

# Poll Shows Most in U.S. See Nuclear Power as OK

**New York** — Because they consider the energy shortage "serious" a majority of Americans favor "the building of more nuclear power plants in the United States."

A survey conducted by Louis Harris & Associates found that 63 per cent of Americans were in favor of more nuclear power

plants with 19 per cent opposed and 18 per cent unsure.

The survey also reported that 78 per cent of the American people believes that the nation faces a serious energy shortage, with 38 per cent considering the situation "very serious" and 40 per cent considering it "somewhat serious."

The poll that the percentage of leaders concerned seriously over the energy crisis was even higher. Seventy-eight per cent of political leaders, 76 per cent of those in business and 72 per cent of regulatory officials regard the situation as "very serious."

The survey was sponsored by Fbasco Services which sponsored the survey to determine public and leadership attitudes toward the energy crisis generally and toward the use of nuclear power in particular. The company designs and builds all types of power plants.



The state of high school sports is degenerating, even passed away in some areas, despite repeated warnings that austerity budgets would wipe out interscholastics. In vast areas like Greece and Rush-Henrietta we are facing some enormous gaps in curriculum for both boys and girls athletics. For a dozen or so, probably the loss of collegiate student-athlete scholarships.

But as the politicians say on the day after election, "The people have spoken." One thing about the elimination of athletics from the high school budgets perplexes me.

What about all the other electives? Like music, drama, art, even foreign languages and driver-education? Not that anyone here wants any of them wiped off the slate, but why sports, and none of the aforementioned?

At the collegiate level, new Title 9 regulations requiring equal funding for women's sports, have caused some anguished noises from coaches and administrators. One prominent athletic director threw in the towel.

Penn State's super coach Joe Paterno talked about this at a recent stop on the banquet circuit. He, resents the criticism he and others received when they took college football's case to Washington, D.C.

Paterno insists he's not against

the women's program, except in the area of scholarships. "Penn State has 500 men in athletics," explained Paterno, "of whom 200 receive financial help. Penn State has 200 women, 18 of whom get help. That breaks down to 40 per cent of the men, and only 9 per cent of the women. Title 9 says the ratio must be the same. That means someone from HEW could come on and insist we give 62 more scholarships for women. That would mean we need \$160,000 in a hurry.

"Our athletic budget is \$3,200,000, of which \$950,000 comes from student fees and alumni. Football provides \$1,200,000. We made a million dollars on football last year. Without football, we don't have athletics at Penn State. Why would anyone in his right mind want to take football away from us?"

Eventually Paterno's remarks brought a question from his audience about overemphasis.

"Like it's my fault as a coach? I have nothing to do with it. People make college football. It's a way of life. I love the game. I'm committed to college football. But in perspective, I don't tell my players the university's about to fall apart if they don't win. It's fun just in preparation. Players get great things out of the game. When they leave, they'll never again be in a position where 80,000 people stand up and cheer them. They come out of college football with valuable things like faith and confidence and poise, which comes from accomplishing something on the field.

"Why," repeated Paterno, "would anyone want to take away football?"

Look down to the high school level, Joe. It's happening.

### FAMILY PICNIC

**Weedsport** — St. Joseph's Church recently celebrated its parish family picnic at Owasco Lake Park.

## Deaths

### Sr. Perpetua

Mass of Christian Burial for Sister Marie Perpetua Mayer of the Sisters of St. Joseph was celebrated in the Motherhouse Chapel on Aug. 16, 1975. The principal celebrant of the Mass was Father Brian Murphy, O. Carm., assisted by Father Joseph Reinhart. Also present were Msgr. William J. Naughton, and Fathers Frederic L. Walz and James F. Slattery.

Sister Marie Perpetua entered the Sisters of St. Joseph from St. Ambrose Parish in 1935. She was a graduate of Nazareth Academy, received her bachelor's degree from Nazareth College, and her master's degree in secretarial science from the State University at Albany. She also earned a master's degree in secondary school counseling from Cornell University, and had permanent New York State certification in secretarial teaching and secondary school guidance.

Sister had completed 37 years of service in the schools of the diocese when illness forced her to retire in 1974. She had taught 27 years at Nazareth Academy, and had also taught in Mount Carmel High School in Auburn; Holy Trinity School, Webster; St.

Mary's School, Dansville; St. Augustine's and St. Anthony of Padua School, Rochester.

She is survived by her step-mother, Mrs. Rose Mayer of Haddonfield, N.J.; a brother, Edmund of Rochester; two sisters, Mrs. Elmer Klem and Mrs. Theodore Recine, both of Rochester; a stepsister, Mrs. Richard Hamlin of Haddonfield, and several nieces and nephews.

### Louise White

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 9 at St. Michael's Church for Louise Huss White who died in her 103rd year on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 1975.

Mrs. White was born in Alsace Lorraine, France, in 1872. She came to Rochester at the age of 12, settled briefly in Holy Redeemer Parish, and then moved to St. Michael's Parish. At the time of her death she was the oldest parishioner at St. Michael's and the oldest ever to have been buried from that church.

She is survived by two daughters Lillian Frasch and Ethel White; two sons Alfred and Raymond, one grandson and three great grandchildren.

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