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off. Pope Clementine

Sharon White

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: VATICAN SEMINARIA
THE VATICAN
SATURDAY, MAY 27, 1989

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It is a great privilege to meet with such a distinguished group, on such a wonderful day, in this magnificent setting.

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From ~~your~~ the N. Amer. College you can see

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From here, you can see St. Peter's, and the Eternal City.

And amid these pine trees which provide such beauty, you can feel the love of the Almighty who gives such beauty to life.

Barbara and I want to thank you for bringing a welcome touch of America to our European tour. We are truly honored that so many of you have taken time from your studies to greet us.

Sharon White
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Adv.

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My friends, you, too, work all day. You work in God's vineyard to glorify His name. And by devoting yourself to Christ, you embody the qualities that He asked us to heed.

And so does the man whom I have just had the honor of meeting. I have often said that any definition of a successful life must include serving others. Well, certainly His Holiness Pope John Paul II is a living example of that belief.

His Holiness has devoted his life to serving others by serving God and the gentler impulses of mankind. And my discussions with him focused on matters closest to his heart -- peace, freedom, and justice.

Ours was a talk I will long remember. And I leave inspired by his moral and spiritual leadership. That leadership, I know, has inspired you as well. As has your faith in a higher being through whom all things are possible.

I wish you well. And God-speed in your months and years of study to become servants of the Lord. And as I leave the Eternal City for Brussels to consult with our European allies, let me

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of another image of flight

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BOOK OF
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her fan to attract his attention. He turned on
her and said icily, "Madam, my first wife was a
Percy, and *she* never took such a liberty."

SOPHOCLES (496–406 BC), Greek dramatist. He wrote about 120 plays, which won him fame and popularity among his contemporaries; only seven tragedies survive, among them *Oedipus Rex* and *Antigone*.

1 At the age of eighty-nine Sophocles was brought before a court of law by his son, who, suspecting that the playwright intended to cut him out of his will, wished to have him certified as suffering from senility. Sophocles said simply, "If I am Sophocles, I am not out of my mind; if I am out of my mind, I am not Sophocles." He then proceeded to read to the court passages from the *Oedipus at Colonus*, which he had lately written but not yet staged. The judges dismissed the case.

SOUTHEY, Robert (1774–1843), British poet and prose writer; poet laureate (1813–43). His prose works include a *Life of Nelson* (1813), many letters, essays, and criticism.

1 Southey enjoyed making a parade of the regularity of his life and the industriousness of his habits. Intending to impress a certain Quaker lady, he told her the full routine of his day; rising at 5:00 A.M., reading Spanish from 6:00 to 8:00, reading French from 8:00 to 9:00, writing poetry for two hours, writing prose ditto, and so on through to bedtime. The lady heard his recital out and then asked, "And pray, Friend, when dost thou think?"

SPAAK, Paul Henri (1899–1972), Belgian statesman; socialist prime minister (1938–39, 1947–50) and four times foreign minister (1936–38, 1939–46, 1954–57, 1961–65). He was president of the first General Assembly of the United Nations (1946) and from 1957 to 1961 was secretary general of NATO.

1 Presiding over the first General Assembly meeting, Spaak closed it with these words: "Our agenda is now exhausted. The secretary general is exhausted. All of you are exhausted. I

find it comforting that, beginning with our very first day, we find ourselves in such complete unanimity."

SPEAIGHT, Robert William (1904–1976), English actor and author. He played most of the major Shakespearean roles at the Old Vic, London, in the 1930s. He also wrote a number of biographies.

1 Speaight once suffered a most embarrassing moment while playing the title role in a production of *Hamlet* at the Old Vic. A rather violent lunge in the fight scene caused him to rip his tights and inadvertently expose himself to the audience. Knowing Speaight to be an extremely sensitive man, the rest of the company tactfully "forgot" the incident. Later that season Speaight gave a magnificent performance as King John. Standing beside him in the gentlemen's lavatory one evening, a fellow actor struggled to think of something to say to the great man. "By the way, Bobby," he finally ventured, "may I say how much I admired your John?"

SPELLMAN, Francis Joseph (1889–1967), US Roman Catholic cardinal, nicknamed "the American pope."

1 As a boy of eight Frank Spellman used to help out in his father's grocery store. One piece of advice that Spellman Sr. gave his son stuck in the future cardinal's mind: "Always associate with people smarter than yourself, and you'll have no difficulty finding them."

2 Receiving a generous donation for charity from the Roman Catholic organization the Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Spellman presented the newly appointed Grand Knight with a medallion of Pope John XXIII. The Grand Knight, overcome by nerves, dropped the medallion and hastily bent down to retrieve it. As he did so, he heard the cardinal murmur, "Heads!"

3 In conversation with a local businessman in a busy New York post office, Cardinal Spellman happened to remark that he was feeling rather tired. "Tell me, Your Eminence," asked the businessman, "with all the work you do, do

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SPENCER, Herbert (1820–1903), *British philosopher and economist. He was a warm supporter of Darwinism and coined the phrase "the survival of the fittest" in his Principles of Biology (1864, 1867). He applied Darwinism to social and economic life in his numerous publications.*

1 Spencer was playing billiards with a subaltern who was a highly proficient player. In a game of fifty up Spencer gave a miss in balk and his opponent made a run of fifty and out in his first inning. The frustrated philosopher remarked, "A certain dexterity in games of skill argues a well-balanced mind, but such dexterity as you have shown is evidence, I fear, of a misspent youth."

{This anecdote is also ascribed to Robert Louis Stevenson.}



SPENSER, Edmund (?1552–99), *English poet. After studying at Cambridge, Spenser met Philip Sidney, with whom he formed a literary club, the Areopagus. Encouraged by this literary atmosphere, he published his first major work, The Shepherdes Calender (1579), and began his epic-romance The Faerie Queene (1589, 1596). He was granted a post in Ireland (1580) and spent much of the rest of his life there. In 1598 his residence, Kilcolman castle, was destroyed in a rebellion, and the poet returned destitute to England, where he died soon afterward.*

1 Spenser presented some of his poetry to Queen Elizabeth, who received it graciously and instructed the lord treasurer, Lord Burghley, to pay the poet a hundred pounds. Burghley, a prudent keeper of the royal purse-strings, protested that it was far too generous a recompense. "Then give him what is reason," said the queen. Burghley, however, conveniently forgot to make the payment, and Spenser waited patiently for some months. Eventually he decided

that he would have to petition the queen himself, so he found an opportunity to present to her the following rhyme: "I was promised on a time/ To have reason for my rhyme;/ From that time unto this season,/ I received nor rhyme nor reason." Elizabeth scolded Lord Burghley and ordered immediate payment.

2 When Spenser first showed portions of *The Faerie Queene* to the Earl of Southampton, that great connoisseur of literature was enchanted by what he read. "Go bear Master Spenser a gift of twenty pounds," he commanded his attendants. He read on, and again the charms of the poetry encouraged him to further generosity: "Go bear Master Spenser another twenty pounds." Still he went on reading, and then cried out a third time, "Go turn that fellow out of my house, for I shall be ruined if I read further."



SPILLANE, Mickey [Frank Morrison] (1918–), *US writer of detective stories featuring the character Mike Hammer.*

1 Authors become impatient with eager students of their work who find symbolism where none was intended. When the subject came up at a meeting of the Mystery Writers of America, Spillane dismissed any profound conclusions that might have been drawn from the drinking habits of his most famous character. "Mike Hammer drinks beer, not cognac, because I can't spell cognac," he declared.



SPOONER, William Archibald (1844–1930), *British scholar, Warden of New College, Oxford (1903–24). He gave his name to the verbal trick, accidental or otherwise, known as a spoonerism—the transposition of the initial letters of words, especially to give a comic effect; for instance, "a half-warmed fish" for "a half-formed wish."*

1 Announcing the next hymn in a service in New College chapel, Warden Spooner said, "Kinquering congs their titles take."

{This seems to be one of the best-attested spoonerisms, but there are of course scores of likely but probably apocryphal examples: calling Victoria "our queer old dean" in a service for her Jubilee; scolding an undergraduate for "hissing

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THE PRESIDENT'S GREETING TO AMERICAN SEMINARIANS

- o About two hundred American Catholic clergy, faculty, and seminarians have been invited by the North American College. American members of the Vatican hierarchy may also attend, as well as a small number of sisters.
- o Bishops from throughout the United States select potential future church leaders to study theology at undergraduate and graduate pontifical universities in Rome. The North American College acts as a home base for these students.
- o Cardinal Hickey of Washington served as Rector of the College from 1969-1974. The current Rector is Monsignor Lawrence Purcell, originally from Palm Springs, California. The Vice Rector, Reverend Joseph Donnelly, was born in Waterbury, Connecticut.
- o The event will be held in the Sala Clementina, an audience hall built in the late sixteenth century. Symbolic representations of charity, justice, religion, abundance and kindness adorn the side walls. The coat-of-arms of Pope Clement VIII (1592-1605) is set in the middle of the marble floor.

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SITE: PAPAL LIBRARY EVENT: MEETING OF PRESIDENT BUSH AND POPE JOHN PAUL II AND ROOM WHERE THEY EXCHANGE REMARKS AND GIFTS; PRESIDENT INTRODUCES OFFICIAL PARTY TO POPE THE POPE'S PRIVATE LIBRARY, WHERE IMPORTANT PERSONAGES ARE RECEIVED, IS PART OF THE POPE'S LIVING QUARTERS AND IS WHERE HE WORKS ON SPEECHES AND DOCUMENTS. THE BOOK SHELVES HOLD A COLLECTION OF PARE BIBLES AND COMPLETE SETS OF THE WRITINGS OF THE EARLY CHURCH FATHERS. SPACIOUS AND WELL LIT, THE PAPAL LIBRARY HAS FURNITURE FROM THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY. RELIGIOUS PAINTINGS ADORN THE WALLS INCLUDING THE FAMOUS WORK "CHRIST'S RESURRECTION" BY MID-RENAISSANCE PAINTER PIETRO VANNUCCI KNOWN AS "IL PERUGINO". SITE: CLEMENTINE ROOM - (SALA CLEMENTINA) EVENT: PRESIDENT'S GREETING TO AMERICAN SEMINARIANS AND OTHERS FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH THE POPE DESCRIPTION: THE SALA CLEMENTINA, BUILT BETWEEN THE CONFISCATES OF SIXTUS V (1585-1590) AND CLEMENT VIII (1592-1605), IS ONE OF A SUITE OF AUDIENCE HALLS IN THE VATICAN PALACE. THE DECORATION OF THE ROOM INCLUDES FRESCOS OF THE LIFE OF ST. CLEMENT AND OF THE BAPTISM OF CONSTANTINE. SYMBOLIC REPRESENTATIONS OF CHARITY,

THE CLEMENTINE ROOM WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNATED AS A HOLDING ROOM FOR THE SERVANTS WHO WOULD PRECEDE THE PERSONNELS ARRIVING ON OFFICIAL VISITS, SO THAT UNTIL A FEW YEARS AGO SOME BENCHES LINED THE WALLS. THROUGH RATHER AS A SIMPLE ATTACHEMENT, THE ROOM WAS ADDONED WITH ARTISTIC DECORATIONS BY CLEMENT VIII, WHO, AT THE END OF SIXTEENTH CENTURY, HAD IT FINISHED AND NAMED FOR HANSEL (IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FLOOR IN POLYCHROMATIC MARBLE) ONE CAN SEE HIS COAT-OF-ARMS AND THE HERALDIC SYMBOLS OF THE ALDOBRANDINI FAMILY. THE GOLDEN RAKE AND STARS). HE ORDERED THAT THE MARYSDON AND GLOVE OF WHAT BE PAINTED TO RECALL THE MARYSDON AND GLOVE OF THE FIRST CENTURY POPE CLEMENT I, WHO WAS THROWN INTO THE SEA WITH AN ANCHOR TIED TO HIS NECK. SITE: SISTINE CHAPEL EVENT: VISIT OF MRS. BARBARA BUSH DURING THE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH THE POPE. THE CHAPEL TAKES ITS NAME FROM ITS BUILDER, POPE SIXTUS IV. THE CHAPEL WAS COMPLETED IN 1483 AND ADORNED WITH FRESCOS BY COSIMO MOSCELLI, SANDRO BOTTIICELLI, DOMENICO GAMBELLINO AND PIETRO PERUGINO. CONCLAVES FOR THE ELECTION OF A NEW POPE AND CERTAIN RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES CELEBRATED BY THE HOLY FATHER ARE HELD HERE. THE CEILING WAS ORIGINALLY PAINTED WITH A SIMPLE STAR-STUDED SKY. HALF A CENTURY AFTER THE CHAPEL'S COMPLETION, POPE JULIUS II (1503-13) COMMISSIONED MICHELANGELO TO PAINT FRESCOS OF THE APOSTLES IN THE CORNERS OF THE LUNETTES. MICHELANGELO WORKED FROM 1511 TO 1512 TO CREATE THE MASTERPIECE THAT IS THE SISTINE CEILING WITH MAJESTIC REMINIONS OF EPISODES FROM GENESIS ("THE CREATION", "THE TEMPTATION", "THE SACRIFICE OF ISAAC"). THE ARTIST'S LAST JOINTMENT (WORKING FROM PARADISE", "THE FLOOD", AND "THE RAINBOW") IS NOTED FOR ITS OVERPOWERING

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O LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, FRIENDS. YOU KNOW, IT IS OFTEN SAID OF A GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL, "HE HASN'T GOT A PRAYER." WELL, I AM DELIGHTED TO MEET AN AUDIENCE ABOUT WHOM THAT WILL NEVER BE SAID.

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O BARBARA AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING A WELCOME TOUCH OF AMERICA TO OUR EUROPEAN TOUR. WE ARE HONORED THAT SO MANY OF YOU HAVE TAKEN TIME OUT TO GREET US.

O AS YOU MAY KNOW, I HAVE JUST COME FROM AN AUDIENCE WITH HIS HOLINESS POPE JOHN PAUL II.

O HIS HOLINESS HAS DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO SERVING OTHERS BY SERVING GOD. AND MY DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM FOCUSED ON MATTERS CLOSEST TO HIS HEART -- THINGS LIKE PEACE, FREEDOM, AND JUSTICE.

O OURS WAS A TALK I WILL LONG REMEMBER. AND I LEAVE INSPIRED BY HIS MORAL AND SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP. THAT LEADERSHIP, I KNOW, HAS INSPIRED YOU AS WELL. AS HAS YOUR FAITH IN AN ALMIGHTY THROUGH WHOM ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.

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O I WISH YOU WELL. AND GOD-SPEED AS YOU ACT AS
SERVANTS OF THE LORD. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT
TO SEE US, AND FOR YOUR WARM WELCOME. GOD BLESS YOUR
WORK, AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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Service determines success

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Volunteer life

Arch Bishop Marsilio
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Rector of N. Amer. College

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Amer - Cathol. clergy

Amer. - Cath. hierarchy

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& baptism of Constantine

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