

# World, Nation, People . . . in Brief

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**Portland, Ore.** — Priests of the Archdiocese of Portland, Ore., have urged the U.S. bishops to begin planning for ordination of married people to the Catholic priesthood. Meeting at a four-day priests convention that drew more than half in western Oregon, the clergymen also agreed to encourage Oregon congressmen, President Reagan and Congress to re-direct American social and economic policy toward meeting the basic needs of the poor.

## N.J. Must Pay for Abortions

**Trenton, N.J.** — In a 5-2 decision, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that the state must pay for "medically necessary" abortions to poor women even if the mother's life is not in danger. Richard Doerflinger, a staff member of the U.S. bishops pro-life office, said that "since the words 'medically necessary' are a euphemism for any abortion that an abortionist wants to perform, the practical effect of the decision is to force taxpayers to fund abortion on demand."

## Tuition Credits Endangered

**Washington** — A bill providing for tuition tax credits, already delayed in the Senate Finance Committee until after Labor Day, could be further delayed or even killed, supporters claim, because of disagreements over provisions to ensure that tax credits not be claimed for tuition paid to schools that discriminate racially. More details, Page 1.

## Abortion Debate Slowed

**Washington** — Mired in a filibuster, the Senate made little progress in its long-awaited abortion debate Aug. 16-20. But it set the stage for at least one and perhaps two key votes on abortion shortly after its return Sept. 8. Before recessing, senators agreed to vote Sept. 9 on a motion to shut off the abortion filibuster; 60 votes needed. The filibuster was aimed at a proposal by Sen. Jesse Helms to link abortion with the school prayer issue. The vote for its end may clear the way for debate on the Helms proposals. Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr. told his colleagues that he still intends to open debate Sept. 8 on the Hatch constitutional amendment, with a possible vote to take place the next day. More details, Page 6.

## Pope: Nuclear Tactics Wrong

**Vatican City** — Nuclear dissuasion "cannot be considered a final goal or an appropriate and secure means of safeguarding international peace," Pope John Paul II told scientists participating in a seminar on nuclear war. The pope appealed to the scientists to highlight "the senseless and catastrophic effects of war" in order to "foster a culture — the only culture worthy of men — based on the perennial values of truth and love."

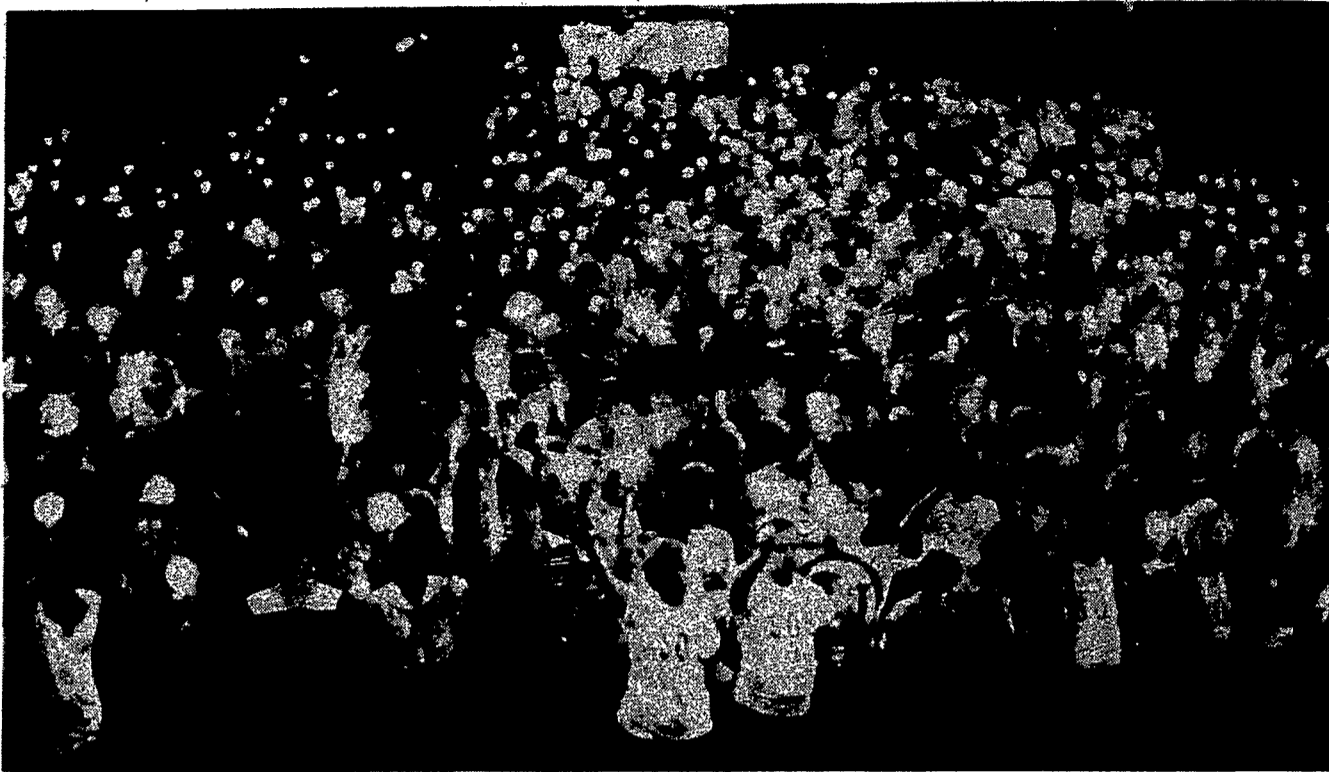
## Leave Ireland, English Asked

**Santa Rosa, Calif.** — Bishop Edward Daly of Derry, Northern Ireland, has called on Britain to withdraw from Northern Ireland. "I do not advocate an immediate, instant withdrawal by Britain," he said in an interview with the Redwood Crozier, diocesan newspaper of Santa Rosa. But "the Westminster government, sooner or later, must understand that the best interests" of Ireland, and all of Britain "can be best served by the coming together of the Irish people as a whole in one independent state." The bishop asked Irish-Americans not to support the Irish Republican Army, pointing out that it is hostile to Church authority in its continued use of violence to end British rule.

## Opus Dei a Prelature

**Vatican City** — Pope John Paul II has decided to establish Opus Dei, an international secular institute of priests and laymen, as a personal prelature which is an international "diocese" under its own bishop and outside the jurisdiction of any particular local church authorities.

# Focus on Today's World



▲ Hundreds of residents of Stoughton, Mass., opposed to the establishment of an adult book store in the town square, staged a candlelight vigil recently. The peaceful

demonstration in the town square was organized by the Save Our Stoughton (S.O.S.) committee. (NC photo)



▲ Anne Odre, 59, of Buffalo, one of two women wounded during the assassination attempt on the pope last year, embraces Pope John Paul II during the pontiff's weekly audience in St. Peter's Square. (NC photo)

► Vandals broke in and smashed this statue of Jesus at St. Augustine's Church in Honolulu, Hawaii. A group of vandals on a two-night rampage invaded a total of nine houses of worship causing damage estimated at more than \$100,000. (NC photo)

▲ A Palestinian fighter kisses his daughter farewell before leaving Beirut in the evacuation of Palestine Liberation Organization troops. (NC photo)

## the Saints *by Luke*

**ST. ROSE WAS BORN OF POOR PARENTS IN 1234 IN VITERBO, ITALY. ACCORDING TO LEGEND SHE HAD A VISION OF THE VIRGIN MARY WHEN SHE WAS EIGHT AND BEGAN PREACHING ON THE STREETS WHEN SHE WAS 12, EXHORTING THE PRO-PAPAL GUELFERS TO DRIVE OUT THE Ghibellines, BACKERS OF EMPEROR-FREDERICK II IN HIS POWER STRUGGLE WITH THE POPE OVER LANDS IN ITALY. WHEN FOLLOWERS OF THE EMPEROR, WHOM SHE CONSTANTLY DENOUNCED, SOUGHT HER DEATH, SHE WAS BANISHED TO SORIANO. IN 1250, ROSE PROPHESED FREDERICK'S DEATH, AND HE DIED A FEW DAYS LATER. SHE WAS REFUSED ADMITTANCE TO THE CONVENT OF ST. MARY OF THE ROSES IN VITERBO FOR LACK OF A DOWRY AND SHE RETURNED TO HER PARENTS' HOME, WHERE SHE DIED ON MARCH 6, 1251. AT AGE 17, SHE WAS CANONIZED IN 1457.**

**THE FEAST OF ST. ROSE OF VITERBO, VIRGIN, IS SEPT. 4.**

## ST. ROSE of Viterbo



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