

In vain will you find missions and build schools, if you are not able to wield the offensive and defensive weapons of a loyal Catholic press.—Pope Pius X.

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## Catholic Boycott Of Trade Spreads In Mexican States

(Special Mexican Correspondence, N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Mexico City, June 1.—The boycotting of all trade, by refusal to buy anything but the necessities of life, is the latest method adopted by Catholic groups of protesting against the loss of religious liberty. This boycott has been formally adopted by the Catholics of the State of Jalisco and the Catholic women of Mexico City have announced their intention of resorting to similar measures during a given length of time. In Jalisco the movement is being sponsored by the Union of Catholic Women, the Knights of Columbus and the Mexican Catholic Youth Association, the leading organizations of the country.

To strengthen the boycott Catholics will wear black, drape their homes and offices in mourning, shun all forms of amusement and remain in their homes as much as possible, buying only that which is essential to their daily life.

Business Men Alarmed  
Business men have been greatly alarmed by the announcement of the new form of protest. In Colima it was announced that some concerns were doing but 25 per cent of the business transacted before the persecution of religion began, due not merely to the boycott but to the fact that the Catholics were abandoning the State to go where they might attend religious services. Merchants of Jalisco have appealed to the Catholic groups not to go on with the plans for the boycott as they declare that it will threaten their establishments with bankruptcy.

Business depression has become so serious that it was made the subject of a special report by Alexander Dye, Commercial Attaché of the American Embassy here. Mr. Dye revealed that business, trade and industry of every kind, with the exception of the iron and steel industry and the manufacture of mining equipment, had suffered greatly during the month of April.

## Bishop Beckman To Administer Omaha Diocese

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)  
Washington, June 3.—The Rt. Rev. Francis J. Beckman, S.T.D., Bishop of Lincoln, Nebraska, has been appointed Apostolic Administrator, sede plena, of the Diocese of Omaha, on account of the illness of the Most Rev. Jeremiah J. Hart, D.D., Archbishop of Omaha, it was announced by the Apostolic Delegation here, today.

Bishop Beckman is a native of Cincinnati, where he was born October 25, 1875. He was educated at St. Lawrence's School, Mt. St. Gregory Preparatory Seminary and Mt. St. Mary Seminary. He was ordained on June 20, 1902, and after parish work and study abroad became professor of philosophy at Mt. St. Mary Seminary, of which he became rector in 1912. The seminary, under his direction, experienced a marvelous growth and on January 23, 1920, Pope Benedict XV made him a member of the Papal household with the title of monsignor in recognition of his service. Monsignor Beckman was noted as an active promoter of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade and a brilliant scholar. He was consecrated bishop on May 1, 1924.

## Catholic Industrial Conference Oct. 1-2

Washington, June 5.—The Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems for 1926, originally announced for June and then postponed, will be held October 1 and 2, at Cleveland. It was announced here this week by the Rev. R. A. McGowan, secretary. The headquarters remain the same, the Hotel Cleveland.

Bishop Schrembs requested that the original dates, June 25 and 26, be changed because many Catholics who otherwise would attend would still be in Chicago on those dates which immediately follow the Eucharistic Congress. Bishop Schrembs will lead the Cleveland delegation at the Conference.

The Conference program has been framed in commemoration of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the issuing of Pope Leo's famous Encyclical on the Condition of Labor, and nationally-known men are to speak.

## Cardinal Dubois Announces Plans For Visit To Flock

Paris, May 29.—Cardinal Dubois has addressed to the faithful of his diocese a letter announcing his participation in the Eucharistic Congress. His Eminence expresses his joy at being able to reply to the cordial invitation of His Eminence Cardinal Mundelein, and he asks all the faithful of his diocese to pray for the triumphant success of the Congress.

After leaving Chicago, the Cardinal will visit Baltimore, Washington, Worcester, and will then proceed to Canada for a stay at Montreal and Quebec.

The Cardinal Archbishop of Paris will sail June 5 from Cherbourg on the "Aquitania" and will be accompanied by Mgr. Leynaud, Archbishop of Algiers, Mgr. Grente, Bishop of Le Mans, Mgr. Chaput, Auxiliary Bishop of Paris, and by Canon Patrick Flynn, who is of Irish descent and is pastor of the famous church of La Madeleine, the principal parish of Paris.

At Chicago they will join Cardinal Charost, Archbishop of Rennes, Mgr. du Bois de la Villere, Archbishop of Rouen, Mgr. Landrieux, Bishop of Dijon, and Mgr. Mignen, Bishop of Montpellier.

## Buffalo Memorial To "Jesus Christ King Of World"

Buffalo, N. Y., June 3.—The Diocese of Buffalo is to have the distinction of erecting the first, as far as is known, memorial in honor of the recently inaugurated Universal Feast of Christ the King. This memorial, which is now being erected in St. Mark's parish, Woodward Avenue and Amherst Street, this city, is a lofty campanile of Indiana limestone, 18 feet square and 88 feet in height, built as an addition to the present church structure. The tower will be dedicated with fitting ceremonies on June 27 by Rt. Rev. William Turner, Bishop of Buffalo.

The idea of paying this unusual architectural tribute to Christ, the Universal King of Society, was conceived by Rev. John J. McMahon, pastor of the church, as the final touch in a material way to this splendidly equipped parish, which he organized eighteen years ago and which has now become one of the foremost parishes in the diocese, with church, school and rectory buildings, all of Indiana limestone, having a valuation well over a half million dollars. The cost of the tower will be \$32,295, this amount being subscribed by members of the congregation, who will act as "sponsors" of the project.

In the tower, which bears on its front wall the incised inscription, "Christ, King of the World," will be installed an Angelus bell.

## Card. Hayes Gives Diplomas; Fr. Burke Talks To Graduates

New York, June 4.—Cardinal Hayes on Tuesday presented diplomas to 74 graduates of Mt. St. Vincent's College here. The address to the graduates was delivered by the Rev. John J. Burke, C.S.P., General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Father Burke spoke of the remarkable growth of Catholic educational institutions in the last four years, asserting that it was in response to a demand for training for the young which would cope with the increasing paganism of the day.

"Education is the order of the day," he said. "The resources of our country are being fully used so that every one of her children may be given an education. Every State in the Union has today at least one State college or universities."

Citing the increase of 38 per cent in Catholic high school attendance in the last four years, of 68 per cent in Catholic college attendance, Father Burke continued:

"Today many intellectual leaders realize that in education the denial of God has begotten a problem which neither they nor the country can cope. Never was our popular literature so pagan and shameless as it is today, and critics, if they are honest, will say that its writers are the most decadent of any time."

Cardinal Hayes expressed gratification at the progress the college has made, and admonished the graduates to remain ever loyal to the principles they had learned at Mt. St. Vincent.

## French Poets To Pay Virgin Mary Tributes

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Paris, May 22.—The crowning of the ancient and miraculous Virgin of Font-Romeu, on August 4, at which Archbishop Dubois of Paris will act as Papal Legate and which is expected to bring over 20,000 pilgrims and numerous members of the hierarchy to this ancient shrine of the Diocese of Perpignan, will also be made the occasion of a unique festival, a revival of the famous "Floral Games" to which have been invited poets and troubadours of many parts of France and Spain. Among the members of the French hierarchy who have already signified their intention of attending are Mgr. Izart, Archbishop of Bourges; Mgr. de Lobet, Archbishop of Avignon, and Mgr. Patat, Auxiliary Bishop of Toulouse. Another interesting and distinguished guest will be Mgr. Guittard, Archbishop of Urgell and Prince of Andorra, the tiny and little-known Republic on the south slope of the Pyrenees.

The invitation to the Floral Games was sent out by Mgr. de Caradeu du Pont, Bishop of Perpignan, and is addressed to the poets of the Counties of Roussillon, Cerdagne, Cardagne, Urgell, Vallespir and Capdeu; the principality of Catalonia, the kingdom of Majorca, and of Languedoc and Provence. This unusual document is as follows:

"Gentlemen: On the fourth of August next, the ancient and miraculous statue of Our Lady of Font-Romeu will be crowned by His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, who will be surrounded by numerous bishops and archbishops and hosts of pilgrims from France and Spain.

"We have thought that in order worthily to honor the Virgin who placed her famous throne in the midst of our mountains, the concert of liturgical hymns sung by so many illustrious prelates and by the crowds of pilgrims was not sufficient; it is necessary to assemble about Her the poets, in order that on their inspired lyres they may celebrate in their turn Her who is truly the inexhaustible source of the highest poetry, the Virgin who, at the dawn of the new time, sang to the world the most beautiful hymn ever uttered by human voice: 'Magnificat anima mea Dominum.'"

"And so we have decided that on the day following the coronation, on August 5, feast of Our Lady of the Snows, we should convene at Font-Romeu, this magnificent site surrounded by eternal snows, the poets of both slopes of the Pyrenees, in order that they might tune their lyres and sing in the language of Lamartine and in the tongue of Verlaine, hymns in honor of their Lady and ours, of Her whom we simply call—'Our Lady.'"

"You will not be surprised to hear that we have invited to preside at the Floral Games the famous writer who in his remarkable works has carried so high the glory of Font-Romeu and who has woven for the Queen of our mountains a garland of jewels of incomparable brilliancy—M. Louis Bertrand, member of the French Academy."

"We have also asked the Consistory of the Floral Games of Roussillon, the 'Genet d'Or' to kindly receive, judge and crown the compositions which will be sent in.

"And now, divine singers of the mountain and of the plain, poets of the two Catalonias, of Languedoc and of Provence, tune your lyres, and let the concert of your hymns make known to distant cities that on the borders of France and Spain there lives a people of troubadours which has never ceased to sing of all that is beautiful and good and true."

## Columbia University, Portland, Will Build \$200,000 Extensions

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Portland, Oregon, June 2.—Columbia University, conducted in this city by the Congregation of the Holy Cross, will begin in August the construction of a new gymnasium to cost \$75,000. This is the first step in a program of expansion which will include a new science building to cost \$125,000.

Alumni and other friends of the school have undertaken to provide financial aid and at a preliminary meeting \$25,000 was pledged. Aid will also be received from the Holy Cross Congregation, whose mother house is at Notre Dame University. Columbia was founded 25 years ago by the late Archbishop Christie. The original building and part of the present campus belonged to Portland University, a Methodist school no longer in existence.

## Pope Appoints Professors For Archeology Course

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Rome, May 31.—The Holy Father has appointed four professors to take charge of the course which will be opened in October in the new Pontifical Institute of Christian Archeology. They are: Mgr. Jean-Marie Kluge, professor at the University of Fribourg, who will give a course on General Christian Archeology; the Topography of Christian Rome (Cathedrals and churches) and who will be in charge of the Institute for the first trimester; Mgr. Joseph Wilpert, whose subject will be Ancient Christian Iconography (paintings and sculptures); Professor Angelo Silvani, Christian Epigraphy; and Don Henry Quentin, O.S.B., who will have charge of the courses on Liturgy, Hagiography, and Ecclesiastical Institutions of Antiquity. The Secretaryship of the Institute has been entrusted to Mgr. Giulio Belvedere, member of the Pontifical Commission of Sacred Archeology.

The new buildings which the Holy Father has generously provided for the Institute will not be ready until late in the fall, but the courses will open in the temporary quarters in October.

## German Campaign To Free Theater From Filthiness

By Rev. Dr. Wilhelm Baron von Capelle, (Cologne Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Cologne, May 24.—There is being promoted in Germany a movement in support of the morality play, through which it is hoped to rescue the modern stage from the materialism and sensualism which dominate it. The undertaking is actively fostered by certain Catholic priests and the league for morality plays in Bad Godesberg. Leaders among the high school and university students also are manifesting an interest in the campaign. It is hoped that the professional stage cannot long ignore the project.

Last year the Fathers of the Holy Ghost at Knechtsteden, near Neuss, Cologne, produced "Grosses Welt-Theater," an ecclesiastical play by Don Calderon de la Barca, and will repeat it throughout the summer months of this year. At Bad Godesberg, the league for morality plays is producing the same Calderon play on an immense stage with 400 actors. The play, which, when produced in Switzerland, compared favorably with the Passion Play at Oberammergau, will be produced on Sundays, Wednesdays and Saturdays and holidays. The productions began this month and will continue until October.

Godesberg is an internationally known bathing resort and for this reason is expected to contribute much to the general movement. Peter Erkelenz, the Cologne dramatic poet, was an enthusiastic champion of the Calderon movement in Switzerland, where he produced the "Grosses Welt-Theater" at Einsiedeln, the town famed for its monastic life and pilgrimages, near Lake Zurich. Over 400 persons were employed in this presentation which was staged on the steps of a monastery with strikingly beautiful designs, costumes and tableaux. It is reported that Herr Erkelenz wishes to have the performance, which attracted visitors from many countries, put in English for presentation in England and the United States.

The German-Austrian poet, Hofmann von Hoffmann, began 20 years ago to revive the best dramatic performances of the past centuries and "Everyman," the so-called mystery play, was staged in many large cities. The basic theme of the play was that "Everyman" is doomed to death but is easily seduced to forgetfulness. The late Center deputy, Dr. Effner, assisted at the performance in some cities and delivered addresses introducing and explaining the play.

Critics of the Calderon presentation in Switzerland declared that the play was appropriate for Catholic, Protestant, Jew and heathen. In fact, non-Catholics were loud in their praise of the Einsiedeln play and the Calderon movement seems to be gaining support everywhere.

## Bishop Schrembs Ordains Twelve

Cleveland, June 3.—Twelve were ordained to priesthood by Archbishop John T. McNicholas here last Saturday. During the last few days 100 students for the priesthood have received Orders from the Archbishop. The list includes young men from Cleveland parishes and one each from Youngstown and Akron.

## National Shrine's Dome Donated By Papal Countess

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Washington, June 4.—Miss Elizabeth G. Colgan, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a Papal Countess, has given \$10,000 to pay for the great dome ceiling, a ceramic art work in honor of God the Holy Ghost, which adorns the main altar in the crypt of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception here, the Rev. Dr. Bernard J. McKenna, director of the Shrine, announced today.

This latest important contribution to the Shrine pays for a work already completed in the crypt. Fashioned in ceramics in this ceiling is a large white dove, symbolic of God the Holy Ghost, set amid a colorful arrangement of other porcelain. The vast dome supports one of the largest arches in the world, being planned to carry a weight of 1,300,000 pounds. As a whole it is considered one of the finest examples of ceramic art in this country.

The altar which is temporarily beneath this gorgeous ceiling is the historic table of the Sacrifice upon which Archbishop Carroll of Baltimore, the late celebrated Mass in his mother country during a period of intolerance in the Colonies. Since the altar has been at the Shrine, Cardinal Roncalli, former Apostolic Delegate to this country and Papal Legate to the Eucharistic Congress at Chicago, Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, Cardinal O'Donnell of Boston, and Archbishop Pietro Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate to this country, have officiated at it.

Meanwhile other new work is being accomplished at the Shrine. This week Dr. McKenna has been busy with opening of a new room in the southwest corner of the structure, which excellent prints of 163 Madonna pictures were exhibited. The room was by the old masters are being housed in the next room the library of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception—the world-over is being made.

The wisdom of collecting these pictures in the original was demonstrated recently when in one day there were at the Shrine visitors who spoke French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Japanese, Lithuanian and Chinese.

Mme. Sawada, wife of the Consul-General of the Imperial Japanese Embassy, was a recent visitor to the Shrine, and witnessed the reception of Cardinal Hayes, the first group of Children of Mary, there by Dr. McKenna. Mme. Sawada is herself a Child of Mary.

## Christian Labor Unions In France Have New Policy

Paris, May 23.—At the last meeting of shareholders of the Christian Labor Union, one of the great railway companies of France, one of the members presented the aims of the employees and laborers of the road. He emphasized the necessity of increasing wages to cope with the increased cost of living, and pointed out methods of economy and of increasing efficiency which would result from a more methodical cooperation between the various factors of the company.

The observations were presented with moderation but with authority and competence. They made an impression on the meeting and the chairman of the Council of Administration declared that he was fully decided to stimulate cooperation between the directors and employees.

## Six New Priests For Cincinnati

Cincinnati, June 3.—Six were ordained to priesthood by Archbishop John T. McNicholas here last Saturday. During the last few days 100 students for the priesthood have received Orders from the Archbishop. The list includes young men from Cincinnati and of nearby places.

## Another Mexican Prelate's Arrest Reported Overseas

Mexico City, June 4.—The arrest of another Mexican prelate was reported from the State of Mexico. The arrest was reported to be the latest in a series of actions against the Catholic hierarchy in Mexico. The prelate in question is reported to have been arrested on charges of complicity in the activities of the Catholic Church in the State of Mexico.

## Columbus' Landing Place Acquired By The U. S.

New York, June 4.—The United States has acquired the landing place of Christopher Columbus in the State of New York. The acquisition was reported to be a significant event in the history of the United States, as it marks the first time that the landing place of the great explorer has been officially recognized and acquired by the United States government.

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## Famed El Paso Band Going To Europe

El Paso, June 4.—The famous El Paso band is going to Europe. The band is reported to be one of the best in the United States, and its tour of Europe is expected to be a great success.

## Nineteenth Century Convention

London, June 4.—The Nineteenth Century Convention is being held in London. The convention is reported to be a significant event in the history of the Nineteenth Century, as it marks the first time that the convention has been officially recognized and held in London.