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## Urges Revival In Preaching Word Of God

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Joseph Cardinal Ritter of St. Louis told the Ecumenical Council today that a revival of "preaching the word of God" is the "indispensable basis" of any other reform of the Roman Catholic Church.

The American prelate, one of the council's liberal group, said that all of the reforms under consideration—such as those in the liturgy and organization of the church—depend on getting back to sound and dynamic preaching of God's word.

He said unfortunately preaching today is often done in a "desultory manner," as if it were incidental to the liturgy.

Augustin Cardinal Bea, head of the secretariat for Christian unity, followed Cardinal Ritter with a plea for more accurate study of biblical texts, which are being cited by council speakers as well as in the document now under debate on the nature of the church.

Bea, former head of the Pontifical Biblical Institute and one of the world's most noted Catholic biblical scholars, strongly implied that some of his colleagues were misquoting or misunderstanding the scripture.

Giacomo Cardinal Lercaro, archbishop of Bologna and one of the four moderators of the council, declared that the "separated brethren" of the Protestant and Orthodox communions are already "incorporated in the church of Christ" by virtue of their baptism.

Emphasizing that he spoke in a personal capacity rather than as a moderator, Cardinal Lercaro voiced the hope that the council will make it very clear in its definition of the church that Christian baptism, even outside the Roman Catholic Church, confers a "second birth" by which an individual is incorporated into the church in a true sense, even though circumstances such as heresy or schism may interfere with his full enjoyment of all the spiritual benefits of the church.

In all, 20 council fathers spoke at today's fourth plenary meeting of the second session. Debate continued on the introduction and first of four chapters in a document entitled "De Ecclesia" (about the church).

The "De Ecclesia" document may become an authoritative source on such topics as the primacy of the Pope, the authority of the bishops and the relation of non-Catholics to the kingdom of God.

## Excerpts Of Court Ruling

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Excerpts and comments from the Indiana Supreme Court in its opinion declaring the state sales tax law unconstitutional:

"On the merit and expediency of the tax law:  
"We have no right to go into the merits of the proposed tax. Whether an act is wise or expedient is a matter for the legislature—not the courts. Those matters have no bearing on the constitutionality of the legislation. If the action of the General Assembly... is unwise or imprudent, the remedy is at the polls on election day."

On the argument of AFL-CIO President Dallas Sells that there is no expressed authority in the Constitution for enactment of a sales tax:

"The law in this state is well settled in that respect. The power of legislation of the subject of taxation admits no limitation except where specifically imposed by the Constitution itself. It is generally recognized that there is no limitation under the Constitution as to the number of excise taxes which may be imposed by the legislature."

On the argument that the title of the act is unconstitutional because it does not specifically contain the words "sales tax":

"A title need not be a complete index or abstract of the entire act. The title is sufficient to inform both retail merchants and retail purchasers of the imposition upon them of an excise tax."

On the manner of enactment in the Senate when a constitutional majority of 26 votes was not obtained:

"The proper authentication of an enrolled act is proof of its proper enactment, with the exception that fraud practiced upon the legislature or its presiding officers would vitiate the certification. No fraud of that character is charged in this case."

On the question of double taxation—gross income tax and sales tax on the same income:

"We find nothing in the Constitution that limits the number of taxes that the legislature in its judgment may see fit to enact."

On the argument that failure to reapportion the legislature is grounds for nullifying the tax:

"This issue was not raised in the trial court and hence need not be considered on appeal."

On the argument that exemptions in the act were discriminatory in favor of farmers:

"We feel the classification is proper since it is not limited merely to farmers but also to other persons occupationally engaged in the business of pro-

ducing goods and commodities for human, animal or poultry consumption."

On the argument that the Department of Revenue had no power to establish brackets for collection of the sales tax because it would be an improper delegation of legislative authority:

"This is definitely an unlawful delegation of power. No one can modify or change the law except the legislature. Where the law has definitely fixed the rate and brackets, the Department cannot establish other brackets. We hold that (references to this illegal delegation of authority) are clearly severable and their invalidity does not affect the remainder of the act."

On the argument that the law is unclear:

"While (one) section of the act is clumsily worded and certainly confusing, the intent of the legislature may be seen as 'through a glass darkly.' However, the fact that the act is not crystal-clear does not make it unconstitutional."

## Protests Sacks Of Potatoes On Walk

Al Anderson, 145½ S. Second St. resident, filed a complaint report with the city police at 1:54 p. m. Wednesday, explaining he wanted to file an affidavit against the local Kroger store for displaying articles on the sidewalk.

Anderson contacted the city police by telephone, and said that the Kroger store, 145 S. Second St., was in violation of a city ordinance for displaying several rows of sacked potatoes on the sidewalk in front of its building.

The city police contacted city attorney Robert S. Anderson (no relation to the Anderson who filed the complaint), as Anderson must file affidavits in regards to city ordinance violations.

The city attorney and acting police chief Grover Odle went to the store and talked with the Kroger manager, W. Garth Welches, who informed them that the potatoes were on sale and in many instances in the past sale items were displayed on the sidewalk.

Welches, who was only recently named manager of the local store, told them that he would have the potatoes removed this morning.

City attorney Anderson and Odle then contacted Al Anderson, and informed him the potatoes were to be removed, and he said that he would file a complaint.

## Delay Decision On Wheat Sale To Russians

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Failure to gain bipartisan backing appeared today to have delayed President Kennedy's decision on whether to sell U.S. surplus wheat to the Soviet Union.

After meeting with the President Wednesday, Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges revised an earlier estimate and said he expected the chief executive to make a decision on the sale next week.

Hodges said he understood that no tentative judgment had been reached on the matter, and he assumed that there would be further consultations within the administration before the President decides.

Hodges said he believed the Russians still want to buy wheat and possibly other products from this country despite reports the Soviets may not need U.S. grain.

Leonid Matveev, the chief Soviet negotiator of the recent \$500 million Russian-Canadian wheat deal, told a Canadian Wheat Board dinner at Winnipeg Wednesday his government believed it had purchased a sufficient quantity of wheat without having to buy any from the United States this year.

"We will probably just use our present sources this season," he said, "but it is difficult to predict what we will do next year."

Hodges said he expected U.S. wheat traders to apply for an export license soon. Agriculture Secretary Orville L. Freeman met with Leopold Stern, a director of the Louis Dreyfus Corp., Wednesday. Stern was one of the traders who conferred with Soviet representatives at Ottawa last week on possible wheat sales.

Sen. John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky., announced his opposition to such a sale Wednesday. Cooper said the sale would put the United States in the "grubby" position of chasing after Russian gold contrary to foreign trade policies.

At the same time, House Republican Leader Charles A. Halleck of Indiana, while not flatly opposing the sale, asked the President to answer publicly some touchy questions about such a transaction.

Halleck said any U.S. sale would require the President to state:

—Whether the sales would be made at world prices "which will mean that the American taxpayers must pay an export subsidy."

—What guarantees there are that Russia would be prevented from reselling the U.S. wheat to Communist Cuba or North Viet Nam.

## Jacqueline Kennedy Welcomed By Greece

ATHENS, Greece (UPI)—The Greek press greeted Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy with warm enthusiasm today and the public respected her wish for a restful vacation in privacy.

There were some reports she might leave her rented seaside villa today to meet King Paul at the royal palace.

One Greek newspaper, reporting the arrival of the president's wife Wednesday for a two-week vacation, called her "more beautiful than on her first visit here two years ago."

All of Athens' morning newspapers carried front-page photos of Mrs. Kennedy smiling at Chrysanthemis Papacostas, the 12-year-old Greek girl who had a heart operation in the United States through the First Lady's interest.

Two Greek women reporters praised Mrs. Kennedy's black suit

and simple long, straight hairdo. The President's wife went straight to the villa overlooking the Aegean Sea 15 miles from Athens. She spent the evening resting from the long jet flight from New York.

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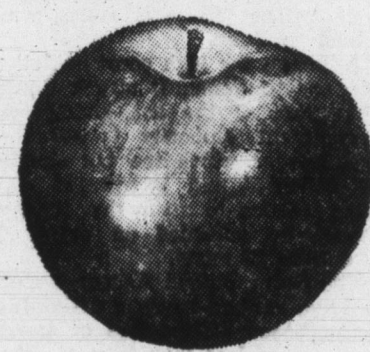
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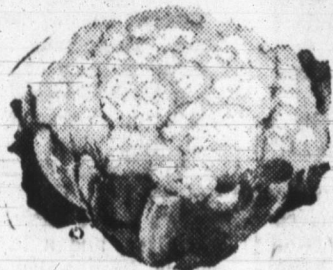
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