

**Layman Succeeds Nun**

New Rochelle, N.Y.—(NC)—Dr. Joseph P. McMurray, 58, president of Queens College, New York, since 1965, is the first layman president of the College of New Rochelle. He was named to the post by the college board of trustees.

His appointment breaks the succession of Ursuline nuns who have headed the women's college for 20 years. Earlier

presidents had been priests.

Dr. McMurray will continue in the Queens College post until his successor is named. His varied experience includes service as a banking counselor for several foreign nations and special assignments for the federal, state and city governments. He is a native of New York City.

**Two More Priests Seek Office**

Providence, R.I. — (NC) — Two more priests have formally declared their candidacy for public office—one for the U.S. Senate, the other for the House of Representatives.

Father John J. McLaughlin, S.J., 43, associate editor of America magazine, announced he will seek the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate seat presently held by Sen.

John O. Pastore, a Rhode Island Democrat. Father Robert Cornell, 50, professor at St. Norbert's College, in De Pere, Wis., and eighth congressional district Democratic party chairman, will seek the Democratic nomination from that district for the House seat held since 1944 by Rep. John W. Byrnes, a Republican.

**Fr. Groppi Lays It on the Line**

Milwaukee— (NC) —Father James E. Groppi, in his first sermon at St. Michael's Church, told about 150 parishioners attending a late afternoon Mass that he intended to bring as many blacks as he could into his new congregation.

The militant priest, who was recently transferred from St. Boniface Church, said: "If anyone is not willing to share with his black brothers and sisters moving in, then you and I are going to part company."

There were a few black parishioners in attendance, but most were middle aged or elderly white residents of the changing neighborhood.

Father Groppi characterized many of the church's white parishioners as "people trapped here by urban development and cheated by the local and federal governments." He said that the message of the Church was militant and that he rejected the idea that religion should support the status quo.

**Fugitive Priest Tapes TV Talk**

New York —(NC)— Father Daniel Berrigan, S.J., object of an FBI search since he failed to report April 9 to begin a three-year federal prison term, surfaced here for a taped interview with WNBC-TV.

It was the priest's third appearance since he went into hiding. He appeared briefly at Cornell University on April 17

and later gave an interview to a New York Times reporter.

Father Berrigan was convicted of destroying Selective Service records during a raid on a draft office in Catonsville, Md., a suburb of Baltimore. His brother, Father Philip Berrigan S.S.J., and five other members of "the Catonsville 9" are in prison.

**Scranton U. President Named**

Scranton, Pa. —(NC)— Father Dexter L. Hanley, S.J., 51, widely recognized authority in civil and international law, has been chosen president of the University of Scranton.

Father Hanley has been professor of law at Georgetown University since 1959 and also

has been director of the university's Institute of Law, Human Rights and Social Values since 1965. He is a native of Fort Worth, Tex., and an alumnus of Georgetown. He joined the Jesuits in 1940 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1951.

**Draft Board Raiders Convicted**

Chicago — (RNS) — Ten members of the "Chicago 11" anti-war group, including a Catholic priest and seminarian, have been convicted of destroying Selective Service records here last year.

Some of them had based their defense on "cultural insanity," claiming their political beliefs and behavior in the draft board raid was a form of insanity induced by America's participation in the Vietnam

war and the "racist" policies of the draft system.

Judge Edwin A. Robson, who heard the case in U.S. District Court, told the jury, however, that an individual's political beliefs are no reason for disobedience of the law. Fifteen persons were originally arrested in the draft board raid. Four of them, including another Catholic priest, failed to show up for the trial and were declared fugitives.

**Bishop Has Road Accident**

Latrobe, Pa. —(NC)— Bishop Vincent M. Leonard of Pittsburgh was treated at Latrobe Hospital here for several fractured ribs, received when his automobile struck a guard rail.

The bishop, driving alone, Courier-Journal

was returning to Pittsburgh from Our Lady of the Alleghenies shrine in Loretto. Byzantine Archbishop Stephen Koscisko of Munhall, Pa., and his vice general, Msgr. John Bilock, following in another car, took Bishop Leonard to the hospital.

**Bishop Assigned to Angolans**

Luanda, Angola—(NC)—The first Negro bishop in Portugal's African territories since the 16th century has been consecrated here. He is Auxiliary Bishop Eduardo Muaca of Luanda.

In a pastoral letter, Archbishop Nunes Gabriel said the new bishop would dedicate himself to the religious, ethnic and socio-economic problems of the Angolan people.

Angola has been the scene of

violent conflict. The Portuguese have killed thousands of Angolan rebels fighting for independence, and several black Angolan priests have been exiled for allegedly supporting the independence movement.

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