

Zionism Mistake, Declares The Son Of Its Founder

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 London, April 9.—Hans Herzl, son of the founder of Zionism, tells us that he does not believe in the necessity of a Jewish national home in Palestine. It is interesting that Hans Herzl, who recently joined the Catholic Church here, has thus broken away from the idea which his father fostered, and for which he was hailed as a movement leader by the Jews of Eastern Europe.

He does not regard a Jewish home in Palestine as necessary because he says, there no longer exists a Jewish problem in Eastern Europe. But even if a "national home" were necessary today, Mr. Herzl does not consider Palestine a natural base. He said:

"Palestine is an old administrative unit of the Ottoman empire, without justification at the present day. The true political basis today is the United Arab Commonwealth. The Arabs are the owners by long usage of perfectly valid title of the Arab Middle East. Independence was promised to them for their participation in the war. That independence they must sooner or later receive at the hands of the League of Nations."

Mr. Herzl makes the further interesting suggestion that the large sums of money which wealthy American Jews are pouring into the Zionist cause, should be diverted to Russia. If that happened, Russia, "which has long been the national home of the Jewish people in the past, could be made habitable for them in the future."

"Jewish energies can set Russia on fire, but they can only head off the oncoming persecution by Western tolerance can achieve the golden mean between Carlist despotism and Bolshevik tyranny."

Hans Herzl believes that the Jews of the West will play an honorable part in the rebuilding of the Arab nation. They will enter the Arab country, he said, "not as Jewish nationalists, for Judaism in the West is a religion, not a nationality, but in virtue of their citizenship of this or that great country. They will go there in order to throw in their lot with their Arab brothers in a land which religion has hallowed for all Jews. The mandates, surely will go the way of all flesh."

"Personally I can conceive of only one sort of mandate in the Middle East. It is the custody of the Holy Places of Christendom held by the Holy See."

Jerusalem, March 15.—The Italian Catholic Organization for the Protection of the Holy Places, which submitted an anti-Zionist petition to the Council of the League of Nations during its meeting in Rome, has now opened a new campaign in opposition to the Zionist policy in Palestine. Several newspapers in the country publish articles and reports demanding that Italy should be made guardian over the Holy Places, with the Franciscans in charge of them. It is stated that the Italian Government is supporting the movement for placing the Holy Places in Palestine under Italian control.

Dominican Recounts Story Of Christian Brothers' Rapid Rise

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 Dublin, April 1.—For their work as educators in the North of Ireland the Christian Brothers have just received eloquent acknowledgment from Father Larkin O. P., in Newry, Down County. The Penal Laws at the end of the eighteenth century, he said, made condition very severe for Catholics. It was just then that a Waterford merchant, Edmund Ignatius Rice, gathered around him a few intelligent young men and opened a school. These teachers, seeking no personal profit, were fired solely with Catholic zeal. Soon the citizens of Waterford built the young men a monastery, the first monastery of the Christian Brothers.

Other young men came forward to join the new instructors. Their schools began rapidly to extend—first to Dungarvan and Cork, then to Dublin, and eventually to every other part of Ireland. The country became too small for their teaching zeal. To England they spread, and soon to distant lands, till in the course of years they had followed the track of the English language round the world.

Their power of attracting adherents was very remarkable. Four resourceless Brothers arrived in Australia and today, five decades after their advent, Australia has fifty establishments under their charge, including many schools, colleges and orphanages, as well as an important novitiate.

The founder lived to see the crowning of his work. In 1820 he experienced the joy of receiving from the Pope the brief which confirmed his brethren as a religious body and bade them to teach the boys of Ireland "truth and solid education." They have taught the boys of Ireland and of greater Ireland beyond the seas. Successful men in every English-speaking land are a testimony to their prowess in the sphere of practical education.

In Ireland alone there are usually about 150 young men in training for the Order.

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Fr. Shannon, New World Editor, Is Made Monsignor

Chicago, Ill., April 9.—Announcement was made recently by His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, of the elevation of the rank of monsignori of the Rev. Thomas V. Shannon, LL.D., pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle church and for thirteen years editor of the New World, the official archdiocesan publication. Monsignor Shannon is vice-president of the Catholic Press Association.

Cardinal Mundelein also announced the elevation to the rank of monsignori of the Rev. John J. Code, pastor of St. Edmund's church, Oak Park, a Chicago suburb, and conferred Knighthood in the Order of St. Gregory on Francis X. Mudd, a member of the parish. The cardinal announced that the Rev. P. L. Hermann, pastor of St. Nicholas church, Evanston, Ill., also is to be made a Monsignor.

Monsignor Shannon has won more than local distinction for his services to the Church. In June, 1922, he celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and the following year completed the construction of one of the finest church edifices in the West.

Builder Of Notable Church
 The new St. Thomas the Apostle church is notable in that its architecture is purely American and includes no spire. Architects, sculptors and artists gathered by Father Shannon worked out the artistic effects in a specially-constructed studio adjacent to the church grounds, and nearly every article placed within the edifice was constructed there.

In addition to his leadership in educational and journalistic fields, he won distinction as the representative of the archdiocese in the Liberty loan and other campaigns during the war. He holds the degree doctor of laws from both Loyola and Notre Dame universities.

Chicago born, Monsignor Shannon received his clerical education at St. Ignace College, Chicago, and St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore. Before being made pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle church, in a fashionable and wealthy South Side district, he was assigned to several Chicago and suburban parishes.

Double Surprise At Oak Park
 A double surprise was given pastor and parishioner when Cardinal Mundelein, visiting St. Edmund's in Oak Park, announced the honors that have come to Father Code and Mr. Mudd.

No public announcement of either of the honors, which he brought back with him from Rome, had been made by the Cardinal.

While it had been rumored in the congregation that the Cardinal was to be at the 11 o'clock Mass Sunday, most of the parishioners believed his visit was to be in connection with the mission being held there. The church was crowded at the Pontifical High Mass. It was at the close of the Mass that His Eminence made the announcement of the honors.

Father Code has been pastor of St. Edmund's since its establishment several years ago, and has built up a beautiful church and school in an exclusive residential village, not especially friendly at the outset to the establishment of a Catholic Church. The Cardinal called Mr. Mudd before the altar when he read the papal mandate and bestowed upon him the cross of the Order of St. Gregory.

Mr. Mudd, a member of an old Kentucky family, has been prominent in the transportation industry. His benefactions to St. Edmund's have been generous, and a year ago, in the name of his parish and pastor, he gave \$100,000 to the new university at St. Mary of the Lake.

Rabbi Wise Opposes Religious Teaching

New York, April 9.—Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Chairman of the American Jewish Congress, has protested against the movement for the teaching of religion to public school children through arrangements for cooperation by the city or state. Addressing the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Congress here recently, Rabbi Wise declared that the basis of American institutions is separation of Church and State.

He protested, he said, against any step that might lead directly or indirectly to confusion in the popular mind of the functions of Church and State. When the Church intrudes on the State, he declared, the Jews will be the first to suffer.

Mary Grove College New \$3,000,000 Plant

Detroit, April 10.—Building contracts for the new Mary Grove College for Women to be constructed here at a cost of between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 were let recently and has been announced at Monroe, Mich., the present seat of the institution. The Sisters-Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary are in charge of the college, which has borne the title St. Mary's College.

A college building proper 350 feet wide, 165 deep and four stories high; a dormitory and residence 300 feet wide, 350 feet deep and three stories high, and a power plant will be erected on an eight-acre tract. Three wings will extend to the rear of each of the two larger structures. Other buildings will be erected later, or permits, and when the plant is completed, the faculty of the college at Monroe will be transferred to Detroit, while the convent, academy and novitiate will remain in the former city.

Established in 1845 by Father Louis Gillett, a Redemptorist missionary of Baltimore, with four sisters as an original teaching staff, the Monroe foundation now has three motherhouses; about 700 members at Monroe, a like number at Scranton and about 1,000 at West Chester, Pa. It conducts numerous institutions with the three motherhouses as centers.

European Travel And Study Planned For Rosary Students

(N. C. W. C. News Service)
 River Forest, Ill., April 10.—Rosary College, for the higher education of young women, conducted here by the Dominican Sisters, has announced the adoption of a plan whereby undergraduates will be sent to Europe for a year's study and travel as a part of their regular course.

So far as is known, Rosary is the first Catholic college for women in America to adopt this innovation for the educational and cultural broadening of its students. The movement is new, and only a small number of women's colleges in this country are making trial of it.

An excellent preparation is at hand. Rosary College already has eight years' experience in conducting an Institute of Higher Studies for young women in Fribourg, Switzerland, in which its associate professors are teachers. Within half an hour's ride of Berne and its communications with all of Europe, the Institute sends its students on extended chaperoned tours of the continent, and the experiment has had great success.

The plan now evolved by Rosary College in brief is as follows: Young women of reliable character and studious habits and with two years of satisfactory college work to their credit will spend their third year in study and travel abroad, and then return to complete the fourth year at the college and receive the baccalaureate degree. Intensive study at the University of Fribourg, or under professors of that university in the Institute, will be relieved by attractive itineraries over Europe.

Rosary College, through its accrediting by the Association of American Universities, has international recognition, so that the work done abroad would readily receive credit in the United States.

Rosary is the women's college in the great Catholic university project fostered by Cardinal Mundelein at Chicago. When the archbishop addressed a gathering of 5,000 persons at the laying of the cornerstone in 1920, he declared that it is destined to be the "West Point, the Annapolis, of true women's education, from which will come the leaders, the thinkers and the doers among our Catholic women." The college, originally conducted by the Dominican Sisters at Saint Clara College at Sinsinawa, Wis., was brought to River Forest to be the nucleus of the new and greater institution. It has advanced rapidly in popularity. Its freshman class this year numbered 78. Situated on a beautiful tract of thirty acres, it is housed in imposing Gothic buildings which give it an unusually attractive plant. When it is completed, it is expected that the grounds, buildings and equipment will represent a value of seven million dollars.

Senator King Names America's Menaces At Communion Breakfast

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 New York, April 10.—Divorce, Socialism and the decline of the American home are three serious menaces to the security of the nation declared Senator William H. King, of Utah, in an address to members of Lafayette Council, Knights of Columbus, at a Communion breakfast here. The speaker also deplored national indifference to religion and spiritual forces.

"The three greatest enemies of America are divorce, the boarding house and Socialism," Senator King said. "All of these seek to destroy the family ties. Men will fight for their homes; they will not fight for their boarding houses. Women will endure any privation, make any sacrifice to preserve the home."

Referring to a meeting with the Rev. Edmund Walsh, S. J., former Director of the Papal Relief Mission in Russia while he was making a tour of that country, the Senator said:

"Father Walsh kept the light of religious faith burning in Soviet Russia amid the destructive efforts of the socialist order which was founded on the illusory teachings of Karl Marx. The hope of Russia, the hope of Asia is Jesus Christ. There can be no consistent progress, no successful civilization that isn't grounded on religion. Without religion there would be world wide degeneration."

"I am a Fundamentalist. All change is not progress. The true progress of the world, the binding, cementing force of society, uniting America for great moral and ethical reform, is religion. We find in America today many men and women whose disbelief in the fundamentals of life and of religion are assaulting the very fundamentals of our Government. I like the American and the Americanism that can see that this nation is a part of the great world family, and I want the day to come when the world will be bound together in fellowship. Christianity is not for the Irish or the English or for any one race, it is for the whole world; it is the great motivating force that will bring civilization to a higher standard. Don't be fooled by the communist theories that the Government is everything and that religion is unnecessary. It is the most necessary thing in the world today."

During his address the Senator took occasion to pay an enthusiastic tribute to the principles of the late Cardinal Gibbons.

The Communion breakfast at which the Senator spoke was preceded by a Mass at the Church of St. Gregory the Great. Other speakers at the breakfast were the Rev. Francis C. Campbell, the Rev. Thomas F. X. Walsh, Brother Thomas of Manhattan College, and John F. Palmer, Grand Knight of Lafayette Council.

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Dr. Kirby Explains Mission And Vision Of Social Workers

Washington, April 10.—Social workers must find their major compensation in the vision realized, the Rev. Dr. William J. Kirby, Professor of Sociology at the Catholic University, admonished his hearers in an address here before the Associated Charities of Washington.

Dr. Kirby one of the most eminent authorities in the country on the various aspects of charity and social service, spoke on "The Place of Social Work in the Community." In the course of his address he gave a succinct definition of social work and of the function of the social worker.

"Any thorough-going study of men and of professions that have made their influence felt in the direction of the larger benevolences of life will show four outstanding factors," he said. "A vision, a message taken out of that vision, courageous obedience, and a theory of compensation in the terms of the vision realized."

"Life is broken into a thousand fragments. Each man and each profession will be forced to concentrate upon those fragments, largely to the detriment of a wider view, stood in larger relations nor made an object of reverence and inspiration except when it is seen in its place in the whole. Men and movements must strive to gain a wider vision of life in order to establish the value and the relations of these fragments, in order to discover that spiritual values are ultimate; the dominion of the soul is universal, and the reverence of life rest on its completed vision."

"Guided by this principle of interpretation, we can estimate the functions and the value of medicine, of law, of art, of pleasure, of manufacturing, of brick-laying and carrying of mortar. These activities when seen as isolated and unrelated, diminished place in the summing up of life; they serve and ennoble the world."

"What, then, is the place of social work in the community? If we include theory and practice in the term social work, I think that we might call it the philosophy of failure. Urged by a noble vision of humanity, social workers go about picking up the failures of civilization. They force us to remember the sanctity of life, the dignity of human beings. Social workers study these failures profoundly, and then turn and interpret to medicine, to education, to law, to industry, to the State, to religion, to culture, the processes that cause these failures and the policies that will reduce the quality and quantity of them when they cannot be prevented."

"This process taken in all of its parts leads to the development of a supplementary social constitution whose purpose it is so to modify and humanize institutions as to reduce the social causes of distress to a minimum and to strengthen the idealistic forces of life which serve in the formation and development of character."

"Social workers must get their vision of social work out of this fundamental view. They must make their interpretation of that vision out of their insight, their resources and their opportunities. They must obey that insight in the spirit of its reverence and the wider sanctities of life, and they must find their major compensations in the vision realized."

"I attach little importance to the misunderstandings, the misrepresentations, the epithets that offer resistance to the progress of social work. They are obstacles, but time deals summarily with them. Social work is now established beyond all doubt, its dignity and its power are worthy of its impulses. Our main concern should be that we, as its representatives, are worthy heads of our vision."

Second Pilgrimage Of Re-Union Planned

Jerusalem, March 31.—The second Anglo-Catholic pilgrimage will leave London on Monday, April 27. In the Holy City they will be received by the Anglican Bishop at St. George's Cathedral and meet the heads of the various Christian churches in Palestine. One of the main purposes of this pilgrimage is to promote the re-union of Christendom.

Priest Plans Means Of Lighting Houses By Use Of Wireless

London, April 9.—Father Maurice Beckett, O. B. E., a Westminster priest, declares the day will come when householders will "tune in" to the wireless station to light their homes.

He is carrying on research work with high frequency currents which, he says, offer perhaps the widest field for electrical discovery, in an effort to perfect the already known means by which lamps may be lighted and heat generated by means of wireless.

Father Beckett can already do these things in his laboratory at comparatively short distances. He can light an ordinary electric globe by means of wireless at a distance of four or five feet. But the problem is to accomplish this feat at great distances.

He has the use of an up-to-date laboratory, in which he has invented on some of the apparatus improved in recent years. His Tesla transformer is capable of developing half a million volts. He has visited some of the great scientific laboratories of England and many on the continent, and is personally acquainted with many of the leading scientists of the electrical world. As he is a Westminster Cathedral chaplain, he is handicapped by lack of time, and is only able to proceed with his experiments in his spare moments.

Centenary Of Founder Of Helpers Of Holy Souls Is Celebrated

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 New York, April 9.—An imposing celebration took place recently at the Convent of Helpers of the Holy Souls, 114 East 86th St., when the members of the New York community commemorated the first centenary of the clergy and foundress, Mother Marie de la Providence. A notable gathering of the clergy and laity, presided over by His Eminence, Cardinal Hayes, did honor to the memory of the saintly Eugenie Smet who was born at Lille, France, on the Feast of the Annunciation, 1825, and who was destined to be the modern apostle of the Souls in Purgatory and spiritual mother of a noble army of followers.

A living witness to her apostolic zeal and self-sacrifice can be seen in the work of her daughters in the United States where the Helpers of the Holy Souls have labored since 1892, ministering to all races and colors, without organized means of support. This miracle of Providence is known in other lands as well, for the Helpers have trooped forth from France to Italy, Spain, Belgium, Austria, Holland, England and China, there to relieve without human reward the poor, the sick, the ignorant and the abandoned of the nations.

Eugenie first organized the Association of Prayer which soon attracted numerous adherents and later was approved by Pius IX in 1854.

From 1856, the year of its establishment, to 1871, when her death occurred, the Order of Mother Marie de la Providence had founded houses in Paris, Nantes, Shanghai, Brussels and London. This growth is all the more remarkable in view of the essential rule of the order that its members are to lead a life entirely devoted to the poor sufferers on earth and in purgatory, relying on Him who feeds the birds of the air, and clothes the lilies of the fields, for the necessities of life. The order has been definitely approved by Rome since 1878.

The unselfish devotion of the Helpers of the Holy Souls has appealed to all classes of society. The board a ship when the typhoon practical way in which this devotion has expressed itself in deeds of heavy anchors, in addition to the Christlike care for the helpless, has ordinarily used, says the bishop, but gained for the order a host of devoted assistants. The spiritual gains are steel cables of all four. The ship so many and so great that the association soon drew down the blessing of the Holy Father who attached and the captain forced his wind rich indulgences to the prayers of the devoted supporters.

From the small mustard seed sown by the Helpers in New York in 1895, the plant has stretched its branches covering the distant Archdioceses of St. Louis and San Francisco. The life of the Order in America now draws its strength and spirit from the novitiate at Chappaqua, from which goes forth the true and fervent spirit of Mother Marie de la Providence.

Chicago Protestant Directory Published

Chicago, Ill., April 9.—The first composite directory of all Protestant churches of Chicago has just been issued. Heretofore, many of the denominations issued their own individual directories.

The directory shows a total of 914 churches, listed as follows: African Methodist Episcopal, 13; Baptist, 104; Congregational, 110; Disciples, 22; Episcopal, 73; Evangelical, 28; Evangelical of North America, 48; Lutheran, 122; Methodist Episcopal, 214; Miscellaneous, 26; Presbyterian, 107; Reformed, 23; Swedish Government, 17 and United Presbyterian, 6.

Typhoon Wrecks Many Churches Newly Built

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 Fresno, Cal., April 9.—The Rt. Rev. John B. MacInley, Bishop of Monterey and Fresno, has received communications telling of heavy damage to churches in the Philippines and the narrow escape of a Catholic bishop in the typhoon which recently created havoc in parts of the islands.

Nineteen Catholic buildings, churches and parish schools, were damaged, the roofs of many being torn away, in the Diocese of Nueva Segovia according to a letter written by the Rt. Rev. Peter J. Hurth, C.S.C. bishop of that diocese, to Archbishop Piani, Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines, a reprinting of which Bishop MacInley received. At the time of writing the bishop indicated that reports of much more devastation might be expected.

"I have seen various damaged churches with my own eyes, and it is sufficient to make one lose heart," wrote the bishop. "Among the most seriously damaged is the most beautiful church we have north of Dagupan, in some respects superior to the churches of Dagupan, Binmanley and Lingayen. It is the church which the Augustinians never fail to mention in their descriptions of religious monuments."

"With what sacrifices was I not seeking to repair the ruins of previous calamities. And now, in some cases, what had been done with so much difficulty has again been undone. It is hard, hard beyond words. For the third time in my life as a bishop, I find myself with a list of ruins and the difficult problem of rebuilding them."

Bishop Hurth tells of a great tree, the largest in Vigan and its vicinity, being snapped like a toy at a point only one meter from the ground, and hurled down. Although it grew between the Cathedral and the bishop's residence, neither structure was damaged.

Another letter, also to Archbishop Piani, tells of the terrible experience of the Rt. Rev. Santiago C. Sancho, Bishop of Tuguegarao, who was on board a ship when the typhoon struck it. The captain dropped two heavy anchors, in addition to the Christlike care for the helpless, has ordinarily used, says the bishop, but gained for the order a host of devoted assistants. The spiritual gains are steel cables of all four. The ship so many and so great that the association soon drew down the blessing of the Holy Father who attached and the captain forced his wind rich indulgences to the prayers of the devoted supporters.

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