"In vain will you found missions and build schools, if you are not able to wield the offensive and defensive weapons of a loyal Catholic Press."
—Pope Pius X

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Klan Issue Sure Soon To Become Federal Question

Policy of President To Regard It as "Local," Deemed Certain To Be Changed By Pressure Of Events

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

Washington, Dec. 4.—Semi-official announcement that the President will not issue a proclamation directing the Ku Klux Klan to disband, as urged last week by Senator David I. Walsh in a letter to Attorney General Daugherty, has not dispelled the impression that the pressure of circumstances will soon induce the Administration to take a decided stand against further extension of the sovereignty of the Invisible Empire within the United States. The President's opinion, it is authoritatively stated, is that violations of the law attributable to the Klan constitute a "local issue" which could properly be met by the local authorities. In addition, it is intimated that the Chief Executive is doubtful of the efficacy of Presidential proclamations in cases of this nature.

The opinion in well informed circles here, however, is that Senator Walsh's letter has [illegible] the Ku Klux issue so squarely that it demands a definite answer or manifestation of activity on the part of those charged with the safeguarding of the Federal Constitution and enforcement of Federal statutes. There is little doubt that there is enough interest in this question among members of the Senate to make possible the passage of a resolution calling upon the Executive Department of the Government for definite information about the Klan, if any disposition to evade the issue should become apparent. Senator Walsh himself is confident that the Attorney General will give careful consideration to the suggestion made in the Senator's letter.

The record of the Klan's offenses referred to in Senator Walsh's letter and its generally recognized lawless tendencies constitute another reason for assuming that the Klan question cannot be a matter of indifference to an Administration which has manifested such solicitude for law enforcement as has the present one.

Alleged Irish Catholic Bigotry Refuted By English

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

Dublin, Nov. 27.—Owing to the disturbed state of the south and west, a certain number of individuals had for their personal safety to quit those parts of the country. They all went to Great Britain.

These departures were cited by the anti-Irish press as a proof that Protestants, as such, were being subjected to persecution. The charge has been completely shattered by facts. A committee was appointed in London "to investigate applications by, or on behalf of, persons ordinarily resident in Ireland who, for reasons of personal safety, have come to Great Britain and are represented to be in urgent need of assistance."

A report has been just issued by this commitee. It states that 598 applicants were Protestants and 1,063 Catholics. It is impossible to find evidence of religious persecution in these figures. They present a remarkable contrast to what occurred in the Six Counties, from which thousands of Catholics and practically no Protestants had to flee.

FOUNDRESS OF TOLEDO VISITATION HOUSE DIES IN HER 71st YEAR

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

Toledo, Ohio, Nov. 27.—Sister Mary Joseph, foundress of the Visitation Monastery here, is dead. She was in her seventy-first year and had been a member of the Visitation order for thirty years. The monastery here which was formally opened in 1918, is the third institution of that kind established by Sister Mary Joseph. The other two are at Wilmington, Del., and at Ottawa, Canada.

In private life Sister Mary Joseph was Miss Mary L. Abell, daughter of Arunah S. Abell, the founder of the Baltimore Sun. Her sister, Mrs. Margaret A. Griffiss, and her nephew, Walter W. Abell, were at the monastery at the time of her death.

Co-Adjutor Bishop Is Native Of Armagh

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

Dublin, Nov. 24.—Right Rev. Dr. Downey, Coadjutor Bishop of Ossory is the first native of Armagh since St. Malachy to be raised to the episcopal dignity.

The people of Armagh presented a congratulatory address to Dr. Downey.

Cardinal Logue who presided at the function said he hoped the new bishop would live to see the prophecy of St. Malachy fully verified and that, as the Saint foretold Ireland would emerge from the dark days of persecution and come forth bright, glorious and free—glorious in her love of faith and of God, and glorious in her temporal concerns.

Thirty-one Receive Cassock At Maryknoll

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

New York, Dec. 4.—In the Chapel of the American Foreign Missions (Maryknoll) on the Feast of the Presentation, thirty-one young men received the cassock and cincture of the Society. Of these, twenty-seven were students of philosophy, representing a score of states in the Union; four were Auxiliary Brothers.

On this occasion, three Auxiliary Brothers, after a probation of five years became full members of the Society and made the "Propositum" to spend their lives in its service. They were: Rev. Brother Joseph Donahue, Rev. Brother Xavier Lamb and Rev. Brother James Mooney.

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

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 2.—Bishop Edmond Heelan made the laying of the cornerstone of the $75,000 Immaculate Conception Church in Morningside last Sunday, the occasion of an address on the Catholic school which attracted wide attention and much favorable comment among non-Catholics for its temperate and fair presentation of a much discussed subject.

Gaelic League Seeks To Restore Peace In Ireland

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

Dublin, Nov. 25.—Public opinion in support of peace is growing and becoming more articulate. Following upon the desire already expressed in many quarters, the Gaelic League, which comprises Free Staters and Republicans, passed the following resolution:

That the Gaelic League Ard-Fheis keenly regrets the present dissension in the ranks of the Gael; and, since this unfortunate war is responsible for the deaths of the best of Ireland's sons, the country's destruction, and much damage to the cause of the language, and may be a source of enmity for a long time to come, we earnestly ask both sides to end it, for their own sake, for the sake of their country, their language and their God.

This resolution was heartily supported by enthusiastic followers of each of the contending parties and forces. At the same time there was published in the press a letter signed by a number of gentlemen in representative public positions, announcing that the formation of a "People's Peace League" was projected. A provisional committee has been set up, and it is intended to hold a public meeting in support of the movement. Optimism has been created by these latest developments. In fact intermediaries are again at work trying to bring about an accommodation.

Cardinal Dubois Rebukes Catholic Paper

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

Paris, Nov. 25.—Cardinal Dubois has given a marked proof of his love of fair play by disavowing publicly a cartoon published by an illustrated Catholic paper.

Following certain incidents which occurred in a hospital in the provinces, a hospital from which the nursing sisters have been absent for many years, the paper in question published a cartoon involving the entire lay personnel of the hospital.

Cardinal Dubois wrote to the director of the paper: "Such procedure is unjust. We regret that a Catholic paper, animated by excellent intentions, should have allowed itself to make a wholesale attack against an honorable profession in which is found so much competence and devotion in the service of the sick."

A copy of this letter was sent to the Director General of the Assistance Publique, who is head of the department in charge of all the secular personnel of France.

THREE VINCENTIAN PRIESTS FOR CHINA

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

St. Louis, Dec. 4.—Three priests of the Vincentian Order from this province have been selected for duty in the Chinese missions and are to leave in the near future. They are: the Rev. Paul Misner, C. M., S.T.D., of Kenrick Seminary faculty; the Rev. Edward Sheehan, C. M., of the Vincentian Preparatory College at Cape Girardeau; and the Rev. John Lavelle, C. M., president of St. Thomas Seminary at Denver, Colo. There are now three hundred priests of this order in China although the three named are the first to go from this province.

Anglicans and Jews Now Appealing for Religious Education

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

London, Sept. 27.—Both the Anglicans and the Jews apparently have awakened to the menace which threatens the community if religious education in the schools should become impossible. The Catholics, of course, always have realized this; but unlike some of the other religious bodies, they have always persistently fought for their rights. The Catholic Educational Council, acting in this instance as the agent of the Episcopate, has put a series of questions regarding the Catholic schools before Parliamentary candidates.

The Bishop of London has just presided over a crowded meeting at which a distinct note of alarm was sounded. The Jewish Chief Rabbi, Dr. Hertz, a few days [illegible] declared that the idea that secular teaching is sufficient for the development of character has been abandoned by everyone except the Bolshevist rulers in Soviet Russia. Rabbi Hertz further stated that the elimination of religious instruction from the schools took away from the educational system all the motives making for virtue, reverence, self-knowledge, and self-control.

Msgr. Keller Famous In Home Rule Fight, Dies At Age Of 83

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

Dublin, Nov. 24.—The Right Rev. Monsignor Keller, V. G., P. P., Youghal, and Dean of Cloyne, whose death has just taken place at the age of 83, was in recent years seldom heard of outside his parish and diocese. He abstained during these years from participation in public affairs. A generation ago he was a singularly outstanding figure in the public life of the country.

In the Home Rule movement he took a most active part. The tenantry of Ireland had no more powerful advocate than he in their agitation for fair rents and fixity of tenure.

DEAN OF ST. TERESA'S ON TRIP TO EUROPE

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

Winona, Minn., Dec. 4.—Dr. Mary A. Molloy, Dean of the College of Saint Teresa, accompanied by two Sisters of Saint Francis, has left Winona for a tour through Europe. Among the countries they will visit are England, Ireland, France, [illegible] Austria and Spain. They will also visit Assisi and other places in Italy prominent in Franciscan history. While in Europe they will make a study of the educational systems of the countries visited, and will spend some time at the great universities and institutions famous for the higher education of women.

DEPUTIES PAY VISIT TO SCENE OF JOAN OF ARC'S MARTYRDOM

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

Rouen, Nov. 23.—Fifty senators and deputies, among them the former Minister of Finance, Francois Marsal, came to Rouen the day following the official commemoration of the Armistice, as part of a patriotic pilgrimage to the scene of the martyrdom of Joan of Arc—the old Market Place of Rouen. They attended solemn High Mass in the Cathedral.

Relief From Pope Reaches Russia's Starv[illegible]

Over 2,000,000 Homeless Orphans—7,000,000 [illegible] Starvation This Winter—[illegible]

(Special Correspondence, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Moscow, Nov. 15.—For the first time [illegible] coat of arms, the crossed keys of Peter [illegible] flare, may be seen flying freely in the [illegible] grad, Krasnodar, Rostov-on-Don, and [illegible] villages of the Crimea.

In response to the appeal recently made [illegible] for the Catholic Relief Mission [illegible] quarters of the world and are now being [illegible] by special representatives of His Holiness [illegible] nations.

Assisted by a corps of Russian [illegible] translators, typists, warehouse [illegible] dispensable adjuncts of [illegible] business lines, involving [illegible] land and water, insurance, storage [illegible] ands of tons of foodstuffs, the Papal Relief [illegible] four main distributing stations [illegible] Central Russia; Eupatoria, on the Black [illegible] tov, where the river Don [illegible] Cossack country; and Krasnodar [illegible]

The Vatican Agreement [illegible] tary of State and the [illegible] antees the Papal Relief Mission [illegible] corded to foreign [illegible] the request of the Soviet Government [illegible] was opened in Crimea [illegible] half the population [illegible] 7,000,000 Russians will be [illegible] coming winter. There is no [illegible] shortage [illegible] magnificent work of the American [illegible] quered the famine [illegible] hayal in Russia [illegible] ation in the Crimea [illegible] Mission [illegible] of Eupatoria.

Thanksgiving Noble National Idea, Pope [illegible] Tells U. S. Students

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

Rome, Nov. 30.—Pope Pius [illegible] a special reception [illegible] to the students of the American College and for the first time [illegible] the history of the Church [illegible] formal recognition by the [illegible] to an American national festival [illegible] Speaking to the students [illegible] Holiness said:

"National thanksgiving [illegible] noble idea [illegible] people [illegible] prayer. Men who [illegible] one of the [illegible] country must [illegible] by Almighty God." [illegible]

In accepting an offering [illegible] 1,230 lire from the students [illegible] their superiors he thanked them [illegible] "for the help you have given [illegible] the suffering [illegible] down by pestilence, famine [illegible] misery."

[illegible] congratulate the [illegible] people and express [illegible] for the [illegible] shown [illegible]

POPE'S GENEROUS ACT REVEALED IN DUBLIN LAW SUIT

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

Dublin, Nov. 27.—A [illegible] cious act on the part of His Holi[illegible] ness the Pope was [illegible] revealed in a case [illegible] Dublin law courts. [illegible] an uncle of Colonel [illegible] left his estate to the Pope [illegible] ligious and charitable purposes [illegible] A request was made to His Holi[illegible] ness by Colonel [illegible] sister for a donation out of the estate. The Pope allowed [illegible] to the Colonel and $10,000 [illegible] sister, although [illegible] of their uncle's will [illegible] not legally entitled [illegible]