

# Wine Store Picketed In Support of UFW

By PAT PETRASKE

Members of the United Farm Workers (UFW) Support Committee held a second weekend of picketing in front of Century Discount Liquors and Wines, 630 W. Ridge Rd., the area's largest retail distributor of Gallo wine.

Susan Dollinger, chairperson of the committee, stated that the "picketers supported the farm workers of California who do not work under proper conditions and are not allowed a secret

ballot.

Memorial services were held Saturday, Aug. 17, in remembrance of the two UFW strikers killed on the picket lines in California last year. The committee members also "are protesting the continued violence against UFW workers by growers and police."

In 1967, the E & J Gallo Winery, which produces one third of all the wine sold in the United States, signed contracts with the

UFW. In 1973 the Gallo company refused to renew the UFW contracts and signed with the Teamsters' Union. Mrs. Dollinger said that 92 per cent of the Gallo workers went out on strike. "Repeated requests for elections were denied," she said.

After several incidents of violence, including the two killings, the farm workers voted to stop picketing but have continued the strike by asking for support of the boycotts being set up across the country. In Rochester boycotts have been established against Gallo, Franzia and Guild wines and non-UFW lettuce and table grapes.

Mrs. Dollinger said that negotiations with Sherwood Deutsch, owner of Century Liquors, were held several weeks before the picketing began but (he) "would not cooperate."

While picketers marched on the sidewalk in front of the shopping plaza that houses his liquor store, Deutsch called the situation "unfair."

"There are 250 stores that sell Gallo wine but they're not picking on anyone else," Deutsch said. He refuses to enter the controversy and maintained that "it is something between the Teamsters and the UFW."

The boycott effort has "done no harm. In fact, people are buying more Gallo wine. A lot of people just don't agree," Deutsch said.

He said that the largest liquor store in Syracuse, which had cleared its shelves of Gallo wine after negotiations with UFW leader Cesar Chavez, is again selling Gallo wine.



Student and Teacher

Dr. Gilbert Hartke, OP, poses with Mary Joe Porreca, a senior at Our Lady of Mercy High School and a student at Dr. Hartke's Catholic University High School Drama Institute, held earlier this summer at CU. Mary Joe is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Porreca.

## Differing Views

# Population Problem

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**Bucharest, Rumania [RNS]** — The broad lines of two diametrically opposed positions emerged at the United Nations World Population Conference here on how to tackle the problem of worldwide population growth.

The United States has called for a concerted international effort to curb global population increase, with a goal of averting billions of births in the next 75 years.

On the other hand, a number of delegates, mostly from the developing nations, have argued that "science" would come up with new sources of food and energy and preclude the necessity of putting stress on birth control measures.

Sweden, which is approaching zero population growth, not only urged general retardation of growth, but suggested that all nations had a responsibility to collaborate to this end.

This theme was voiced by Maurice Strong of Canada, the director of the U.N.'s Environmental Program. "Of compelling importance, of course, is the right of each nation to determine its own optimum population level," he told delegates from 131 countries to the government-level parley. "But equally important is the need for each nation to accept the corollary responsibility to assure that the demands of its population on resources and environment beyond its national boundaries do not impair the rights and interests of others."

Argentina, reflecting sentiment among the Latin American nations, as well as that of developing countries in other parts of the world, challenged the view that declining birth rates went hand in hand with economic progress.

India's Minister of Health and Family Planning, Dr. Karan Singh, declared that fertility-control efforts were doomed to failure as long as affluent countries indulged in "superconsumerism" entailing a waste of resources.

## Christmas May Be Bright Again

**Washington, D.C. [RNS]** — The word from the Federal Energy Administration here is that Christmas tree lights and other electrically illuminated holiday decorations can be turned on next December.

However, the slogan is "Be tasteful, now wasteful," according to Carol Curtis, a spokesperson for the administration, who added that "we aren't going to repeat last year's request for people to cut down severely on their holiday lighting."

Then President Nixon, during the energy crisis last year, asked the public to "leave at least one string of lights in the box, to eliminate all outdoor lighting, and to light the Christmas tree only when the family was actually looking at it."

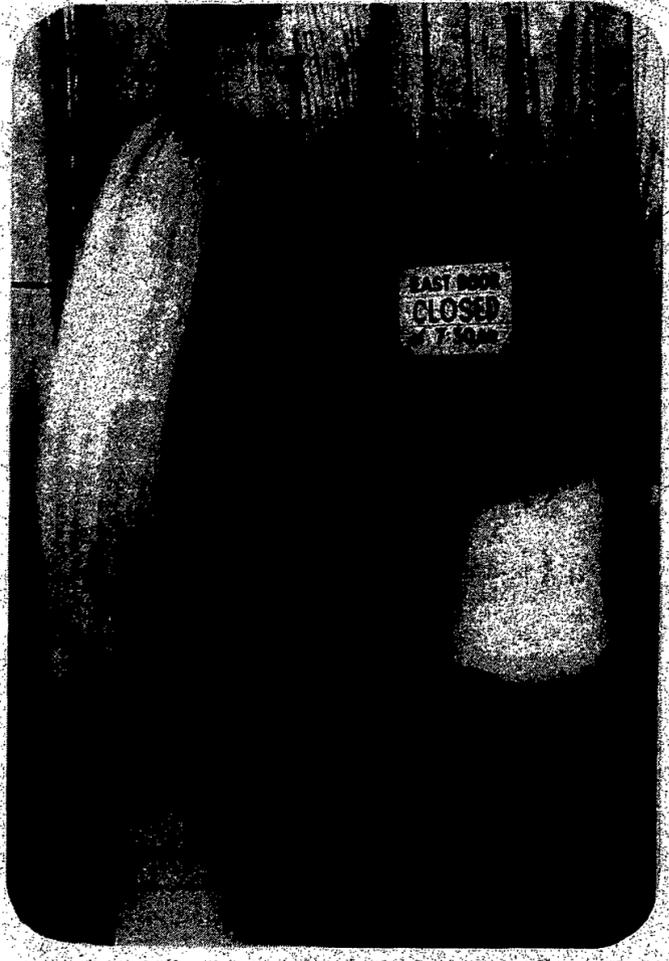


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## Claiming Their Rights

In commemoration of Women's Rights Day, Monday, Aug. 26, Lyn Somers ties a statement of support for the equal rights amendment to the doors of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Headed by St. Joan's International Alliance, the event also took place at the Pastoral Center. Stressing the need for equality in the Church, St. Joan's also supports ordination of women, acceptance of women into seminaries and an end to sexism in the liturgy. A feminist Mass at St. Bernard's Seminary, with alliance members assisting, climaxed the day.

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