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## A TIMELY TASK FOR CATHOLICS.

Training for Citizenship Necessary.

A Patriotic and a Catholic Duty.

... of the times, and one which ... me months ago, is the Americanization ... The task of making good Ameri... me into the land from ... of the ... duty imposed upon the immigrant ... community, the educational ... organizations must share also. This fact has been ... by many Settlements and by the Boards of Education in numerous communities. Night classes have been arranged for the newly arrived in the public schools in many cities while practically all the larger Settlements provide such classes, both for mature men and women and for the younger generation. The Settlement is naturally the agency best qualified to do such work, for the education of the immigrant is specifically a social task and can most profitably be conducted from this point of view. A purely academic knowledge of English and the rudiments of citizenship are but a sorry substitute for the broader education which the trained social worker is qualified to impart.

Still, the knowledge of fundamentals is of the greatest value and the cooperation of the schools is an important factor in carrying out this part of the program. An interesting example of how the public schools cooperated with an already established Immigration Bureau is furnished by the city of Cleveland, where the following experiment was made several years ago when the participation in the work of training for citizenship was not as general as today. "The Immigration Bureau," we read in a report of the chairman of that office, "was glad to cooperate with the Board of Education in helping to liberate the immigrant from this handicap (ignorance of the English language) by the teaching of English. Several weeks before the opening of the Elementary Public Night Schools in the Fall, the Bureau interviewed in person and by letter a large number of persons qualified to become teachers of English to foreigners. To all wishing to qualify for such positions were requested to attend a training course of four sessions conducted under the direction of the Superintendent of Elementary Public Night Schools and the Bureau of Immigration. At these meetings teachers intimately acquainted with the needs of the immigrant and the means of best meeting these needs presented the problem of teaching English and the best means of solution. At one session a practical demonstration was given on the platform on which ... of foreign speaking men were given a first lesson in English, and at each session ample opportunity was given for discussion and questions. The ... and by helping ... Books were loaned to teachers, along with ... and other materials.

This method ... although it has ... it nevertheless ... suggestions to beginners. The task ... should not be confined to those ... It must be ... the public ... and Catholic Settlements. It ... has been ... to embrace ... the immigrant over the chasm which separates ... from a thorough understanding of American life and ... institutions must also be ... by Catholics much more extensively than has been done heretofore. There are few ... Academies, Universities, etc. located in larger industrial centers, which could not engage in citizenship training as a social endeavor and as a matter of charity. And for that matter many of our Catholic societies, parish and independent organizations, could make their meeting halls centers for this sort of training. A plan for this work has been offered several years ago in the Central Bureau of the C. V. in a prospectus, from which we quote the following principal suggestions:

A survey of ... should be made by parish and other societies in cooperation with the pastors of foreign tongue parishes ... to discover all possibilities for classes, meeting places, number of pupils, available men for teaching, etc. ... committee should be in charge, and it should ... foreign born physicians and attorneys, who can increase their prestige with their countrymen ... This survey will be followed by selection of teachers; these forces can be increased by volunteers from the outside ... lady worker. The teachers are to be prepared for the work by from four to six preliminary sessions, in which the method of teaching is to be outlined by representatives of the general committee or a capable man from the outside, who should be added to the committee. Where parishes cooperate this director of instruction may be selected by them jointly. The method of teaching English should be simple and appropriate ... of citizenship training should be similar. Nathaniel Fowler's "How to Obtain Citizenship" is recommended.

... no doubt, such a plan would prove feasible in many ... In the case of Universities, Colleges, etc., the prob... providing instructors should be comparatively easy. At ... there can be no question but that Catholics should ... fulfill their duty in this regard, as well as their ... realize that opportunities in this field. This duty becomes all ... imperative when we consider the probable increase ... the immigration after the war, as well as the fact that countless ... Italians, Hungarians and others who are already ... waiting for introduction into the ... practice of citizenship, are of our Faith. Many of ... now being aided in non-Catholic social centres, civic ... and in the public schools. And yet, we who decry ... indifference to religion which becomes manifest in their ... defection from the ranks of the Church, neglect ... of some of the most effective means of ... holding them. At these means are Catholic ... and citizenship classes. Both of these undertakings ... be made essentially works of charity, even as they ... patriotic in the ... sense of the word.

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... dollars safely invested will secure permanently the ... education of a ... Father Merkes' Madras mission ... He says that ... for the priesthood must ... from the Catholic mission schools, so that anyone ... give one of these scholarships is really taking the ... towards placing ... priest at God's altar.

## Iron Men For Uncle Sam

BY THE REV. JOHN B. KELLY, Spiritual-Director of Catholic Big Brothers' League.

Uncle Sam wants iron men—iron men over there, and iron men over here. He wants men of iron flesh, men of iron souls, men of iron determination, men in whose iron ideals is stamped the word "Liberty."

Uncle Sam is in a position to convert the "iron men" that now lie helpless in vaults into iron men who will stand as a barrier against which the nailed fist will clang in vain.

**For over a year, Uncle Sam has been drafting human flesh and blood, and converting it into iron men. The speed with which he has done this is the wonder of civilization and the demoralization of the barbarian.**

Money has played a leading role in the drama of history. It has been the object of much abuse, praise and condemnation. Men have risked, and sometimes lost, life, happiness, and good name in the acquisition of it. Women have been bought for it. It has been termed the "root of all evil."

But money is the root of evil or the greatest power for good, in accordance with the use of it. It is simply "a piece of metal coin ... stamped and issued by the sovereign authority as a medium of exchange."

War elevates money to a place that completely transcends its value in time of peace. War is the opportunity for money to do its greatest service to mankind. It is a power second only to that of fighting manhood in the attainment of victory—and the latter's power is largely limited or augmented by the resources of the former.

Today, more than at any time in history, we can see the process by which this commodity, so often looked upon as sordid, is converted into the evidence of all those qualities that prove the existence of ideals in the human breast.

The money of this land has been unique in having the word "Liberty" inscribed upon its chilled surface. It is a reflection of that gift first given to the angels and then given to man—Freedom. In the case of both, to abuse it was to perish eternally, the use of it for God's honor and glory, to attain the award of endless peace. It is worthy of comment that the destroyer of celestial peace, Lucifer, told his followers that he was "like unto God." Those gullible enough to believe him followed him to ignominious defeat. Their fate should be an augury to a people following the pride mad autocrat of Prussia who, like the rebel demon, projects himself before the world as one upon a plane with, if not above, the Almighty.

The Saviour of the World is looking down upon a people who are giving their coins of tribute to the works of God.

The American people are using money to buy food for men fighting for the noblest of His gifts to them. And that food has become and is daily becoming body and blood, bone and sinew, and the temple of souls that are going forth to the noblest of all sacrifices, the giving of life for a friend in need.

The Liberty Bond has been happily named. It is the evidence of a people bound together, of that unity in which there is unconquerable strength. It is a bond between peoples whom an ocean divides. It unites the warrior over there with the non-combatant over here. It does more. It makes a combatant of the non-combatant.

The holder of a Liberty Bond does his share to supply the machines of war, ammunition, and bodily sustenance which drive on to the goal of victory. Through the medium of the government, the bond holder converts a possession, which is very dear to him, into an ideal, which is dearer. It is an act of faith made practical by sacrifice. It expresses the willingness of the civilian to shoulder with his soldier brother the cross of war.

The soldier is conserving world liberty. The non-combatant must conserve him. The Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus and the Red Cross are organized efforts working side by side to prevent waste of man power. They have been largely responsible for the crushing of the beast power that sought to annihilate or control those who refused to sympathize with its degenerate ambitions.

This war is not being fought for ideals that pass away with the smoke of battle. Men are making the supreme sacrifice today, that to-morrow may know the blessings of enduring peace. It is time to urge the necessity of conserving man power over here.

Let us be thrifty then in the use of the nations wheat, flour, coal, sugar, light, heat, money, and let us not forget the iron men of the future—our youth.

## Cardinal Gibbons' Golden Jubilee.

One of the greatest ecclesiastical celebrations ever held in this country will take place in the Baltimore Cathedral on Sunday, October 20, when Cardinal Gibbons will publicly observe his golden jubilee as a Bishop.

A Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Gibbons in the Cathedral Sunday morning, October 20—at 10:30 o'clock. The sermon will be delivered by Most Rev. George W. Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago.

The religious procession preceding the Mass will be distinguished by ecclesiastics of the Catholic Church who, because of their activities in co-operating with the Government in helping to bring victory to our arms, are known by names in non-Catholic as well as Catholic homes. Although no definite formation has been made for the procession, which will assemble at Calvert Hall College, on Cathedral street, and the archiepiscopal residence, on Charles street, and proceed to the Cathedral, ... in the ranks will be the Cathedral sanctuary boys, better known as the "Cardinal's boys," in their red cassocks and white surplices; philosophers and theologians from St. Mary's Seminary, representatives of the various monastic orders in their cowls and cassocks, the bearded Capuchins, the brown-robed Franciscans, the followers of St. Dominic in white, the Passionists in black, wearing their badges; the Jesuits in close-fitting habits, members of other religious communities garbed in the dress of their respective orders, the secular priests, the monsignori in their scarlet and crimson robes, the bishops, archbishops, the visiting cardinals and finally the venerable Archbishop of Baltimore, Cardinal Gibbons with attendants on each side.

After the Mass a dinner will be served at St. Mary's Seminary, where Cardinal Gibbons made his philosophical and theological studies for the priesthood. During the dinner toasts will be spoken.

The day's celebration will close with a Solemn Pontifical vespers at the Cathedral at 5 o'clock. Most Rev. Edward J. Hanna, Archbishop of San Francisco, will preach. The students of St. Mary's Seminary will chant the vespers, and the Cathedral choir will take part in the solemn benediction which will follow immediately after the vespers.

## WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

October

The Holy Rosary.

20th Sunday after Pentecost

6 S St. Bruno C. F.
7 M Most Holy Rosary
8 T St. Bridget W.
9 W SS. Denis & Comp.
10 T St. Francis Borgia C.
11 F St. Gummar C.
12 S St. Wilfrid Bp. C.

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## Late News of Ireland

**Carlow.**

Most Rev. Dr. Foley, speaking at a Carlow meeting, said the time was fast approaching when boys and girls would be compelled to undergo a course of technical instruction.

Under the new franchise the total electors now on the Co. Carlow register is 16,372 or nearly half the population of the county.

**Cork.**

At Macroom District Council E. McSweeney (Ballyvourney), speaking in Irish, submitted a resolution pledging the Council in Irish as far as possible.

Buttevant Parish Defence Committee and League of the Cross Committee expressed regret at the transfer of Rev. T. Bowler, C.C., its chairman, to Kanturk.

Most Rev. Dr. Kelly presided at the obsequies of the late Rev. J. Daly, P. P., whose remains were interred at Rath in the presence of a very large gathering of clergy and general public. Very Rev. P. Hill, P.P., V.F., Rosscarbery, was celebrant of the requiem Mass.

Miss Maggie Dwane (Mother Mary Pat), eldest daughter of T. Dwane, Clogher House, Bruree, Kilmallock, has been professed at the Convent F. C. J., Upton Hall, Birkenhead.

**Dublin.**

The funeral of the late Rev. J. B. MacDermott to Glasnevan was attended by large numbers of clergy and laity. Chief mourners were R. C. M. O'Brien, Charles Coakley, Munster and Leinster Bank, and Miss Morris. Office and high Mass were previously celebrated at the Franciscan Church, Merchants quay, Rt. Rev. Monsignor Fitzpatrick presiding.

**Kerry.**

Rev. T. Jones, C. C., Killorglin, has been presented with a valuable gold cup, the gift of the King of Norway, in recognition of his heroism in saving (along with three others) the lives of eight Norwegian sailors at Ballinabuck, Kerry coast, in April, 1916, after their vessel was torpedoed. The boat in which were the men saved had drifted to the foot of a rocky precipice, and it was by the skill and exertions of Father Jones and others that the men were brought to safety.

Married August 8, at the Cathedral, Limerick, by Rev. P. B. Ruddle, C. C., B. A., (cousin of the bride), assisted by Very Rev. G. O'Connor, P. P., Bruree, Patrick J. Conway, Inspector L. A. S., son of James Conway, Clashmore House, Keakle, Co. Clare, to Nora Frances, daughter of Dr. Byrnes, J. P., Glebe House, Bruree.

D. J. Callaghan, Abbeyfeale, has been transferred to Newcastle-West.

**Mayo.**

Rev. John MacNicholas, Assistant to the Master-General of the Dominican Order, who has been appointed Bishop of Duluth, F. S. A., is a native of Kiltimagh, County Mayo, hailing from the same parish as Archbishop Doherty, Manila, and his brother, Dr. Doherty, President Irish College, Salamanca.

Mrs. Andrew Dodd, Ballina, daughter of the late Luke Guinness, and mother of Rev. A. Dodd, B. D., C. C., has died.

Married August 6, at University Church, Stephen's Green, Dublin, by the Rev. Mgr. Kilkenny, D.D., P. P., V. G., Claremorris, assisted by the Rev. M. Hughes, Adm., Islandeady, Castlebar, Alfred V. G. Thornton, Solicitor, Castlebar, second son of the late Malachai Thornton, Castlebar, to Bridgid, daughter of the late John C. Killeen and Mrs. Killeen, Claremorris.—August 6, at University Church, Stephen's Green, Dublin, by Mgr. Kilkenny, D. D., V. G., Claremorris, assisted by Rev. M. Hughes, Adm., Islandeady, Castlebar, James Joseph O'Brien, M.R.V.S., Claremorris, son of J. P. O'Brien, Glasgow, W., to Nora Josephine, daughter of the late John C. Killeen, Claremorris.

**Tipperary.**

Owing to shortage of coal Nenagh Gas Consumers' Co. has decided to erect an electric plant in the town.

## Interesting Notes Of Catholic Affairs.

The Fathers of the Congregation of the Resurrection, besides Chicago, conduct a nearly century old, flourishing college in Kentucky, their head house is in Rome, and in Adrianople, in Turkey, they have a great college.

The service flag of Georgetown University now numbers 1,500.

The Archbishop of Cincinnati has granted his churches permission to ring their bells in signalizing patriotic events whenever requested by proper authorities, during the continuance of the war.

The new Providence College, of Providence, R.I., opened on Sept. 10th. This college is the contribution of the diocese: about 60 parishes contributed to its erection from $1,000 to $11,000 each.

Mgr Buh, of Duluth, has just celebrated his sixtieth anniversary of ordination.

The Bishop of Pittsburg has appointed the Rev. Charles Moosman the diocesan director of Sodalities of the Blessed Virgin and has ordained that in all parishes of his diocese where a sodality does not exist, that one be canonically erected and conducted by the approved regulations of the Church.

Women are to be mobilized for Government service. The Government will shortly assume control of the entire medical profession.

The Archbishop of Chicago has appointed Rev. Joseph E. Bourget, chaplain of St. Bernard Hospital, organist of his Cathedral and musical director of his archdiocese.

Admirable are the war works and loyalty of our Catholic Indians.

People are urged not to shoot pigeons in the air, as they may be homing pigeons trained now in many parts of the country.

Recently, through the King of Spain, eight condemned Belgians at Brussels were reprieved.

Father Baines, of Liverpool, seeing a number of soldiers falling under a hail of bombs on the battlefield, fell too, as he rushed to their assistance.

Father Charles Whitefoord, chaplain, of England, received into the church in the Cathedral of Chartres, France, while ministering to the wounded and dying on the French battlefield in the thick of a battle, fell mortally wounded, a fellow chaplain had time to administer to him the last Sacraments.

In France sentiment is growing for a resumption of diplomatic relations with the Holy See, and France may not disregard it.

France has conferred upon the Capuchin Father Laurent, chaplain, the Cross of the Legion of Honor. In bestowing upon him the decoration the Premier of France said: "Father, I have not the honor of being a Capuchin, but I am sure you will accept from my hand that which I am bringing to you, for it is a cross, and it is France which offers it to you."

One of the most important places of pilgrimage in Wales is the miraculous well of Our Lady of Penrhys Ffynon Mair, dating from the Middle Ages.

The editor of "America," quoting M. Maurice Barres, says: "There are about 25,000 priests in the army (of France), but only 300 of them are officially appointed as military chaplains wearing three stripes. It is safe to say that in proportion to their numbers more priests have fallen in battle than any other class of people."