

Teresian Teachers Of Spain To Work In Latin America

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Madrid, Dec. 21.—Father Poveda, founder of the "Teresian Institute," is preparing to send a group of teachers from this Institute to found similar institutions in Latin America. They will sail from Spain at an early date.

Modernism Crisis Stirs The Entire Islamic World

Egyptian Ulama Deposed for Radical Doctrines—Turks Discarding Many Mohammedan Rites and Customs By Dr. Alexander Mombelli (Jerusalem Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service).

Jerusalem, Dec. 21.—Islamism is now passing through a crisis which may be compared in importance with the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth century. That this is realized by Mohammedans themselves is indicated by the title "Islamic Luther" by which the Arabic press habitually describes an Egyptian Ulama (a Mohammedan ecclesiastic) whom the Supreme Council of the Mohammedan University of El-Azhar, at Cairo, has deposed from his high religious rank on the ground of theological modernism in contradiction to the traditional teachings of the Koran.

Turks' Tendency to Modernism Beginning with the overthrow of the Sultanate and the subsequent abolition of the Caliphate, the Ankara Government has proceeded systematically to introduce drastic reforms in the religious life of the country and to enforce them with the civil power. The extent to which this has gone is indicated by the recent adoption of the Julian Calendar as the official calendar of the Turkish Republic.

Mustapha Kemal has suppressed the Dervishes whose chiefs formerly were privileged to gird the Sultans with the sabre of Osman at the coronations; he has closed all the Mohammedan monasteries; abolished the titles and special costumes of the sheikhs, dervishes, and adherents of various sects; he has promulgated regulations strictly defining the persons who have the right to be considered Ulama and to wear the dress prescribed for that class; and as a result of these measures he has turned out onto the world about twenty thousand Mohammedan monks. The property of the monasteries and the monks has been taken over by the government on the payment of a nominal purchase price. The dervishes are the mystics of Islam but they do not enjoy any respect from the more enlightened elements of the population. Their monasteries have been considered centers of various absurd and fanatical practices and they have been accused of using their influence among the ignorant and superstitious for political ends.

Rites of Koran Falling Many of the traditional rites prescribed by the Koran are also falling before the reforming efforts of Mustapha. It is contended that many of them are offensive to modern hygienic practices and are impossible of execution under present conditions. Ablutions before entering mosques, bare feet in mosques, prostrations, and the day long fast of Ramadan, are some of the practices which are to be abolished if Mustapha and his Government succeed. It is asserted that the fast of Ramadan has degenerated in practice and that it is no longer practicable for the Turk—who is fast becoming absorbed in modern business—to abstain entirely from eating, drinking, and smoking, from sunrise to sunset.

Pezzes Disappearing An effort is also being made to introduce more order into services in the mosques through a requirement that there must be only one preaching platform, that all clerics must be licensed by the Government Department of Religion, and the names of the preachers, their subjects (which must deal with modern problems) and the hours of their sermons must be announced beforehand. There is also a proposal for a reorganization of the Theological College to eliminate irrational ritualistic survivals and superstitions. The wearing of a turban is no longer permitted in Turkey except for the Turkish priests, who must obtain a license to wear it. Pezzes and kalpaks are also disappearing.

It should not be assumed that the present crisis in Islamism presents a great opportunity for Christian missionaries to make wholesale conversions among the Mohammedans. Undoubtedly there is an opportunity there for missionary work but the abysmal ignorance of the people regarding even their own traditional religion and their fanatical hatred of foreigners are great obstacles to any proselytizing efforts.

Fate Of Catholics Left Under Orange Rule Stirs South

Dublin, Dec. 21.—In the Daily debate on the new Anglo-Irish Agreement the future of the Northern Catholics who have no further prospect of being released from Orange rule was at once made a leading issue. President Cosgrave dealt with it at the outset.

"The Agreement," said the President, "contains no reference to the important question of the position of the Northern Nationalists, which was our first consideration in the negotiations, and one which we discussed at great length and in all its aspects. At the time the original Treaty was made, that minority had already been placed under the Northern Government. I believe there is only one real security for minorities, and that is the good will and neighborly feeling of the people among whom they live. Next to this, written guarantees are scraps of paper, and sometimes irritating scraps of paper. There are no such written guarantees in the Agreement, because those present at the negotiations were resolved that the minority should have the only real security, which must be sought in neighborly feeling."

Prof. Magennis's Reply to Cosgrave Professor Magennis of the National University, who is a member of the Government Party, was greatly dissatisfied with this outlook for the "wolves." He went on: "What have we been talking about all these years except the partition of the country? Is there any stipulation in the new Agreement providing for the ultimate setting up of an all-Ireland Parliament? Ever since the first treaty was signed, Sir James Craig, the Northeast Premier, has been digging himself into the amputated territory, as evidenced by the massacres, the flight of Catholic refugees from North into the South, and the gerrymandering of the Northeast constituencies. The history of the Catholic inhabitants for the past few years under Orange control is a terrible proof of what they have to expect from neighborly feeling."

Protest Meeting Opposition to the Agreement, however, found more expression outside the Daily than in it. Professor Magennis presided at a meeting in the Shelbourne Hotel, attended by the most diversified political elements from various parts of Ireland to devise means of defeating the Agreement. The proceedings were not public. Mr. De Valera and the Republican Deputies were present.

Fermanagh Priest's View Delegates from the Catholic areas in danger of being left permanently under Orange domination hurried early to Dublin to ascertain whether any safeguards were being accorded to them. The parish priest of Belleek, Fermanagh County, said to the N. C. W. C. representative: "In Fermanagh we, the Catholics, have a clear majority. Our exact proportion of the population is 57 per cent. Under the Orange regime we had a constant majority of three on the County Council which consists of twenty-two members. The Orange minority has now, by electoral maneuvers, entrenched itself with a majority of seven. The Regional Schools Committee consists of twenty persons. There is only one Catholic on that body. We are back in pre-Emancipation days, enduring more than the Catholics of Ireland suffered during the closing years of the Penal Laws. For months I have been searched every morning on leaving my own door. If I go from Belleek to the town of Enniskillen I am searched ten times on the way. The Protestant male inhabitants are all armed and enrolled as 'specials' of one class or another. They patrol the roads at night, and when I am summoned on a sick call I am searched and researched by my Protestant neighbors. We have lost count of the number of times the people have been minutely searched going to or coming from Mass. They have been made to take off their boots to prove that there were no papers under the soles of their feet."

The Catholic laity of the Northeast have no belief in the theory that the ultimate union of that territory with the rest of Ireland is merely a matter of time. They point to the abolition of the All-Ireland Council, although it had only a nominal existence, as disclosing the Orange policy of complete separation from the remainder of the country. Northern Catholics declare that the aim of Orangeism is to make Partition perpetual. They hold that if at some future period the Northeast Parliament goes out of existence it will do so for the purpose of reuniting, not with the South, but with Great Britain, and turning the Northeast into an English shire.

Nothing has, at the time of writing transpired to indicate that the British Government, which wields authority over the Northeast Parliament, proposes to make any arrangement that will mitigate the disabilities under which the Northeast Catholics labor. The representatives of the Free State, in the London negotiations, did not omit to raise that issue, and the question of restoring proportional representation, which the Orange authorities abolished, was actually discussed. No definite undertaking on this vital matter was, however, obtained.

Canon Rousselot's Collaborator Chosen In Place As Director

Paris, Dec. 23.—The inventor of the photography of sound, Canon Rousselot, had been appointed director of the laboratory of experimental phonetics of the College of France, the highest scientific institution of the nation. The post left vacant by the death of Canon Rousselot has been awarded to another priest. The new director is Canon Meunier, Professor of experimental phonetics at the Catholic Institute, the collaborator of the late Canon Rousselot.

St. Louis College Merger Effectuated By Jesuit Order

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) St. Louis Dec. 24.—All of the Catholic colleges in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, nine in all, have been merged into an organization, to be known as "The Corporate Colleges of St. Louis University." Announcement to this effect has been made by the Rev. Charles H. Cloud, S. J., President of the University, who accompanied the announcement with an explanation of what the merger means. The institutions included in the merger are: Fontbonne College, College of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame Junior College, St. Louis University College of Arts and Sciences, Chamade College, Maryhurst Normal School, St. Mary's Junior College, St. Mary's Seminary, and Webster College.

Explanation of Merger The corporate colleges will be governed by an Administrative Board composed of two representatives of each of the colleges together with President Cloud and Archbishop Glennon. Commenting on the merger President Cloud said: "It is a great privilege that St. Louis University is now enabled to extend to the corporate colleges its local leadership in the field of Catholic education. The University wishes to facilitate the interchange of staff members, to assist the various corporate colleges in the standardization of their courses and to put at the disposal of these colleges the administrative function of its officials and faculty. The staffs of these various colleges will hereafter enjoy the prerogatives of university appointment and degrees will be conferred jointly from the corporate colleges and from St. Louis University with such limitations as the Board of Trustees of the University and of the respective corporate colleges may see fit to impose, consistent with the requirements of the standardizing agencies to which St. Louis University belongs."

"We have had a most wholehearted cooperation from the corporate colleges in the development of this progressive plan. It is not the intention to destroy mutual rivalry, but to develop it to an even greater degree so that through mutual understanding and helpfulness each individual corporate college may become a more efficient educational factor, not only in St. Louis and its vicinity, but also beyond its present sphere of influence. I feel that this is the greatest step that has been taken by the University during the period of my administration and I shall bend every effort and use every available facility of the University to make this merger an instrument for good.

"The type of organization which we are contemplating is essentially that of the states of the Union. These are conceived as sovereign powers and delegate such authority as is necessary for the policies of the Union to the federal authorities. Similarly, the individual corporate colleges retain their sovereign autonomy, excepting in so far as they, by mutual agreement, willingly delegate to the University such authority as is necessary in the interests of the merger. We are, therefore, not using the term 'merger' in a strictly legal sense, implying thereby the demise of any of the institutions which are parties to the agreement. There is implied rather a coordination of individual effort in the prosecution of greater achievements."

Archbishop Glennon's Statement Archbishop Glennon's statement endorsing the project reads as follows: "There is much to be gained by incorporation. The gain should come from the successful affiliation of our Catholic educational institutions in the co-ordination of their affairs. Then also, there is sure to be gain from the greater economies that can be practiced in the standardization that is sure to follow."

South Ireland Opinions Solidifying Public opinion in Southern Ireland is solidifying on a demand that the Catholics of the Northeast, who must remain under Orange rule, shall have their civic rights recognized and guaranteed. The gerrymandering which has swamped their voting power would need to be rectified. The thousands of Special Constables employed to hold the Catholics in terror, would have to be immediately disbanded and disarmed. During the present crisis anti-Catholic propagandaists have given world-wide circulation to a statement that Southern Ireland asks Britain to cancel her debts while the Northeast is paying its way. No mention is made of the fact that Britain makes large annual grants to the Orange Government, including all the money for the upkeep of the "Specials."

The Northeast Catholics, though deeply disappointed, are not disheartened. Nor are they standing still. They consider themselves "battled to fight better." To the citizens of Derry, Father Stephen, the influential Passionist, has said: "Never was unity of purpose so necessary as now to strengthen the spirit when your hopes have been shattered—when you have been bound and delivered over to the mercy of those who have tried to crush you. Be not discouraged by political failures and earthly boundaries. Remember, no man can set a boundary to God's power."

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