



THE SLOT MAN

Carmen Viglucci

Father C. Stuart Hogan has been speaking his mind for 75 years — or so I'm told. And he's not slowing down now.

Father Hogan, an arch foe for liberalized abortion, has come up with an idea that some group may wish to adopt.

"Why not," Father Hogan wonders, "have a March for Life? We have marches for water and for Hope why couldn't some organization sponsor a march for life?"

Besides the public impact such a march might have, proceeds could go to Right to Life committees, Birthright, and other groups promoting respect for life.

Any takers?

Sign on — Sheraton Inn in Canandaigua: "God bless you, Father Hart, on your ordination."



HEADS NEW AGENCY

Norman E. Wright of Brighton began work May 1 as director of the new Finger Lakes Alcoholism Counseling and Referral Agency head-quartered in the Medical Arts Building, 35 Mason St., Geneva. Wright, a former newspaper man, lately was public relations officer for the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology. He has worked in the field of alcoholism and rehabilitation in Connecticut and in the U.S. Air Force. A graduate of Hilton High School, he has studied at RIT, the University of Rochester and Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

Occasion was the ordination of Father Hart to priesthood on April 28.

Loved the cover of the Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. annual report. Dramatic photo of falls at Letchworth Park. Right on top of letter received here two weeks ago addressed to B.J. Hogan came another bit of junk mail sent to Mr. Most Rev. Joseph L. Hogan.

Precisely because Watergate is no joke it helps somewhat to poke fun at it. For instance, Russell Baker of the New York Times has this solution — if the President would give amnesty to draft evaders then he also could grant amnesty to the Watergate criminals. Office wag said that Nixon got us out of Vietnam with honor, now if he can do the same with Watergate. But probably the height of humor was reached by Vice President Spiro Agnew when he told a Freedom Forum meeting in Search, Ark., that administration is now prepared to negotiate a truce with the national news media.

Wonder how many Pulitzer Prizes the Washington Post will pick off through its dogged determination to unearth the Watergate mess?

One of the privileges of being a columnist (and editor to boot) is that I can wish my mother a happy Mother's Day in public print. So, Mrs. Helen Viglucci in Albany, love and happiness.

And on behalf of sons and daughters all over the place, Happy Mother's Day to all moms everywhere.

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College Gets Support For Rejecting Landers

North Windham, Maine (RNS) — The president of a Roman Catholic college here said he was "sorely disappointed" by the action of Father Eugene Kennedy, MM, a psychologist who returned his honorary degree in protest over the college's withdrawal of an honorary degree to columnist Ann Landers.

Plans to honor Miss Landers at commencement were dropped when the college discovered that she favors abortion on demand, a position which the college felt was "inconsistent" with its own pro-life position.

Dr. Bernard Currier president of St. Joseph's College, said he disagreed with Father Kennedy's contention that the action by the college "was unworthy of the large-hearted tradition which I had associated with St. Joseph's."

He pointed out that letters received in the past few weeks are running 23 to 1 in favor of the position the college took.

Noting Father Kennedy's claim that many Catholic theologians have their "differences" on the abortion issue, Dr. Currier said that first of all Father Kennedy is "not a theologian" and "there is no evidence of divisiveness concerning the Church's stand on abortion."

Father Kennedy, who recommended Miss Landers for the honorary degree, said the

Catholic Church "has never insisted that everybody should agree with everything we believe in a pluralistic society."

Dr. Currier countered by saying that "what we have done (with regard to Miss Landers) gives evidence of the pluralism he (Father Kennedy) speaks of."

Miss Landers, whose advice column is syndicated coast-to-coast, said she was surprised the college did not know of her position on abortion. She added that she was unaware that receiving a degree meant it was necessary to be in "total agreement with all views held by a school."

ART SHOW

An exhibit of art work by senior art majors at Nazareth College of Rochester is now on display in the college's Arts Center Lobby. The show, which opened today, will be exhibited from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day until May 20.

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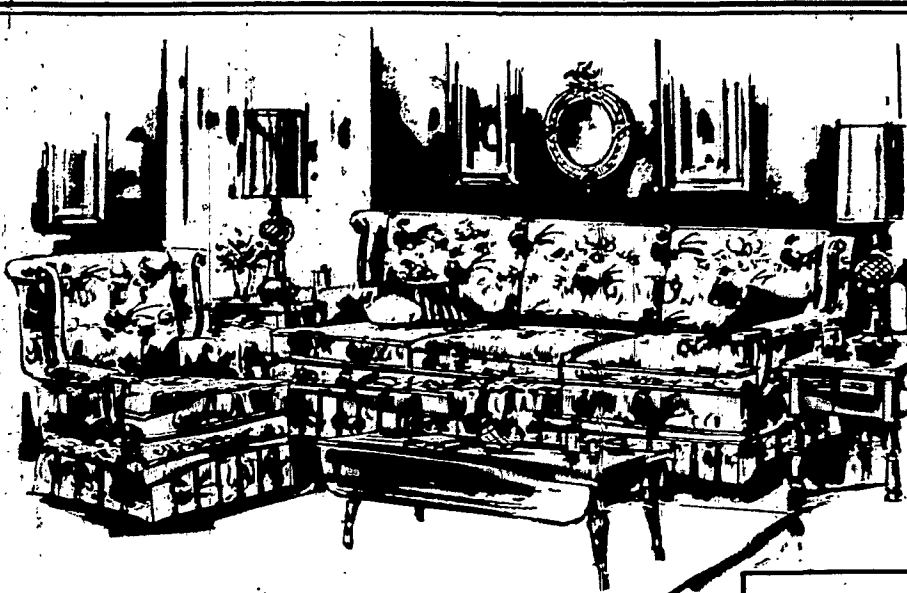
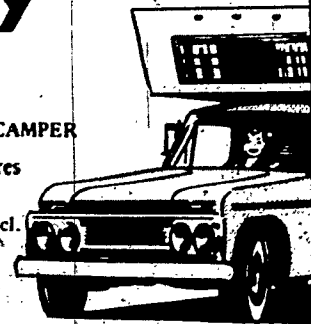
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