



Country Fair

Kathy Hartman, left, and Peggy Schickler, right, publicity chairmen for the St. Helen's Country Fair, rigged this sampler of activities and merchandise readied for the weekend. Pamela and Anne Marie Schickler pose with handmade toys. Other items indicate an auction scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 9. The fair will begin at 6 p.m. Friday and continue through Saturday night, indoors and out, and under a big tent, with food, games and entertainment at 310 Hinchey Rd., Gates.

Marriage Rules

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ments of the couple, the parents, the Pre-Cana staff members, the social worker and his own.

Final approval for the wedding must come from the Bishop through the Tribunal after studying the full documentation on the case.

"The final judgment," Bishop Hogan said, "as to whether or not the couple is qualified for marriage will be based on information provided from many sources — the parents, the parish priest, the Family Life Office and any counselling agency contacted."

The Bishop's instructions to the clergy included orders "to make a serious effort to dissuade minors from contracting marriage without the knowledge of or against the reasonable wishes of their parents."

He declared that if minors "refuse to obey their parents", the parish priest may not assist at the marriage without consulting the Bishop.

It is then the prerogative of the Bishop to forbid a marriage in a particular case, "for a just

Bishop Hogan Meets Legion Priests

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan and about 40 priests met Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the Wishing Well to discuss the life of the Legion of Mary in Rochester.

The Bishop stated that when he was spiritual director of a Legion Praesidium at St. Margaret Mary's Parish, he found the weekly meeting as good discipline for him as for members.

The Legion in his parish meant more work for him because it brought to light situations needing his attention, he said.

He said the Legion enjoyed the approbation of the last five Popes, including Pope Paul VI, and that his presence at the meeting meant it has his also.

Preceding Bishop Hogan's talk, Father William A. Trott, Diocesan Director of the Legion of Mary, presented three speakers — Edward Adams, representing Senior Legionaries;

cause and only so long as that cause continues".

The Pastoral Office noted that the new regulations should give strength to permissive parents whose teenagers are pressing for marriage as a step to freedom from parental authority or the culmination of early steady-dating.

"Barring minors from a church wedding until the Church has checked on their maturity will strengthen the hand of parents whose 'No' has lost authority," one diocesan official said. "The new requirements may delay some couples enough to help them break off an ill-suited union."

Bishop Hogan, in his Courier-Journal editorial last week said that "a hell on earth is the inevitable lot of the immature who enter marriage". He deplored that between one-half and one-third of all teenage marriages end in failure.

He said that he had ordered the new regulations "in the spirit of a father who loves his children and has the responsibility of vocation to provide for them only those conditions which will redound to their personal happiness and well being."

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Pope Tells Bishops: Beware of Pressure

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year-old association of the Hungarian Church with the Apostolic See."

The Pope called the Hungarian prelate an "example of intrepid firmness in the faith and a tireless servant of the Church."

In a 2,000-word homily delivered in Latin, the pontiff warned:

"Permit us to call to your attention a particular danger which can assail our synodal meeting and which in various ways, whether honest or treacherous, can disturb our serenity of judgment and even perhaps our freedom of deliberation. This danger consists of pressure."

He warned the bishops to guard against the pressure of opinions which are in "doubtful conformity" with the teachings of the Catholic faith and noted certain tendencies stemming from these pressures.

Among these he listed the tendency to be anxious over adapting to worldly ways of thinking, to be fearful of questions raised by modern changes, and to be overly concerned about "troublesome publicity."

Meanwhile, a group of priests and laymen calling themselves "Operation Synod" announced here they would try to sway the bishops by keeping them informed of world reaction to their meeting.

Representatives of various groups, claiming offices in 39 countries, are principally interested in changing or maintaining life-styles in the priesthood, notably mandatory celibacy. The ministerial priesthood is the first subject the bishops are slated to discuss.

"Operation Synod" reacted immediately to Pope Paul's opening talk to the synod delegates, stating that the pontiff's words contained a "tone of admonition and fear."

Noting that the Pope's talk did not mention the problem of social justice, the lobbyists' statement criticized the Pope's warning about "outside pressures" and urged the bishops not to let anyone pressure them, "not even the Pope."

And in Buenos Aires, some 800 Latin American priests have urged the synod to recognize as a "right and duty" priestly involvement in political action, provided the action is non-violent and independent of partisanship.

In a letter prepared by Argentine theologian Father Lucio Gera, the priests also suggested modification of "the excessive rigidity and uniformity of the current celibacy law."

Basically, according to a Latin American Press dispatch, the letter concerns priestly involvement in the synod themes of the priesthood and world justice. It warned that in some countries the bishops did not properly consult the clergy on these topics.

The letter also charged that Latin American bishops are too far removed from the needs of the people, identifying with colonial and neo-colonial interests. The bishops also were accused of not fully implementing Catholic social teachings in pastoral programs.

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Pakistanis Still Hopeful, Biddle Duke Declares

By BARBARA MOYNEHAN

"Unless we can find a way to alleviate the burden on India's economy and politics, a war may break out from the pressure of 9 million refugees from East Pakistan," Angier Biddle Duke, chairman of the International Rescue Committee, said here last week.

He reported that, surprisingly, the refugees are not a beaten people, they have hope. They are not beggars, they are the landowners, doctors, teachers and artists. The target of West Pakistan's army has been the intellectuals.

"For 40 years the emphasis of our group has been on keeping intellectual groups active in these situations," Duke explained. "It's amazing to see the corrosive effect of idleness on young people in the refugee camps."

"To guard against this we have teachers give lessons even without books. As teachers and doctors cross the border into Bengal they register with us

and we put them to work. Thus we keep the professionals alive by fulfilling their spiritual needs to sustain them through the crisis."

Duke suggested some steps America can take in this crisis. "Aid to West Pakistan must be stopped, and public opinion can play an important part in achieving that. And we must help the Indian government help the refugees."

He served as chief of protocol for the White House from 1961 to 1965 and again in 1968. He has been U.S. ambassador to Denmark, Spain and El Salvador and was president of the International Rescue Committee from 1954 to 1961.

He spoke to more than 400 members of the Daughters of the American Revolution at their 75th state conference banquet Wednesday, Sept. 28 at the Flagship-Rochester. He appealed for the organization's interest, support and aid.

Nazareth Banquet To Feature Bishop Kearney

"Reunion of the Century" for alumnae of Nazareth Academy will take place on Saturday evening, Oct. 9, at Nazareth Academy's Centennial Banquet at the Holiday Hall of the downtown Holiday Inn. Hundreds of Nazareth's 12,000 alumnae will gather.

The event promises to be one of the gayest in the year long program of events commemorating 100 years of dedication to the education of young ladies in this and surrounding communities.

The program will feature Bishop James E. Kearney, re-

tired Bishop of Rochester, as the honored guest and speaker. Bishop Kearney has served Nazareth Academy for over a third of its lifetime.

Mrs. Joseph McMahon, who is serving as alumnae centennial coordinator, will be toastmistress. Sister Mary Wehner, banquet chairman, will be aided by a large committee headed by Mrs. Isabelle Shea, alumnae president and Mrs. Joseph Viavettene.

Cocktails and conversation are scheduled at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7:30.



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