



## A Break-Through

Dubuque, Iowa — (RNS) — Nick McCord, a Negro youngster from the slums of Chicago, learns to skateboard with one of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie O'Connor's sons on a tree-lined street here. Nick is one of 87 black children spending a week with white Dubuque families this summer under a program called "Operation Breakthrough."

The program was founded nine years ago to give white

Dubuquers—living in an area where black residents comprised less than 1 per cent of the population—and black city children a chance to know each other as persons. Operation Breakthrough is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, Beth El Sisterhood, Church Women United, Philoptochos Society of Prophet Elias Greek Church and the YWCA.

## New Pact Breaks Impasse on Grapes

(Continued from Page 1A) the trip," he told the cheering workers.

Chaves said his union entered the negotiations with a certain amount of apprehension. But he said the negotiators got on very well and the growers gave genuine expressions of good will.

"We discovered that the growers did not have horns, and they discovered that we did not have tails," he said.

The contracts signed were similar to other recent settlements, with the exception that the hourly wage is \$1.80, with an increase of 25 cents over a three-year period. Most of the previous contracts were for

\$1.75 per hour, with similar increase and fringe benefits.

Gov. Ronald Reagan assailed the Chavez union in a statement issued a few hours later from his press office in Sacramento.

"It is tragic that the workers who are most affected by this have had no choice in determining whether or not they want to join the union," Reagan said. "I would hope that the workers would be given the right to determine—by secret ballot—whether they want to join or be represented by this union."

Allan Grant, president of the California Farm Bureau and a long-time opponent of Chavez, stated that "Chavez has won a battle but has not yet won the war."

## Bishops Hailed for Work In Grape Settlement

Washington—(NC)—A major agreement between California farm workers and table-grape growers, and the role a U.S. bishops' committee played in the negotiations, were hailed by Bishop Joseph L. Bernardin, general secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB).

The agreement, involving Cesar Chavez' United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and 26 growers, raised to approximately 80 per cent the number of growers who have signed union contracts.

An NCCB Ad Hoc Committee on the Farm Labor Dispute, headed by Auxiliary Bishop

Joseph F. Donnelly of Hartford, Conn., helped bring about the settlement.

In a telegram to the committee, Bishop Bernardin said the bishops' group had fulfilled its mandate, established last April when the NCCB endorsed the committee's work and backed it "in its appeal to the growers and the workers to resolve speedily this dispute through collective bargaining."

Bishop Bernardin said the committee's mediation efforts, carried on in the name of the conference, "are a visible sign of the concern of the Church for the establishment of true social justice for growers and farm workers alike."

# Vatican, Holland Bishops Disagree but Still Friends

Utrecht — (RNS) — Though differences still exist between Holland's Catholic bishops and Pope Paul on the question of married priests, the lines of communication between the country's bishops and the Vatican will remain open.

An announcement that talks will continue was made here by the Bishops' Secretariate. It followed a meeting of the Dutch bishops called to hear the report of Bernard Cardinal Alfrink on his private talks (July 10, 11 and 12) with Pope Paul in Vatican City.

The cardinal went to the Vatican in response to the Pope's letter of Feb. 2 in which the pontiff expressed criticism of the Dutch Pastoral Council and the hierarchy for suggesting an end to mandatory priestly celibacy.

The Dutch secretariat's statement said Pope Paul had listened with "kindness, interest and understanding" as Cardinal Alfrink explained the Dutch situation, but "had not changed his position."

The statement added that in turn the cardinal was confronted with the "delicate and extremely weighty position of the Pope, who must exercise leadership over the whole Church, while beset by opposing views on celibacy from different sectors of the Church."

According to the communique, the pontiff had a "well considered conviction" regarding the necessity of maintaining the law of celibacy, and saw himself supported "in general" by the world's bishops.

The secretariat's statement stressed that the Dutch bishops still recognize the important value of a celibate priesthood, but were concerned with the

problem of seeking ways "to insure a sufficient supply of priest." Further, they were not pleading for the abolition of celibacy; they admired priests who did not marry, the statement added.

"On the question of ordaining married men of mature age to help "in exceptional situations," the secretariat communique

said the Pope held to the position he enunciated in his letter of February 2.

The communique then said that "both sides" expressed the wish to continue talks on the whole matter, and added that the 1971 Synod of Bishops in Rome would be a "suitable occasion" for further discussion on priestly celibacy.

## Pope's Advice

### Make Most of Vacation

Castel Gandolfo, Italy—(NC) — Vacationing himself, Pope Paul VI described vacation as

the time for encounter with the stranger known as oneself.

"And this encounter leads easily to another," the Pope declared, "the encounter with God."

## Register Bought By Twin Circle

Denver — (RNS) — Twin Circle Publishing Co., publisher of the Twin Circle-National Catholic Press weekly, has purchased The National Register, published by the Register System of Newspapers.

Negotiations were completed here with the signing of an agreement by Archbishop James V. Casey, president of the Register System, and Father Daniel J. Lyons, S.J., editor of Twin Circle.

The purchase will be effective Aug. 15.

An announcement said that Twin Circle will assume control of the editorial part of the National Register and will work closely with the editors of the 24 diocesan newspapers printed at the Register plant.

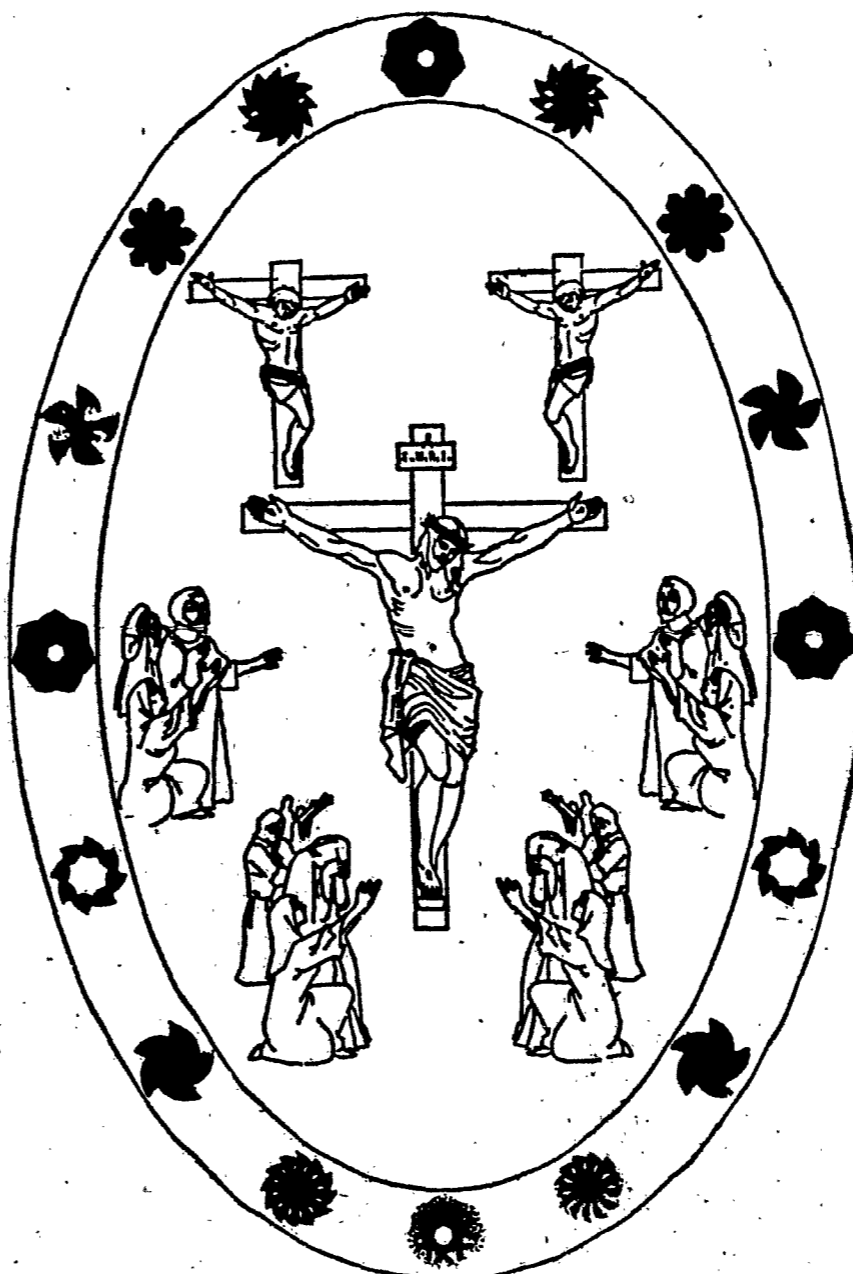
Addressing crowds in the courtyard of his vacation home in the Alban Hills, the Pope observed:

"We live in a society so highly organized that we are all obliged to yield our time and activity to this collective order."

This rhythm still imposes "a sense of alienation," he said, even when interrupted by a few days away from our daily task, and therefore there is a "more lively need" for vacations today.

Vacation, he observed, can take the form of dissipation or of recreation. He described recreation as "the remaking of one's physical and moral forces," and said that among the best forms of recreation is "festive encounter."

The Pope continued: "encounter with nature . . . but above all encounter with oneself in repose and in physical exercise, and especially in the enjoyment of some hours of inner silence, of reflection, of serious and pleasant conversation, or serene and fortifying reading."



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## Computerized Icons

Bharat K. Shah, an Indian engineer working with Cessna Aircraft in Kansas, is an artist with a difference.

He uses a computer to draw scenes from the Bible.

His Christ on the Cross and other icons recently sold for

more than \$5,000 at an auction benefitting a Wichita educational TV station.

Shah worked on his 3 by 5 foot Christ on the Cross for more than a year. The project required 4,000 IBM cards and 13,527,216 calculations.

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