



Jubilee

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Deegan of Washington Street in Hornell celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding Oct. 24. Their children had a small celebration at St. James Mercy Hospital where Mrs. Deegan has been a patient for several months. They are the parents of five children: Thomas of New Jersey, Mary Ann Jones of North Carolina, James of Clay, Sister Margaret Deegan of Rochester and Mrs. Catherine Sheridan of Pawling.

Fr. John Reedy



Looking for the Lord

Controversy Involving The United Way

Chicago's new archbishop was hardly settled at his desk when he ran into a controversy which has cropped up in different parts of the country.

The question was: Should the archdiocese withhold support from the United Way campaign because some of the funds collected go to agencies which offer contraception and abortion counseling?

Archbishop Joseph Bernardin decided that he could support the general goals and services of U.W. while making it clear that such support did not include those agencies which advise contraception and abortion.

I am sensitive to both sides of the argument. I have worked on United Way programs; I have been greatly impressed by the generosity and dedication of many of the volunteers who make it work. And I've had a lot of criticism of some programs which receive U.W. funding.

From experience, I'm sure that most of the people involved in the operations of U.W. dread the kind of controversy involved here. It splits a community; it erodes the effort to raise and distribute funds which serve a wide variety of needs.

These efforts are open to a number of criticisms — some of which I've argued loudly and at length — but the alternative would be chaos in local fund raising. Individual agencies would have to spend more and more of their resources on competitive campaigns. This would necessarily mean less service to those needs for which the agencies exist.

Considering its own purposes, I don't think the U.W. can grant the right of veto to any particular group in the community, whether it's a church, a business group or a social movement.

To win community support, it will have to have some sensitivity to public opinion (and usually it will find ways of avoiding issues which arouse controversy) but this is not the same as saying it will not fund any agency whose program is opposed by Catholics or by Jews or by the Chamber of Commerce.

Granting such power to any one group would, in all probability, destroy the cooperative effort on which U.W. functions.

But if good men and women want to cooperate to serve their community they should be able to find ways of satisfying the concerns of most reasonable people.

A fund drive can allow a donor to specify that his or her contribution should not go to support a particular agency. This might seem to be game-playing; it can simply result in a higher proportion of other contributions going to the controversial agency. But it does respect the convictions of a person who feels that he cannot support a program which he deeply opposes.

Another approach is to fund the non-controversial aspects of an agency's work, insisting that the agency must find outside funding for a program which is deeply opposed by a significant part of the local community.

These answers will not satisfy all of the objections. My point however, is that we should not allow the inevitable differences in judgment to frustrate common efforts to serve the needs of a community.

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