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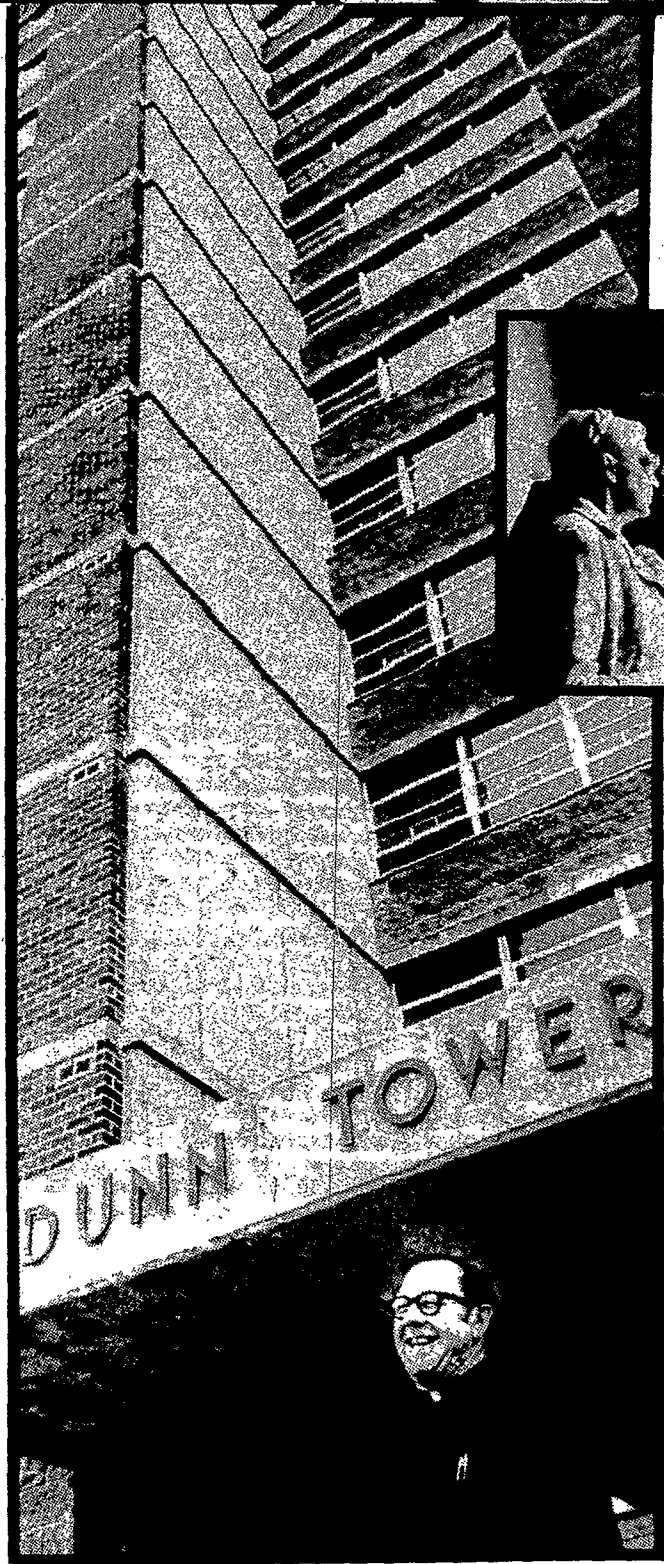
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Photos by Susan McKinney

Father Gerald Dunn shares the view with Mildred Borlen from her apartment window; Father Dunn surveys the area from the top of Dunn Tower, top photo, and pauses in front of the building, photo above.



Dunn Towers A Reality



Dunn Towers is the new apartment house for retirees near St. Theodore's church, where Father Gerald Dunn is pastor. Who named the building? "Not me, I assure you. It was the board's decision. People were calling it that for lack of a name, and the board decided to make it official."

Nevertheless, Father Dunn was a major influence in getting the structure built on land that was formerly part of St. Theodore's grounds. The first tenant moved in on Oct. 14, only 22 months after the ground breaking ceremonies.

Father Dunn felt the complex was needed for elderly people in the county. The land behind St. Theodore's, on Spencerport Road in Gates, was available.

The project received state

funding, and is now subject to rent limits and income maximums that are set down by law. The result is to make it possible for low income people to move in, those who couldn't afford the private apartment buildings of the same type.

Each of the 192 units is self-contained, with private bath and full kitchen facilities. Educational programs, arts and crafts and other leisure activities will be held in the building's meeting room or its library. Several special features make the building unique, such as a trash disposal system on every floor.

The complex is now run by a board of directors consisting of Father Dunn, president, Herbert J. Zimmer, vice president, Mary Shutt, secretary, Father Edward Steinkirchner, Sister Marie Michelle, and Dr. J. Walter Knapp.

Ithaca Pastorate For Fr. Carges

Father Bernard L. Carges was appointed last week to the pastorate of Immaculate Conception Parish in Ithaca. He is due there Thursday, Nov. 20, the Pastoral Office announced.

The pastorate has been vacant since Oct. 1, when Father John S. Maloney became pastor of St. Catherine of Siena in suburban Ithaca.

Father Carges has been associate pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes in Brighton since June

1974, and is a member of the Diocesan Personnel Board.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Carges of Lark Street, Rochester. He attended Holy Rosary School and St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries and was ordained in June 1960. He has served at St. Stephen's, Geneva; St. Alphonsus, Auburn, and Sacred Heart Cathedral. From June 1965 until February 1968 he was chaplain at Bishop Kearney High School.

Federal Action Urged By N.Y. City Prelates

New York [RNS] — Cardinal Terence Cooke and Bishop Francis Mugavero in dual roles as religious leaders and citizens of New York City called on President Ford and Congress to provide federal guarantees to help the city avoid default.

"We do not see any other answer to this most urgent human problem," they declared in a joint statement.

Throughout their statement and at a news conference later, the two Roman Catholic prelates stressed the "deep moral and human issues" involved in the city's fiscal crisis and said that immediate action "by our national leaders" is necessary.

They said the current crisis affecting 8 million New Yorkers is not simply a fiscal problem. "In its true dimensions it is a human problem as well."

Cardinal Cooke, who read the Nov. 7 statement at St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish House, said, "We

are firmly convinced that the next two weeks will be unparalleled in the history of our city."

In the statement, the two prelates said: "Our purpose is to call the attention of our national leaders to . . . the deep moral and human issues involved.

"We are firmly convinced that default and bankruptcy are not the answer. Default will mean that human life in New York City will be seriously damaged . . . Assistance and human services for the poor and the dependent, the young and the aged, the sick and the infirm who need this help so desperately will all but cease to exist."

In addition to warning that human services such as hospitals, nursing homes, programs for the aging, day-care centers may not be able to continue, the prelates asked: "If New York City goes bankrupt, where will the poor and those who cannot find jobs obtain food and clothing and a roof over their heads?"

Commenting on the statement, Bishop Mugavero pointed out that it did not address the "dollar sign" but the "concerns and human needs" of the people of New York. "Certainly our hope and our prayer is that the federal government will come to the aid of the city."

Cardinal Cooke, during the news conference, indicated that he will seek support for federal aid to the city during the upcoming annual meeting of the U.S. Catholic Bishops in Washington, beginning Nov. 17.

Agreeing that default in New York City would be detrimental to other cities and areas of the country, the cardinal said that he would want to tell President Ford and the Congress the "focus must be on New York's people."

The two New York City ordinaries called upon Catholics and all other citizens to "step up their voluntary efforts to close the gaps" in human services already necessitated by the fiscal cutbacks.