

Women's Council New President Is Florence Loeber

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) St. Louis, Nov. 13.—Miss Florence Loeber, for years a leader in Catholic women's organizations in New Orleans and treasurer of the National Council of Catholic Women...

Mrs. Loeber thus becomes the second president of the N. C. W. C. Mrs. Michael Gavin of New York having held the office since the formation of the Council four years ago.

Mrs. Gavin, who retired because of a constitutional limitation, and who has led the N. C. W. C. to a commanding position among women's organizations of the country in the remarkably short period, was pre-vented by illness at the last moment from being present at the convention...

Mrs. Gavin was elected a vice-president by the new board, and the heartfelt thanks of the Council were sent her for her great services to it.

Other officers elected are: Mrs. in the report of Mrs. Gavin, read by Arthur Mullen, Omaha, and Mrs. John N. Jackson, Seattle, vice-presidents; Miss Anna D. Gamble, York, Pa., secretary, and Mrs. M. B. Daly, Cleveland, treasurer.

Members elected to the Board of Directors are: Miss Gamble, Mrs. C. Lamy, St. Louis; Mrs. C. J. Mc-year, Conville, St. Paul (re-elected); Mrs. Joseph Donohoe, San Francisco; Mrs. national non-Catholic or non-sectarian, Mrs. James Bach, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Jackson.

Attended by 300 delegates, the convention was the most enthusiastic in the N. C. W. C. has held. Great for-ward strides were reported, and an election of the executive secretary was held for a wide, practical program for next year.

Bishops and four laymen appeared on the program, together with lead-ers in virtually every welfare field. The following cablegram was sent to Pope Pius XI, through the Papal secretary:

"The National Council of Catholic Women, in convention assembled in St. Louis, desires that Your Eminence present to His Holiness Pope Pius XI an expression of their whole-hearted loyalty and filial homage, and earnestly ask his Apostolic benediction, upon our organization and our work."

Joining in the petition for the beatification of Fathers Isaac Jogues, John De Brebeuf, Gabriel Lalemant, Antoine Daniel, Charles Garnier, Noel Chabanel, Rene Goupil, and Jean DeLaLane, early American missionaries.

Calling upon the heads of the motion picture industry to give the public clean pictures speedily and upon Catholics generally to exercise the "censorship of the box office," and endorsing the N. C. W. C. Motion Picture Bureau.

Urging special solicitude for the under-privileged child. Urging special attention to the encouragement of Catholic culture. Calling for greater participation in civic and social movements.

Fostering the Study Club movement. Expressing gratitude to Bishop Schrembs, Episcopal chairman of the N. C. W. C.; to Miss Regan, executive secretary; to the Mayor of St. Louis, and to members of the hierarchy and clergy who helped in a communication which stirred the delegates deeply, however, at not being able to be present, as-Indorsement of the Child Labor Amendment. Upon the assurance of present in "spirit and prayer, heart and soul," and expressed her confidence in the great future of the Council.

Mrs. Gavin's Report A most healthy growth and varied and useful activity in the last year's labors of the Council were reflected in the report of Mrs. Gavin, read by Arthur Mullen, Omaha, and Mrs. John N. Jackson, Seattle, vice-presidents.

A present membership of 972 in affiliated organizations and 13,329 individual members. Thirty organized diocesan Councils, with five formed in the last year. Representatives sent to twenty-five national non-Catholic or non-sectarian gatherings and to all national Catholic gatherings in the last year.

The appointment of the national president on the Advisory Committee on the N. C. W. C. has held. Great for-ward strides were reported, and an election of the executive secretary was held for a wide, practical program for next year.

Distribution of 250,000 copies of the program, together with lead-ers in virtually every welfare field. Wide distribution of pamphlet on "Information on Study Club work sent to inquirers in forty-one states."

Maintaining of two community houses and one service school, and establishment of another. Bringing of the National Catholic XI to the status of an affiliate of the Catholic University and arrangement of a special course at Georgetown University.

Gaining of eight scholarships to the Service School. Recommendations for coming year made in the report included: Greater efforts toward an increase in individual memberships on which the welfare of the Council depends.

An increase in financial resources, preferably by gaining more members and thus more dues, with a view to augmenting the central office staff. Taking up of some pariticular clinics in connection with the pariticular and medical social service by every diocesan unit.

Laying down moral principles on which legislation may be based. Tuesday when, as the clock struck eleven, the session was suspended in honor of Armistice Day while Mrs. Multherin, of Augusta, Ga., a war-rior, recited the pledge to the National Catholic Service School.

Catholic U. Alumni In N. Y. Give Banquet For Cardinal Hayes

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) New York, Nov. 12.—The New York Ecclesiastical Alumni of the Catholic University of America were the hosts at a banquet given to Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York, in honor of his elevation to the Sacred College of Cardinals.

Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, Rector of the University, delivered the principal address and paid tribute to the achievements of the Cardinal who is himself an alumnus of the Catholic University. Bishop Shahan said in part:

"When Pius XI raised our distinguished fellow alumnus, the Archbishop of New York, to the august See of the Roman Church he imposed on us a debt of gratitude, which we meet here to discharge. Thereby were justified the prophetic sentiments of respect and esteem which we entertained for him during all the years of his priestly service, and during those other years of ecclesiastical administration in which he became so intimately acquainted with the life of the Catholic Church in this city and State."

"I need not emphasize on this occasion the virtues, private and public, which his own life exhibited amid the evergrowing approval of all good citizens of this metropolis without distinction of creed. I will only say that as the sphere of his service widened out, we grew ever more certain that Almighty God was preparing him for great responsibilities. We rejoiced that in the circle of our University alumni there was growing an outstanding figure of the best promise in all those qualities for which the Catholic Church is most concerned in the matter of her ministry."

"The clergy and people of this city can never forget his unflinching devotion and perfect loyalty to Cardinal Farley in all the works of his administration, the growth of pariticular schools, the Cathedral College and St. Joseph's Seminary, the support of Catholic missions, domestic and foreign, and indged in every work of religion that claimed the attention of that most worthy and beloved preceptor of Holy Church."

"I had the honor to assist with him at the splendid ceremonies in which the Cardinal took possession of his titular church at Rome, and I remember wondering on that occasion if any priest had ever served his bishop with more scrupulous fidelity, tact, and affection."

"He would not be a true son of the Church of New York if his loyalty to the Holy See were not a prominent trait of his priestly life. But the Great War afforded him a unique occasion of asserting it in the most solemn way when at the bidding of Benedict XV he assumed the heavy burden of the administration of the Catholic ministry among our soldiers and sailors, fulfilling thereby a double duty of self-sacrificing obedience to the Holy See and of patriotic service to his country."

"We were therefore rightly proud when Pius XI recognized so many personal merits, also the grandeur of the Church of New York and the splendor of this great city. No dissenting voice arose to affect the unanimous rejoicing that welcomed his elevation to the oldest and noblest aristocracy of merit and service known to history. On the contrary, we may well believe that never in the annals of Catholicism was a modest, laborious, charitable priestly career crowned with a fuller popular approval, or a richer blessing bestowed by the voice of the people than on this occasion commingled with the voice of God."

"The Catholic University of America has awaited with impatience this day, in order to offer its cordial congratulations to Cardinal Hayes on the occasion of his entrance into the Sacred College, and to wish him every blessing that Heaven has not yet granted him. He is the first of our Alumni to merit and receive this supreme honor. The University, therefore feels itself privileged to add its note to the general chorus of joy and gratitude which acclaimed his entrance among the Cardinals of the Holy Roman Church."

74 Dublin Clerical Students Win B. A.

Dublin, Nov. 1.—No fewer than 74 students of Maynooth Clerical College have won the B. A. degree from the National University this year. The awards include one first and two second class honors in Ancient Classics; nine first-class and one second class in Celtic studies; two firsts in English, and two seconds in mental and moral Philosophy.

Priest's Testimony May Be Determining In Field Estate Suit

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) New York, Nov. 11.—Observations of the mental capacity and physical health of Hickson W. Field, said to be a grand-nephew of Cyrus W. Field, who laid the first Atlantic cable, and one of the two men living who were in the theater on the night when President Lincoln was shot, made by the Rev. John H. Dooley, pastor of the Church of Corpus Christi, this city, while he was in the Atlantic Constitution and The New York World, which sponsored the investigation which revealed that Governor Walker was the unnamed "governor of a great state" who made the principal address on that occasion.

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\$1,000 Gift From Cardinal O'Connell To Gibbons Institute

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Washington, Nov. 15.—A contribution of \$1,000 from His Eminence Cardinal O'Connell of Boston to the Gibbons Institute for colored students has been received by the Institute's office here. It is made in memory of Mrs. Sub-Treasurer on a small salary, had amassed a fortune by making judicious investments, and that since she is prevented from drawing any more funds from the bank account which is in her name, she and her husband, who is ill at present, will be forced to give up their living rooms.

Justice Lydon reserved decision on both applications. The contribution is transmitted through His Grace, Archbishop Curley of Baltimore, in whose Archdiocese the Institute is situated. Archbishop Curley, in a letter to A. C. Monahan, executive secretary of the Institute, has assured Mr. Monahan that he will shortly make a similar contribution to the Institute.

Editor P. F. Scanlon, President Of C. P. A. Is To Be Married

Brooklyn, Nov. 10.—Announcement was made today that Mr. Pat. Monahan, executive secretary of the C. P. A. and President of the Monahan that he will shortly make a similar contribution to the Institute. The bride to be has been Mr. Scanlon's secretary for the past two years. She is twenty-one years of age; he is twenty-nine.

English Clergymen Converts In Five Years Over 57 (By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 1.—The flowing tide of conversion from the Anglican ministry is demonstrated by the fact that in five years no fewer than 57 convert clergymen have passed through St. Charles' House of Studies at Hatfield. This is by no means the complete total, for many have not gone to St. Charles' on their embracing the Church.

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