

Irish Cardinal Decided Upon By The Pope

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Rome, Nov. 2.—Confirmation was obtained here of the report that the Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, Archbishop of Armagh, will be made a Cardinal at the next Consistory. The date for the Consistory has been set for December 15. Archbishop O'Donnell who succeeded the late Cardinal Logue as Primate of All Ireland and who, according to dispatches from Rome, is now to be honored by elevation to the Sacred College of Cardinals, has been an outstanding figure of the Irish Hierarchy for many years. He was born November 28, 1855 at Rillazine-Glenties in the Diocese of Raphoe. After completing his studies at Maynooth he served as professor there, as Prefect of Duboyne and as Rector of the Catholic University of Ireland.

In February, 1888, Dr. O'Donnell was appointed Bishop of Raphoe, his native diocese. He was consecrated on April 3 of the same year, taking possession of the See recently vacated by Cardinal Logue who had then recently been named Coadjutor to Archbishop McCottigan of Armagh and had succeeded to the primatial See upon the death of the latter. In 1922 Bishop O'Donnell was himself made Coadjutor to the Archbishop of Armagh and appointed titular Archbishop of Attala. The appointment as Coadjutor carried with it the right of succession to the Archbishopric on the death of Cardinal Logue.

Aside from his prominence in ecclesiastical affairs, Archbishop O'Donnell has taken an active part in movements for the welfare of Ireland. More than a quarter of a century ago he presided at the Irish Race Convention in Dublin. At that time the Irish forces in the British Parliament were split as a result of Parnell's deposition from leadership and the convention had been summoned to bring about a reunion. For many years Dr. O'Donnell served as trustee of the funds of the Irish Parliamentary Party. He has been regarded as an authority in financial, economic, and educational matters. In 1893-95, when a commission was conducting an investigation into the financial relations between Great Britain and Ireland, Bishop O'Donnell was one of the principal witnesses.

The movement which resulted in the establishment of the National University of Ireland is one with which Archbishop O'Donnell was very closely identified and he has also worked zealously to promote primary education. When the Irish Convention met in 1917-18 to formulate a scheme of national government the then Protestant Archbishop of Dublin publicly declared that Bishop O'Donnell was by far the ablest man in the convention. Long before the Gaelic League was started Archbishop O'Donnell was an earnest advocate of the use of the Irish language. For many years his pastoral letters have been issued in Gaelic as well as in English. In addition to his other achievements the Archbishop is a noted orator.

Scottish Mission Charges May Become Canonical Parishes

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 2.—The Scottish hierarchy, at their annual meeting here, discussed the question of establishing canonical parishes throughout the country, this changing the ecclesiastical status of Scotland. At present the parishes have merely the status of mission charges. With the exception of the aged Archbishop of St. Andrews and Edinburgh (Msr. Smith) all the Scottish bishops were present.

Unitarian Laymen Hear Priest Lecture On Saint Augustine

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Portland, Ore., Nov. 2.—The Rev. M. S. Bohan, O. P., of the faculty of Aquinas High School for boys, addressed the laymen's club of the Unitarian church at their October meeting. Father Bohan's topic was St. Augustine, one of a series of lectures on great religious leaders which the club is giving this year. In the discussion following the talk many questions were asked Father Bohan. The members of the club were greatly pleased with his presentation of the subject.

Anglican Reunion Still Far Off, Says Fr. Woodlock, S. J.

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 2.—Father Woodlock, S. J., who has made a special study of the Anglican situation, gave the opinion that he believed the Anglican Church never showed less readiness for a corporate act of acceptance of the Papal claims than at the present time. He said that the Anglican hierarchy was still far from united in its attitude toward the Catholic Church and that a reunion is still far off.

Dangers To The World Moral, Not Economic,

Washington, Nov. 2.—Dangers confronting the world in the near future are not economic but moral, in the opinion of Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, who addressed the International Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association here.

"National prosperity, together with the loosening of moral and spiritual standards by the war, must give us question as to the impairment of the reserves of individual and national character," the speaker said. Evidences of the trend he fears, Secretary Hoover declared, are to be found "in the weakening moral fiber, in loosening family and home ties, in youthful criminality, in the easy breaking of law by adults, in growing intolerance, in a leaning upon the state without corresponding willingness to hear its burden, in disposition to disregard or suppress discontent instead of discovering the causes and removing them, in the intriguing or open purposes of groups to profit themselves regardless of the consequences to others and to the whole of society, in the complacency of millions over and beyond our borders, in waste and extravagance."

The speaker declared that he had no "fear for the ultimate cause of religion" but expressed the opinion that it is a lamentable fact that "in many lands religion is losing the vital power to instruct and inspire." "The flooding in the modern knowledge has cast religion heavily," he said, "where it has not kept pace in intellectual respect and confidence. Out of our materialism has grown a series of philosophies which insist that materialism alone is the sole basis of human action and inspiration."

"Large areas of socialism found their philosophy and promise solely on economic materialism. In Russia and elsewhere the Communist revolt insists on sweeping away all existing human institutions, including religion. Thus religious faith is to be swept out as refuse incompatible with communism, theoretically and practically."

Alpine Guides Visit Pope In Full Costume

Geneva, November 2.—Six Swiss Alpine guides who were given a special audience by Pope Pius XI during a recent visit to Rome have now returned to Switzerland where they have expressed delight at the cordiality of the reception accorded them by the Sovereign Pontiff. Among the guides was one who had accompanied the Pope—who before his election to the Papal Throne was an enthusiastic and active Alpinist—in climbs in the Montros region.

On their visit to Rome the guides were led by the famous Herman Perren of Zermatt, who recently made his hundredth ascent of the Matterhorn. They appeared before the Pope in their Alpine clothes, carrying ice axes, ropes and wearing their heavy nailed boots.

To Name New Church Arches For Patriots And Noted Scientists

Pittsburgh, Nov. 2.—The arches which will line the nave of the new Sacred Heart Church, now under construction here, will be individually named after prominent scientists and patriots. In this way it is planned to commemorate the achievements of the men so honored and also to offer a stimulus to members of the congregation. Among those after whom the arches will be named are Christopher Columbus, Commodore John Barry, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Pasteur, Copernicus, Mendel, Volta, Vesalius, and De Rossi.

British Guardianship Act Places Mothers On Par With Fathers

London, Nov. 2.—The rights of father and mother as guardians of children up to the age of 21 years are made equal by the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1925.

For centuries the English law has given the guardianship of infants to their fathers. In the future the courts will not consider any right of a father as superior to that of a mother. Each has now an equal right.

Holyhead Changes Name To Caerybys

London, Nov. 2.—Holyhead, the noted Welsh port, has changed its name to Caerybys, which will in future be its official title. Caerybys means the fort of Gylb, a fourth-century saint. The Holyhead urban district council arrived at the decision to change its name with four dissentient votes. The chairman said that in adopting Caerybys they were resurrecting the Welsh language after many centuries of neglect.

Catholic Widow Of King George IV Accorded Memorial

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 2.—A memorial tablet marking the house in which Mrs. FitzHerbert, the Catholic wife of King George IV, lived from 1804 until her death in 1837, was unveiled recently at Brighton. The monument was erected at the instance of the city of Brighton, the town in which Mrs. FitzHerbert spent her last years in the performance of good work and where she is regarded as the foundress of the Catholic revival.

The widow of the twenty-fifth Lord of the Manor of Norbury, Mrs. Herbert FitzHerbert could—had she seen fit to change her religion—have become Queen of England. She was married in 1785 to King George IV, then Prince of Wales, according to the Catholic ritual. Since the marriage of the Prince to a Catholic was in defiance of two acts of Parliament, the wedding was held to be invalid before the law. For many years it was generally assumed that Mrs. FitzHerbert was not in fact the King's lawful wife but his mistress, but recently proofs have been disclosed showing that she actually was married to him according to the rites of her Church.

A remarkable reunion of the FitzHerbert family has just been held to celebrate the 800th anniversary of the grant of the Manor of Norbury to the Prior of Tutbury to the ancestor of the FitzHerberts, William, son of Herbert, in the year 1125. The hosts to the reunion were Lord Stafford, twenty-ninth Lord of the Manor of Norbury; Sir Hugo FitzHerbert; Major W. H. FitzHerbert; Captain FitzHerbert; and Lt. Col. Newman FitzHerbert. The FitzHerberts are a well-known Catholic family. There is strong reason to believe that St. William, Archbishop of York, who was canonized in 1127, was a member of the family. At the reunion, a photograph of the original deed to the Manor of Norbury was presented to each of the fifty guests by Lord Stafford.

Catholic Instruction League Is Elevated, Indulgences Granted

Chicago, Nov. 2.—The Catholic Instruction League, founded at Loyola University here in 1912 by Father John Lyons, S. J., primarily to provide religious instruction to Catholic children attending public schools, has received important spiritual favors from the Vatican. It has been announced at the chief center of this pious organization here.

By Papal Brief, His Holiness has raised the League to the dignity of a Primary Union, and has granted it several indulgences. The latter include: a plenary indulgence to each person on the day of his entrance to the League; a plenary indulgence to League members at the moment of death; a plenary indulgence to League members on the feasts of the Blessed Virgin the Mediatrix of all graces, of St. Joseph the Spouse of the Virgin Mother of God, of the Holy Innocents and of St. Agnes Virgin and Martyr, provided that once a week and at least for four months such League members teach catechism; a plenary indulgence to each boy and girl who attend the classes of the League, on the day of their first Holy Communion, and to be catechists on the same day; and a partial indulgence of seven years to League members once a month provided they teach the Christian doctrine at least twice in the month. Confession and Communion are prerequisites for all the classes of indulgences granted except the last.

The Catholic Instruction League now is established in 20 dioceses in the United States and also in foreign countries.

Settlement Opened For Young Italians By Portland N.C.C.W.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 2.—The Portland deanery of the archdiocesan council of Catholic Women has opened a settlement center for Italian children in St. Stephen's parish hall, the first Catholic settlement center in the city. Twenty-six girls from St. Stephen's and neighboring parishes have been enrolled in the classes which include catechism and household arts. Classes for boys will be opened soon. The classes will be supervised by Miss Julianne Roller, a teacher in the Portland public schools, assisted by the Sisters of St. Mary, Rev. W. G. Hurley, C. S. P., assistant in St. Philip Neri's parish, is the spiritual director.

Father W. B. Rogers Celebrates Jubilee

St. Louis, Mo.—The fiftieth anniversary of his admission to the priesthood by the Rev. William B. Rogers, S. J., former President of St. Louis University. At Father Rogers' request there was no formal or public ceremony. Born in Cincinnati in 1857, Father Rogers entered the Jesuit Order in 1875 and was ordained to the priesthood by the late Cardinal Gibbons in 1890. He studied at Louvain and later taught at Loyola University, Chicago, St. Louis, and Marquette. He was made President of St. Louis University in 1900.

Father Curran Sees Governor Pinchot On Coal Situation

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Wilkes-Barre. — The Reverend John J. Curran, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church here has returned from Harrisburg where he was in conference with Governor Pinchot concerning the miners' strike in the anthracite field. Father Curran refused to say whether or not he has placed any definite proposals for settlement before the Governor but expressed himself as greatly pleased with the results of his conference. He declared that the strike has "ceased to be a joke" and intimated that the Governor plans to take a more energetic attitude toward attempts at a settlement.

Recent reports from Scranton declare that Father Curran has approached officials of the miners' union there with a suggestion that they agree to accept a five percent advance in wages and a modified check-off system. At Scranton the local committees denied knowledge of such a proposition but it was established that some conferences had been held there with the view to ending the strike. Father Curran who enjoyed the confidence of the late President Roosevelt, played a prominent part in the settlement of the great anthracite strike of 1902.

Belfast Business With U. S. Shrinks \$1,500,000 In Quarter

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Dublin, Nov. 2.—Belfast is alarmed at the fact that in the past three months her trade with the United States has declined by \$1,500,000, as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The figures were disclosed by the American Consul. The United States purchases of minerals, water, tobacco, and linen textiles were conspicuously small, and these are among the chief products of the city.

Trade slump, which is prevalent all over the North East area, is being seriously felt by Catholic districts of the North East which were exceedingly flourishing before Partition was imposed. The case of Newry is an instance. A few years ago this was one of the best sea ports in Ireland, but now its prosperity has waned to such a grievous extent that the port authorities are not making enough money to pay the interest on their debentures and loans.

Newry is one of the towns which desire to be severed from the territory of the Belfast administration and united to the main portion of Ireland. A regrettable feature is that the Catholic population is already beginning to decrease in those places where Catholic trade has been injured by the Partitionist regime. There is more than a probability that permanent economic and social harm will have been done to North East Ireland before the artificial boundary disappears.

Cardinal Bourne Enlightens Oxford Oritic Of Church

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 2.—Mr. F. F. Urquhart, Oxford, told the Lingard Society of the curious lack of Catholic contributions to the subject of the making of international laws. Not only were there few Catholic writers on the subject, he pointed out, but theological books said little about it, and the catechism did not touch it.

Cardinal Bourne has furnished an explanation. He says the shyness of the theologians was very natural. The moral theologian always wants a concrete case. In the confessional a clear answer can be given to any case of conscience, because the priest knows all the circumstances. But that situation does not obtain in matters of international law. The principles themselves are not clear. The cardinal says that the Catholic Church works for peace by holding up the idea of the brotherhood of mankind.

Cardinal Schulte came to us from Germany as a brother and was received as such," says His Eminence. "He has written me a most charming letter expressing his delight at his reception in England. My opinion about the war has not changed, nor have Cardinal Schulte's, but we can shake hands."

Has Said Parish Mass Each Week For Forty Consecutive Years

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Nov. 2.—Forty years continuous service in the East end, without absence from his church on a single Sunday, is the amazing record just completed by Father F. H. Higley, pastor of the Church of Our Lady Immaculate, Limehouse. Father Higley believes he is the only parish priest in the Archdiocese of Westminster appointed to his present charge by Cardinal Manning. This zealous priest is contemplating the building of a new church. He declares the present building is the poorest and most wretched in East London, and says he wants to give his people a church worthy of the name "before the night comes."

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