

Notes on People

Retort on Agnew Shocks Ford

"I have never heard such language in the House," said Representative Gerald R. Ford, the House Republican leader, as he demanded that Representative William Clay, a Missouri Democrat, apologize for remarks about Vice President Agnew.

Mr. Ford cited a page from the Congressional Record on which Mr. Clay was reported to have said:

"In my opinion our Vice President is seriously ill. He has all the symptoms of an intellectual misfit. His recent tirade against black leadership is just part of a game played by him . . . Apparently, Mr. Agnew is an intellectual sadist . . ."

There was even more sulphurous language in Mr. Clay's attack, which he made in joining other black leaders in a round of speeches criticizing Mr. Agnew for having contrasted the "moderation" of African leaders with "querulous complaints and constant recriminations against the rest of society" by American black leaders.

Mr. Clay was not on the House floor when Mr. Ford demanded the apology for Mr. Agnew. But later he said he had no intention of apologizing, adding: "Gerald Ford suffers from the same illness Agnew suffers from."

The newest member of the Ten Ton Club, an organization whose membership is limited to those who have piloted planes at speeds in excess of 1,000 miles an hour is Prince Charles, heir to the British throne. He flew an American-made Phantom jet fighter of the Royal Air Force at supersonic speeds over the sea off Scotland to qualify. The Ten Ton Club gets its name from R.A.F. pilots, who call 100 miles an hour a ton.

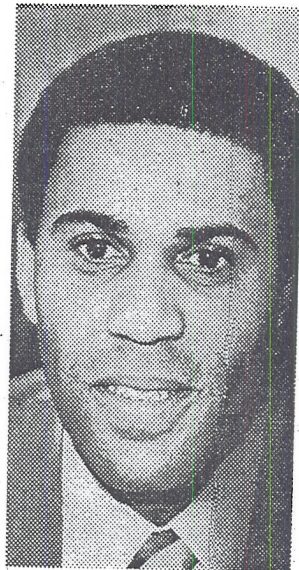
A new player in that political game called "Will Lindsay Switch?" is John J. Burns, the Democratic state chairman. "People close to the Mayor," he said yesterday, have assured him that Mayor Lindsay is about to transfer his political allegiance from the Republican to the Democratic party. "I would welcome him to the party," said Mr. Burns, adding that Mr. Lindsay would "add a great deal to the campaign" should he seek the Democratic Presidential nomination.

The Rev. Victor Salandini, the priest suspended by his bishop last week because he insisted on using corn tortillas instead of wheat hosts for communion and on wear-



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ing a peasant serape instead of the usual vestments during mass, has been reinstated. "Father Salandini met with Bishop Leo T. Maher and agreed to abide by liturgical rules," a spokesman for the Bishop of San Diego said.

One of Ralph Nader's original five raiders, John C. Esposito, said he was leaving Mr. Nader's service after four years. Mr. Esposito, an expert on air pollution and author of the book "Vanishing Air," said he and Mr. Nader were parting amicably and had discussed Mr. Esposito's future field: the problems of the blue-collar worker.

The 31-year-old Mr. Esposito said he was considering joining the Center for Ethnic Affairs in Washington. But wherever he works, he said, he wants to fight "the tendency on the part of liberals to dismiss these people [blue collar workers] as bigots . . . these people have very legitimate gripes."

Dr. Edward Teller, the physicist who played a major role in the development of the atomic and hydrogen bombs, was appointed to the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board by President Nixon. He succeeds Treasury Secretary John B. Connally. Members of the board, all of whom are from outside Government, advise the President on the quality and effectiveness of foreign intelligence organizations.

Pier Paolo Pasolini, the Marxist Italian film director, and five other persons were charged in Turin, Italy, with having incited soldiers to disobey the law and with subversive, antipatriotic propaganda. The director, whose

films include "The Gospel According to St. Matthew" and "Theorem," was for a few months editor of Continuous Struggle, a revolutionary journal. He and his co-defendants, all of whom also served as editors of the journal, were charged with having used pamphlets, manifestoes, and "subversive infiltration" of the armed forces to persuade soldiers not to do their duty. The defendants were ordered to appear in court Oct. 18.

The 60 girls in the Miss Universe contest now under way at Miami Beach were asked to name the "world's greatest man." President Nixon received six votes, U Thant and Pope Paul VI four each and Mao Tse-tung one. What about the other 45 votes? Well, all the other girls said their hearts belonged to Daddy. As Michele McDonald, the Miss U.S.A. entrant put it, "I'd vote for President Nixon in an election, but Daddy's No. 1 at home."

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