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Regional events mark 30th anniversary

Seven Regional 30th Anniversary Celebrations are being planned for the spring of 1983 by the Lutheran Human Relations Association of America.

The regional events will provide an opportunity for the nation-wide membership of the Association to participate in LHRAA's 30th Anniversary celebration. The theme for the year of activities will be: **CELEBRATE THE STRUGGLE!**

The goals for these events were described by Bill Sornborger, a regional planner for the Los Angeles event. He said, "In addition to a gathering of members, we want to tie together social justice issues on the national and local levels. We'd also like to introduce Lutheran Human Relations to people who haven't been actively involved, and we want to raise funds for the support of LHRAA's ministry."

Hosts for the events will be: Ed Naylor, Phoenix area, February 5th; Diana and Bill Sornborger, Los Angeles area, February 28th; Paul Schulze, Steve and Jan Hitchcock, San Francisco Bay Area, March 1st; Thelma and Mike Cobbler, Philadelphia area, March 13th; Ted Gleiter, Washington, D.C. area, April/May; Barbara and Art Griffla, Buffalo, NY area, April/May; and Richard Perry, North Carolina area, May 15th.

Three events are tentatively scheduled for the fall of 1983. They will be held in St. Louis, Minneapolis and New York City.

For information on events in your region, contact the local planners or LHRAA, 2703 N. Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53210, 414/871-7300.

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Workshops focus on U. S. Budget

by Helen Roang

Human problems rising out of changes in laws and shifts in the federal budget over the past two years have been the focus of a series of regional workshops sponsored throughout the U.S. by the Western Center on Law and Poverty in Los Angeles.

The first of these workshops was a Midwest Legal Services Training Conference attracting 190 delegates from six states, held at Madison, WI, under joint auspices of the Wisconsin Nutrition Project and Western Wisconsin Legal Services.

The main thrust of the three-day meeting was to lay the groundwork for organization of a network of concerned groups who might have an impact on the 1983 Congress and the various state legislatures. The objective is to turn the federal budget tide from Pentagon needs back to human needs.

Perceiving the budget process itself to be the heart of the problem as well as the source of solutions, the group agreed on a strategy centered on a five-point proposal as follows:

1. Save \$30 to \$40 billion out of the defense budget by limiting the spending growth to the 7 percent proposed by the President, rather than going with the 11 growth rate proposed by Congress. This money should then be used to create the beginnings of a job development program.
2. Raise \$30 to \$40 billion of new

revenue by eliminating many tax loopholes now giving unfair advantages to the rich.

3. Save the third year tax cut, since this will go mainly to working people.

4. All new revenue is to go to job development and related human programs.

5. NO CUTS to be made in human needs spending areas of the 1984 budget.

The Western Center on Law and Poverty has some funding to support follow-up ef-

orts on these proposals. States in the Midwest will coordinate their efforts through Michael Conner at the Illinois State Support Center, 343 South Dearborn Avenue, Chicago, IL 60604. Interested persons may direct suggestions and questions to his office.

Helen Roang, from Edgerton, Wisconsin, is a homemaker and "Another Grandmother for Peace."

The partnership continues...

Indian Concerns Sunday

March 20, 1983



The March VANGUARD will again include special reports and commentary. Order extra copies for your congregation at \$5.00 per 100 from Lutheran Human Relations, 2703 N. Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee WI 53210, 414/871-7300.

Resource materials are available from LHRAA, NILB and from the national offices of each Lutheran church body. Or order offering envelopes and bulletin inserts from the American Lutheran Church-DSMA (free to ALC congregations; \$4.00 per 100 for others), 422 S. Fifth St., Minneapolis, MN 55415.

Help us before we are yet wiped out

by Kim Zalent

Often obscured in the reports of the diplomatic maneuvering around free elections for Namibia is the fact that hundreds of thousands of Namibians are being killed by the South African defense force and by extreme racism, poverty, unsafe working conditions and poor health care. "Help us before we are yet wiped out," asks the Evangelical Lutheran Ovambokavango Church. (See the December, 1982 VANGUARD for a recent Lutheran World Ministries statement on Namibia.)

In late November, over 100 people from 12 countries, and representatives of the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) gathered in Washington, D. C. to discuss the role of transnational corporations in the oppression of the people of Namibia. This "International Seminar on the Role of Transnational Corporations in Namibia" was sponsored by the United Nations Council on Namibia, and was organized by the American Committee on Africa. Sean MacBride, former UN Commissioner for Namibia and Nobel Peace

Laureate was the president of the seminar.

In looking at ways that groups around the world can support the Namibian struggle for independence, it is not surprising that Lutherans from Sweden, Norway, West Germany, and the United States were heavily represented. Over 75 percent of Namibians are Christians -- the majority being members of the Lutheran Church. One Lutheran, Dag Hareide, from Norway told conference participants how his small town of 16,000 -- from nursery school children to nursing home residents raised over one million dollars to aid SWAPO.

The role of transnational corporations in Namibia has not been widely discussed or publicized in this country, even though activists in other parts of the world have succeeded in making the purchase of Namibian uranium a public issue. As the conference papers amply documented, transnationals from all over the world are stealing the wealth of the Namibian people.

The once rich fishing waters of Namibia have nearly been depleted, and many of the numerous canning factories have been closed. Irreplaceable minerals such as uranium, diamonds, lead, zinc and cad-

mium are being mined at tremendous profit for transnational corporations. One U.S.-owned corporation, Tsumeb, controls about one third of Namibia's mineral production and exports. (AMAX, Inc., and Newmont Mining are U.S. parent corporations). Many parallels can also be drawn to U.S. corporate presence in South Africa.

Fearing that Namibia's resources would be completely exhausted before independence was reached, the United Nations Council for Namibia adopted Decree Number 1 in 1974, which makes it illegal to extract or export Namibia's wealth without the consent of the Council. While Namibia is not the only Third World country suffering depletion of its natural resources, it is the only country in the world where international law makes this practice illegal and where corporations and countries may be held liable for damages by the future government of an independent Namibia. Unfortunately, the U. S. government has ignored Decree Number 1, as have private firms which operate there.

Readers of the VANGUARD who would like to know more about the role of

transnationals in Namibia without wading through stacks of U.N. documents can order a copy of *Namibia's Stolen Wealth: North American Investments and South African Occupation* from The Africa Fund/American Committee on Africa, 198 Broadway, New York, NY 10038. Cost \$2.50. This is an excellent addition to the resources available from Lutheran World Ministries, the ALC and the LCA, all of whom have strongly supported SWAPO and Namibian independence.

It has been over 15 years since the U.N. declared South African occupation of Namibia to be illegal. As the plea of the Ovambokavango Lutheran Church rings in our ears, we must painfully and carefully study how our country and its transnational corporations have obstructed the independence of the Namibian people and prolonged the suffering of our Christian sisters and brothers.

Kim Zalent is Coordinator of the New Wine Exchange and of the Lutheran Coalition on Southern Africa.

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Namibia Conference...

Kim Zalent (left) of Cleveland, Solveig Kjeseth of Dubuque, Iowa and Dumisani Kumalo, an exiled South African, were participants at the recent "International Conference on Namibia." Kjeseth is the coordinator of an American Lutheran Church Namibia Conference scheduled for March 4-6 at Wartburg Seminary. For registration information contact: Namibia Conference, Wartburg Seminary, 333 Wartburg Place, Dubuque, IA 52001.



30th Anniversary

The unfinished task...

The unfinished task of U.S. democracy, and, of necessity, the ongoing concern of the church is clearly expressed in the 1962 Holiday Seal Campaign letter of the national Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

"All during 1963 there will be speeches, demonstrations, newspaper features, radio and television programs in observance of the hundredth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. The NAACP will be doing its share, as it should, to bring home to people's hearts and minds the significance of that historic step.

"The Presidential Order ending Negro slavery in the rebellious states gave the Civil War a meaning for all mankind, a meaning which up to that time it had not had. The war became a struggle against the greatest of evils, and it is fair to say that, without the abolition of slavery as its purpose, it would not have mattered very much whether the North or the South was victorious on the field of battle.

But a celebration of the Emancipation Centennial that did not focus on the unfinished business of Emancipation would be just as meaningless. So long as Black citizens are shot down, their churches burned, their livelihoods ended because they want to cast a ballot, Emancipation is not finished. So long as Negro children are denied the educational opportunity which is their birthright -- be they in the North or in the South -- Emancipation is not finished. Wherever and whenever the color of his skin keeps an American from buying the home of his choice or getting the job he needs or eating the meal he is ready to pay for, Emancipation is not finished."

January 1, 1983 marked the 120th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation
—Reprinted from the April 1963, VANGUARD.

Are you interested in serving on LHRAA's board of directors.. Would you like to recommend someone else.. Send name(s), address, and brief background to the chairperson of the board's nominating committee, c/o Sam Hernandez, 375 N. Fulton, Suite A, Fresno, CA 93701. Deadline: March 1.



Honorary Committee member...

Illinois Congressman Paul Simon, pictured with an LHRAA T-shirt, is a member of the Association's 30th Anniversary Honorary Committee. Simon was one of seven individuals who made up the first board of directors of Lutheran Human Relations.

COMMENTARY

by Jim Smith

Advocacy is a strong expression of the church speaking out for the poor and the powerless. It is a viable way for an individual to make his or her voice heard where it counts in government.

How does one get started in advocacy? Here are some ways we found in establishing and maintaining a present network of some 450 congregations.

1. BE PREPARED.

Set up a file for each subject area about which you are concerned. You can include in it information from sources such as: your synod and district leaders; news clippings; names of congressional members of the committees dealing with each issue; and drafts and copies of letters to legislators.

Know the name, number and brief description of the legislation involved, what you specifically want to happen and why.

2. VISIT YOUR MEMBER OF CONGRESS IF POSSIBLE.

A face-to-face meeting has no substitute. Call the appropriate office and make an appointment for when Con-

gress is in recess or your senator and/or representative is in town. Be sure you can present your case clearly and succinctly.

Usually Congress people welcome such visits. They recognize the interests of someone who takes the trouble to talk to them.

3. DIRECT YOUR EFFORTS TO THE RIGHT PEOPLE.

Write to your own members of Congress. If you write to those outside your state or district, they will normally pass the letter to your senator and/or representative. If your members of Congress are not on the committee dealing with particular issues, know who you want reached with your message. Ask your district representative and senators to convey your concern to the chairperson or another member. If you can "win" the committee, your task is more than half done.

4. WRITE AN ORIGINAL LETTER.

Read sample paragraphs and outlines, but use your own words for the best effect. You can send the same letter to several members of Congress. If you organize a letter-

writing campaign, provide only the bare-bones outline for individuals to follow in making up their own letters so that the letters the members of Congress receive are not identical.

Keep your letter devoted to one issue. Do not mix refugee matters with a tobacco tax or with a steel import duty. Send a separate letter on each subject.

Suggest that the member of Congress review the issues with your views in mind.

Do not demand or threaten. Be constructive. Every bill will contain something you can look on with favor.

Be positive in outlining the paragraphs with which you disagree or cannot support.

Don't be long-winded. Try to keep your letter to one page or even a postcard.

5. CALL IF YOU PREFER.

If you face a time limit or an urgent need, call your congressional member to register your opinion.

Jim Smith is a Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service Regional Consultant (Ohio).

February is Black History Month

Thank you...

Thank you, Crispus Attucks, for falling in the cause of liberty.

Thank you, Harriet Tubman and Nat Turner, too, for so strongly backing up the belief that all are born free.

Thank you, Black composers, known and unknown, for lifting the spirit above the darkness of slavery through soul-stirring song that lighted the flame of faith, enabling us to survive.

Thank you, W. C. Handy, Bessie Smith, Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, Ethel Waters, Mahalia Jackson, Charlie Parker, Billie Holiday and Nat King Cole, for the songs that you sang and the music you played.

And thank you, Robert S. Abbott, for establishing newspapers that helped to enlighten us of our Black awareness and pride.

Thank you, Madame C. J. Walker, for your enlightened vision that caused us to see just how very beautiful Black can be.

Thank you, George Washington Carver and Percy Julian, for all of the contributions your great scientific minds made.

Thank you, Jack Johnson, for being a man. And you, Jesse Owens, for being a master of every race you ran.

Thank you Langston Hughes, James Baldwin and Gwendolyn Brooks, for your artistic integrity and masterful books.

Thank you, Jackie Robinson, for knocking the balls out of the park and proving we deserved to be inside.

Thank you, A. Philip Randolph, Ralph Bunche, Roy Wilkins, Rosa Parks and Whitney Young, for leading us toward a freedom so long denied.

And thank you, Martin, Malcolm and Medgar, for reawakening the cause, for which you died.

Thank you, "shoeshine boys," struggling physicians, caddies, sleeping car porters, mamas, grandmamas and daddies, for the sacrifices you made.

Thank you all for your strength and comforting aid. Without you and so many others, some renowned but most unknown, there's surely no way that any of us who have achieved some success would be where we are today.

RESOURCES

Josiah Kibira posters, \$2.00

Martin Luther King, Jr. buttons, \$1.00

Definitions of Racism, \$.50

Fact sheet on Institutional Racism, \$2.50

PUBLICATIONS

Racial Transition in the church, by James Davis and Woody White. \$5.95

Liberating Our White Ghetto, by Joseph Barndt. \$2.50

For Whites Only, by Bob Terry. \$3.95

Songs of Zion, a supplemental hymnal. \$5.95

Almost a Layman, by Samuel Hoard. \$6.50

Let the Righteous Speak, by Clemonce Sabourin. \$2.00

Violence, the KKK and the Struggle for Equality, \$4.95

A Resurgence of the KKK, \$1.00

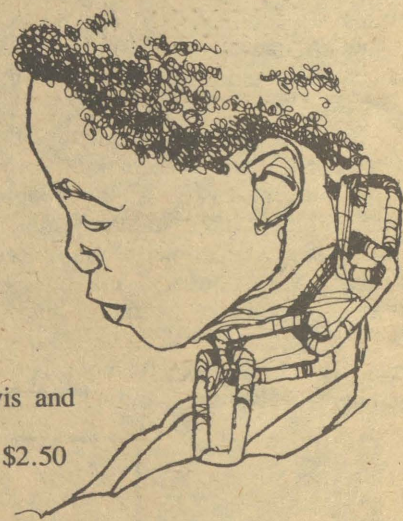
The KKK: A history of Racism and Violence, \$1.50

FILMS AND FILMSTRIPS

RESURGENCE: the Movement for Equality vs. the Ku Klux Klan, 54 minutes, 16mm, \$25.00 rental includes postage and handling.

Understanding Institutional Racism, 17 minutes, filmstrip

An Equal Chance, Fighting Discrimination, The Secret of Goodasme, 3 filmstrips to aid understanding of racism and sexism for young people. All filmstrip rentals are \$12.00; each includes postage and handling.



Artist Peter Cramer

MINISTERIO HISPANO: UN RETO Y UNA OPORTUNIDAD

Por Samuel Hernandez

Hispanic ministries:

A challenge and opportunity

by Samuel Hernandez

Almost 20 million Hispanics live in the United States. Many reside in rural areas, but the vast majority live in cities like Los Angeles, New York, Miami and other urban areas.

Today there are many fast-growing Hispanic Communities throughout the country where the Lutheran Church has little or no involvement, either through congregational or service ministries, and where there are no mainline denominations ministering to the people's needs.

The tangible undeniable reality of this growing population is that their main language is Spanish, and that their cultural historical experience is different from what we as Lutherans are accustomed to. Still, we should feel the urgent calling and ordering to go and preach the good news to this particular group of people. As Christians, we should feel more than a passionate and passing sympathy for those that are losing their opportunity to experience a new life with Christ. If we truly feel the presence of God's love who loves the whole world equally, we should feel compelled to share God's message of liberation with our hispanic brothers and sisters.

It is expected that by 1985 the number of Hispanic Americans, will exceed 30 million, becoming the largest minority group in the United States. At this moment in the states of the Southwest, like Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and California, the Hispanics exceed the Blacks, Asians and other minorities. In reality, the hispanic population surpasses the anglos in many of our cities and towns.

Los Angeles, with two million people who are hispanic, claims to be the second largest city populated by Mexicans. Mexico City is First.

In the same way, New York is considered the city with more Puerto Ricans, second only to the Metropolitan Area of San Juan Puerto Rico. The history of the Hispanic people who live in the United States dates back Ponce de Leon who searched for the "fountain of youth" in the lands of Florida, long before it occurred to the Pilgrims to establish themselves on the coastline of what we know today as Massachusetts.

The colossal growth of the Hispanic population is undoubtedly a phenomena that has occurred in recent times. A bicultural and bilingual movement emerges out of this contemporary reality. A challenge for a church that cares for all persons. An opportunity for the church to become a servant to all. A challenge for the church to become inclusive while respecting the language and cultures of individuals.

Samuel Hernandez of Fresno, CA is Director of Hispanic Ministries for the South Pacific District of the American Lutheran Church and a member of the board of directors LHRAA.

Alrededor de 20 millones de Hispanos están viviendo en el continente de los Estados Unidos de América. Muchos residen en áreas rurales, pero, la gran mayoría viven en ciudades grandes como: Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Miami y otras áreas urbanas.

Hoy existen muchos grupos que en forma acelerada están creciendo en toda esta nación, en donde la Iglesia Luterana tiene pocos o ninguna clase de involucramiento tanto como congregación o como servicios ministeriales.

La realidad innegable de esta población que crece es que la experiencia histórica cultural es completamente diferente a como nosotros los Luteranos estamos acostumbrados. Apesar de esto, nosotros deberíamos sentir el llamado y ordenanza de ir y predicar las buenas nuevas a este grupo de personas. Como cristianos, nosotros debemos sentir algo más que una pasión y pasajera simpatía para aquellos que están perdiendo la oportunidad de experimentar una nueva vida en Cristo. Si nosotros en realidad sentimos la presencia del amor de Dios el cual une a todo el mundo igual, nosotros deberíamos sentir la motivación de compartir el mensaje por libertador de dios con nuestros hermano y hermanas Hispanas.

Se espera que para el año 1985 el número de Hispanos Americanos, podrá pasar la marca de 30 millones, llegando a hacer el más grande grupo minoritario en los Estados Unidos. En estos momentos en los estados del sur-oeste, como Texas, Colorado, Nuevo México, Arizona y California, los Hispanos exceden a los negros, asiáticos y otras minorías. En realidad, la población hispana excede a los anglos en muchas de nuestra ciudades y pueblos.

Los Angeles, teniendo dos millones de personas que son hispanas, reclama ser la segunda ciudad más grande en población mexicana. La ciudad de México es la primera.

De la misma manera, New York está considerada la ciudad en donde existen más puertorriqueños, segundo solamente al área metropolitana de San Juan, Puerto Rico. La historia del pueblo Hispano que vive en los Estados Unidos tiene un trasfondo en el descubrimiento de América y ha Ponce de León ya buscaba la "Fuente de la Juventud" en las tierras de Florida, mucho antes del establecimiento de los peregrinos en las líneas costales que se conocen hoy como Massachusetts.

El crecimiento colosal de la población Hispana es el fenomenal más estupendo que haya ocurrido en mucho reciente tiempo. Movimientos biculturales y bilingües han surgido de esta realidad contemporánea. Un reto para una Iglesia que se preocupa por el bienestar de todas las personas. Una oportunidad para la Iglesia en convertirse en servidora de todos. Un reto para las Iglesias en llegar hacer receptibles al lenguaje y forma culturales de individuos.

El Señor Samuel Hernandez es de Fresno, California y es el director de El Ministerio Hispano para el distrito del Sur Pacífico de la Iglesia Luterana Americana.

Four myths about women making money

From: The Tribune - Women and Development Quarterly, 18/82

1. Women don't need to earn money. Their husbands, fathers and sons will provide for them and their families.

The truth is around the world, more women than men are solely responsible for families. Women head 33 percent of

households in the Dominican Republic, 46 percent in Botswana, 42.9 percent in Barbados. Worldwide, 33 percent of households depend entirely on women.

2. We're having a difficult time finding enough jobs and businesses for men in the country. If we open up opportunities for women, the men will suffer.

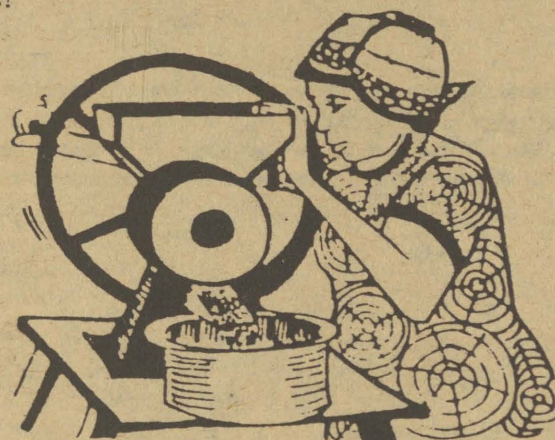
The truth is, helping women to start their own enterprises has the potential to create opportunities for everyone. Currently, 60 - 80 percent of the labor force is employed by small businesses. Helping good businesswomen will stimulate the economy and create more jobs.

3. Men have always been the breadwinners and the business people. It is unnatural for women to have an interest in business.

The truth is, in societies throughout the world, women have controlled parts of the economy. In Jamaica, women owned a large part of the guest inns and small hotels until industrialization pushed them out. Look around the marketplace! Who's doing business?

4. Okay, if women need money, have experience in handling money and running businesses, why aren't they

The truth is, women work longer hours than men and perform a wider variety of tasks ... in nearly every part of the world. After a 14-hour day of washing, cleaning, caring for children and doing numerous other chores, don't you think it might be difficult to find time for developing market strategies?



BOOKS·BOOKS·BOOKS

Two by Maguire

A NEW AMERICAN JUSTICE

by Daniel Maguire

Winston Press, 1982 Paper

THE NEW SUBVERSIVES: Anti-Americanism of the Religious Right

by Daniel Maguire

Continuum Company, Ny, NY, 1982, \$9.95

Marquette University professor of ethics Daniel C. Maguire presents a winsome argument for preferential affirmative action in his book, *A New American Justice*. He carefully outlines philosophical, practical, moral and legal points in support of his thesis that ordinary American thinking about justice is muddled, especially it fails to recognize that preference is due to minority persons in order that discrimination on the basis of race, sex, etc. may be eliminated.

Maguire sees redistribution of opportunity in education and employment as the big agenda for American justice in the coming century, believing that our society's institutions will take a long time to change. Superficial understandings of justice will slow those needed changes, so he devotes this book to deepening the reader's grasp of what justice is, how it differs from equality, and how it relates to the common good.

Citing the Supreme Court decisions in the *Bakke* and *Weber* cases, Maguire argues that justice for all means preference for some -- meaning that some sacrifices on the part of the white male group in society (the currently favored

class) are called for so that the forces now limiting minorities (Blacks, women, Native Americans and Hispanics) may be broken. His persuasive and thoughtful treatment of justice has even this white male reviewer convinced of his argument. Anyone who wavers on the point of preferential opportunity for minorities can clarify his or her thinking by reading Maguire.

Reviewer Elmer B. Sterner is Pastor of Atonement Lutheran Church, Beloit, WI.

The New Subversives takes a strong stand on the morality and the politics of the religious right. What Maguire portrays is a neo-fascist movement in which the Bible is used very selectively to buttress the vision of a political order that does not find its origins in the Bible. In reaching this conclusion considerable background material is given on the history of the Christian moral traditions relevant to the questions the religious right is raising. In particular, their push for a "Family Protection Act" and their emphasis on continued American military buildup are analysed in detail.

Maguire concludes the book on a hopeful note. Warning against paranoia, he urges us to take the religious right seriously; to look at it more deeply than we might have; and to directly confront the issues that are being raised. In the opinion of this reviewer, the book is the best that has been published so far on the program and the tactics of the religious right, and is worth far more than its modest cost.

Reviewer Kenneth Christiansen is Associate Professor of Religion and Sociology at Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio.

WHY CHRISTIANS BURNOUT

Thomas Nelson, 1982, \$4.95

by Charles, Perry, Jr.

Burnout is a faddish word of our day that seems to mean everything and nothing. A presentation of the phenomenon attracts many but is it an appropriate description for Christians? Burnout assumes destruction of property -- not so for people. Exhausted people "wind-down" (not burn out) and so we might best talk about Christian renewal, not burnout. II Corinthians 5:17 is appropriate, "Old things pass away ... All things become new." Oh well, enough for a cause.

Charles Perry, Jr. tells a compelling personal story of his own renewal. His explanation of the variety of causes is helpful. A particularly helpful insight is his understanding of the professional mystique. In short, our dream of a perfect life calling is an illusion that needs checking. The assumption that a profession can assure autonomy, fulfillment, competence, unity of colleagues, and other such features is illusory. This professional mystique significantly leads to workaholicism and eventually to burnout.

Be wary of the theology of this book that tends to be triumphalistic ("The Holy Spirit will automatically introduce new traits ... into an individual's nature" page 128) and is suspect. However, on the whole, this is an excellent resource for "stressed-up" Christians.

Reviewer William C. Behrens is the Director of Support Systems For the Office of Support to Ministries of the American Lutheran Church.

Celebrate the Struggle

1983 Human Relations Institute, July 29-31, Carroll College
Waukesha, Wisconsin



Coretta Scott King



Paul Schulze



Albert Pero, Jr.



Karl Lutze

July, 1983 marks the celebration of Lutheran Human Relations' thirty years of ministry. "Justice for all people of God." That's the reason LHRAA began thirty years ago, and that's the reason it continues today. Hope, excitement, and disappointment have been a part of the thirty year struggle of the Association. This July 29-31 you can CELEBRATE THE STRUGGLE at the 1983 Human Relations Institute.

Coretta Scott King will be the Institute guest speaker. She is the President of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-violent Social Change in Atlanta, Georgia. The Center is a living memorial to Dr. King and a focal point for continuing the nonviolent campaign for social, political, and economic justice throughout the world. Mrs. King will address the Institute on Friday evening, July 29th.

Encouraging and leading participants in their celebration of the struggle for justice will be the task of the moderator for the weekend, Paul Schulze. He will lead participants into a look at oppression today. And he will call participants to continue to struggle and celebrate.

Pastor Schulze is currently serving St. James Lutheran Church in Richmond, California, and he is the Director of Contextual Education at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. He is a son of An-

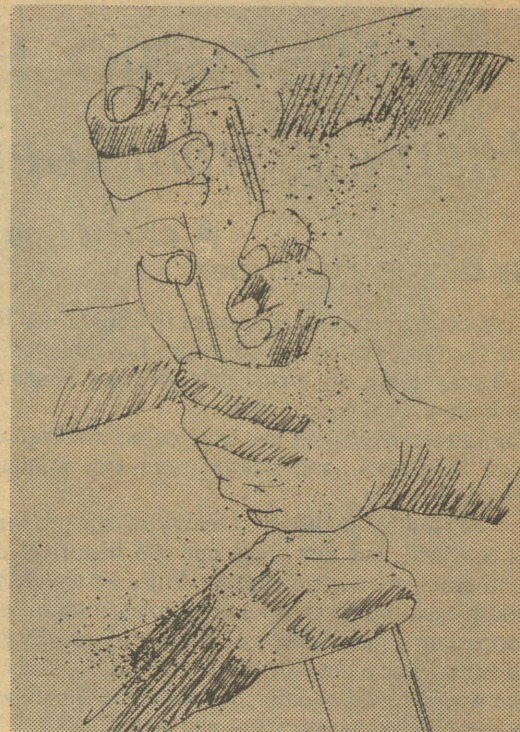
drew Schulze, the first director of LHRAA.

On Friday afternoon, Dr. Albert Pero, Jr., Chair of the Systematic Theology Department of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago will share his reflections on 30 years of struggle, and will help Institute participants recall their steps in the journey.

Pastor Karl Lutze will be the preacher for the Sunday Morning Eucharist. Pastor Lutze served with LHRAA for almost 20 years, and from 1965-79 he was Executive Director. Since 1980 he has been the Director for Church Relations at Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana.

A day-long series of workshops on Saturday, July 30th will help participants gather information and share strategies for action on a variety of social justice issues. Other Institute activities will include worship and plenary sessions throughout the weekend.

The Institute has a special youth program and is open to all interested persons. Special rates and scholarships are available for second family members, students and children. For registration fees and further information contact: Ms. Kate Sterner, Registrar: LHRAA, 2703 N. Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53210, 414/871-7300.



Watt statement causes concern

Recent statements about Native Americans and reservation policy by Secretary of the Interior James Watt have caused concern among folks in Indian Country.

Eugene Crawford, executive director of the National Indian Lutheran Board said in an interview that while Watt spent time listing problems, he didn't put much emphasis on the causes.

Crawford noted that "the reasons we have problems is the poor response of the federal government in fulfilling its trust responsibility."

Noting that news reports may have reported Watt's comments out of context, Crawford stated that he was still concerned because the problems used as examples by the Secretary only re-enforce stereotypes commonly held by Whites who live near reservations.

Crawford reported that Indian leaders were also concerned with Watt's comments

linking reservations with the failures of socialism, especially Russia. "This implies that tribal governments are undemocratic or subversive," Crawford said, "and there's nothing more democratic than tribal council meetings--they're closer to the New England town meeting."

When questioned on the television program "Counterpoint," Watt had said that he did not intend to abolish the trust/treaty relationship between the federal government and tribes.

Crawford pointed out that on January 14th of this year, the administration released and Indian Policy Statement which, among other points, called on the Congress to repudiate a House Action from the 1950's which led to termination of the Menomonee and other tribal groupings.

Crawford reflected that ultimately, only Congress, and not any administration, can terminate Indian treaties.

IN THE NEWS ...

Lois Brunsting, former LHRAA boardmember and coordinator of LHRAA activities in the Los Angeles area died in early December in Long Beach, California.

A National Week for Pursuing Peace with Justice scheduled for May 22-29 will culminate with the celebration of Peace Sabbath/Peace Sunday (May 27-29). The effort is designed to encourage a variety of activities focussed on justice and peace issues. For more information contact The Fellowship of Reconciliation, Box 271, Nyack, NY 10960.

A twelve page viewer's guide for Richard Attenborough's film, *Gandhi* is available for \$1.50 from Cultural Information Service, P. O. Box 92, New York, NY 10156.

The Infant Formula Action Coalition (INFAC) has announced a National Action campaign targeting Nestle's *Taster's Choice coffee* for intensified boycott activities. This product accounts for the largest percent of Nestle's sales in the U.S. and is easily substitutable by other products.

Bread for the World is seeking individuals to participate in the 1983 Summer Organizing Project June 8 through August 17. In the project, individuals participate in a ten day orientation in Washington, DC, and are then placed in a certain part of the country to work with a BFW local group for eight weeks in organizing Christians to be involved in public policies on hunger. For more information contact Sharon Pauling, Bread for the World, 6411 Chillum Place, NW, Washington, DC, 20012, (202)722-4100.

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ORGANIZED RACIAL VIOLENCE: NEW TRENDS

The 1982 Programme to Combat Racism information report of the World Council of Churches includes articles about racial violence in Europe, the United States, Brazil, Guatemala and Sri Lanka. There are eight separate reports. The booklet also includes book reviews, announcements and a two page listing of new resources. **FROM:** World Council of Churches, Programme Unit on Justice and Service Commission on the Programme to Combat Racism 150, Route de Ferny, P. O. Box 66, 1221 Geneva 20, Switzerland. Single copies are free.

MY PEOPLE, I AM YOUR SECURITY

Subtitled "Worship Resources in a Nuclear Age", this 64 page, spiral bound book is packed full of prayers, scripture references, sermons, readings, direction to a liturgical dance, benedictions, and other selected resources and study materials. **FROM:** Sojourners, 1309 L. Street NW, Washington, DC 20005, \$2.50 a copy.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT ON THE JOB

This guide for employers was prepared by the New Hampshire Advisory Commission on Civil Rights. This 22 page booklet covers an overview of sexual harassment as it affects employers and employees. It also treats the legal status of the sexual harassment issue. Included in the booklet are concrete recommendations for setting sexual harassment policies and for determining if sexual harassment exists in a workplace. **FROM:** U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., 20435.

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This well written report has four major sections: 1) Women in Families, 2) Girls and Young Women, 3) Women in the Workforce, 4) Older Women. The message that comes from the report is that the Reagan budget is unfair to women. The 70 plus typed pages are filled with statistics detailed analysis of the federal budget proposals for 1983. **FROM:** Women and Foundations/Corporate Philanthropy, 70 West 40th Street, New York, NY 10018.

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE

A detailed outline for a weekend workshop on the nuclear arms race. Richard Taylor, the author, furnishes a suggested time line, materials, and exercises to fill a week-end workshop from Friday evening through Sunday afternoon. The outline contains a variety of teaching techniques and styles which provide a multi-level learning experience for participants. A good resource for workshop planners and leaders. **FROM:** Evangelicals for Social Action, 25 Commerce SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. \$5.00 each.

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This is an intergenerational study packet designed to help families or groups discover what the Bible teaches about Jubilee -- God's vision of justice and celebration. **FROM:** Jubilee Crafts, 300 West Apsley Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19144. \$5.00

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