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Religion in America

Vatican Council Demonstrates Differences Among Prelates

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The Roman Catholic Church is regarded by many outside its fold as a monolithic institution in which everyone thinks alike and no disagreement is tolerated.

The fastidious of this view is being plainly demonstrated by the Second Vatican Council.

Although the council has been in session for little more than a week, it is already obvious that two distinct groups of prelates, with significantly different attitudes toward the council's task, will be making their voices heard in this historic assembly.

Favors Sweeping Reforms
One party favors relatively sweeping reforms in the administration, liturgy and discipline of the church. It seeks

to decentralize the structure of the church by enhancing the role of bishops. It looks sympathetically upon proposals to authorize use of modern languages instead of Latin in some portions of the Mass. It wants to restate Catholic teachings, wherever possible, in language that is more Biblical, more attuned to modern thought forms, and more comprehensible to Protestants than the traditional terminology of Catholic scholasticism. It is very concerned with Christian unity, and eager to have the council advance rather than set back the movement toward better understanding and warmer relations which has blossomed under the papacy of John XXIII.

Those who take this approach to the council's labors are being called "renewalists" because they are committed to "renewal" of the church. They include many Western European bishops, and are led by key figures in the German, French and Austrian hierarchies.

Takes Conservative View
The other party takes a much more conservative view of the council's mission. It is, in the words of one astute observer, "more disposed to reemphasize than to reinterpret" the stands which the church took in the 16th century "counter reformation"

Council of Trent. It opposes any diminution of Vatican authority, and looks askance at changes in the Latin Mass. It is inclined to be somewhat suspicious and stand-offish toward the Christian unity movement.

Adherents of this position are sometimes called "integralists" because they are defending traditional ideas which they regard as "integral" to the stability of the church. They include many Italian bishops, and are led by powerful members of the Roman Curia.

Viewpoints Collide
The two viewpoints came into collision at the first business session of the council. Western European bishops, with the surprising support of some Spanish prelates, blocked the immediate ratification of a ready-made slate of Curia-backed candidates for the 10 theological commissions which will give preliminary scrutiny to issues brought before the council.

At stake in this procedural struggle was the desire of "renewalists" for adequate representation on the commissions, which will play a role in the council comparable to that which House and Senate committees play in the U.S. Congress.

The outcome of this early test should not be construed as a tipoff to the council's future. At this point, no one really knows which group will prove to be the stronger—the renewalists or the integralists—when the council gets down to substantive questions.

One enigma is where the non-European bishops—especially those from the United States and Latin America—will ultimately throw the bulk of their weight—which is considerable in this council.

It is not inconceivable that American bishops may find themselves holding the balance of power on many crucial issues at the Second Vatican Council.

Grange News

Eagle Point Grange
The Eagle Point Grange met recently and Roscoe Roberts, state overseer, was escorted to the master's station.

Ed Kunkel reported livestock prices were down, the feeder sale held recently at Phoenix showed prices weakening, although the prices reported at the Hereford Bull sale was good with the stock averaging better than \$600.

Hay in Oregon was abundant with prices about \$24 a ton, he said. He also said the child labor law was defeated in the House. Lester Wertz, also reporting on agriculture, said the number of acres planted in crops in the U.S. last year was about 300,000,000, about 10,000,000 less than previously. Not all crops were harvested because of droughts and bad weather, he noted.

Legislative Chairman James Wilson said it now appears the dams in the Rogue basin project will soon be a reality with the Rivers and Harbors bill passing in both houses. Wilford Davies talked on the reapportionment measure on the November ballot, and said people should give this measure serious consideration.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sheehan of the Live Oak Grange. Sheehan spoke briefly on some things that could be done to help combat the juvenile problems in this area.

Mrs. Ida Kent, HEC chairman, said plans were complete for the dinner to be served for the Pomona Grange at Eagle Point Saturday, Oct. 27. She also said the next HEC meeting would be held at Nevada Cliffords with Ethel Coy as cohostess Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 1 p.m.

Roberts reported on loss suffered during the recent storm, and explained the coverage needed to protect one from such losses.

Officers elected are master, Cliff Moore; overseer, Verne Matthews; lecturer, James Wilson; steward, Delton Stephenson; assistant steward, Tom Vestal; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Tom Vestal; chaplain, Isabel Huffman; treasurer, Eva Wilson; secretary, Agnes Hubbell; gatekeeper, Ed Kunkel; Ceres, Cora Bitterling; Pomona, Lois Wilson; Flora, Asenath Stephenson; 4-H executive committee, Dewey Babcock, Robert Bitterling, and C. C. Hoover.

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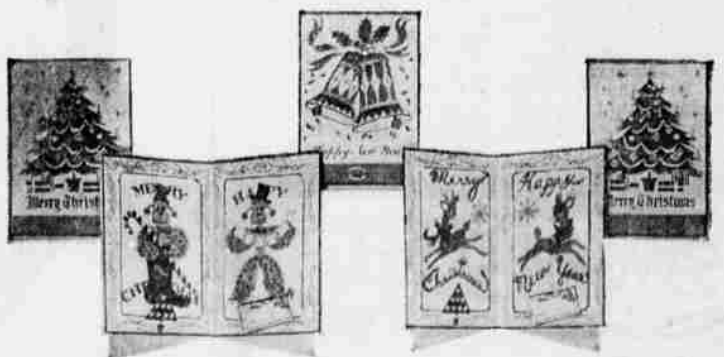
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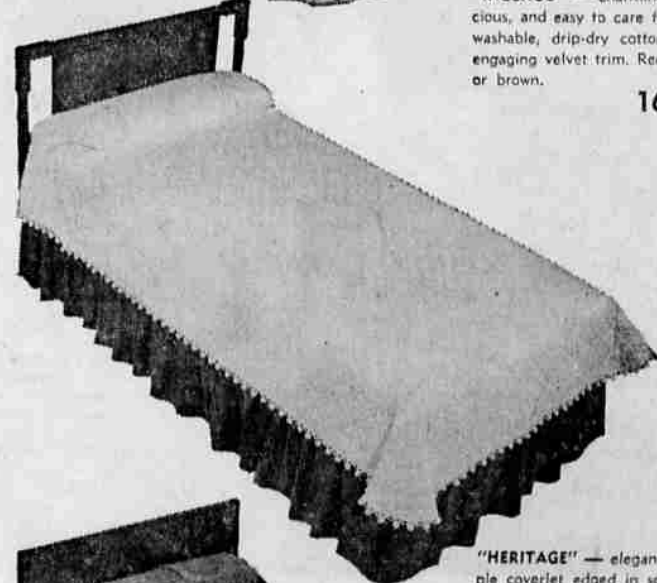
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