

Creedence Looks at The New Slavery

By THE MISSION SINGERS

"Don't Look Now" a song on the Creedence Clearwater Revival album, "Willie and the Poor Boys," is a song about the need to know what's going on.

It's a simple song. But by asking simple questions — and giving only a negative answer — it leaves you with the uneasy feeling you've been forgetting something.

"Who'll take the coal from the mine? Who'll take the salt from the earth?" A first reaction might very well be: "Who cares?"

"Who'll work the field with his hands? Who'll put his back to the plow? Who'll make the shoes for your feet? Who'll make the clothes that you wear? After a while, these questions can get to you. After all, no one person can do all those things, so what is the song getting at?"

"Don't look now, it ain't you or me," the song comforts. Or does it? Really, it seems to be saying we are somehow responsible. It is us.

"Who'll take the coal from the mine?" Certainly not those 78 men who were killed last year in that infamous cave-in. No one had bothered to insure that there were adequate mine safety laws on the books, so those men won't be available in the future. Ah, but maybe in a few years their sons will be old enough. "Don't look now, it ain't you or me."

"Who'll take the leaf and grow it to a tree?" Certainly not those people who live in cities which are being smothered by polluted air. Few people bother to protest and protect themselves against the factories and vehicles that are making it hard for people — much less trees — to live and breathe. But somebody'll take care of it, sooner or later. "It ain't you or me."

"Don't Look Now" isn't talking about last year's mine disaster or the fact that an average city dweller smokes the equivalent of six packs of cigarettes every day — whether he smokes or not. But it is talking about what happens when people lose control of their surroundings, when they say, "Let George do it."

Marshall McLuhan claims that we are all robots unless we are aware of what is going on around us. Either we rule or we are ruled. Either we are master or we are slaves.

This holds true for every area of life. We mentioned mining and air pollution. What about poverty, war? Why are we not better able to cope with these issues? Why are these deadly problems beginning to rule us, to determine our fates?

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(Catholic Press Features)



John, Doug, Tom, Steve

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Legion of Mary Plans Acies, Annual Rite

The Legion of Mary, Rochester Comitia, will hold its annual Acies ceremony at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, in Holy Family Church. Father Joseph P. Brennan, rector of St. Bernard's Seminary, will speak.

The Legion is an organization of lay men and women dedicated to prayer and apostolic action. Members visit the sick and lonely, carry out a census, call on prospective converts and in general help their pastors keep in touch with the people.

Both active and auxiliary members come together for the Acies, as a solemn signal of their devotion to Mary and a renewal of their dedication.

Seven BK Seniors In Merit Finals

Seven Bishop Kearney High School seniors have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. This is the largest number from any one school in Monroe County. They rank, along with 15,000 other students, in the top one-half of one percent of the graduating secondary school seniors in the nation.

The students: Thomas Bechman, 260 San Ron Drive; Stephen Coulombe, 111 Charleston Road; Arthur Keegan, 26 Wicklow Drive; Kerry Spacher, 27 Tyringham Road; Ann Thompson, 98 Owaissa Drive; Thomas Urbanic, 235 Bouchart Avenue; Stephen Wenths, 269 Winfield Road.

3 Presented Honors By Cancer Society

Presentation of recognition awards to area media highlighted last Saturday's kickoff program at Oak Hill Country Club for the 1970 Cancer Crusade of American Cancer Society, Monroe County Unit.

The local Unit of the American Cancer Society gave the awards for "outstanding service rendered toward educating the public about cancer during the past year." Awards went to:

The Times-Union Listen Section... for the feature authored by Dolores Orman on American Cancer Society's "Send A Mouse To College" project. Miss Orman accepted the award.

WBFB Radio... for continuous and consistent broadcasting of American Cancer Society public service announcements, and for directing and producing a successful American Cancer Society Rock Spectacular benefit at "The Club" last summer. John Sayre, station vice president and general manager, accepted the award.

WHEC Television... for continuous and consistent telecasting of American Cancer Society public service announcements for producing a program "Up In Smoke" moderated by Warren Doremus, and for

time devoted to American Cancer Society guests and discussion on the Eddie Meath Show. Miss Dorothy Cotton, women's Assemblyman William Steinfeld will be at the meeting, sponsored by the Organization to Preserve the Free School District.

The Cancer Crusade will take place April 9 through 12 in Monroe County.

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TEENAGERS WANT TO KNOW

By FATHER MARTIN

Dear Father,

I'm writing you for advice on a matter that has bothered me for quite some time. About two years ago, the man I baby-sit for tried to "make out" with me. I was a freshman then and didn't know what to do, so I was scared. I tried to talk him out of it, but I didn't try to push him away and he kissed me quite a few times that one night.

He and his wife seem to be happily married; it's just that (I think) he gets sort of a kick out of this sort of thing. He also is a Catholic and a rather good one as far as I know.

I never told my parents because I enjoyed baby-sitting and I did need the money. He only tried twice for about a year after that and then when I tried to stop him, he did.

The real problem is that now he has tried it quite often lately and he gets rather personal. I'm afraid to tell my parents since I think I'll lose their trust. I really try to stop him now, but he is a lot stronger than I am and he usually kisses me.

What I really want to know is, is it a mortal sin since I try to convince him not to? I know it isn't right if I kiss him, but I enjoy it quite a bit, even if I don't show it to him.

I don't know of any way that I have led him on. Once lately I did kiss him because he promised to let me alone if I did, but he broke his promise.

Dear Penny,

The man and his wife may be happily married now, but may-

be they won't be if the wife finds out what is going on. It's a good possibility that friction could develop and then you would be partly responsible. There's a matter of justice and charity involved here that you should consider. Your actions could possibly lead to the breakup of a home, and they could lead to disastrous consequences for yourself also. The game really isn't as innocent as you think it is.

It is a sin for you to continue in this situation, since obviously both of you are putting yourself into occasions that could lead to serious trouble. You yourself admit you enjoy the affection the man shows you "quite a bit." I think it's safe to say that you have reached the danger point and it's time to do something about it, like terminating your baby-sitting services for this man.

I'm sure you can find baby-sitting situations in other families that will help you to earn the money that you need and that will eliminate the moral dangers that you now face. You will be helping not only yourself, but you may help to save a marriage.

I would be careful of making such statements that you made in your letter, about your father having his mind in the "gutter" occasionally. Sometimes people can be crude and vulgar in their speech and with their jokes, but it doesn't necessarily mean that their mind is in the "gutter." And I think you can see that married people are usually more im-

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Dear Penny,

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When I told him I had heard once it was a mortal sin.

Dear Paul,

It is not a mortal sin to "have" impure thoughts. It all depends on what you do with those thoughts.

Any normal person has sexual thoughts. If a person is normal, has a healthy body, he is going to feel the attraction of sex. This is a simple fact of life.

These thoughts are not sins in themselves; they are temptations, invitations to sin. Of themselves, they are neither good nor bad.

If a person deliberately dwells on these thoughts, deliberately arouses himself because of these thoughts, then, of course, there is the question of sin involved.

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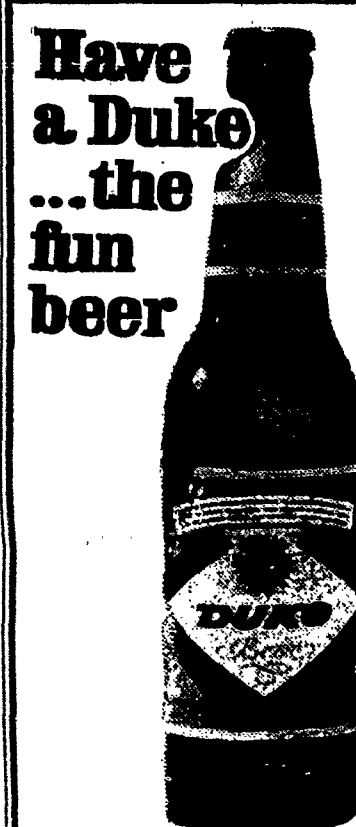
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