

New Holy Cross Mission Seminary At C. U. Dedicated

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—A distinguished company of members of the American Hierarchy and superiors of religious houses gathered here Tuesday to assist in the dedication of the splendid Foreign Mission Seminary of Holy Cross, which has just been completed in Brookland at the Catholic University of America. The Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, blessed the new structure, and the Rt. Rev. Philip R. McDevitt, Bishop of Harrisburg, made the address.

Several hundred visitors had journeyed up the winding road which leads through ancient trees to the eminence where the new seminary stands. They witnessed a picturesque procession preceding the program. Children gathered from every academy in the city, clad in the maroon garb of the Catholic Student Mission Crusaders, with white crosses on their breasts, added the brilliance of their costume to that of the vestments of the prelates, and the habits of many orders appeared in the cortege. The Holy Cross seminarians, who later composed a large outdoor choir; the medical unit which is to go to India shortly, and the foreign mission seminarians, also walked in the procession.

Persecuted Christian Of Russia and Guatemala Assured American Sympathy

Washington, Sept. 26.—The resolution dealing with religious conditions in Russia adopted at the meeting of the Hierarchy here this week, reads as follows: "We view with pain and deep anxiety the extremely sad plight of the Christian Communities in Russia. To them, today, in the throes of a religious persecution surpassing in its cruelty the fearful sufferings of the early Christians, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

"Speaking in the name of twenty millions of Catholics of this Republic and all who supported, we are sure, in this, our action, by the liberty-loving No Catholic could say one word in Christian millions of America, we testify to the wholly unjust attitude of the present Russian Government opposed as it is to the fundamental principles of justice and repugnant to the best sentiments of all Christian people. We furthermore declare that we are ready to aid in every way possible our suffering brethren. Bishops, priests and people in Russia."

The following resolution dealing with the situation of the Church in Guatemala, also was adopted: "The Hierarchy of the Catholic Church in the United States of America—Loretta Halligan; Sister M. Patricia observes with profound distress Rose Hurley; Sister M. Maria Eleota that the situation of the Church in Guatemala has grown worse instead of better in the last twelve months, and that the enemies of Christianity who have fastened a terrorist re-ign upon that unhappy country, not men of the expulsion of the hierarchy and a final and sweeping pillage of the Church, have now resorted to the ill-treatment and exile of nuns and the proscription of the clergy. Therefore be it unanimously resolved: That formal expression of sympathy be given to the Catholic Church in the United States group of Catholic men, leaders in the hierarchy now the commercial industrial and professional world of Chicago, a fund of \$250,000 to be known as the Cardinal's Charity Fund, was inaugurated in Chicago, a fund of \$100,000 was announced at the meeting and brought to a close to raise the remainder will be opened next week, with the assistance of completing it in two weeks.

North Of Ireland Catholics Resent Treaty's Breach

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Dublin, Sept. 16.—Catholics in the Six Counties of Northeast Ireland are not at all satisfied with the turn events have taken in connection with the issue of the boundary between that area and the rest of Ireland. Although Article 12 of the Anglo-Irish Treaty lays down specifically that the boundary shall be determined by the Commission, about to be appointed, "in accordance with the wishes of the inhabitants," Lord Birkenhead and Mr. Lloyd George, two of the signatories of the Treaty on the British side, now state that all that was intended was a mere rectification of the existing frontier. In other words their interpretation of the article is that there is to be an exchange of a few acres here and there. This interpretation so restricts the operation of the article as to make it illusory. By these utterances the British statesmen mentioned have lent their support to the attitude taken by the Orangemen.

Reputation Propaganda in England In Britain, both in the press and on the platform, an active campaign is being conducted with the object of bringing about a nullification of Article 12 of the Anglo-Irish Treaty. It is felt by Catholics in Ireland that the object of the declarations made by Lord Birkenhead and Mr. Lloyd George is to prejudice the Commission, in fact to prejudice the case before the tribunal commences its inquiry. So long ago as December, 1921, one week after the treaty had been signed Mr. Lloyd George said: "There is no doubt that the majority of the people in the two counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh prefer being with their southern neighbors to being in the Northern Parliament. Although I am against the coercion of Ulster I do not believe in Ulster coercing other units."

In these two counties and also in the City of Derry, Catholics are in a majority. In each of these areas Catholics are, according to the last census, 56 per cent of the population. School statistics, just published, show a still higher proportion. Of the total pupils on the rolls of elementary schools in the counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh and the City of Derry, 68.7 per cent are Catholics. Full effect were given to the boundary article in the Treaty the majority in these areas would vote for exclusion from the jurisdiction of the Belfast Government. The words of the Article are similar to those contained in the Treaty of Versailles with regard to Upper Silesia and Schleswig. In both those cases plebiscites were taken and as a result the transfer of considerable portions of territory was effected. The Catholics of Tyrone, Fermanagh and Derry declares: "We are prepared to leave the issue today to the free decision of the people."

Contrast in Treatment Contrasting the treatment of Catholics in the Northeast area with that of Protestants in the twenty-six counties, they point out that in the Northeast Catholics cannot hold a meeting except under police permit studied calmly the fearful sufferings of the early Christians, we extend our heartfelt sympathy. "Speaking in the name of twenty millions of Catholics of this Republic and all who supported, we are sure, in this, our action, by the liberty-loving No Catholic could say one word in Christian millions of America, we testify to the wholly unjust attitude of the present Russian Government opposed as it is to the fundamental principles of justice and repugnant to the best sentiments of all Christian people. We furthermore declare that we are ready to aid in every way possible our suffering brethren. Bishops, priests and people in Russia."

Sisters Of Charity Leave Among Mission Work Among Chinese

Convent Station, N. J., Sept. 26.—Five Sisters of Charity left here after imposing farewell ceremonies on the College grounds to take up mission work in China in connection with the missions of the Passionist Fathers. The nuns are: Sister M. Loretta Halligan; Sister M. Patricia observes with profound distress Rose Hurley; Sister M. Maria Eleota that the situation of the Church in Guatemala has grown worse instead of better in the last twelve months, and that the enemies of Christianity who have fastened a terrorist re-ign upon that unhappy country, not men of the expulsion of the hierarchy and a final and sweeping pillage of the Church, have now resorted to the ill-treatment and exile of nuns and the proscription of the clergy. Therefore be it unanimously resolved: That formal expression of sympathy be given to the Catholic Church in the United States group of Catholic men, leaders in the hierarchy now the commercial industrial and professional world of Chicago, a fund of \$250,000 to be known as the Cardinal's Charity Fund, was inaugurated in Chicago, a fund of \$100,000 was announced at the meeting and brought to a close to raise the remainder will be opened next week, with the assistance of completing it in two weeks.

Great Charity Fund Raised in Chicago

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C. U. Trustees Make Provision For Extensions

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—For the first time in the history of the country, four American Cardinals gathered here Tuesday when the trustees of the Catholic University of America met. His Eminence, William Cardinal O'Connell presided, and Cardinals Dougherty, Mundelein and Hayes attended. The annual report of the Rector, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Thomas J. Suahan, was presented and approved. It showed marked progress in the last year in the academic work of the University and a satisfactory financial condition. Among the principal items brought to the attention of the Board was the establishment of the School of Canon Law. In accordance with the expressed desire of the Holy See, this school was opened in October, and at the commencement in June, thirty degrees, including six doctorates, were conferred in Canon Law.

Of importance to the material progress of the University was the decision to begin work at once on the John K. Mullen Memorial Library, thus providing ample accommodation for the collection of books which at present are in different parts of the University. In addition, the library will afford abundant facility for study. Provision is being made for one million volumes.

Graduate School of Scholastic Philosophy It was also decided, with the approval of the Holy See, to establish a Graduate School of Scholastic Philosophy. This school will cover the entire field of Philosophy and will emphasize the study of all important problems now under discussion. As its guide, it will follow St. Thomas in regard to methods, principles and doctrines. The works of St. Thomas will be used as the principal text. Careful consideration was given to the development of the Faculty of Theology, in which it is proposed to add chairs of Patrology, Liturgy and Christian Archaeology.

The Department of Education is to be strengthened by the appointment of several new instructors and the addition of courses which it was felt are needed to give a sound and complete preparation to the teachers, men and women, in Catholic schools and colleges. It was reported to the trustees that Basnett College was opened in October and that its first year's work was most encouraging. This institution has for its special purpose the collegiate education of candidates for the priesthood, particular attention being given to their training in Philosophy, English and Sacred Eloquence.

The trustees expressed their pleasure at the material progress of the University as evidenced by the work on the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the completion of the stadium and the construction of a new section of the Martin Maloney Chemical Laboratory. Residence Hall For Professors In order to provide better accommodation for the ecclesiastical members of the staff, the Board voted that a Residence Hall for professors should be erected. The plans already have been drawn and approved, and it is expected that the new building will be undertaken in the course of the next academic year.

The trustees were pleased to learn that several new Houses of Study have been established near the University, making a total of twenty-one such institutions in charge of the various religious orders. Besides these, there are 354 institutions—schools, novitiates, colleges and seminaries—throughout the country which are affiliated with the University. It was the unanimous opinion of the trustees that during the last year the University not only has grown within its own precincts, but also has widened considerably its sphere of influence in the country at large, and in particular has rendered noteworthy service to the cause of Catholic education.

Duke of Norfolk's Estate Is Valued At \$85,000,000

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Sept. 16.—Eighty-five million dollars is the estimated total of the late Duke of Norfolk's wealth, which falls to his fifteen-year-old son. It is seven years since the old Duke died, and it is only now that the gigantic work of proving and valuing the vast estate of the Catholic noblesman is nearing completion.

London, Sept. 18.—"The Rev. Sir William Heathcote, Baronet, S. J." was the unusual title borne by a priest who has just died at Bourne-mouth. He was the son of Sir William Percival Heathcote, Sixth Baronet. The baronetcy goes to Lieut. Col. Gilbert Heathcote, brother of the deceased priest.

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Chicago Schools Of K. of C. Report Big Registration

Chicago, Oct. 1.—Accommodations for 5,000 students were offered in the three Knights of Columbus Free Evening schools for former service men and women, which opened for their fifth year in Chicago. These schools are units in a chain of similar schools conducted in all the large centers of the country by the Education and Welfare Department of the K. of C., and financed with the war work funds left in the treasury at the closing of the war camps.

During the summer, William J. Bogan, who since their founding has been in charge of the schools, was made assistant superintendent of the Chicago Public Schools, and has been succeeded in the superintendency of the K. of C. schools by William N. Brown, past state deputy, and nationally known in Knights of Columbus circles. Mr. Brown was formerly an instructor in the Jesuit schools at St. Mary's Kansas and St. Ignace, Chicago.

The three schools are so located on the three sides of the city as to be easily accessible to the greatest number of students and each has its own principal and corps of instructors, recruited from the many colleges and universities in and about the city, and from among the leading experts in technical and commercial lines. Approximately 35,000 veterans have been enrolled in these schools since their organization.

Washington, Sept. 19.—The Ku Klux Klan received an other setback in the section where it was popularly credited with considerable strength when the Democratic State Convention of New Mexico adopted a platform denouncing the night-gowned organization by name and declaring that it "must be condemned by all who believe in American ideals."

Coming on the heels of Klan defeats in Oklahoma and Texas, the action of the New Mexico Democracy confirms the growing impression that the Klan's political domination of the Southwest is fast becoming an unavailing historical episode.

London, Sept. 17.—A thousand nuns belonging to the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary volunteered to work among the lepers of the Far East, in response to an appeal sent out by the Mother General, it is announced here by the St. Francis Leper Guild.

"Orel" Catholic Rally In Tabor Opposed

Prague, Sept. 15.—A series of religious manifestations and rallies organized recently by "Orel," the Czech Catholic gymnastic society, met with considerable opposition from anti-Catholic sources, culminating in open rioting at Tabor. Reports on the work of the various departments of the National Catholic Welfare Conference during the past year were presented to the meeting of the Hierarchy for their consideration and were approved. The reports were presented by: Archbishop Hanna, of San Francisco, for the Administrative Committee; Archbishop Dowling, of St. Paul, for the Department of Education; Bishop Schrembs, of Cleveland, for the Department of Lay Organizations; Bishop McDevitt, of Harrisburg, for the Press Department; Bishop Gibbons, of Albany, for the Department of Laws and Legislation; and Bishop Muldoon, of Rockford, for the Department of Social Action.

Bishop Lillis Chosen for Vacancy Bishop Lillis, of Kansas City, Mo., was elected a member of the N. C. W. C. Administrative Committee to succeed the late Bishop Walsh, of Portland, Me. Other members of the committee, all of whom were re-elected, are: Archbishop Hanna, Archbishop Dowling, Bishop Gibbons, Bishop Schrembs, Bishop McDevitt, and Bishop Muldoon.

The Rev. William Quinn was named Director of the Propagation of the Faith in the United States to succeed Bishop Erel who recently presented his resignation and has been transferred to France. Bishop Lillis, of Kansas City, was elected Secretary of the meeting because of the illness of Bishop O'Connell, of Richmond, whose resignation was presented on the ground of ill health.

During the deliberations on the resolution of sympathy for the people of Russia, the assembled members of the Hierarchy called in the Rev. Edmond A. Walsh, S. J., Regent of the Georgetown School of Foreign Service and former Director of the Papal Relief Expedition to Russia.

Thousand Nuns Of Single Order Will Nurse Lepers

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