



CREDIT UNION DAY PROCLAIMED

Edmond Gallant, president of the Prince Edward Island Credit Union League (left) and Norma MacLean look on as Acting Premier J. David

Stewart signs the proclamation declaring Thursday, Oct. 17, Credit Union Day. The special day is designed to focus

attention on the Credit Union movement which is flourishing in this province.

Birth Control Debate Expected At Council

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Roman Catholic cleric from Holland solemnly wagged a finger and said: "We cannot act any longer as if there is no pill in the world."
He referred to the contraceptive pill.
This and other developments in medical science are at the base of a dialogue now proceeding in the Roman Catholic Church concerning its attitude to medical aids in the field of birth control.
In the United States, Britain, Latin America, India and elsewhere, the discussion continues, loaded with statistics about the population explosion and demands made on the consciences of individual Roman Catholics by the rigid law of the church in this area.
Birth control is expected to be debated in depth some time during the Vatican ecumenical council.
Catholicism always has maintained that marriage exists for the procreation of children. As long ago as 1930, Pope Pius XI declared in a famous encyclical: "Any use whatsoever of matrimony exercised in such a way that the act of sex is deliberately frustrated in its natural power to generate life is an offence against the law of God and of nature, and those who indulge in such are branded with the guilt of a grave sin."
The attitude of the church has not changed perceptibly since, but some Catholics now are asking for redefinition of the position. They want to know to what extent medical advances may be acceptable to the church without causing offence to the natural law long defended by the faith.
UP TO CONSCIENCE
In Holland, a progressive Dutch Roman Catholic bishop recently said the question of birth control was up to the conscience of individuals.
"By that he did not mean that a man can do what he likes," said a spokesman for the Dutch contingent of bishops attending the current session of the Vatican council. "The conscience of the individual has to be informed by divine law and the instruction of the church."
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Scientists Disagree On Origin Of Craters

OTTAWA (CP)—Two Canadian scientists have expressed sharp disagreement over the origin of a number of ancient craters discovered in recent years in northern Quebec, Ontario and Saskatchewan.
They gave their views at the annual meeting of the Meteorological Society, an international scientific body established to study craters on earth and on the moon.
Some 100 scientists from Canada and the U.S. are attending the two-day conference.
M. R. Dence of the Dominion Observatory said studies of the characteristics of 10 craters by observatory personnel indicate they were caused by huge meteorites plunging to earth millions of years ago.
However, Dr. K. L. Currie of the Geological Survey of Canada said none of the craters can be explained by the meteorite impact theory. He said they probably were caused by the escape of huge amounts of gas from the interior of the earth millions of years ago.
Three main craters were discussed.

Pacific Cable Is Completed
HONOLULU (AP)—The Commonwealth Pacific cable—a 8,700-mile communications system beneath the Pacific between Canada and Australia—was completed Wednesday a few miles off the Hawaiian island of Oahu.
The splicing completed part of a proposed global communications system that will join the nations of the British Commonwealth.
MY FAIR LADY
BOURNEMOUTH, England (CP)—This Hampshire seaside resort has started "Eliza Doolittle" courses to teach women etiquette, social graces—and how to handle over-eager boy friends.
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is that Catholics are barred from using artificial means of contraception to prevent pregnancies.
The Dutch are among national groups at this first ecumenical council of the 20th century who will press for guidance in this field. The spokesman gave this account of the contemporary problem confronting the church in his country:
In Holland, nearly a third of the country's 12,000,000 people are Catholics. The No. 1 problem for many Catholic families has become the church's restrictions on the methods of limiting the size of families.

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