

## Will Raise a Million Dollars.

**Knights of Columbus to Establish Recreation Centers at all the principal concentration camps and provide support for Catholic Chaplains.**

Confronted with the vast problem of caring for the spiritual and social welfare of the thousands of Catholic young men who will be drafted into the American Army, the Knights of Columbus has undertaken to raise the sum of one million dollars in order to provide recreation centers at all the principal concentration camps and to furnish support for Chaplains to minister to the Catholic soldiers. The following appeal, issued by the Supreme Knight to the Grand Knights of all subordinate Councils, shows eloquently the pressing need for this great work and also testifies to the promptness with which this great Catholic Order takes up this gigantic task.

**Knights of Columbus**  
New Haven, Conn.  
June 12, 1917.

Dear Sir and Brother:

A million men will soon be in concentration camps preparing for war. Thirty to forty percent of this number will be men of our Faith, many of them members of our Order, and all ready to give "the last measure of devotion" to our common Country.

Thousands of loved ones at home will be anxiously awaiting news, and in their prayers asking protection for the husbands, sons and brothers who have offered their lives for the Flag.

We did something for the spiritual comfort and for the recreation of the National Guard along the Mexican Border last year. The call now comes from all over the country that this work, then attempted for the first time, shall be continued and enlarged to meet present conditions.

In addition to caring for those in this country and at least furnishing them every spiritual comfort and the service of priests, we must soon face the further duty of sending our priests where needed, with such of our troops as are called abroad. We know the scarcity of priests throughout the country for ordinary parochial work, and appreciate the financial condition of the average church, with its many obligations. The matter of support of priests who will go voluntarily, where needed, is a problem. Thank God! we are not wanting in a good number who will gladly offer their services and their lives to render their ministrations to our men here and at the front.

Plainly, then, we are confronted with the proposition of opening up recreation centers at all of the principal concentration camps (at least sixteen in number), possibly also at the regular army expansion camps, and of furnishing priests (where the military chaplain is not of our Faith) and their support while so engaged both here and in Europe. The centers will of course be open to all, regardless of creed or membership in our Order.

Is our Order of nearly four hundred thousand men prepared and willing to take up their service for God and for Country, this duty to fellowman, to fellow Catholic, and to Brother Knight of Columbus?

The Board of Directors, impressed with the tremendous need of the hour, and confident as ever in our ability to do any great work in the interest of Church and Country, has during recess authorized the Supreme Officers to issue an appeal for One Million Dollars. We suggest that this be raised by a contribution from each Council equivalent to \$2 per member, and that the further amount necessary (nearly one-third of the total) to make up the million, be raised from additional offerings from Councils and members, and contributions from Catholics and others outside the Order.

We suggest that if such an amount cannot be paid from the General Fund of the Council, that

a voluntary assessment be made upon each member of \$2.00 on the next monthly statement issued.

Someone has said: "This is no time for hidden virtues or unseen deeds—Knights should wear their visors up to-day."

Please take action at the earliest possible moment and report immediately, as we must undertake construction work within a month; indeed, provision has already been made for a priest to leave within a week with a unit on its way to France, and we have guaranteed his support.

Make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus War Camp Fund" and forward to Supreme Secretary, Drawer 96, New Haven, Conn.

Faternally yours,  
James A. Flaherty,  
Supreme Knight.

Attest:  
Wm. J. McGinley,  
Supreme Secretary,

**Mexico.**

By Eber Cole Byam

Part V.

Continued From Last Week

**Unjust Comparisons.**

It is altogether unjust to measure the Sixteenth Century military adventurer by Nineteenth Century standards, because he was no worse than his contemporaries. Those who criticize Cortes and his men of iron, forget that the remainder of Sixteenth Century Europe was no better, if as good, as Sixteenth Century Spain, and that one and all looked to her as a center of power and culture. Yet there were not lacking those whose humanitarian ideals were as advanced as any of the present day, and these did not hesitate to fly effectively to the practical assistance of the Indian, whose protectors they became, not only against the white man but against himself. And these were the Catholic clergy.

Cortes, soon after the Conquest, issued a decree, concerning the treatment of the Indians, and this document is remarkable for its humane intentions. It limited the hours of labor and prohibited the employment of children; it prohibited the entrance of the white men into the Indian villages except by permission of the authorities; the white men were permitted to call upon the Indians for service, but the amount of this was limited, and for it they were required to feed the Indians and to pay them a wage.

**Evangelization.**

The Christianization of the natives of the New World was the great duty charged upon the Spanish monarchs, and from them, in turn, upon their subjects whose swords and lives had been risked in the Conquest. To fulfill this obligation, in the absence of the necessary number of clergy, there had been adopted in the Islands the system of "Encomiendas," which was that of placing the Indians of a certain district in the care of some white settler, whose duty it was to instruct them in the Faith. This system was established on the mainland, but was so much criticized that it was eventually abolished. That this abolishment was of questionable benefit is evinced by the fact that the Indians themselves petitioned that it be restored.

The decree of Cortes, just mentioned, required that on farms where Indians were at labor there must be a place set apart for the image of the Virgin, and that each morning before going to work the Indians must be taken there and instructed in the Faith and taught to repeat the Pater Noster, Ave Maria, Credo, and Salva Regina. A pathetic survival of this is the custom still observed, by the Indian farm laborers in some parts of Mexico, of meeting to sing the hymn of praise before going to work in the morning.

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## Foreign Mission News

Special correspondence by  
The Propagation of the Faith Society  
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To one who truly loves our Lord the thought is unbearable that He, so infinitely worthy of the love and adoration of all His creatures, should be dishonored by so many millions.

### The Propagation of the Faith Society For 1916.

The report for the United States Branch of S. P. F., for the year of 1916 has just appeared. From it we learn that our Catholics contributed \$515,485.19 to the cause of the missions. This total is about \$15,000 larger than that of last year. There are about 600,000 members of the Society in this country, and while this is a goodly number, if each present member would secure the enrollment of one other person, a large increase in receipts would be gained.

At the present time the Society is practically making it possible for 15,000 missionaries to live. The war has reduced its income; simultaneously it has reduced the missionaries' allowance from \$10 to \$8 and even \$6 a month. Without that eight dollars, all our valiant priests in the Foreign Field would be left in utter destitution; with it, they can at least live, though clearly it is not sufficient to enable them to do a vast amount of construction work, unless some of them happen to have friends or relatives, who, besides sacrificing the men, provide money also for their support, a very unfair arrangement.

### The Assumptionists in Greece.

"It is owing to the generosity of American friends—that our young seminarians have been able to keep on with their studies."

These words were written by Fr. L. Gayraud, A. A., who has seen hard times in Athens since the beginning of the war. Greece has been torn with internal disorder, and the seminary conducted at Athens by the Assumptionists has had hard work to continue.

Fr. Clement, the Superior, is now in Turkey, where he has charge of the Catholic enterprises, and also in Turkey are five other Assumptionists, the remnants of a formerly flourishing community that were all either banished or killed.

In Greece the Assumptionists found refuge and have been given charge of a college of the Latin rite. It is greatly in need of help.

### From A Nun In The Philippines.

Sister Micaela Cuenca, of the Congregation called Companions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, has the interests of a school at Higan, Moro Province, Mindanao, very much at heart. She asks us to publish her letter in the hope that it will arouse sympathy for her needs:

"I have recently been appointed Superior of a small community which is in charge of the Girls' Catholic School here.

"We are in the second year of our new mission among the Moros and Filipinos, who have very little knowledge of our holy religion.

"In order to preserve the Christian faith of the future generation, which entirely depends upon the young, we must raise the standard of our school. We must give these ignorant yet proud people a good school building with well-equipped class-rooms. We must make its surroundings attractive and healthful. In short, there is a multitude of works we must undertake to attract the attention and the hearts of these young girls.

"They are the hope of the mission, for once well grounded in Catholic principles they will insure the safety of another generation. Good reasoning, therefore, sanctions the enlarging of our school."

## Late News of Ireland

Carlow.

While working in a field near Bagenalstown, Patrick Byrne, a native of Myshall, Carlow, feeling ill, lay down. He died in a few moments. Deceased was brother-in-law of the late John Nolan, T.C. Ballintemple House, Carlow, the property of Sir R. Butler, has been destroyed by fire. It was being prepared for the summer residence of the family.

Rev. W. Cunnane, C.C., Ennislyon, has been appointed C. C., The Claddagh, Galway.

The death has taken place of M. Magee, Scariff, a native of Killaloe.

A carved oak pulpit has been erected in the parish church, Maize, to the memory of the late Canon Murphy, P.P. The committee are arranging for the erection of a memorial cross in marble over his grave.

At Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham, the Very Rev. Mgr. Fitzpatrick admitted to holy profession, Miss A. M. O'Mahoney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O'Mahony, Montenotte, Cork.

The Christian Brothers of Middleton, in commemoration of their golden jubilee this year, and to mark their appreciation of the generous manner in which the people of the town and district have contributed to the jubilee fund, gave two entertainments in the town hall, Middleton.

The food situation in Donegal is becoming serious.

James McGovern, N.T., Banemore, Boys' school, has been appointed to succeed the late Michael Byrne, principal, Hugh Roe National school, Donegal.

The death occurred suddenly at Falcarragh of a British baronet named Sir John Oliphert.

H. G. Scott, teller, Provincial bank, Newry, has succeeded as accountant E. Meyrick, appointed to the management in Monaghan.

Isaac Maguire, retired merchant, died suddenly at Newcastle.

J. J. Kennedy, who was well known in cycling circles, passed away recently. He wrote cycling topics for the press some years ago under the title of "Old Crock," a name by which he was familiar to many, and he was a member of the National G.C. and I. C. A.

S. Sherlock has been appointed P.S. clerk of Belleek district. There were three applicants. Dr. P. J. McSorley, Enniskillen, has been appointed M.O. for Ely district.

Rev. Father O'Brien, Kill, Naas, has been appointed president of a committee formed in County Kildare to promote the movement inaugurated at the Plunkett convention.

At St. Joseph's, Baltinglass, with nuptial Mass, by the Rev. Father O'Haire, C.C., James, son of the late James Casey, Ballymore, Kildare, was married to Margaret Josephine, only daughter of John and Mrs. O'Hara, Knock-a-Reagh, Grangecon, County Wicklow.

T. McManus, customs and excise, has been transferred from Ashton-under-Lyne to Kildare.

D. Flynn, an extensive farmer of Knocksouna, Brurea, was killed at a railway crossing on his land by the Limerick to Cork train.

The death has taken place at the age of 71 of Rev. J. Hallinan, P.P.; Ardagh, Limerick.

A marriage was celebrated at the parish church, Cappawhite, with nuptial Mass, by Rev. T. Fahey, C.C., Killenale (uncle of the bride), between Robert O'Dea, Ballyphilip, Kiltelly, and Johanna, fourth daughter of Denis and Mrs. Hayes, Ayle, Oola.

Died—Jerome O'Driscoll, Tipperary, aged 23 years.

## Catholic Women To Work For Red Cross.

The Catholic Women's League, auxiliary to the American Red Cross, held a large and enthusiastic meeting in Cathedral Hall, where it is estimated that about a thousand women gathered. Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, bishop of Rochester, and George Eastman, general chairman of the city's committee formed to lead the great campaign to raise 1,000,000 for the \$100,000,000 emergency fund, were present and both gave inspiring talks to those present.

Bishop Hickey is director and Mrs. D. B. Murphy is general chairman of the Catholic Women's League. It was organized by Miss Mary Jennings. The plan is to have twelve captains, each captain to have twelve lieutenants, each lieutenant eight second lieutenants and each second lieutenant four privates. Each unit carried to its logical end would produce about \$500. The captains are as follows: Mrs. J. J. Atkinson, Mrs. E. J. Dwyer, Mrs. G. E. Hart, Mrs. M. J. Callahan, Mrs. Frank A. Jaynes, Mrs. John McIntyre, Mrs. John E. Rice, Mrs. M. B. Sheldon, Mrs. James Rice, Mrs. Mary Staub, Miss Mary Clark, Miss Margaret Fee, Miss Nellie O'Hern, Miss Florence Powers, Miss Alice Kirk, Miss Laura Schilling, Dr. Kathleen Buck and Miss Anna Wall.

### Death of Very Rev. William A. McDonald.

Very Rev. William A. McDonald of St. Francis De Sales Church, Geneva, died after only one-half hour's illness Tuesday. Father McDonald was dean of his district at the time of his death and one of the most esteemed priests in the Diocese of Rochester, where he had labored for almost forty years. He was educated at St. Andrew's Seminary and at St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, N. Y., from which he was ordained by the late Bishop McQuaid at Christmas of 1878.

Before going to Geneva to succeed the late Very Rev. James McManus in the pastorate of St. Francis de Sales Church, he was chaplain of the Western House of Refuge and pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls. During his pastorate in Geneva he built a convent, school and hall and established a high school, which is registered with the Regents at Albany as one of the best in the state. He was gentle and of kindly disposition and was beloved by his own congregation and a great circle of friends in and outside of Geneva. At the time of his death he was being assisted in parish work by Rev. John Muckle and Rev. George Doud. The funeral services took place at St. Francis de Sales Church on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

### DANSVILLE.

**Eschrich-Weyland Morning Wedding at St. Mary's Church.**

Dansville, June 18.—Monday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church, the marriage of Mr. Frank A. Eschrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eschrich of Elizabeth Street, to Miss Florence Weyland was solemnized. The couple were united by Rev. Edward J. Eschrich of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Rochester, brother of the groom. At the nuptial high mass which followed, Rev. Leo G. Hofschneider, pastor of St. Mary's, Dansville, was celebrant, assisted by Rev. M. Kriechel, Rev. Otto Geiger, and Rev. Edward J. Eschrich, all of Rochester. The floral decorations were pink and white and there was special music by the choir.

The bride wore a white serge suit with white hat and carried bride roses. The maid of honor, Miss Rose Weyland, wore a gray suit and carried pink roses. The best man was Mr. Fred Geiger of Rochester. Breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Eschrich, at which cover were laid for 35. The decorations at the house were pink and

white. Among the guests from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Weyland and son, Miss Weyland and Misses Mary and Elizabeth Weyland of Buffalo, and Mrs. Frank Shafer with son, Frank Jr., of Rochester.

## Concert Sunday For Red Cross.

Reserved seats for the Red Cross concert to be given at Convention Hall on Sunday night are on sale at Gibbons and Stone's music store, 172 Main Street East, and the sale will continue through Saturday. On Sunday afternoon the seats will be on sale at Convention Hall, beginning at 3 o'clock. The price of admission and reserved seats will be 50 cents and \$1. The entire proceeds of the concert will go to the Red Cross fund.

Miss Margaret Keyes, the famous contralto, who is a former Rochesterian, has donated her services for the concert and Bishop Hickey has enlisted the aid of Hermann Domesbach, director of the Rochester Orchestra, who has secured the services of the orchestra for that evening.

### Field Mass For Knights of St. John.

Bishop Thomas F. Hickey celebrated a pontifical memorial field mass last Sunday morning at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery for the repose of the souls of deceased members of the Knights of St. John. The bishop was escorted to the cemetery by the local members of the order under the command of Colonel Joseph H. Wall. About 3,000 people were present to witness the ceremony which was the first field mass to be celebrated in the city of Rochester.

### Ask For 400 Priests.

President Wilson has asked that four hundred priests be assigned to the first United States forces that will go to Europe. Cardinal Gibbons, considering the great need of priests in the West, decided that the East must supply them. Cardinal Farley will select from the metropolitan area of New York sixty of the 100 priests apportioned to New York state. This leaves forty for the four dioceses of which Buffalo is one. Every priest of the 400 will go as a volunteer.

### ORGANIZE FOR RED CROSS.

**Women of Corpus Christi Church Form Auxiliary.**

The women of Corpus Christi Church organized a Red Cross auxiliary at a large and enthusiastic meeting. Mrs. Frank A. Home was appointed general chairman and will be assisted by Mrs. Joseph T. Cunningham, Mrs. D. B. Murphy, Mrs. Joseph R. Galkin and Mrs. William Glendon.

A card party will be held next Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the church hall, Main and Prince streets. The proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross.

### Closing at Nazareth Hall.

The friends and patrons of Nazareth Hall attended the thirty-third annual closing at the academy, corner of Raines Park and Alameda streets Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A cantata entitled "Columbus at the Court of Spain" was presented.

### Bishop McFaul of

Trenton, N. J., Dies.

Trenton, N. J., June 16.—Rt. Rev. James A. McFaul, bishop of the Trenton diocese for nearly 25 years, died at the Episcopal residence. Death was due to a complication of diseases.

### Silver Sale, at Oemisch Store.

Sterling Silver Ware for Weddings, Graduations and Anniversaries at greatly reduced prices. Henry Oemisch Co., Gold and Silversmiths, 56 East Ave.—Adv.