

All in the Family By NANCY WEST

Why are some puns terrible yet charming? Consider the nickname kindly given Pope John XXIII: Johnny Unit-us.

This wasn't the most important message Dr. Claude Broach had for St. Ann's Home-School members. His own presence, grace working in him, was the message which he has been bringing many audiences since his return from the Vatican Council.

THIS MINISTER OF St. John's Baptist Church in Charlotte explained that he had felt a personal concern that the spirit of the Vatican Council be recognized by his own church group. Since the Baptist World Alliance and



Paulette Williams, a Junior of Concord High School, was tapped as a member of the National Honor Society in an impressive ceremony on May 13, in the High School Auditorium. On the same date, she was elected President of Student Body. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Williams of Concord, N.C. Mrs. Williams is the former Sarah Kannon of Wendell, N.C. Paulette is a member of St. James Parish in Concord, N.C.

Twelve Tarheel Catholics Among Abbey Graduates

Twelve Catholic students from North Carolina are among the 96 seniors who received the Bachelor's degree at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, N.C.

Receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree were Bruce Wofford of Gasparilla; Mrs. Eileen W. Clarke, Thomas B. Mahoney, Arturo P. Laquechel, Sister Bernard Marie Williams and Sister M. Timothy Warren, of Belmont; J. Roy King of Greensboro; Franklin F. Mack of Mooresville; Arnold G. Pruitt of Jonesville; Ronald J. Hingley of Asheville; and Richard Suehr, II of Fayetteville; and James A. Carr of Raleigh.

Joseph M. Estridge of Mt. Holly received the Bachelor of Science degree.

The 88th Annual Commencement exercises were held May 14th in Haid Gymnasium on the college campus.

the Southern Baptist Convention had both declined to accept invitations to send official observers to the Council, he was on his own.

With the assistance of Father Cuthbert Allen and Abbot Walter Coggins, he made it. Through the Office for the Promotion of Christian Unity, Dr. Broach was certified as a visiting theologian and was present for the last ten days of the Council. During this period he attended six sessions of the Council and 22 meetings. You may recall the excellent daily reports Dr. Broach wrote for the CHARLOTTE OBSERVER.

The fact that he and Abbot Walter are now in a dead heat for Most-Sought-After Speaker in the area is a continuation of the Spirit (and we know Who He is) of the Council at work. How could we not be awestruck to sit in St. Ann's School listening to a Baptist minister carefully outline for us the principal aims of Pope John: aggiornamento, Christian unity, and world peace—and while discussing the first two, personify progress in them?

He told us interesting details of his stay in Rome and also managed to toss in a good resumé of the history of the General Councils. I couldn't help thinking it was a good thing that the audience was on the question side of the question-and-answer session following his talk. Suppose he had asked instead of telling the dates and background of the Council of Trent or of the operation of the Curia?

In mentioning Pope John's hope for Christian unity, Dr. Broach said, "Too long have we hated each other for the love of Christ."

The Tuesday afternoon meetings offered by the Christian Unity Office, gave Protestant observers a much appreciated opportunity to express their opinion on the Council proceedings. The genuineness of the Church's seeking these opinions made a real impact, Dr. Broach felt. As background for these dialogues, observers were given the same printed materials supplied the delegates. Thus observers were left with the sense of having made a real contribution to the final form of Council documents. They felt a complicity rather than resentment when a bishop passed by with papers marked "Sub Secreta."

A GREAT RESULT of the Council is a completely new relationship between Catholics and Protestants, and Dr. Broach believes it to be a climate in which harmony can grow. Recognition that the Spirit of God operates wherever Christians congregate is the catalyst.

He listed three particular sound waves which have come through to a surprised Protestant world. The Church of Rome can be changed, renewed. Can such a renewal happen to the Protestant world? Finally, a progressively happier relationship with the Catholic Church is anticipated as all who love Christ seek His will for the whole community, for the whole world.

Please share any such graceful goings-on in your area. Address: 3352 Willow Oak Rd., Charlotte, N.C. 28209.



THE LORD BE WITH YOU — AUXILIARY BISHOP, CHARLES B. McLAUGHLIN GREETES THE CONGREGATION ASSEMBLED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH, PINEHURST, FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 1966 JUBILEE MASS.

In Charlotte

Sisters of Mercy Honor Volunteers at Hospital

Wednesday, May 11th the Sisters of Mercy Hospital honored their Volunteer workers with a delightful Supper in the Nurses Auditorium. After the Blessing, given by the Chaplain, Father King, a group of approximately 80 Candy Strippers, 35 Red Cross Volunteers and 50 members of the Women's Auxiliary enjoyed ham, turkey, salad and all the other things that go with a Picnic Supper.

The Speaker for the Evening, Mrs. Elaine Romburg, emphasized the many opportunities girls have to go into Health Careers, other than nursing, among those mentioned were Practical Nursing, X-Ray, Cytology, etc. While the talk was directed at all of the Volunteers, she specifically directed her words to girls graduating this year from High School and just not knowing what they were going to go on to. In closing she pointed out the fact that Health Careers enable young people not only to be earning their own living, doing what they wished to do, but also helping and serving their Community and "People."

After Mrs. Romburg concluded her talk Sister M. Jerome was pre-

sented a check in the amount of \$14,000.00, which represented the entire profit from the Coffee and Gift Shop for the year. Sister M. Elizabeth was also advised that a check in the amount of \$900 would be given as Scholarship moneys for a deserving — entering Freshman, by the end of the month. Closing the Program, but not least of the important items, awards were given by Mrs. Pauline Cappelli, Auxiliary President to all Auxiliary Members and Candy Strippers.

A total of 18,000 hours were given by both Mercy Aux. Volunteers and Candy Strippers. Candy Strippers, under the direction and training of Mrs. Catherine Rimmer gave a total of 10,700 hours of Service.

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