



Show and Sale

The Good Shepherd craft show this Friday will feature such items as the ecology box that Louise Dale is holding at the left and the wooden picture in the hands of Mary Anne Hill, chairman. Instruction will be given on making wreaths, like the one in the background, of straw and other dried materials. The show will run from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. in the school gymnasium, 3264 E. Henrietta Road, with hourly demonstrations of craft techniques from noon until 7 p.m.

Life, Liberty and Law



Nancy Murphy

EUTHANASIA
[Conclusion]

"All human life must be absolutely respected; in fact, abortion and euthanasia are murder." (Pope Paul) "Euthanasia means the painless inducement of death." (Montana House Bill #256, 1975).

Mechanical support as well as constant gentle human contact must be continued as long as there is reasonable medical hope of recovery. This has been the traditional position of medical science for generations. Suicide or assisted suicide (as in the Euthanasia Council's Living Will) is direct killing. Prevention or destruction of the defective newborn is infanticide. This has been the traditional position of Christianity for centuries.

Extreme cases make bad law. This has been the traditional position of the legal profession forever.

We do not need euthanasia legalization. We need strict moral discipline.

These tenets are not novel. They are sensational, will not make headlines, will not appear in the values-clarification-textbooks. I can understand why they are not carried by the contemporary media pundits.

But why aren't we hearing them from more Catholic leaders in this country? All the Catholic leaders, all the Catholic schools, and all the nuns and priests and bishops and writers and lay teachers and theologians? Too many Catholic spokesmen in America seem eager to become commentators instead of teachers; eager to shed the restrictive disciplines of Roman Catholicism and exchange the burdens of the Cross for the temporary inebriation of

theological novelty. This is possibly understandable and even stimulating as a college-level intellectual exercise, but in practical application, what of the humanity we have allowed to be destroyed?

What novelty will bring them back? What novelty will save the Catholic conscience when Christ's final judgement is made?

A little abortion here and there. A little sterilization here and there. A little marijuana here and there. A few closed Catholic obstetrical units here and there. A little homosexuality here and there. A little support for Planned Parenthood and UNICEF here and there. A little fetal experimentation here and there. A few condom commercials here and there.

Will we now passively witness religious silence and/or varying degrees of support for a little euthanasia here and there?

We are already behind. The massive public relations campaign for euthanasia began years ago. And unless we step in now and fight we will find ourselves again (as we found ourselves in the abortion battle) struggling to reverse a law we could have prevented.

For a little bit of abortion/euthanasia isn't the end. It's the beginning. Sterilization of the 'unqualified'; limited family size; destruction of 'meaningless' human life; medical experimentation; sexual conformity; drugs. The steps are in sight. The goal obvious.

Human control.

I urge you to get involved now. I urge you to take the time. Contact the available leadership. Study. Learn. Act.

Please.

Medical Moral Newsletter, Frank J. Ayd Jr. M.D., 1615 Republic St., Cincinnati, O., 45210.

Human Life Center, St. Joseph's University, Collegeville, Minn., 56321.

Human Rights Society, 27 Walpole St., London, SW3, 4QS, England.

Christian Medical Fellowship, 56 Kingsway, London, WC2B, 6EG, England.

Monroe County Jail Gets Fulltime Chaplain

The first full time interdenominational chaplain has been appointed at the Monroe County Jail. The Rev. Barry L. Cox was named by Sheriff William Lombard with the approval of a screening committee from Genesee Ecumenical Ministries. The salary will be paid by the county; Mr. Cox will be engaged totally at the jail.

He comes to the new position from the First Presbyterian Church in Johnstown, N.Y., where he also was chaplain at the Fulton County Jail. His new job includes the administrative duties of scheduling religious services and coordinating activities. He will serve as liaison between the prisoners and the outside religious community, and between prisoners and officers. A major part of his ministerial

duties will be to provide counseling to the inmates.

Mr. Cox will have office facilities both inside and outside jail security, allowing the inmates easy access to him.

MOROCCO SPEAKER

Dr. Dan Morocco, Irondequoit psychologist, will speak Sunday, Nov. 2, at 7:15 p.m. to the Divorced Catholics Group. His subject is "The Art of Communication - Children and the Single Parent." All divorced, separated, single or married persons are invited to attend the lecture and answer period at St. Charles Borromeo Church.

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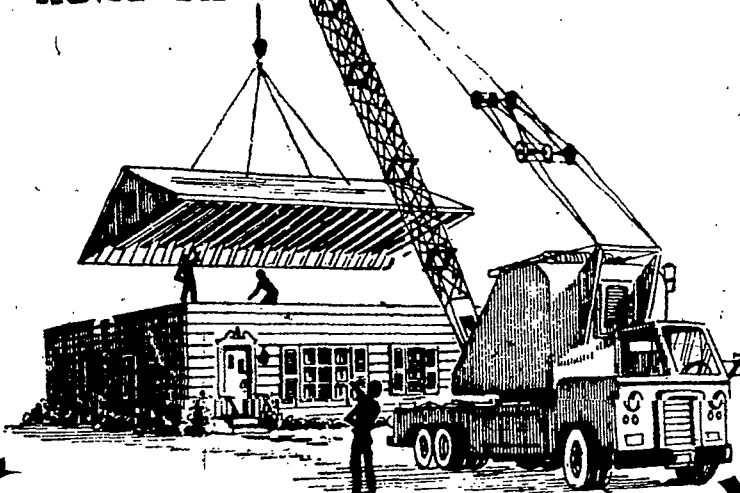
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