

Shortage Of Clergymen Causes New Evaluation

By LOUIS CASSELS
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Bad things sometimes have good effects.

This axiom is being demonstrated today in America's churches. The bad thing in this case is a shortage of ordained clergymen. It is already serious in nearly every denomination, and it seems to be getting steadily worse. Seminary enrollments were down about 5 per cent during the past year.

The good effect is that conscientious Christian laymen are being compelled to do some fresh, hard thinking about what the church is, and how it is supposed to operate.

In the past, there has been a strong tendency for laymen to think of the church in terms of a neighborhood club. Its primary function was attending to the spiritual welfare of its own members.

Flower Sellers Win Their Fight With Tax Plan

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — San Francisco's sidewalk flower vendors have won their battle against a tax plan that they said would "kill us like the frost does the flowers."

Supervisor John Jay Ferdon Friday withdrew his proposal to tax the sales of the street-corner vendors. He said he just wanted to be certain the city gets enough from the vendors' sidewalk usage permits to pay for the cost of inspecting them.

The vendors presently pay \$24 a quarter for the permit and \$12 a quarter for each employee.

Mayor George Christopher also stepped into the case, unofficially to comment that:

"The city needs more revenue, but I think there are better ways to get it. The flower stands are paying their fair share now, and I don't think we'd make enough, by taxing them, to pay the cost of collection."

He recalled that his uncle, the late Paul Apostol, had a downtown flower stand for 40 years. Apostol, said the mayor, "made a living, but not a fortune."

Club Donates \$25 To Fund

MOUNT SHASTA—James Copitzky, president of Mount Shasta Hi-Teens Club, has announced that a gift of \$25 has been made to the William Carson Fund by the club.

This is a fund to help the stricken family with the expenses incurred as a result of a fire that killed three members of the family and destroyed all their belongings.

The fire occurred just outside the Mount Shasta city limits Sunday evening, Dec. 4.

HOVERCRAFT FOR CHANNEL. LONDON (UPI)—A Hovercraft capable of carrying 200 persons across the English Channel at 90 miles an hour is being designed by the Vickers-Armstrong Company, the Daily Express said today. The craft will be powered by aircraft turbine engines which will carry it on a cushion of air several inches above the waves, the newspaper said.

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VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP)—A Spanish ship's carpenter held the crew of a Swedish merchant vessel at knife point Saturday while an Irish priest tried to placate him.

Lutheran churches are exploring ways to use professionally skilled lay church members for short-term or post-retirement Christian mission service in underdeveloped countries.

EXTRADITION TREATY

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States has signed a criminal extradition treaty with Brazil that officials said will close a favorite hiding place for U.S. fugitives. The treaty, signed Friday

will not cover the more than a dozen American "wanted" persons in Brazil until one month after final ratification and exchange of the ratification documents.

Kennedy Will Work Farm Problem Before Price Squeeze On City Folks

Editor's Note — President-elect John F. Kennedy has promised vigorous action to increase the farmer's income. How will he go about fulfilling this pledge and others to aid urban centers? Here's a review of the broad shape of Kennedy's probable attack on problems of the farm and city, last in a series of five on policies of the new administration.

By OVID MARTIN
Associated Press Farm Writer
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Kennedy administration has promised to help farmers attain a higher level of prosperity and to assist city dwellers in coping with mushrooming municipal problems.

But the new team will get to work quicker on problems of farmers than those of their city cousins.

Orville L. Freeman, former governor of Minnesota, will take over the Department of Agriculture, with its vast system of field offices and farmer committees, on Jan. 20.

One of his first steps is expected to be assurance to farmers that they can look for better days before the year is out.

Insofar as the cities are concerned, it may take more time to develop a coordinated assistance program to solve complex problems of slum clearance, mass transportation, urban planning, sewage disposal, juvenile delinquency and education. The Democratic platform promised city folk a seat on the president's Cabinet and Kennedy has endorsed a special report by urban experts calling for creation of a Cabinet-level department for urban affairs. However, no time schedule was

indicated. The post would require approval by Congress.

The attack on the farm problem is expected to have two phases. One would greatly broaden measures to increase consumption of agriculture's super-abundant production both at home and abroad.

The other would tighten government controls on farm production—in cases approved by farmers—to help prevent excessive output.

Nevertheless, Kennedy has said that abundant farm production—now represented by huge surplus stocks—would be regarded as a blessing and not as a curse.

The administration is expected to move cautiously in development of its programs. One reason is that much of the Midwestern farm belt voted for Nixon rather than for Kennedy.

Details of the farm program will be developed after a big farm conference of leaders of farmers' own organizations in Washington Jan. 26. This meeting—arranged by Kennedy and Freeman at New York last week—is designed to help the new administration draft policies that would be widely accepted by producers. Some new farm legislation doubtless will be required.

While the details may be lacking, the Kennedy farm goal has been spelled out repeatedly. It is action by the government to enable the family farm to earn incomes on a par with those of other economic groups. Presently, farm income averages considerably below that of nonfarmers. It also is down about a fourth from what it was eight years ago.

To be decided are methods and devices to raise the income level. Both Kennedy and his party's platform proposed use of rigid production controls, higher price

support, production payments to producers and marketing orders and agreements.

These devices have run into sharp opposition from some farm organizations, including the influential American Farm Bureau Federation. The Federation, like the outgoing Eisenhower administration, wants to reduce government's role in agriculture.

The Kennedy farm program could result in somewhat higher food prices for consumers and possibly higher taxes for taxpayers. However, Kennedy has said that this need not be the case. Freeman himself has said the farm program would exploit neither consumer nor taxpayer.

The Kennedy proposals for urban areas contemplates a four-point 10-year improvement program, as follows: (1) federal aid in elimination of slums; (2) federal aid for metropolitan area planning and community facilities development; (3) federal aid for comprehensive metropolitan transportation programs, including bus and rail mass transit, commuter railroads as well as highways and civil airports; and (4) expansion of park systems to meet recreational needs of the growing urban population.

The special report on urban problems said the federal government must share the leadership in improving city conditions because it is in the national interest to rebuild and maintain cities representing billions of dollars of investment and productive power.

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