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IRISH BISHOPS TAKING PART IN MAKING OF PEACE

Crowds Recite Rosary While
Conference Proceeds in Dublin

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)
Dublin, July 22.—The Bishops of Ireland have been taking an effective, although quiet and unobtrusive, part in inspiring the efforts for an honorable and lasting peace, for which all Ireland is praying.

On the opening day of the conference between President de Valera and the four Unionists representatives, the Archbishop and clergy of the diocese of Cashel, who were then assembled in their own meeting, sent a hearty God-speed to the Irish leaders here.

"We hope and pray the spirit of conciliation will prevail," said this message, "and that without the sacrifice of any vital principle, Irishmen may be able to agree on a national proposal that will bring a speedy peace to our suffering country, whilst safeguarding the time-honored claims of our ancient nation."

Many similar messages were received from Bishops and priests in different parts of the country, Dr. Cohalan, the Bishop of Cork, expressing his view that the land was within a short distance of peace, "and an honorable peace at that."

Religious Demonstrations

Among the most picturesque features of the Mansion House conferences were the religious demonstrations that attended them. On each occasion that spacious thoroughfare in front of the house was crowded. Priests visiting the city and also Dublin clergymen flocked to the place in large numbers, and were accommodated in the Mansion House itself. Among the distinguished visitors were Dr. Phean, Bishop of Sale, Australia, and the Rev. Father Devlin, of New York.

An object of particular interest to these visitors was the magnificent crucifix blessed by Archbishop Mannix and presented by the Irish people in London to Mrs. Whelan, the mother of Thomas Whelan, who was executed in Mountjoy jail for alleged participation in the war. It was inscribed: "In memory of March 14, 1921," the date of the execution.

While the sessions were going on the Rosary and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin were recited by great crowds outside the Mansion House and prayers were offered that "God may guide the conference to just and wise conclusions." Non-Catholics in the crowd showed their respect for the solemnity of the occasion by remaining bareheaded during the recital of the prayers.

"An inspiring and impressive spectacle," was the comment of an American visitor, who witnessed the bareheaded throng praying for Ireland and peace.

Means Much To Church

Peace would mean a great deal to the life of the Church in Ireland. During the hostilities, even the normal work of the Church was hampered. Fresh activities could not be undertaken and many projected plans had been frustrated. Among the latter was the Catholic Congress scheme. Practically all the work preparatory to its formal launching had been accomplished, and these

plans had been approved by the Bishops at their annual meeting in Maynooth.

It has now been decided to assemble the Congress immediately that a settlement of the national problem is reached.

Many other Catholic projects that have been held in abeyance are now being planned. It was regarded as a good omen that the date selected for the commencement of the armistice happened to be the anniversary of the execution of the patriot martyr, Blessed Oliver Plunket, and also the first feast day of the martyr beatified.

Gen. Badoglio and Staff Attend Mass

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Washington, D. C., July 30.—General Pietro Badoglio, of the Italian Army, while in Washington on an official visit to the American government, a few days ago, attended Mass with his staff of eleven officers at Holy Rosary church. General Badoglio expressed satisfaction at finding so large an Italian congregation with such a fine church in the American capital.

After attending Mass General Badoglio and his aides were received by Rev. N. DeCarlo, pastor of Holy Rosary Parish.

General Badoglio is chief of staff of the Italian army. At the beginning of the World War he was a major. He rose rapidly through the various grades, after Italy entered the conflict, and soon became recognized as one of the greatest strategists in Europe. The Italian victory at Vittorio was credited to his generalship.

Eleven members of Gen. Badoglio's family were in the war. Three were killed and two were disabled. One of his nephews lost his life while fighting at the general's side.

The general will return to Italy in September, but will be in Washington again before his departure from this country.

Bishop Walsh Is Honored By Italy's King

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Rome, July 22.—King Victor, on his own initiative, has appointed Mgr. Thomas J. Walsh, Bishop of Trenton, a Commander of the Crown of Italy, in recognition of his services to the Italian immigrants in America.

His Excellency Senator Rolando Ricci, Italian Ambassador to the United States, has written to Bishop Walsh informing him of the honor conferred upon him, and expressing his deep regret that his early departure for Italy will make it impossible for him to have the pleasure of presenting the decoration to Mgr. Walsh in person.

The Italians in America, especially those living in Trenton, will be greatly pleased by this news, as Mgr. Walsh's friendship and admiration for the Italians are well known to them.

MORE MARYKNOLL MISSIONERS TO SAIL

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

New York, July 30.—Preparations are being made for the fourth departure of American Missioners from Maryknoll; twelve will leave the Pacific Coast in September, sailing in two groups from Seattle and Vancouver.

WOMEN'S SERVICE SCHOOL FACULTY IS ANNOUNCED

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Washington, Aug. 1.—Organization of the permanent faculty of the National Catholic Service School for Women, which opens its fall session on October 4, will be completed within the next few days, according to an announcement made here by Dr. Charles P. Neill, Director of the Service School. The session will mark the transition of Clifton from an emergency social training school to a standard two-year school. Instructors in many of the principal courses already have been decided upon, and these indicate that the faculty will be in the front rank of American institutions devoted to this type of work.

The courses in sociology will be under the direction of Dr. William J. Kerby, of the Catholic University, a member of the Board of Charities and Corrections, for which post he was designated by former President Wilson. Dr. John A. Ryan, of the Catholic University, will supervise the courses in ethics. Child problems, especially in their medical aspects, will be studied under the direction of Rev. Thomas Vermer Moore, Ph. D., M. D., regarded as one of the foremost American specialists in this field. Dr. Moore was formerly a student at the Catholic University and won his medical degree in Germany.

Courses in Economics and Social Legislation will be under the personal direction of Dr. Neill and case work will be supervised by Miss Rose McHugh, formerly assistant director of the Chicago division of the Red Cross. The Domestic Economy courses will be continued under Miss Helen Cronin. Miss Maud R. Cavanaugh remains as dean of the Service School.

Plans are now being outlined for special lecture courses by distinguished authorities. Dr. Neill, in making his announcements, declared that the instruction offered will be graduate in character and emphasized that the students acceptable at the Service School are those who evidence a maturity of judgment and character and who have completed a college course or had equivalent experience.

GEORGIA LAYMEN CHALLENGE SENATOR WATSON TO PROVE STATEMENTS, EVEN IN PART

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Augusta, Ga., July 30.—In an open letter issued by the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia, Senator Thomas E. Watson of this state is challenged to prove that any girl has been "captured by Catholic priests and sentenced to slavery in the House of Good Shepherd," as he recently charged and to furnish proof that he ever informed the prosecuting officials of the immoralities he alleged against this diocese.

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

London, July 25.—The recent visit of His Eminence, Cardinal Bourne, to St. Joseph's College, in Lee, marked the first time a Prince of the Church has visited that part of Kent since the Reformation.

2000 Motorists Get St. Christopher Medals After Mass in Boston

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Boston, July 29.—More than 2,000 motor owners and chauffeurs, including many who were not Catholics, attended an unusual ceremony in honor of the patron saint of automobilists, St. Christopher, in the Franciscan Church of St. Leonard of Port Maurice last Sunday, the eve of the saint's feast.

At a solemn high mass, celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Anthony Sousa, O. F. M., the story of St. Christopher's life and of his designation by Pope Pius X as the patron of motorists was told in a stirring sermon by Rev. Christopher Burzi, O. F. M. Following the mass there was the blessing of the automobilists and of hundreds of medals of St. Christopher and a veneration of a relic of the saint.

Streets in the neighborhood of the church, which is in the Italian quarter of the city, were jammed with automobiles all morning. Motorists came from all parts of Greater Boston to participate in the ceremony. Originally it was intended that the cars themselves should be blessed, but owing to the extreme narrowness of Boston's streets and the consequent danger of a serious blockade that part of the ceremony was cancelled late last week.

Small St. Christopher medals were distributed to the drivers, together with large medallions to be placed in the cars. The medallions were of the customary design, showing St. Christopher bearing the Christ-Child over a stream, and bearing the words "St. Christopher Protect Us."

Many Victimized By Men Posing As Priests

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Paris, August 1.—Fraudulent collections amounting to many millions of francs have been made in France and the United States by two men claiming to be Chaldean priests anxious to aid their fellow countrymen, according to Paris police. The collections made in the United States were chiefly among Episcopal clergy and lay people. The men confessed having called upon the Rev. Frederick W. Beckman, pastor of the American Church in Paris, with a letter supposed to have been signed by the Archbishop of Palestine.

Women Cover Arms For Papal Audience

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Rome, July 25.—Several girls and women who assembled here for a public audience with Pope Benedict XV recently were warned by papal guards that their sleeves were too short and were obliged to wind veils around their arms and to drape their bare necks before His Holiness entered the room.

The incident occurred after the Pope had received, in private audience, Miss Katherine Walsh of Philadelphia, honorary president of the Alliance of Catholic Women and urged her to work through that organization, for the correction of modern fashions.

The Pope laid great stress on the necessity of Catholic women leading in the movement for more modest fashions.

PULPIT VILIFIER OF CATHOLICS IS EXPELLED

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Augusta, Ga., July 30.—Lon Davis, pastor of the Acworth, Ga., Baptist Church, who last April started an anti-Catholic paper which boasted the motto: "Swat the Pope," was recently expelled from his pulpit by his congregation, pending the investigation of charges that he had been formerly convicted in DeSatur, Wise County, Texas, of embezzlement and forgery, and had deserted his wife and three children there. A woman not Davis' wife was connected with his departure. The charges have been aired at length in the Atlanta papers.

Davis lost caste with the fair-minded members of his congregation when he started his anti-Catholic paper. Acworth, where the paper was published, is 80 miles northwest of Atlanta, in the Northwest Georgia Mission, where there are but 158 Catholics in an area of 7,000 square miles.

A meeting of the Ku Klux Klan on the steps of Davis' church early in July, brought the exposure of his record, and he was promptly expelled by the deacons. He promised to make his defense before the congregation July 18, but when the members gathered that evening they learned their pastor had left town. Before departing he stated he was going to Texas to bring back proof of his innocence. In the meantime his property is being attached for debts.

The Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia reports that Davis' paper, The Progress, was the only paper in Georgia, with the exception of the Columbia Sentinel, edited by Senator Thomas E. Watson, which was primarily anti-Catholic, and it was on the verge of extinction from lack of support even before the editor's exposure, and virtually from its inception last April.

Irish Priest in Retreat Arrested

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Dublin, July 24.—The Very Rev. William O'Kennedy, president of St. Flannan's College, Ennis, County Clare, was arrested in the college during the annual retreat of the clergy. The Bishop, members of the Cathedral chapter, and parish priests of the diocese of Killaloe, have passed a resolution in which they say:

"The entrance on the grounds and premises of St. Flannan's College by British military forces, the arrest of the distinguished president of the College, the Very Rev. William O'Kennedy, during the annual retreat of the diocesan clergy, and while Holy Mass was being celebrated, was an uncalled for and shameful outrage on religious decency and good order, and we protest against the arrest of Father O'Kennedy as a lamentable exhibition of arbitrary rule and little calculated to produce the atmosphere of goodwill so necessary for the success of the present efforts to establish peace."

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Providence, R. I., July 29.—Several hundred delegates from branches of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union were officially welcomed to Providence to their annual convention this week by Mayor Gainer.

Catholic Women 10,000 Dollars For The Line of 'Kewpie'

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Los Angeles, Aug. 1.—There will be no "kewpie" dolls as the ten thousand soft and creations that the Catholics of Los Angeles are working for the purpose of aiding the Welfare Campaign of the Catholic Charities.

Every Catholic woman's duty and every parish in the city represented among the women who have pledged themselves to make ten thousand dolls within thirty days.

While the "orphan dolls" differ in size, color and design, much as does the proverbial orphan child itself, their fashion will not be ultra-modern. Good, old fashioned, simply dressed doll is the ideal of the workers.

"It's lots of fun to make these dolls," declared Mrs. John P. Kearney, who has charge of the women workers. "I step back into childhood when I make these dolls and think of my own mother and daughter. These attractive dolls and gives an added zest to the work. While it is fun it is still business, because the many children will be abounding in health, and morally through the touch of the Catholic Church."

New K. of C. Magazine Makes Appearance

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

New York, Aug. 1.—The new national monthly magazine of the Knights of Columbus has made its initial appearance here, the first issue containing a message from President Harding praising the record of the knights in the world war. It will be distributed at the Supreme Convention in San Francisco this month.

The contributors to the magazine, which has an attractive design, with a shield of a knight, include Admiral S. Benson, Secretary of the Navy, and Francis Ryan and Francis X. Sullivan.

A book containing some of the supreme moments among the features of the issue. John B. Kennedy, editor of the magazine, Birmingham, general manager, and Warren Kelly, advertising manager.

Five Priests And Two Nuns In One

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Paris, July 22.—Abbot Nisard recently visited Mass at the grand Rodeo. He was accompanied by his brother, who is a priest, the Abbot Anselme, and Paul Nisard, a case of Robet, his brother, Rev. Joseph, Marist Missionary, and a nun.

There are twelve in the Nisard family, five priests and two nuns. One brother died in 1914. The others are in their native land.

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