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Love as God's Reflection Explored at Family Meet

ST. LOUIS — (NC) — The idea of love and marriage as the reflection of God was plumbed to the depths at the 28th National Catholic Family Life convention.

The theme was "Love — The Bond of Perfection." The exhaustive discussions of love — theological, metaphysical and psychological (both emotional and rational) — seemed to boil down into two complementary points of agreement. One, set forth by Dr. Walter J. Coville, chief of clinical psychology services at St. Vincent's hospital, New York, was:

"Love is a developing process — one that we can't take for granted, but rather must work at."

THE OTHER, voiced by Father Henry V. Sattler, C.S.S.R., assistant director of the Family Life Bureau of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington was that: "Sin is the number one enemy of love."

If at times the convention was abstruse, there was also clarification. And there was charity. Representatives of the Protestant and

Bishop Waters Preaches Today At CDA Meet

DENVER — Christian unity is the theme dominating the Catholic Daughters 29th biennial convention which will run July 8 to 13 here.

Bishop Vincent S. Waters, national chaplain, will preach at the Sunday solemn opening Mass in Immaculate Conception Cathedral. Archbishop Urban J. Vehr will preside at the convention Mass offered today by Auxiliary Bishop David M. Maloney.

Six hundred delegates from the United States are expected to convene for this national Catholic women's organization which has backed strongly international Catholic Relief services, vocations, and youth work throughout the nation.

Jewish communities were invited and present.

The non-Catholic experts were not mere observers. They took an active part in both the general discussions and in several of the 18 simultaneous seminars and workshops which concentrated on special aspects of marriage and the problems confronting family life. They found many areas of agreement.

JOSEPH CARDINAL RITTER, Archbishop of St. Louis and host to the meeting, told the main evening Session (June 27) that the representation of Protestant and other groups gave the convention "the aspect of an ecumenical project." The Catholic participants could not only share their viewpoints with the guests, said Cardinal Ritter, but could also "receive from them the inspiration of their knowledge and work."

The Cardinal spoke briefly on the same program with Mrs. Nancy McCormick Rambusch, headmistress-emerita of the Whitby school in Greenwich, Conn. Chairmen of the session were Frank and Peggy O'Dowd of Wilmette, Ill. — parents of the 1962 National Catholic Family of the year.

He said that "the failure of society," of the cities, is principally due to the failure of the home. This is despite the fact that "the family has the great privilege of carrying on the redemptive work of mankind."

TO HELP accomplish this mission, according to the Cardinal, mothers and fathers should take the time to teach their children the catechism. But the widespread situation, he said, is that people don't grow in their religion: "Many have only a primary education in religion even if they are college graduates."

The Cardinal reiterated his point that the family is called on to sanctify and to guide, and added:

"When everything else fails, the

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Pray More In Home: President

(N.C.W.C. News Service)

President Kennedy counseled Americans to accept the Supreme Court's school prayer decision and recommended a "very easy remedy" for those who disagree with it — more prayer in homes and churches.

The President made his comments at his news conference June 27. Meanwhile, controversy over the high court's decision was reaching a new crescendo of intensity.

The court on June 25 ruled that an official but non-compulsory 22-word prayer recited in some New York State public schools violated the established clause of the First Amendment because it was "composed by governmental officials."

In Congress, constitutional amendments were introduced to permit religious observances in public schools.

Religious and civic leaders, including all three living former Presidents, spoke out on the issue. Most were critical of the ruling, though in varying degrees.

The American Civil Liberties Union indicated that further legal tests of public school religious practices might be forthcoming.

It was against this background that the President spoke when, in reply to a reporter's question, he said:

"The Supreme Court has made its judgment, and a good many people obviously will disagree with it. Others will agree with it. But I think that it is important for us if we are going to maintain our constitutional principle that we sup-

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Further Problem Seen on Religion In Public Schools

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Americans now must work to prevent the Supreme Court's prayer decision from being used to force God completely out of public education, a national committee of Catholic school superintendents has urged.

The ten-member executive committee of the School Superintendents' Department of the National Catholic Educational Association said it hopes that "the strange decision" of the high court will arouse the nation to consider the implications of schools which have no religion.

Although the court's decision technically may be confined to prayers composed by government officials, it is nevertheless "a further deterioration of our American tradition," said the committee whose chairman is Father Richard Kleiber, school superintendent in the Green Bay, Wis., diocese and head of the NCEA superintendents' department.

The committee extended sympathy to public school educators, stating: "We know that the vexing problem of religion in education will be aggravated by this decision."

for church in south

Archbishop Says Prospects Bright

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — (NC) — "Prospects for the Church in the South were never better," according to the Archbishop who recently ordered desegregation of Catholic schools in his Southern archdiocese.

Archbishop Paul J. Hallinan of Atlanta, who announced June 10 that Catholic schools in his archdiocese would be desegregated this fall, expressed the hope that "this move of ours, and other moves, come in time."

The Archbishop said in a speech at St. Mary's Student Chapel on the University of Michigan campus that "the young Negro world . . . is in the balance now," and young Negroes are questioning the churches to determine if "they mean what they say."

"We need these young people," he continued. "The whole South is changing. In a few years, the society will be in the hands of these young people who are emerging now."

"I hope the young white and Negro leaders will stand side-by-side in giving the South leadership based on solid Christian principles," he said.

"Segregation is not a Southern problem, it is a national problem and a national disgrace. In the North, hypocrisy is a substitute for the law."

The Archbishop said there has

been little critical reaction since the desegregation announcement was made.

"There has been one anonymous telephone call and 10 crank letters, nine of them from north of the Mason-Dixon line," he stated.

Practical as well as moral factors were taken into consideration before the decision to integrate was made, he said.

"Our Catholic schools operate on a narrow margin of existence," he said. "Out of 230 children in one school, 70 are not Catholic. We may lose them in the fall and our margin of existence is based on these children because of tuition fees."

He said similar situations exist in a number of schools. In addition, the Georgia Legislature could remove the tax exemption law that applies to Catholic schools. The Church would then financially be unable to operate the schools, Archbishop Hallinan added.

"We are taking a chance that our State Legislature won't pass this law. If it does," he quipped, "I may have to come North and take up a collection."

The Archbishop disclosed that next year he will ordain the first Negro to have become a priest in his archdiocese.

"This is not to be taken as a symbol or a token but as living personification of the Church's stand," he stated.

Hardships Seen Driving Youths From Farm Work

ROME — (NC) — Economic, cultural and social problems have combined to drive young people away from working the land, a survey of more than 60 nations has reported.

The survey was made prior to the opening of the international association of the Catholic Rural Youth Congress which began here on June 24.

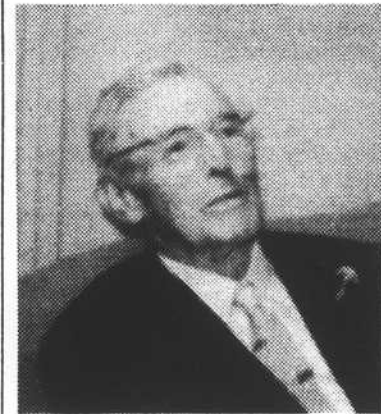
The investigation also showed that there is a widespread absence of religious feeling among rural youth and a "profound schism between religion and practical life."

Listed by the survey as the chief problems facing young men in rural communities were the following: instability of employment with seasonal layoffs; lack of proportion between earnings and the cost of living; inadequate technical and professional training; lack of initiative regarding technical progress; low yield of work; hard and difficult employment conditions and inadequate pay.

Also singled out for special attention was an "almost complete scorn for agricultural work," which attacks the pride of the young.

Culturally other problems are evident, the survey said. It noted that there is much illiteracy in the rural areas and few farm youth ever attend school after the primary grades.

In the social and family fields there are the problems of too early marriages, lack of choice of partners and the evils brought about by families seeking brides with dowries.



Michael Bernard Waters

Michael Waters, Bishop's Father, Dies in Virginia

ROANOKE, Va. — Michael Bernard Waters, the father of Bishop Vincent S. Waters, Raleigh, died suddenly Sunday morning, July 1, after a heart seizure which occurred the previous day.

Mr. Waters had celebrated his birthday, his ninetieth, on June 19. He was born in 1872. His wife, Mary Waters, the Bishop's mother, passed to her reward in 1920. Monsignor Thomas E. Waters, a brother, died in 1935.

Surviving children besides Bishop Waters are Mrs. Frank Driscoll of the home, 429 Mountain Avenue, Southwest, John Waters, Mrs. Paul Smith, and Sister Mary Michael of the Medical Missioners, presently stationed at Philadelphia.

Before leaving for Roanoke Sunday evening Bishop Waters had tentatively set the funeral for Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m., to be held at Our Lady of Nazareth, the parish church.

Dale Francis Named Editor Of Newspaper

TROY, Ohio — Dale Francis, first editor of the North Carolina Catholic, founded in 1946, has been named editor of the TROY DAILY NEWS. According to George Kuser, publisher of the Troy daily, Mr. Francis will continue to write his weekly column for the Sunday Visitor.

OFFICIAL

The following appointment, effective Saturday, July 7th, is announced by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bishop, through the Diocesan Chancery:

Father John B. Molloy, S.S.J., is appointed Pastor of St. Thomas Church in Wilmington.

James E. McSweeney
Chancellor



PARISH HALL of Sacred Heart Parish, Dunn, dedicated last Sunday, July 1, by Bishop Vincent S. Waters. The building is comprised of an auditorium which can be divided into five classrooms with folding doors. The parish hall fully equipped cost \$44,000 and includes modern kitchen facilities for suppers and social events. Pastor is Father Arthur Duncan. Dedication of the new parish building on Cumberland and Ellis Avenues followed confirmation of 53 children after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.