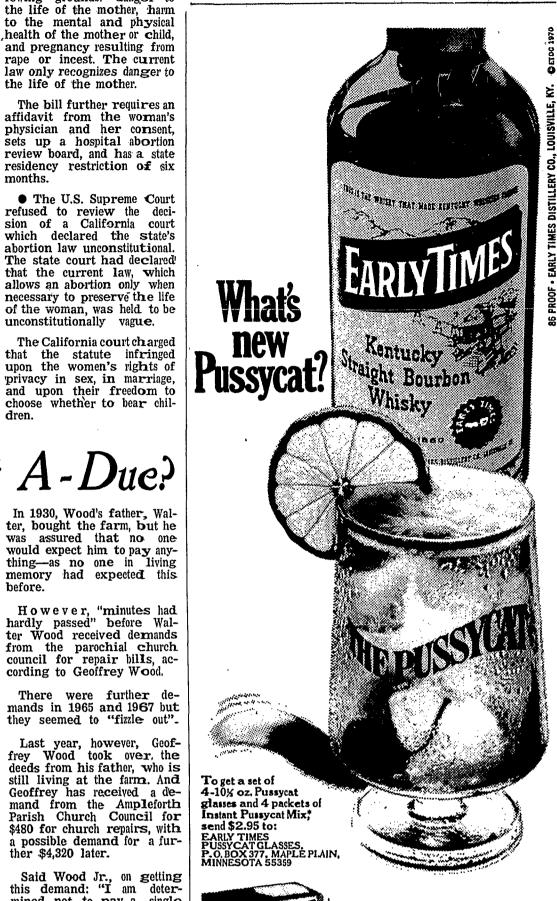
losophy professor at Youngstown State University, will seek the Democratic nomination from Ohio's 19th district in the May 5 primary.

Youngstown -(NC)- An-

Father Robert F. Drinan. SJ., of Boston College, a noted law scholar and activist in the peace and civil rights movements, will enter a congressional primary in Massachusetts.

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Much Ado -- or Is It A - Due?

But investigation showed

that all this was an old story

House Farm --- which Wood

owns today—were made re-sponsible for repairs to the

of

ancient church.

York, Eng. — (RNS) — A royal rumpus is brewing at Ampleforth, a town outside

Ampleforth is the site of an historic Roman Catholic the church might run to some-thing like \$4,800, and he Benedictione Abbey and school but this controversy would have to pay the bill. has nothing to do with the Wood, not unexpectedly, said he was "stunned." Catholics.

It concerns the 1,000-yearold parish church of St. Hilda's, now Anglican, a local farmer who doesn't go to church, the Archbishop of York, and a decree which goes back to the 16th Century reign of King Henry VIII, who sparked the Reformation in this country.

local parish church. This de-The farmer, Geoffrey cree existed through history Wood, has just received an but no one did anything immediate demand from the about it.

2 Women Declared 'Doctors of Church'

parochial church council of In 1930, Wood's father, Wal-St. Hilda's for the equivalent ter, bought the farm, but he \$480 for repairs to the was assured that no one would expect him to pay anything—as no one in living Not only that, he was told memory had expected this that other pending repairs to before.

unconstitutionally vague.

However, "minutes had hardly passed" before Walter Wood received demands from the parochial church council for repair bills, according to Geoffrey Wood.

and that King Henry VIII is There were further dereally to blame. Back in the mands in 1965 and 1967 but days of Bluff King Hal, a dethey seemed to "fizzle out". cree was authorized whereby the owners of Lodge Field

Last year, however, Geof-frey Wood took over, the deeds from his father, who is still living at the farm. And Geoffrey has received a de-mand from the Ampleforth Parish Church Council for \$480 for church repairs, with a possible demand for a fur-ther \$4,320 later.

Said Wood Jr., on getting this demand: "I am determined not to pay a single penny. To be expected to pay for repairs to the parish church under a system introduced hundreds of years ago

