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In addition, says Father Woodlock, pus was flowing from eight or nine sores in the hand, and the girl declared that the sores had been open during the whole period...

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Emigration Aided By Cases Given To Condemned Men In Their Last Hours

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Through constant vigilance and the good will of the officers has been gained. Recently one of the "scoundrels" asked us what he could do to help the work; we told him we did not know of anything in particular...

He readily agreed to who was the medical registrar of the pilgrims, was present with the doctors during the examination.

He said that the girl had been in the hospital for some time and had been under treatment continuously since the date of the accident.

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Herriot In Favor Of Suppressing Vatican Embassy

Paris, June 27.—In the ministerial declaration read at his first appearance before the Chamber of Deputies, the new president of the council, announced that he would propose the suppression of the embassy to the Vatican and that he intended to apply the laws on religious congregations.

Following is the full text of the statement on this question: "I have decided not to maintain the embassy to the Vatican and to apply the laws on religious congregations."

It is in no wise in a thought of persecution or intolerance. We merely claim to insure the sovereignty of republican legislation and the necessary distinction between the domain of religious belief and that of public affairs. The idea of secularism, as we conceive of it, appears to us as the safeguard of national unity and fraternity.

Personal convictions, insofar as they do not affect the law, must be ignored by us; we must take cognizance of them, when necessary, only to protect them.

Work Ora \$650,000 School To Begin

Milwaukee, Wis., July 3.—Construction work will be started here within the next two weeks of a \$650,000 Marquette University high school building which is to rank as one of the largest and most modern high school structures in the Northwest.

The building is to be built on recently acquired Marquette property on the west side of the city and will be ready for occupancy in September, 1925.

Features of the structure, which is to have a cafeteria and basement will include a cafeteria with a capacity of 500, thirty standard size classrooms, three fully equipped laboratories, a modern radio room, a study hall, a library with a capacity of 10,000 volumes, and a gymnasium with a seating capacity of 1,100, a chapel capable of holding 1,200, a symphony and offices.

Our Lady of Martyrs Many Improvements

St. Louis, Mo., July 5.—The Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs visited by thousands in this section of the country was reopened for its fourth year Sunday to remain open to pilgrims till September 15.

The Shrine and Mass will be said daily. An announcement was made at the local people who had gathered for the execution were strangled through every opening in the temple.

A squad of soldiers came in and tied their arms behind their backs at the same time we placed a noose on his way to Brittany, in France. He is Father Vacher, known and loved throughout the North, and he is about to revisit the home of his childhood for the first time in more than a quarter of a century.

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20,000 Corpus Christi Marchers In El Paso Impress and Awe City

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) El Paso, Tex., July 5.—Twenty thousand marchers, viewed by such crowds at El Paso as seldom seen, made impressive the celebration of the Corpus Christi solemnities here.

The great procession was watched by thousands from curbs and jammed window and from autos which lined the streets. Boys in caesock and surplice, serious-faced, bareheaded, the ancient hymns of the Church, school children in white dresses and veils, business and society leaders, walks by side with those of humblest folk.

Thrice the great cortege halted, turned and with one accord knelt, oblivious to the dust and dirt of the street staining white dress or red caesock. The Blessed Sacrament was elevated and the blessing given.

It was the purpose to make the day a great impressive showing of reverence for the Blessed Eucharist. It succeeded. Simple to the point of sublimity, quiet and earnest, it hushed and awed El Paso as nothing ever had done before it.

Texas Missionary Field Calls For 100 More Active Priests

San Antonio, Texas, July 3.—The Rev. Paul A. Lewis, O.M.I., editor of the Texas missionary quarterly, "Mary Immaculate," declares that one hundred more missionary priests should be placed in the Texas field immediately.

Every one of the five Texas bishops, as well as the several religious orders working in these missions, he says, are in need of a number of zealous, active priests, as well as of many young men and boys who would be willing to follow the course of studies preparatory to the ministry.

The life of a Texas missionary, spent in the great open spaces and under the free blue sky, should appeal, Father Lewis believes, to the average red-blooded American youth of our Catholic populations in the great cities of the East and Middle West.

It is true, he says, that the missionary meets with his full share of difficulties and hardships, but they are more than counterbalanced by a sense of a great duty well done.

The Oblates of Mary Immaculate, of which order Father Lewis is a member, are in charge, under the Bishops, of one fifth of the entire State, most of their missions being among the poor Mexicans along the border and the scattered American ranchers of Southwest Texas and Panhandle.

The Oblates, who first came to the State in 1849, have three houses of formation in Texas, which one hundred young men are being trained for that arduous apostolate. A few free scholarships in St. Anthony's Apostolic School in San Antonio are open for deserving candidates, unable to pay their tuition.

Among the students now at the Apostolic School are young men from all parts of the country.

French Bishop Warns Faithful Not To Buy Property Of Church

Lourdes, June 25.—A property formerly belonging to the order of the Sisters of the Assumption having been put up for sale here in execution of a prewar court decision based on the application of the law on religious congregations, the Bishop of Tarbes reminded the faithful that the penalty of excommunication awaits any person who acquires church property.

Not a single buyer appeared to bid for the property on the day of the sale. A second sale was held a few days later, and again no one appeared to buy.

The statement of the Bishop of Tarbes to the faithful was as follows: "Should anyone dare to transgress this prohibition, he cannot receive absolution for his excommunication nor be admitted to the sacraments even in the hour of death nor, after death, have the honor of Christian burial, except on the double conditions: 1-Of publicly disavowing the guilty act which he committed; 2-Of making restitution or assurance of restitution of the property unjustly acquired."

"The pain of excommunication and the obligation to make restitution apply even to second and third buyers should they refuse to repair the injustices committed. "It is also forbidden to rent or lease Church property."

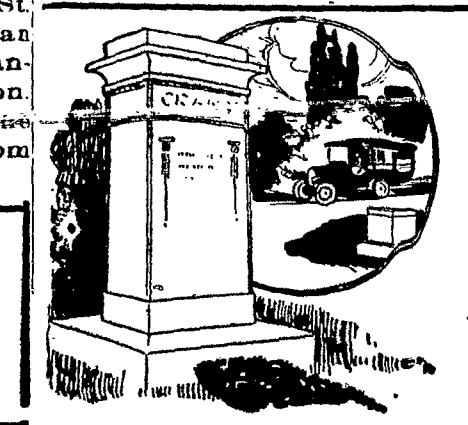
Deaths of the Week

Funeral services were held from the respective churches on dates given. May their souls rest in peace. Callahan—Mary Callahan died on July 3, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Emma Hilecox, No. 2220 Main street east. Funeral from St. John the Evangelist Church July 10. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. Clinton—Matthew Clinton died at his home, No. 13 Clinton street, Fairport, N. Y., July 7, aged 80 years. Funeral from the Church of the Assumption, Fairport, July 10. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. Green—Thomas F. Green, formerly of Churchville, N. Y., died July 8, at his home, No. 367 Selye terrace, aged 50 years. Funeral from St. Vincent's Church, Churchville, July 11. Interment at Churchville, N. Y. Smith—Adam J. Smith, aged 56 years died July 8, at his home, No. 128 Rugby avenue. Funeral from St. Peter and Paul's Church July 11. Tracy—Ruth Marie Tracy, aged 5 years, died July 8, at Lyons, N. Y. Funeral from the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Tracy, of No. 54 Normandy avenue, Rochester, N. Y., and from St. Augustine's Church, July 11. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. Simpson—Ellen S. Simpson, died at her residence, July 6. Blessed Sacrament Church July 9. Crocker—Margaret Ryan Crocker, wife of William Crocker died Saturday evening, July 5, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles McGarrity, 1946 Lake avenue. She is also survived by one other sister, Mrs. Thomas Ford, and two brothers, John M. and Edward M. Ryan. The funeral took place Tuesday morning from the home of her sister at 9:30 o'clock and at 10 o'clock from the Church of the Sacred Heart. Interment will be made in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery. Simpson—Thomas Simpson died July 6, at St. Francis rectory, Phelps N. Y. He is survived by his wife, Catherine Simpson; four sons, Walter T. Simpson, Dr. Leo F. Simpson, Reverend Edward Simpson, Lorenzo Simpson and one daughter, Madam Loretta Simpson of the Sacred Heart Convent, Rochester, N. Y.; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Nier and Miss Helen Simpson; two brothers, James Simpson and Edward O'Donnell, and two grandchildren, Leo Simpson, Jr., and Mary Catherine Simpson. Funeral services were held from St. Francis Church, Phelps, Wednesday at 10 o'clock. Interment was made in the family lot in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

DEATHS

Baechele—Mrs. Anna Scheffinger Baechele, wife of Ernest Baechele, died July 6, aged 58 years. Funeral July 9, from the home, 149 Heidsiebers street and at Corpus Christi Church. Porter—Elizabeth F. Porter, wife of Frederick A. Porter, died July 5 at her home, 358 Troun street, SS Peter and Paul's Church July 9. Servatius—Lawrence Servatius died at the family home, 31 Cayusa street, July 5. Funeral from St. Boniface Church, July 9. Schwan—Louis A. Schwan, died July 5, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Patrick J. McCarthy, 9 Enterprise street. Funeral from St. Monica's Church, July 8. Interment will be made in Wayland, N. Y. Mahar—Francis Mahar, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mahar, aged 2 weeks, died July 6. Funeral July 7 from the family residence, No. 21 Montrose street. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. Dorschel—Edward H. Dorschel, aged 60 years, died July 5. Funeral from his home, No. 75 Charlotte street July 8th, and from St. Joseph's Church. Dalein—Mrs. Enma A. Dalein, of No. 88 Avenue C, died July 9, aged 25 years. Funeral from St. Michael's Church July 12. Mattie—Elizabeth Imo Mattie of No. 36 Mazda terrace, died July 10, aged 36 years. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, July 12. Metzger—Stephen Metzger died at his home, 15 Prescott street, July 10. St. Augustine's Church, July 12.

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