

# German Mass

A special concelebrated Mass in German has been scheduled in conjunction with Rochester's Oktoberfest celebration. The Mass, the sermon and the singing will be in German and it is scheduled for 3 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21 at St. Mary's Church, 15 South St.

Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, pastor of St. Ann's, will be principal concelebrant and Father Frederick Eisemann, pastor of Holy Family, will deliver the homily.

Other concelebrants and their parishes will be Father Bernard Power, CSSR, St. Joseph-Our Lady of Victory; Msgr. George A. Cocuzzi, vicar of urban ministry; Father Benedict Ehmann, Holy Apostles; Father Edward P. Callens, SSSC, Ss. Peter and Paul; Father Edwin Metzger, Holy

Redeemer; Father Paul Freimesser, St. Michael's; Father Winfried Kellner, St. Andrew's; Father Eugene M. Lower, Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Father William Amann, Our Lady of Mercy.

Leo P. Saeum is making arrangements and members of the Catholic Kolping Society will be leading the singing of hymns. Knights of St. John will escort the procession. Msgr. James C. McAniff of St. Mary's will be host.

### HOSPITAL BENEFIT

As a benefit for St. Mary's Hospital, the 34th Seton Branch will give a musicale and silver tea Sunday, Sept. 21, from 3 until 5 p.m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seuffert, 730 Beach Ave. The public is invited.

## Life, Liberty and Law



Nancy Murphy

It is difficult to resist the lure of a well-turned phrase. Slogans as lovely as roses somehow prop themselves in the corners of the mind, where they eventually take on the patina of fact. Public relations men as well as those in the lucrative advertising industry are familiar with the power of the shallow slogan which implies that which is not said, while it accommodates that which opposes the implication.

The organizations I quote from in this column solemnly insist that they are concerned with the ultimate enrichment of the family of man, and perhaps they think they are. All support proper and reliable public sex education, mental health, human rights, personal fulfillment, and technological advancement. All are staffed with paid professionals. And all are well-funded.

But watch out for thorns beneath the petaled surfaces.

1) Listed among the main contributors (July 1, 1974 - April 29, 1975) to the research and development arm of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the Alan Guttmacher Institute, are: Ford Foundation \$1 million; Rockefeller Foundation \$900,000; J.D. Rockefeller III \$45,000; Rockefeller Brothers Fund \$15,000; the U.S. Department of Health Education and Welfare \$329,000; "other government grants" \$67,000; and Planned Parenthood Federation of America \$713,000.

2) From the SIECUS Report on masturbation: "It is the position

of SIECUS that sexual self-pleasuring, or masturbation, is a natural part of sexual behaviour for individuals of all ages. It can develop a sense of the body as belonging to the self, and an affirmative attitude toward the body as a legitimate source of pleasure. (It) can be an important aid in maintaining or restoring the image of one's self as a fully functioning human being."

3) Also from SIECUS, on pornography: "The use of sexually explicit materials, sometimes referred to as pornography, can serve a variety of important needs in the lives of countless individuals, and should be available to all adults who wish to have them."

4) Directly linked to these quotations are the following remarks by the Central Committee on Family Life of the United Methodist Church: "We advocate thorough efforts in the home, church and school designed to elevate our whole understanding of the meaning of the sexual experience. SIECUS objectives parallel those of various churches, including the United Methodist Church, which have stated their concern that children receive proper sex education."

The Methodist Church supports abortion as a social necessity in order, they say, to reduce the numbers of unwanted: children, welfare recipients and prison inmates. Do they now embrace the humanist philosophy of SIECUS and Planned Parenthood (the late Dr. Alan Guttmacher when he was president of PPFA signed the Humanist Manifesto II)? I hope not. I choose to believe the Committee on Family Life is simply involved in a bit of social experimentation - exploring the cavities of pluralism.

But I would be less than thorough if I neglected to mention, indeed to stress, my gratitude that the moral and educational future of my family is not in the experimental hands of the Committee on Family Life. I warned you.

Documentation sources available on request.

# 2 Churches . . . 1 Council

Bradford - With what may be a first for this area - and with what is surely a double first for its people, St. Stanislaus Parish, with its two churches of St. Stanislaus, Bradford and St. Joseph, Campbell, has inaugurated a joint parish council called The Parish Council of St. Stanislaus-St. Joseph, and has elected as the first president of its new coordinating body a woman, Mrs. Helen Fries of Sugar Hill, Bradford.

Mrs. Fries, who teaches at the Bradford Central School, is a communicant of St. Stanislaus Church. Therefore, according to the annually alternating plan developed by the new council, the vice president elected is a communicant of St. Joseph Church in Campbell: Leo Knowles.

The new council has 18 members, and has been organized so as to represent as democratically as possible all segments and areas and established organizations of the twin-church parish.

"Our overall goal and ambition," said Father Gerard Gulli, pastor, at the Parish Council Installation Mass last Sunday, "is to create a genuine sense of unity and cooperation, necessary for our survival and success; so that

as a truly Christian family, the churches of St. Stanislaus and St. Joseph may see themselves as a vital part of the larger community of Christians which is our diocese and of the Catholic and universal church throughout the world."

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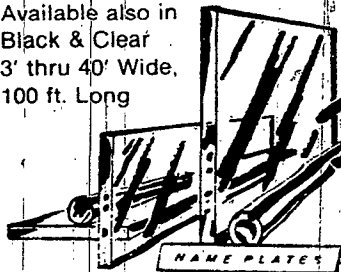
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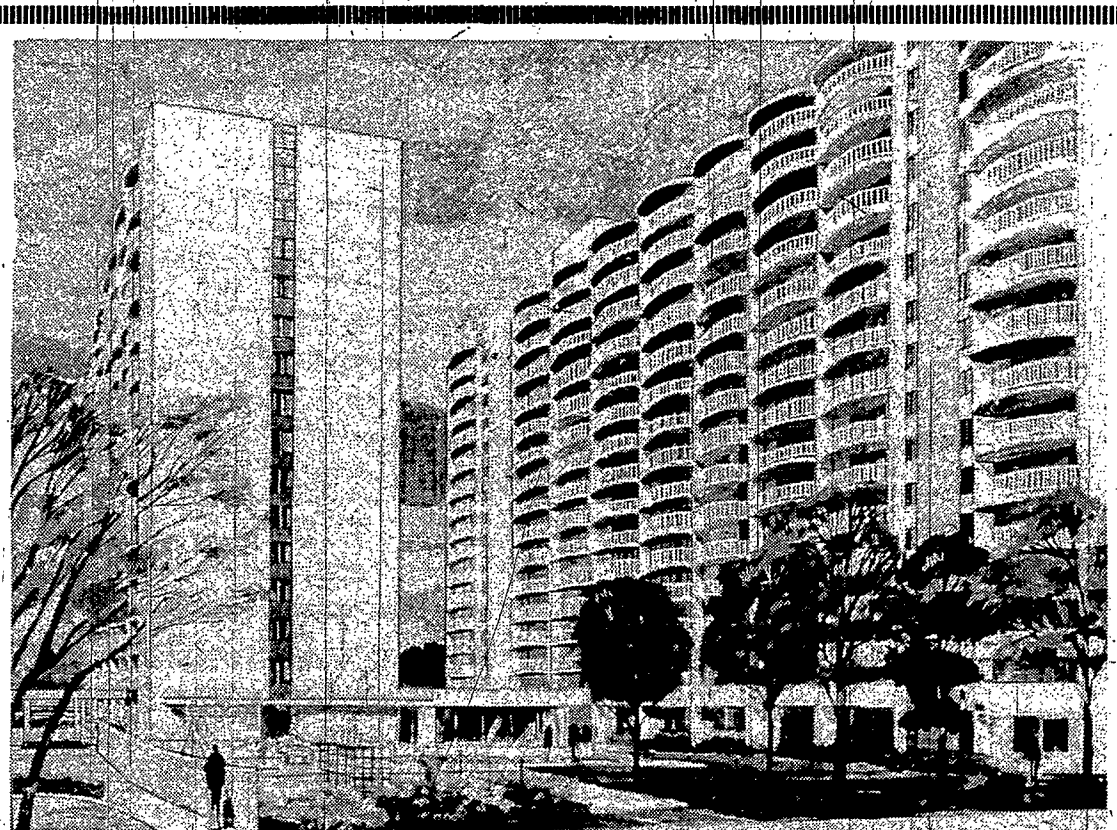
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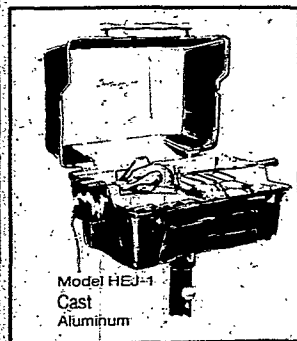
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