

One Man's Opinion

By DALE FRANCIS

I was talking with some men this afternoon. They were very learned men. They've got lots of degrees and their words carry weight all over the world.

They were agreed that a certain magazine is not worthwhile because it is too emotional. "Not dispassionate enough," one of them put it.

I thought I knew what dispassionate meant but I waited until I returned to the office to look it up. It means unbiased.

This magazine is a magazine about God and God's Church. It treats of the need for integrating our lives to Christ. It got me wondering. How do you go about being unbiased about God? I don't think you can do it. Not if you really believe in God.

This is an illness of the secular society — this fear of being emotional, this emphasis upon being dispassionate. It isn't the thing to do, you see. You've got to stand-off and look at things. "Christ, you say? Oh, yes, He's God." As simple as that. No exclamation points. Nothing to get excited about. "Christ is God and Sinclair Lewis is a 20th Century American novelist."

But they are wrong. You can't be dispassionate about what is important in the world. The one great fact in all the universe is God and it is a fact that should make you sing. It isn't just any fact, it is THE fact. You can't be dispassionate about THE fact.

St. Francis of Assisi wasn't dispassionate. The dispassionate men of his day were the ones who remarked it was all very well to believe in God but you didn't have to run around barefoot about it. The Cure d'Arms wasn't dispassionate. The dispassionate ones were those who said that a priest would do well to have a little social life and fix the hours of confession between four and five on Saturdays.

We don't need more dispassionate people. We've already got too many of them. What we need are passionate believers in the one great truth. People who believe so much they can not contain their joy.

The world already has too many intellectuals. What it really needs is saints.

Greensboro Girl Wins Negro Scholarship To Manhattanville College

GREENSBORO — A full Scholarship for Manhattanville College, New York City has been awarded to Miss Joselyn Bailey of St. Mary's Church by the Catholic Negro Scholarship Association, according to word received by Sister Margaret, principal of St. Mary's School here.

Although only 16, Miss Bailey graduated from Dudley High School here with honors. She has been the organist of the parish church and was a pupil of the St. Mary's School. The scholarship competitive examination was taken two months ago.

Her success in winning the scholarship has given great joy to her mother, a local high school teacher, and to the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent DePaul who taught Miss Bailey during grade school.

TROLLINGERS FLORISTS

Flowers For All Occasions
Phones: Day 931 Night 519
Main Street
BURLINGTON, N. C.

'Charlotte Observer' Cites Pope's Easter Message To Italians

Below is reprinted an editorial which appeared in the March 30 issue of "The Charlotte Observer."

Although he did not mention communism by name in his Easter message to the 400,000 assembled at St. Peter's in Rome, to the Italian people, and to the civilized world, Pope Pius XII made his meaning clear when he declared Italy and the world are at the crossroads and denounced the "deniers of that which is most sacred" and "agitators who make the negation of Christ the cornerstone of their work."

It was evident that he had in mind the critical contest between Communists and their foes in the Italian elections of April 18 when he said that "over this multitude of believing Rome there lies almost a shadow of singular gravity" and that "Rome now finds herself . . . in the midst of a turning of the times" which requires of Christianity "the highest vigilance, untiring preparedness and unconditional action."

In the world today there is no stauncher foe of communism than the Roman Catholic church and no foe of the church and Christianity more dangerous and relentless than communism.

In the forthcoming election in Italy and in the struggle against the Soviet program of aggression throughout Europe and the world, no cause has greater stakes than that of Christianity.

All Christendom well may heed the Pontiff's call to its conscience and be aroused "to full understanding of its responsibility." As he said, "There is no place for blind credulity towards those who at first are abundant with affirmation of respect for religion but then, alas, reveal themselves the deniers of that which is most sacred."

The Easter message of the head of the Catholic church was a sharp warning and a ringing call to Christianity and civilization to relentless and uncompromising

St. Genevieve-of-the-Pines

Asheville, North Carolina

Junior College — High School — Grammar School

Resident and Day Students

Conducted by the Religious of Christian Education



Raleigh—Greenville

Greets Americans



Here is the latest picture of Giuliano Cabbia, ten-year-old nearly blind "GI Joe," former mascot of the 88th Division, (Blue Devils). It was taken during a reception to the committee accompanying America's "Friendship Food Train" in Italy. He recently left an Institute for the Blind to appear in a film which narrates his own story of blindness, resulting from the kick of a German soldier's horse, and his subsequent "adoption" by American soldiers who brought him to the United States to undergo two operations which partially restored the sight of one eye. (NC Photos)

battle against communism and a timely call to the world's peoples to "thoughts and designs of peace."

Mrs. Price Honored

GUTHRIE, Okla. — Mrs. Katherine E. Price of Greenwich, Conn., whose gift of \$300,000 made possible the completion of the Katherine E. Price Benedictine Heights Hospital here, was honored at a banquet marking the opening of the institution. Bishop Eugene J. McGuinness of Oklahoma City and Tulsa was principal speaker. The new hospital is a 100-bed, six-story structure, modernly equipped.

"Coals of Merit"

HADEES — POCHAHONTAS
BLACK ACE SPLINT
OLGA STOKER



MERRITT

RALEIGH, N. C.

HALL'S SERVICE STATION Texaco

One Stop Modern Station
Complete Line Texaco Products

G. R. Hall, Prop.
601 W. South St.
Phone 2-2224
RALEIGH, N. C.

CLYDE COOPER'S BARBECUE

Barbecue Pig and Chicken
A Good Place to Eat
109 E. Davie St.
RALEIGH, N. C.

Hollywood In Focus

A chat with Ingrid Bergman is always stimulating. My remarks concerning her recent film, "Arch of Triumph," were scarcely off the press when we happened to meet at a party given for little Jean Simmons, the British girl star you may remember in "Great Expectations."

Ingrid's closely cropped hair reminded me, that she has just finished what she regards as her greatest screen role, not excepting Sister Benedict of "The Bells of St. Mary's"—the sainted Joan of Arc. She asked me whether I'd seen it. I told her I had seen enough to make me wish that this great movie about the girl who talked with the angels might not have to follow to the screen Erich Remarque's sordid tale of low life in Paris.

"People find it hard to understand why, after playing a nun, you accept the role of a drunken immoral woman and then follow it with the Maid of Orleans," I told her. Ingrid listened thoughtfully, then smiled. "I cannot go on playing saints all the time," she said.

Hollywood made of the movies, the greatest popular dramatic force of our times by selling the public something called "star personality." There is much to be said against this idea in principle, but stars such as Ingrid Bergman cannot hope to accept the advantages of it without paying the penalties also.

Thousands and possibly mil-

lions of other people will be shocked by the extremes gone to by Miss Bergman in an effort to prove herself an actress. To them no such proof is necessary. They acclaimed her artistry and recognized her personal graces in "The Bells of St. Mary's" and they are subject to rude shock when they see her natural virtues completely submerged to no better purpose than the portrayal of a woman wallowing in the depths of degradation. Some of them — maybe more than Miss Bergman realizes — will not be drawn to see her on the screen again by the time "St. Joan" is publicly released. Versatility is all very well, but extremes of this kind are certain to damage even an artist as popular as Bergman.

Support the advertisers of the NORTH CAROLINA CATHOLIC.

LEE'S AMOCO SERVICE

COMPLETE LINE AMOCO PRODUCTS
COURTESY CARDS HONORED
TIRE REPAIRING LUBRICATION BATTERY CHARGING
★
429 S. Salisbury St.
RALEIGH, N. C.

EXPERT FUR REMODELING and REPAIRING

KIRSCHBAUM'S

★
124 W. TRADE ST.
★
CHARLOTE, N. C.

RAWLS MOTOR CO.

★
DESOTO — PLYMOUTH SALES & SERVICE
★
BODY and PAINT SHOP
★
405 FAYETTEVILLE ST.
RALEIGH, N. C.

J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON



Former GOVERNOR J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON, Candidate for the United States Senate in the Democratic Primary to be held on May 29th.