



The Blind Lead

Photo by Susan McKinney

Blindness has not prevented these women from serving on the steering committee of Southeast Area FISH. Left to right are Mrs. Gertrude Ackley, service scheduler; Mrs. Robert Baldwin and Mrs. Eleanor La Tour, chairmen, who are active leaders in the community organization. SEA FISH noted its third anniversary April 2 at an open meeting in South Avenue Baptist Church.

# NLRB Rules Against Farah

From Courier-Journal Services

Farah Manufacturing Co. Inc., has violated federal law by discharging employees and by changing work rules to hinder union activities at its El Paso, Tex., plant, the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) said last week, according to the New York Times.

The NLRB has ordered Farah to reinstate 19 Mexican-American workers and pay them back earnings from the time of their discharge, plus 6 per cent interest.

The company also has been required not to interfere with employees joining the Amalgamated Clothing Workers

of America, a union which has long been locked in combat with one of the nation's leading producers of men's and boy's slacks.

The NLRB published its decision in favor of the union March 30. It dealt with discharges that occurred between Dec. 16, 1969, and July 30, 1970. The board also said that Farah must pay another employe, Johnny Rodriguez, earnings from the date of his discharge until Aug. 15, 1970.

The strife between the union and the company was dramatically presented to Rochester diocesans Feb. 14 when Bishop Joseph L. Hogan published a statement in the

Courier-Journal supporting a boycott of Farah goods, a boycott initiated by the union.

In a related development, Father Donald Bauer, a priest of the Syracuse Diocese, has been released from his diocesan commitments to serve as a religion consultant to the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. Bishop David Cunningham of Syracuse expects the priest to hold that position for at least six months.

A friend of Father Bauer, Father Richard McKeon, SJ, said that "this is the first time in the history of the American labor movement that a priest has been hired as a religious consultant." Father McKeon, dean of the Industrial Relations School at LeMoyne College, said that he "only had words of praise" for the priest, and hopes that Father Bauer's enthusiasm for his new post lasts.

Msgr. John T. McGraw, vice chancellor of the diocese, said that Father Bauer's salary will be paid entirely by the union while he is in their employ.

Prior to his post with the union, Father Bauer served as a consultant to the Catholic Charities' Human Development Office in Syracuse.

In a letter to Bishop Hogan, Father Bauer said that while on his travels, he would carry the Holy Bible, and Bishop Hogan's statement on the Farah boycott.



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## Parishioners Out Calling

Mrs. Leo Flynn, left, looks on as Mrs. Helen Thurston displays her collection of news clippings on events at St. Ann's Home. Activities at St. Ann's are of special interest to Mrs. Thurston, who worked there nine years as a volunteer. Mrs. Flynn visited on behalf of St. Margaret Mary's service of visits to senior citizens who are shut in.

# CDC Offers Reward For Girl's Slayer

Last week's assault and slaying of 11-year-old Wanda Walkowicz has prompted the Citizens for a Decent Community (CDC) to establish a \$1,000 reward fund and a secret witness system for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the act.

According to Michael Macaluso, chairman of the group, persons having information regarding the case should mail it to: Citizens for a Decent Community, Box 9796, Rochester, 14623, or phone (716) 436-2213 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

He stressed that all information will be forwarded to the police and that the identity of all informants will be kept confidential.

Following on a similar system established last year in the as yet unsolved assault and murder of Carmen Colon, persons with information should write any five numbers on the written information and keep a record of those numbers for identification if they claim reward money. Telephone callers may also identify themselves with any five numbers.

## B'rith Kodesh Calls Rabbi

For the first time since 1926, Congregation B'rith Kodesh, the oldest and largest Reform congregation in the Rochester area, has a new senior rabbi.

The congregation recently

voted to call Rabbi Judea B. Miller of Temple Tifereth Israel in Malden, Mass. He will succeed retiring Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, who has led the congregation for the past 47 years and who will now become Rabbi Emeritus.

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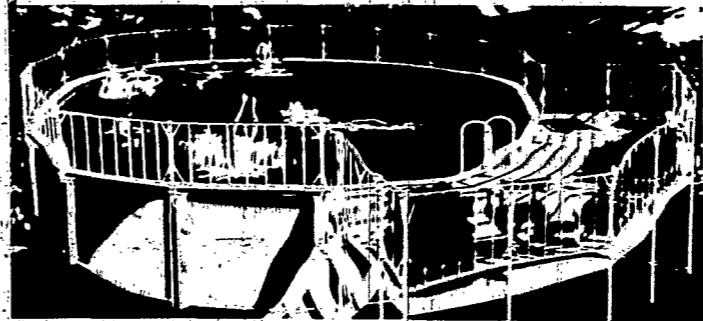
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