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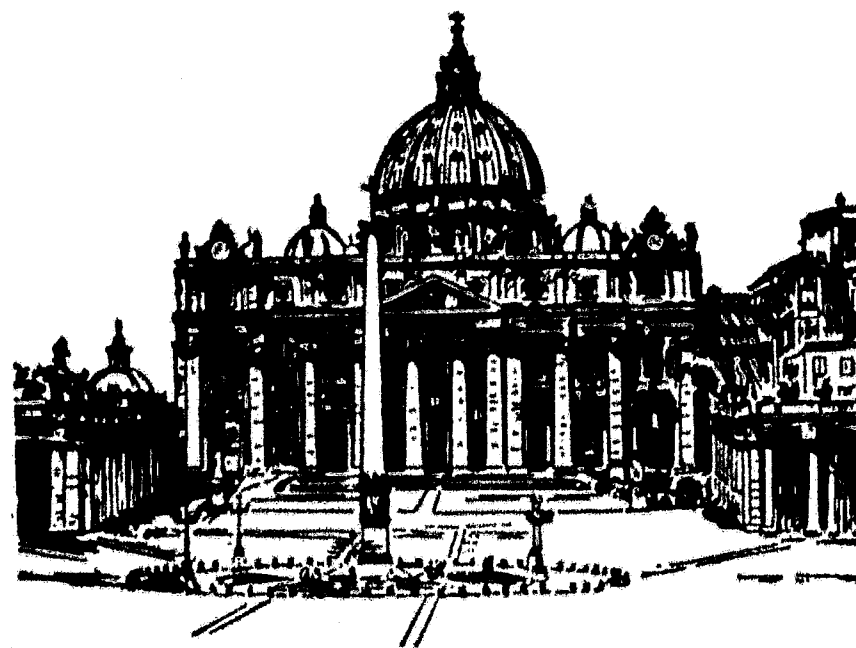
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Vatican Council

Notre Dame students should be following eagerly the developments at the Second Vatican Council. The fact that secular newspapers carry articles daily on the Council indicates the importance they place on the proceedings. What is happening is of world-wide interest and concern. Even Protestant leaders are commenting from day to day on Council discussions, sometimes favorably, sometimes critically. But they are interested.



Notre Dame students, therefore, who are expected to be enlightened and zealous leaders in Catholic life cannot afford to pass up news of the Vatican Council for the sports pages, the comic strips, or even for news of the national and international political scene.

Ecumenic Spirit

An item which recently appeared in the secular press illustrates the ecumenical spirit and the deepening spirit of good will and cooperation among religious groups.

The Very Rev. John J. Weaver, dean of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in Detroit, read, in a Protestant publication, an account of how twenty-one Holy Ghost Fathers were massacred by soldiers at Kongolo in the Congo.

He decided to ask his flock for contributions to help train replacements for the priests, and his parishioners have responded generously. The goal of the Ecumenical Charity Fund, as it is called, is \$180,000.

"The inspiration," said Dean Weaver, "came from God. It may take three or four years, but we won't stop. We feel it is worthwhile if it helps in making us all one."

More Thanks

Another letter of gratitude for your interest in the missions has come from Father Robert Askins, C.S.C., who preached the sermons in Stanford-Keenan Chapel on Mission Sunday.

Dear Father Teske,

The response of the N.D. Freshmen to my mission appeal in the Stanford-Keenan Chapel on Mission Sunday was so tremendous that I would like to give them a word of thanks not only for myself but also for all the Holy Cross missionaries working in East Pakistan and Africa. I only hope that their prayers for missionaries will match their material charity and generosity.

Devotedly,

Fr. Bob Askins, C.S.C.