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## Adulterous Marriages Scored By Bishop As Catholics Are Warned To Avoid Social Fetes

TRINIDAD—Any act that can be interpreted as approval of an adulterous marriage is gravely sinful, Archbishop Finbar Ryan, O. P., of Port-of Spain has warned his flock in a pastoral on "The Catholic Church and Marriage."

Among such acts the Archbishop listed participation in stag parties or showers for divorced couples attempting a second marriage, contributions to gifts for them, attending or helping at the marriage function, participation at the subsequent reception or at anniversary celebrations, and "any social recognition of those who have entered on this life of sin."

The pastoral also condemned "the commercial exploitation of sex seen in indecent jokes, smirking innuendoes about married life, risqué advertisements, glamorous news items focusing attention on immorality, the boosting of animal dances under the guise of native culture, beauty shows and glamor contests in which girls voluntarily demean themselves to become the agents provocateurs of indecency in men and youths."

Touching on birth prevention, which he defined as the "use of marriage, either with or without the aid of mechanical devices, in such a way as to prevent the natural power of the act to generate children," the Archbishop averred: "It is not wrong because it is forbidden. It is forbidden because it is wrong and intrinsically vicious."

"Some allege the practical impossibility of observing God's law in this matter," he stated. "But the alternative to having children is not birth-prevention by unnatural means; it is Christian continence, a gift and virtue never denied to those who ask it from God."

## '48-'49 NCCLA Drive Is Opened By Charlotte Mens Club; Bishop Speaks

CHARLOTTE—The Most Reverend Vincent S. Waters, Bishop of Raleigh, will address the local Catholic Men's Club tomorrow evening, Saturday, September 18, in connection with the annual membership drive of the North Carolina Layman's Association. The subject of His Excellency's talk will be "The Layman in the Church." This announcement was made in a letter from George L. Van Echop, president of the Charlotte unit of the NCCLA, to adult Catholics of local parishes.

Opening the membership drive for the fiscal year, October 1, 1948 through September 30, 1949, Mr. Van Echop wrote, "Now, more than ever, the Catholic laity of Charlotte are mindful of the need to promote the growth of Holy Mother Church in North Carolina through the efforts of the North Carolina Catholic Layman's Association," and he urged every Catholic to cooperate towards the realization of the goal: "Every Catholic 16 years of age or older a member of the NCCLA."

In conjunction with the membership drive an appeal is being made for subscriptions to the "North Carolina Catholic," official publication of the NCCLA.

Present officers of the unit are besides Mr. Van Echop, Mrs. E. H. Bertram, vice-president and James J. Cardo, secretary-treasurer.

## HEALTH CLINIC OPERATED BY SOUTHERN PINES HOSPITAL



Pictured above is a newly constructed health clinic erected for the use of Negro residences in the neighborhood of Southern Pines. It is operated in conjunction with St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital and Our Lady of Victory Church. It is located at 1190 West Pennsylvania Avenue.

## Sister of Charity Who Planned Relief Program In France, Now In USA

WASHINGTON — As Julius Caesar did with all Gaul, so Sister Regereau of Paris, a Daughter of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, has done with modern-day France—she divided it into three parts.

The cleavage of France was but a part of the amazing achievement accomplished by Sister Regereau in the efficient distribution of relief goods shipped to France by U. S. Catholics through War Relief Services—National Catholic Welfare Conference.

The French nun stopped off in the Nation's Capital enroute to New Orleans to address the 24th national convention of the National Council of Catholic Women.

It was Sister Regereau who evolved the plan for distributing the relief supplied by the American agency. She has done her job with such efficiency that she can account for every single item of the thousands of tons of materials which have passed through her hands since the goods began to arrive in 1945.

Sister Regereau recalled that when the WRS—N. C. W. C. shipments first began to arrive, there were some four or five organizations which handled the distribution. Consequently, there was much duplication. Her objections to this distribution plan eventually led to a decision whereby the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul handled the relief goods for women and girls and the Catholic Aid group, for men and boys.

## Fuquay-Varina Is Last Two Week Program for Trailer Chapel Season

The trailer chapel car is now beginning a second and final week of out-door meetings at Fuquay-Varina, 18 miles south of Raleigh. The evening services begin at 8 p.m., and will be under the direction of Father John Hyland and Father Paul Byron. This is the last scheduled meeting of the summer season. "The Madonna of the Highways" has presented a two week mission at Delco, Whiteville, Elizabethtown, LaGrange, the Housing Project at Goldsboro and is now concluding its schedule at the Wake County town.

## 'Trinity Finds Easier Acceptance Than Doctrine On Wages' Texas Archbishop Tells National Group

"Some Catholics find it easier to accept the Blessed Trinity and the Immaculate Conception than the doctrine of a living wage." A weakness of Catholicism in America, is that "some have stressed dogma and the moral laws of family life to the partial

## 125,000 View Fatima Statue In One Day At Famed Chicago Church

CHICAGO — Highlighting the three-week stay of the "Pilgrim Virgin," Fatima statue, in this the nation's second largest city, an estimated 125,000 people passed through the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows here in one day to honor the Blessed Mother by viewing the statue and praying for the conversion of Russia and for world peace.

This devotion to Fatima was held in many churches in North Carolina last fall. At times the crowd entering the church became so great that they were lined up for blocks waiting their turn to enter. Nearing midnight there were still 4,000 people praying in the upper and lower churches and an additional 3,000 waiting outside.

During an evening service in the church the flags of eight lands which have fallen under the shadow of atheistic communism were carried in procession. Behind each flag walked 12 natives of the various lands dressed in national costumes. As the organ intoned the national anthem of each country a flag bearer came forward slowly and dipped its flag to the "Pilgrim Virgin" in veneration to the Mother of God. Lands represented were the Ukraine, Poland, China, Slovakia, Croatia, Slovenia, Bohemia and Lithuania.

## Sacred Heart Social Planned Sept. 18th

RALEIGH—Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish and the North Carolina Catholic Layman's Association unit of the parish will sponsor a social in the Sacred Heart School Hall, tomorrow evening, Saturday, September 18, at 8 p.m., for the young people of parish and the Catholic freshmen at State College.

## Asheboro-Washington Parishes To Dedicate School, Two Churches Within Coming Week

RALEIGH—When St. Joseph's Church is dedicated this Sunday, the 19th, it will mark the fifth church to be opened by the Most Rev. Bishop this summer and will begin a week during which two other church buildings will be blessed and formally opened. Mother of Mercy Parish Church Washington will be dedicated Friday the 24th at 10 a.m., with a Pontifical Mass offered by His Excellency, The Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, D. D. Bishop of Raleigh. In the same city St. Agnes parish center, comprising of a number of large classrooms and spacious auditorium will also be opened.

Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m., September 19th, an attractive combination chapel and rectory under the title of St. Joseph, Asheboro, will be blessed by His Excellency, Bishop Waters. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered following the dedication ceremonies. The Very Rev. L. Lenox Federal V. F., pastor of Sacred Heart Cathedral, Raleigh, will deliver the sermon on this occasion.

Erected as a parish in 1948, Asheboro was formerly attended from Holy Rosary Church, Lexington. Father D. Edward Sullivan, pastor of both parishes, personally supervised the renovation of the large former private residence, conveniently located on prominent thoroughfare of the town, 354 South Park Ave. It is a corner property adjacent to school and park. Park Ave. is also highway 49, the direct route to Albemarle.

Father John Joseph Ender of the Passionist Fathers, pastor of Mother of Mercy Church and

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## Pope Tells Lawmakers They Must Work To Save Truth, Justice

ROME—Delegates to the 37th conference of the International Parliamentary Union were received in audience by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, on the eve of their deliberations, and told they must work untiringly for the preservation of "truth, justice and peace."

Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, President Truman's running mate, Senator Tom Connally of Texas and some 300 others traveled to Castelgandolfo, the summer residence of the Pope, to hear His Holiness declare:

"Your institution rests upon the fact of the identify, under all latitudes and in all climes, of the nature of man. Everywhere the innate sense of law is found, invariable and indestructible in itself but susceptible of being altered by passions. It is for you to labor together to maintain it intact, to make it mature and blossom into full flower despite all exigencies of regional or national egoism, we have said of egoism and not of incontestable rights, or real necessities.

The Pope received Senator Barkley in private audience after speaking to the delegates. He also spoke briefly with members of the 16-man United States delegation, and Representative Scott Lucas of Illinois said he expressed "sincere appreciation of what the United States has done for humanity and the world."

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