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TO THE EDITOR:

I congratulate LINACRE QUARTERLY and Dr. McCleave for the "Two Faces, One Goal," article in the May issue. In the past, you have printed many interesting things which have helped me in my work but none of them has made me so glad to have a Chaplain's part in the Veterans Administration's program of total care as Dr. McCleave's has done.

Too few Americans, I believe, know how the opportunities for the practice of his religious faith by the disabled Veteran have long been integrated into the Veterans Administration's Medical, Surgical, Neuro-Psychiatric, and Domiciliary Planned Living and Rehabilitation Programs to make "total care" a reality.

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TO THE EDITOR:

Re: "Ovulation Regulation" in February Issue

I do not agree with Dr. Nabors of Dallas that Dr. Groden should be burned at the stake because of this article. (He may still receive the Nobel Prize.) I do agree with Dr. Nabors that some unproven conclusions seem to be made. However, it sounds logical that females with irregular cycles will ovulate only when ovulation is not suppressed. It makes me mad for not having thought of it first. I have found that BBT curves, Spinnbarkeit test, and arborization smears done from the 10th to 14th day of the cycle on the patients receiving a progestin, as suggested by Dr. Groden, do indicate early ovulation. Further study is definitely indicated before we start the fire.

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TO THE EDITOR:

I read with much interest in the February '65 issue of LINACRE QUARTERLY received by us today (9-4-65) an item under the caption "Dr. Cunningham in Audience with Pope Paul VI," wherein our worthy immediate past-president, "from observing the activities of this newly formed group (Indian and Asian Federation), feels it is the responsibility of American doctors to communicate as much as possible with physicians in other areas of the world." This sentiment is heartily recognized by Catholic physicians in India and we look forward to increased cooperation among physicians in the United States and here.

May I add we were both happy and honoured by the presence and active participation of Dr. Clem Cunningham in the Third Asian Congress of Catholic Doctors organized by us in Bombay in November 1964, and the paper entitled, "Rhythm Clinics in the United States" presented by him at the Congress is incorporated in the "Proceedings of the Congress," an elaborate brochure which we expect to have ready and sent you in a month's time.

We send our greetings to the members of the National Federation of Catholic Physicians Guilds through the columns of your esteemed paper.

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