

Belmont Woman

Sr. Patrice Given Award For Services to Children

Belmont — "I'm worse than a teen-ager — or a Miss America," giggled the 1967 Belmont Woman of the Year Monday night.

Although neither a teen-ager nor a Miss America, Sister Marie Patrice of Holy Angels Nursery

Pope Says

Rota Court Shows Existence of Law, Divine in Origin

Vatican City — Pope Paul VI told the judges of the Roman Rota that their labors demonstrated the "existence of a divine law which neither passes away nor grows old."

The Pope received the judges, and officials and lawyers admitted to practice before the high Church court in an annual audience.

The Pope said that the work of the Rota made "an exceptional contribution to the good of the Church and human society." The Rota, which deals mainly but not exclusively with marriage cases, has been criticized by many for its slow deliberations, backlog of cases, centralization and for not being more up-to-date or modern.

The Pope also said that he expected the Rota judges to contribute greatly to the drafting of the new code of canon law which is already under way. He said that their decisions as handed down in the Rota will have an effect on the plans for recodification. "By means of these (decisions), there will filter into the new code the results happily reached by the most recent studies, of the civil law of nations as well as data acquired from the sciences of medicine and psychiatry."

Asks Aid for Slums

New York — The Central Conference of American Rabbis, the organization of Reform Judaism, has said that Americans must be ready to support the tax increase urged by President Lyndon B. Johnson, provided the funds be used to eliminate slums and provide jobs and educational opportunities for Negroes and other minorities.

Wilmington Catholics Promote Restoration Of Historic Church

Wilmington — At a meeting held here recently the Committee for the Restoration of Saint Thomas' Church was organized, with the following serving as officers: Chairman, Miss Mary Sheehan; Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Powell; Treasurer, Mr. Daniel A. Lockfaw. The meeting was attended by interested members of Saint Mary's Parish, Wilmingtonians interested in the Historic Area, and members of the Lower Cape Fear Historical Society, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames.

Constructive suggestions were offered concerning the manner in which the restoration could be accomplished, resulting in the formation of the Committee to explore these possibilities.

Historic Saint Thomas' Catholic Church, in downtown Wilmington, was seriously damaged by fire in late 1966. The cornerstone of the Gothic Revival Church of stucco and stone was laid in 1846, although records indicate actual construction began in 1843. It was dedicated in July 1847.

The world-renowned Cardinal Gibbons served as Bishop-pastor of Saint Thomas' and it was during this period that his "Faith of Our Fathers" was written.

Saint Thomas' is listed in the Greater Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Tour of the Historic Wilmington Area as one of the outstanding historic locations in the area. The restoration of the church has received the endorsement of the Lower Cape Fear Historical Society.

A second meeting of the Committee was held recently and will be reported on in the next week's copy of the North Carolina Catholic.

Cardinal Resigns

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has accepted the resignation because of age and health of Giacomo Cardinal Lercaro, 76, of Bologna.

He attracted attention in January by issuing a statement saying that the Church has an obligation to ask the United States to stop bombing North Vietnam.

Knights of Columbus
Roundup
Edited By Duane A. Russell
State Public Relations Chairman

TO ALL GRAND KNIGHTS FROM STATE DEPUTY
GEORGE LUND, JR.

"The year seems to be going by very fast, and there is very little time left to meet your Councils membership quota. As I advised you at the midyear meeting in Raleigh, we had an increase in membership, but there is a lot of work to be done for each Council to meet its membership quota.

Process the applications promptly, and have First and Second degrees. As I also advised you the Catequiz had to be cancelled and we hope to come up with a new program next year. The SEMINAR needs the support of ALL KNIGHTS IN NORTH CAROLINA, and I would ask that your Council support the SEMINAR 100 percent. You will receive shortly details on the various programs. Listed below are a few dates, and we call them:

DAYS FOR KNIGHTS TO REMEMBER

- THURSDAY, FEB. 29—Council Audit Report to your State Deputy.
- SUNDAY, MAR. 10—Statewide Bowling Tournament at GOLDSBORO.
- SUNDAY, MAR. 24—Third Degree at FAYETTEVILLE.
- WEDNESDAY, APR. 10—Scrap Book of Council Activities to your State Deputy.
- SATURDAY, APR. 27—Statewide K.Y.C. Seminar at RALEIGH.
- SUNDAY, MAY 5—State Track Meet & Picnic at RALEIGH.
- FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 17, 18, 19—STATE CONVENTION AT WILMINGTON.

And Remember Our Motto: SEEK TO SERVE RATHER THAN BE SERVED.

And Our Aim: MEMBERSHIP IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT.

Members of FR. WILLIAM O'BYRNE COUNCIL 3574, JACKSONVILLE, mourn the loss of one of their Brother Knights, WILLIAM G. FRASER. A Marine, Brother Fraser received his First degree April 24, 1967. He was in his 21st year. He had attended three meetings and then was transferred to Fort Benning, Ga., for special duty and later to Vietnam, never having received the Second and Third degrees. In a brief message to the Council Financial Secretary, the bereaved mother said: "Our son William was killed in action at Tuang Nang, Providence of Vietnam, by a sniper's bullet while he was on patrol duty." Our Council Chaplain, Fr. William C. Wellein, offered a Mass for the repose of his soul. Brother Fraser was a native of Manchester, New Hampshire.

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