

Cooperation Not Guilt For Society

Notre Dame Ind. [RNS] — Necessary social changes should be brought about by cooperation among racial groups — not as the result of collective guilt for injustices done to one group by another, Father Andrew Greeley said here:

"You can play this crazy game of guilt and counterguilt, but what's accomplished by it?" Father Greeley, the University of Chicago sociologist and syndicated columnist said at an institute held at the University of Notre Dame.

"What's accomplished by creating sweeping categories of people who are innocent and guilty? We are not going to change society by demeaning people."

Father Greeley told the Pastoral Institute on Social Ministry sponsored by the Catholic Committee on Urban Ministry that the widely held model which says that white ethnics must acknowledge guilt for oppressing blacks, Latins, and other minorities — and therefore be punished — is counterproductive.

Instead of assigning guilt, cooperation among the groups to achieve common goals is necessary, he said.

"What you need to do to solve urban problems is to bring

together as wide a coalition as possible. This should be something that is self evident to those making social decisions, but it isn't."

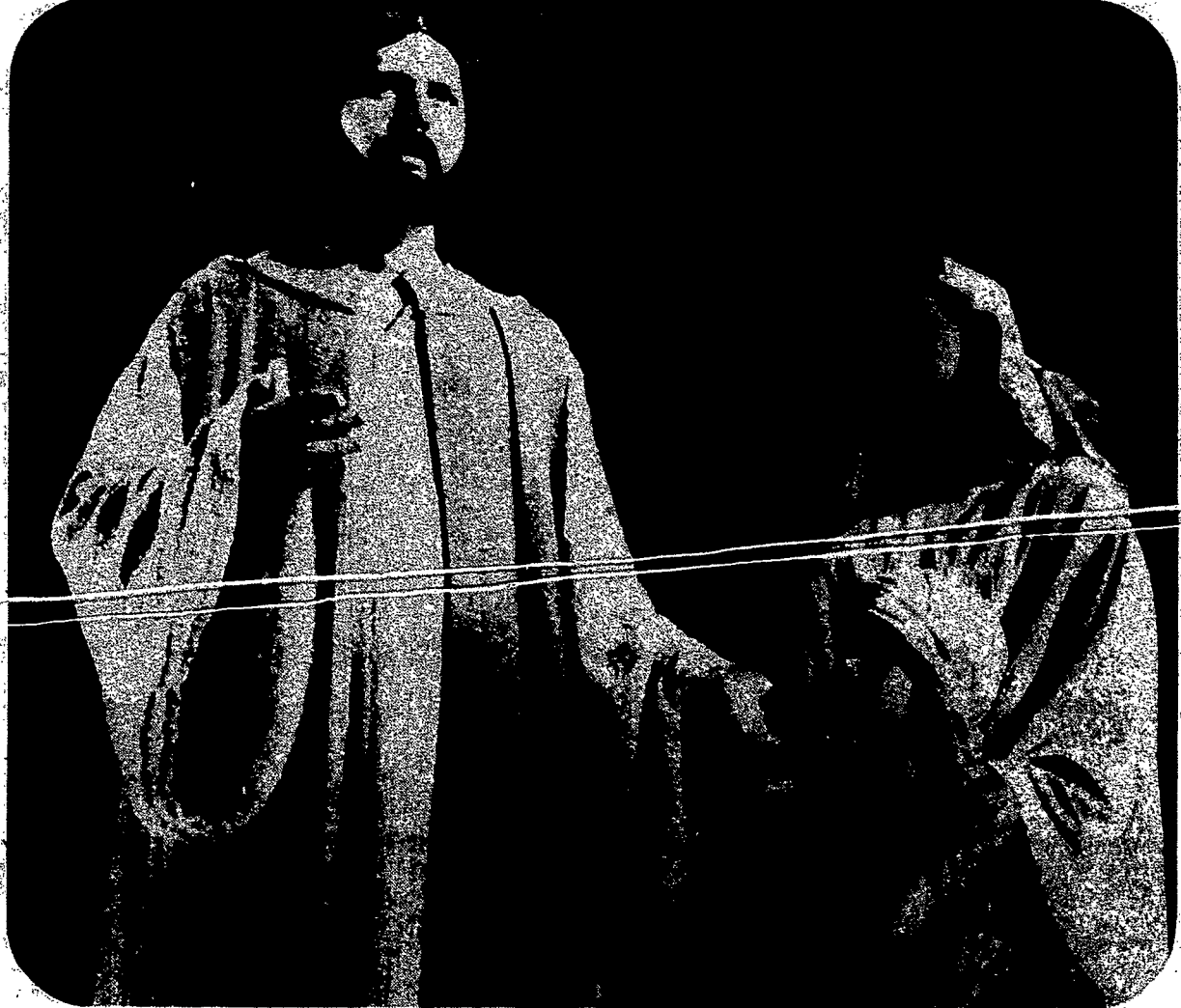
The Catholic sociologist held that "blacks, Latinos and white ethnic groups have much in common and it should be relatively simple to bring them together on common concerns." He said such coalitions have been successfully formed in those cities which have elected black mayors.

Father Greeley said the major contribution American Catholics have to offer in effecting social change is in the establishment of coalitions, since the Catholic heritage has been one of building coalitions.

The flood of Catholic immigrants of diverse national backgrounds at the turn of the century forced the Church to form internal coalitions to survive, he said.

At the same time Church officials were building ecclesiastical coalitions among the various ethnic parishes, Catholic laymen were building political coalitions in the precincts.

Father Greeley said that while American Catholics have not been oppressed as painfully as other minority groups, they still have been discriminated against.



Mormon Pageant Set

A scene from the annual Hill Cumorah Pageant depicts the appearance of Jesus Christ on the American continent following his resurrection and ascension. The pageant, entitled "America's Witness to Christ," is presented by the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints. The cast of 600 Mormons will perform July 26, 27, 30 and 31 and August 1-3 at 9 p.m. on the hillside theater in Palmyra. The event is free. The appearance of Christ in the Americas is a tenet of Mormon belief.



Back at Bat

Nine-year-old Ann-Marie Sandquist is back at bat with the Most Precious Blood Tigers after a court order reinstated her to the team. The girl found herself in the middle of the girls-on-boys-teams controversy when her coach, Michael Ousley, let her play in Denver's all-boy Catholic Youth Recreation League. League officials ordered her off the team and expelled Mr. Ousley as coach, saying the baseball program was for boys only. The court thought differently and Ann-Marie is back on the ball team. [RNS]



A Garden Mass

Photo by Susan McKinney

A Mass offered in the cloistered garden at Our Lady of Mercy Motherhouse last Friday closed out the first session of a summer scriptural studies course being held there. Father Terence Fleming, Motherhouse chaplain, said the Mass for the 40 participants of the first session. The course, which is being taught by Dr. Joseph Kelly, a professor at St. Bernard's Seminary, will begin its second session July 22.

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Mass	Fr. John O'Malley	WGHT (Bath)	First Sundays	10 a.m.
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