Bishop Sizes Up Role On Attica Committee

Albany — Named this week to a citizen's committee to investigate the Attica prison tragedy, Bishop Edwin B. Broderick of Albany sees his work as part of the "necessary involvement of the Church in the public forum."

Bishop Broderick is the only clergyman on the committee of nine persons, named by Chief Judge Stanley H. Fuld of the State Court of Appeals and the presiding judges of the four appellate divisions who were asked by Gov. Rockefeller to draw up the committee.

Details of the schedule and machinery of the panel's operation are still to be worked out, but Bishop Broderick is perpared to make "a commitment of full time and full service" to the panel's work. "Penology is one of the critical problem areas in our country," said Albany's bishop. "It is of essential importance that we be concerned with bringing Christian dimensions to bear in this area."

Bishop Broderick continued, "I have told Dean McKay, Dean Robert B. McKay of the New York University School of Law, the pro tem chairman of this panel, that I am willing to drop whatever else I am doing to work on this matter of Attica. I see the issue as that vital."

"Often I have spoken," Bishop Broderick noted, "of the need for each Catholic to be involved in service to the community: in public affairs, in legislative matters, in education and health and welfare. I see my role on this panel as the sort of involvement which our commitment to Christ demands of us."

Other members of the panel

Robert L. Carter, an attorney and former general counsel of the NAACP; Amos Henix, executive director of a drug rehabilitation center; Burke Marshall, deputy dean of the Yale University Law School; Walter, N. Rothschild, Jr., chairman of the New York Urban Coalition: Dorothy Wadsworth, wife of a Rochester dentist and a community volunteer; William Lee Wilbanks, a 31-year old student of criminology at State University at Albany; and Amalia Guerrero, a retired actress and head of the Society of Friends of Puerto Rico.

Reverence for Life Stressed by Cardinal

New York — (RNS) — Cardinal Terence Cooke of New York has called on Catholic priests to accept their "prophetic role" which "is and will be to illumine our times with a reverence for human live."

He denounced the viewpoint that abortion can improve the over-all "quality of life" in our society.

"Improving the quality of life is surely a laudable purpose," he told chaplains of the Hospital Apostolate of the New York archdiocese. "But the quality of life movement becomes insidious and dangerous when it equates the quality of life with life itself."

Cardinal Cooke asserted that "human life is sacred everywhere, not selectively sacred, and the right to life and its peaceful possession must be defended by each priest who bears the role of prophet in our age — whether the life endangered is in the womb of a mother in a New York abortion clinic or the fear-racked body of a poor peasant in Southeast Asia."

The cardinal charged that the "new morality" underlying the pro - abortion movement is "clearly and essentially inimical to a true concept of human rights."

They would deny the most basic right of all to a whole

group of human beings — the unborn children in their mother's wombs, and they would enshrine their false concept of the comfortable life as a higher value than the right to life itself."

"The greatest challenge of this age for the prophet," Cardinal Cooke declared, "is for him to say boldly and clearly that technological and material advancements are empty and meaningless without a proper reverence for all human life."

'Catonsville' To Be Movie

New York —(RNS)— "The Trial of the Catonsville Nine," a play by Father Daniel Berrigan, S.J., will be made as a movie. Melville Productions, headed by actor Gregory Peck, will begin filming in Hollywood on Nov. 1. Peck said he would be the producer and would not act in the movie.

The play deals with the trial of the nine persons, including Father Berrigan and his brother Father Philip Berrigan, who raided the Selective Service offices in Catonsvill, Md. and set fire to draft files. Both priests are serving terms in the Federal Correctional Institution at Danbury, Conn.

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Deaths

Mr. Fennessy

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Friday, Oct. 8 for William C. Fennessy at Sacred Heart Cathedral. He died Oct. 6.

Mr. Fennessy is survived by his wife, Rita M. Fennessy; one daughter, Mrs. Marv (Rita) Taylor; four sons, Robert, Stephen, John and Larry; two grandchildren; one sister, Mary E. Fennessy; one brother, Father Robert H. Fennessy, pastor of Holy Cross Church; and several nieces and nephews.

Fred Enders

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Tuesday, Oct. 5, at St. Andrew's Church for Ferdinand (Fred) Enders, who died Oct. 1.

He is survived by his wife, Miriam Aman Enders; two daughters, Mary Elizabeth and Mrs. John (Rose Ann) Schoen; his father, Martin Enders; one sister, Mrs. Albert Allen; one brother, Henry; four grand-

children and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Enders was the secretary of the Catholic Men's Bowling Association and tournament director of the Holy Name Bowling Tournament for the past 14 years. He was also a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Andrew's Church

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Is your home power poor?

Do you blow fuses or pop circuit breakers regularly when you operate your electric coffeepot or hand iron, or your lights dim when the electric dryer is running? If you answer "yes," then your home may be power poor. If you don't have wiring that is heavy-duty enough to carry the power you need, your appliances will not operate efficiently and may ultimately be damaged. Fuses that constantly blow indicate that you are overloading your existing circuits and drawing more power than your wiring can carry. This condition means your home is power poor and that you are courting a potentially serious fire hazard. This is especially true in older homes which were constructed before many of today's modern appliances evolved.

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