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Bishop Baraga Foundation

In the annals of American pioneering, few figures played more dramatic roles than Bishop Frederic Baraga. Before being consecrated first bishop of Upper Michigan in 1853, he spent 23 years as a missionary to the Indians of the Upper Great Lakes. They were years marked by physical danger, almost incredible hardship and the supreme dedication that have characterized the pioneer life throughout history. The colorful sobriquets that have been coined for him testify to his heroic stature — "Shepherd of the Wilderness," "The Snowshoe Priest" and "Apostle of the Lakelands." Both as a missionary and as the first bishop of the Diocese of Marquette, Father Baraga was among the prime developers of the Upper Peninsula.

It is altogether fitting that the newly organized Bishop Baraga Foundation should undertake as its first project a monument to this great man. It is fitting also that this monument, to be known as the Shrine of the Snowshoe Priest, should be erected in Baraga County, which was named after him and which was the site of his last major mission.

A non-profit corporation, the foundation plans to raise quite a few thousands of dollars to construct a very impressive memorial to Bishop Baraga above the Red Rock Bluffs overlooking Lake Superior's Keweenaw Bay between Baraga and L'Anse. The monument will be the equivalent of six stories in height. It will depict Baraga the missionary standing erect with a cross in one hand and a pair of snowshoes in the other. The Baraga figure will be 35 feet tall and will stand on a "cloud" of stainless steel supported by five laminated wood arches rising from concrete tepees representing the priest's five major missions.

The indefatigable Bernard J. Lambert of L'Anse is president of the Bishop Baraga Foundation. He is well-qualified for the assignment, having written a biography of Bishop Baraga entitled "Shepherd of the Wilderness."

The Proof Of The Pudding



Andrew Tully:

'Support' For Lindsay

WASHINGTON — Mayor Lindsay's kind of people. But the circumstances involved in Lindsay's run for state and national office are not ordinary. Warning From Voters

is not quite bowled over by "Referendum '70's" pledge — or threat — to support him for governor. His dilemma is the age-old one of requiring protection from one's friends. Lindsay has acknowledged to intimates that the support of Galbraith and Co. would help him enormously with liberals, but he noted that he already has the liberals and must look for a way to win points with voters.

Business Mirror:

Ill Effects Of Inflation Far-Reaching

By JOHN CUNIFF
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NEW YORK (AP) — Most people agree that persistent inflation produces serious dislocations in the economy of a nation, but most people also tend to believe that the damage is almost solely in the financial area.

This isn't quite true. The financial damage is most easily observed, especially in its effects on those whose incomes do not keep pace with rising prices. But sociologists and others note a long list of other effects.

Threat To Freedom

Among them: —It threatens freedom. When inflation reaches a dangerous rate, as many economists feel it has, there is generally a clamor for controls on wages, prices and credit in order to stop the upward spiral.

During 1969 there was a surprising rise in the number of businessmen who called for such controls. The Nixon administration indicated that the rise was surprisingly strong, for business usually assumes a "hands off" attitude.

Chaos Of Market Values

Now, with inflation seeming to defy the best intentioned plans of the administration and the Federal Reserve, the attitude seems to persist and to pick up adherents among influential economic authorities.

The immediate loss of a certain amount of freedom might be small at first. But it's the precedent that counts.

—It tends to produce a chaos of market values. Reliable standards become abandoned.



(Contributions are invited. Letters should be limited to less than 300 words. Only signed letters will be considered for publication. Personal attacks on individuals will be eliminated.)

Black Power Minority

Last October's Washington Intelligence Report published by the U. S. Anti-Communist Congress, Inc., protested a chain store's support of the Black Panthers. Bobby Seale, president of the Black Panthers, says this paves the way for other chain stores to contribute to their cause, the overthrow of our government by force. The Black Panthers have put out a coloring book for children depicting all white policemen with the head of a pig, and it shows various ways of killing them. Are these stores being intimidated or are they doing it of their own volition? How long are we, the "silent majority," to tolerate the sellout of our freedom?

Locally, in our university, the Black Power advocates held our vice president. They emphasized their demands by breaking furniture and equipment in our university. Furthermore, 94 of these self-admitted students have shown their utter contempt for our laws by insisting they should be free from prosecution, and their present boycott of classes is further intimidation of our administrators.

Are the entry qualifications to our university so lenient that it attracts quantity students rather than quality? We grew from about 700 students to about 8,000 in a short time. Has it become a refuge for students rather than a place of learning?

We, the silent majority, will come in peaceful demonstration, we will not mimic those who have had so little exposure to the laws of our society. We shall come to oversee these public court hearings to judge if the court is a court of justice or a court of favor or just a courtship. We shall issue the following three manifestos:

1. Dismissal from Northern Michigan University of all 94 students involved in the demonstration plus Charles Griffin.
2. Abolish all student bodies in conflict with the administration of the university.
3. Make public all self-admitted 94 names of students involved in demonstration.

We feel sorry for the shame that the decent colored people have had to bear because of the black power minority. We invite them to join us to establish justice and freedom for all. We know that there are Patrick Henrys in every race, and they have died for this cherished freedom.

Heavenly Father, we pray that there be one place free from violence, lawlessness, crime, etc., where women and children can stroll in our cities and in our beautiful countryside without fear. Oh, Lord, let that place be our own Upper Peninsula

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