# AS I SEE IT

Some notes from my mental : scratch pad

After reading another one of those stories about how women are made to look so dumb and ridiculous in commercials, I thought I'd keep an eye out for those which make the male of the species look foolish.

I ran into trouble right off. It was clear that the dopey guy who keeps eating his kid's ravioli before the big dart game is a victim of the advertised message. Ditto for Herb the little guy who can't pronounce herbal scent air spray. But how about all those. idiots in the razor blade, shaving

#### Gemen Pogan Set for Sunday

The annual German Day picnic sponsored by various clubs in the Federation of German American Societies will be held Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Monroe County Fairgrounds, Choral singing, band music and schuplattling (Bavarian slap dancing) will be featured, along with rides for the children and live German music for singing and dancing.

Youngsters, through age 18, will be admitted free Senior citizens with identification cards will be charged 50 cents, and all others, \$1. The gates will open at 1 p.m. The program will begin at 2:30.

cream and anti-fungus foot powder commercials which we see between downs, baskets and putts? Are those guys being put upon or are they really comedictalents whose forte is to keep us laughing all the way to the store? Obviously it depends on one's point of view, as defenders of the women's commercials might also point out.

\*I've been watching the 6:30 p.m. news with the same loyalty I gave it during the Spring and Summer months when nearly every night a new chapter in Watergate was introduced. Have to confess, however, as impressed as I am by Merry Jerry that the nightly proceedings seem, dull, dull, dull by comparison.

Have ignored the soap operas throughout the Summer because I feel silly watching them in the company of someone else. Can't help wondering though if Nicole in "Edge of Night' might still not be found," if Margo's ("All My Children") face lift is really going to and if Roger ("Guiding Light") is going to be exposed for the rotten guy he really is - again:

\* Finally, a good word to say about reruns. I missed the Emmy Award winning "Tell Me Where it Hurts" starring Maureen Stapleton and Paul Sorvino when it first r played last\_Spring. Beautifully written, sensitively acted, the story of how a group of middle-aged housewives changed:



Contest Winner

Cheryl Flanagan, 12-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Flanagan of frondequoit recently won first prize in the Miss New York Teen Talent International pageant held in Elmira. She competed with 52 other girls in the weeklong competition, and will represent the State in the World Finals to be held in Chicago. Cheryl has also... taken other first prizes this summer, for the Rochester middle-aged housewives changed their lives by talking to each other was certainly the best thing to the than the news). I've seen all Grand Finals; held in Buffalo.

### SSI Fall Testival Begins on Sept. 1

hold their annual Fall Festival on the Motherhouse grounds, 4095-East Ave: Sept. 7 and 8. It will include a ham and turkey buffet. booths and homemade items. Proceds go to help the numerous needs of the congregation.

The booths are operated by the Sisters and the parishes to which they belong Special attractions are the food booths which feature a variety of food from hamburgers to pizza, game booths and those which display hand crafted articles such as afghans, pillows, aprons, candles, plaques and banners:

Dinner will be served from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept 7 and trom 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The annual Festival began 25 years ago as a simple sit down dinner at Nazareth Academy so family, friends and benefactors. could visit with the Sisters and with each other As it grew through the years it was eventually moved to the Motherhouse grounds."

Sister Mary David McCall, general chairman of this year's Festival; is assisted by Sister Joseph Gilmary Russell, dinner chairman, and Sister Ann Collins, grounds chairman. They are also helped by a group of lay

### Unconditional Annesty Urged by Priests Unit

. Washington, D.C. [RNS] — The executive of a national Roman Catholic priests" organization called on President Gerald Ford to "grant an immediate and universal and unconditional amnesty for war resisters."

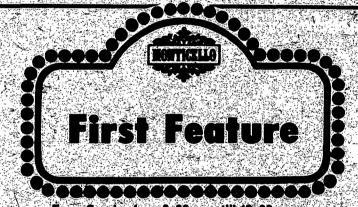
The board of the National Federation of Priests' Councils (NFPC), meeting here (Aug. 19 to 23) at the Catholic University of America, said in a letter to the President that it "could not completely accept" his position taken recently in Chicago that men who resisted the Vietnam war will have to "work their way back" into this society.

The NFPC board, which

represents more than 120 priests' councils in 45 states, said it was making its amnesty bid because the need for reconciliation is more important than the prosecution of war-related illegal activity, and because we value the need for healing wounds above the temptation to ignore them or rub salt in them.

"Rather than raising the question of who was right or wrong concerning this (Vietnam) war, rather than discussing exoneration or pardon depending on how one judges the morality of the war," the NFPC letter said, "we call upon you to forget. In so doing, we once again urge you to grant unconditional, universal

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