

### Thirteen Hundred Years of St. Denis In Paris Observed

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Paris, Oct. 21.—Three days of magnificent ceremonies marked the celebration of the thirteenth centenary of the foundation of the famous Abbey of Saint Denis. It was in the year 626 that King Dagobert caused to be consecrated a basilica to which had been brought the bodies of Saint Denis, Bishop of Paris, and his martyred companions. King Dagobert expressed the desire to be buried in the basilica, establishing a tradition which was afterwards followed by the rulers of France. Forty-three kings and twenty-seven queens of France are buried at Saint Denis. In order that the Church might properly be kept up, King Dagobert founded a Benedictine Monastery along side of it. The religious remained in uninterrupted possession of the Abbey until the revolutionary period in 1793. Six Popes visited the Abbey at different times. The church, originally a rotunda, was rebuilt by Saint Louis and the Abbe Suger in 1123. It is one of the most ancient as well as one of the most beautiful creations of Gothic art. It is 108 meters long and 29 meters high. The choir and transepts are filled with magnificent tombs which make of it a veritable museum of French funeral art. On the last day of the celebration of the centennial, Mass was celebrated by the Armenian Bishop of Angora, Mgr. Bahaban, and an Armenian pilgrim came to pray on the tomb of Leon de Lusignan, a French prince who was the last Catholic King of Armenia. Cardinal Dubois, accompanied by several bishops, presided over the closing ceremonies, which included a magnificent historical pageant in which were represented all the kings, bishops, abbots and other notables who played a part in the history of the abbey. A triumphant march, composed especially for the occasion, was executed by the organ and a large choir. Following the pageant, the reliquaries containing the relics of Saint Denis and the companions of his martyrdom were carried in procession with famous oriframes of Saint Denis which, for centuries was the symbol of the Kings of France. After the singing of the Te Deum of thanksgiving, Cardinal Dubois appeared on the parvis where he was acclaimed by the labor population of St. Denis which has become an industrial suburb of Paris.

### Rockets Discharged By Scots Catholics In Honor of Saints

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Oct. 29.—Rockets burst in the sky over the Lourdes grotto at Carfin, Scotland, after a magnificent triple celebration of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, St. Francis of Assisi, and St. Teresa of the Child Jesus. The rockets were fired as a great crowd sang the Ave in the famous Lourdes hymn. Earlier in the day a relic of St. Teresa was carried through the extensive grounds of the grotto. Twelve altar boys in scarlet and twelve little girls dressed as angels surrounded the reliquary. A new chapel was blessed by Father T. N. Taylor, pastor at Carfin, who, during a recent visit to America, presented a book on the life of St. Teresa to President Coolidge.

### Kosciuszko, Polish Hero of American Revolution, Lauded

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Washington, D. C., Oct. 29.—Impressive ceremonies to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the commissioning in the Continental Army of Thaddeus Kosciuszko, Polish patriot, and first foreign soldier to offer his services to the American colonies in the Revolution, were held in the presence of a distinguished gathering at Memorial Continental Hall here last night. Secretary of War Dwight F. Davis, chairman, paid a glowing tribute to the Polish officers, who rose to the rank of general under Washington, and stressed the friendly relations that have always existed between Poland and the United States. Under Secretary of State Joseph C. Grew also spoke of the amicable ties that have always existed between the two countries. Jan Ciechanowski, Polish Minister to the United States, responded for his country.

### Cardinal Bourne Dedicates Church To Five Wounds

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Oct. 25.—The Church of the Five Wounds, opened at Stonebridge, Middlesex, by Cardinal Bourne a few days ago, is believed to have a unique dedication. The devotion of the Five Wounds, the Cardinal told the congregation, was introduced into England by the Benedictine Order. It has been initiated

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### Story of Lourdes In Cinema Planned By Fr. James R. Cox

Pittsburgh, Oct. 29.—Preparations are being made by Rev. Father James R. Cox, of Old St. Patrick's Church, this city, for the first taking of motion pictures of the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, next summer, permission having been granted the priest two years ago by the Bishop of Tarbes. The picture will be taken on the Grotto grounds, and will depict the complete story of Bernadette Soubiroux, the 14-year-old peasant girl, to whom the apparition of the Blessed Virgin presented itself, and will be made on a scenario written by Father Cox, which will have as characters approximately 200 persons who will be the pilgrims he will take with him from Pittsburgh to Lourdes. A competitive plan for those wishing to take the trip is being arranged by Father Cox.

### Ramon Navarro and Claire McDowell in "BEN-HUR"



New York's Roman Catholic clergy have been especially enthusiastic in their praise of the four million dollar picture which comes to the Lyceum Theatre next week.

### "Ben-Hur" Now Pigs Donated to Pastor In Pictures Means by which Church Debt is Being Cleared

Lew Wallace's Fine Biblical Romance Has Been Magnificently Produced Chicago, Ill., Oct. 28.—So humble a thing as a baby pig can do great work in the world. This at least is the opinion of the Rev. J. Fred Wallace who will occupy the Lyceum theatre next week, beginning Sunday night. New York, Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia had the only presentations of the great Epic Rev. George Stumm, were in Chicago today interviewing commission men forty-five years the book enjoyed at the stockyards. The story of the circulation second only to that of baby pigs runs like this: "When I was appointed to St. John's parish," Father Kriebels related the most popular attraction touring the United States. The story begins in Bethlehem with the Star and the adoration of the Wise Men, then deals with the oppression of Judea and the ruin of the Hur family by Roman edict. The hero is successively a slave in the galleys, then by turn of fortune, a Roman dummvir's adopted son, the richest subject in Asia, winner of the Antioch chariot race, and then animated by the Jewish ideal of a temporal Messiah he raises a legion to take up arms for Jesus of Nazareth. But the Prince of Peace comes not into a worldly kingdom. Ben-Hur is hidden to put up his sword, become a humble follower of the Master until his long lost Mother and Sister are restored to him by Esther and are cured of sickness by the Divine healing. "There were so many of those This Metro Goldwyn Mayer work is described as a faithful picture of a book and play, but with the immensely grander resources of the Motion Picture Art. Ramon Navarro heads the cast of 150,000 players. "Ben-Hur" comes to Rochester with a large touring orchestra and made a systematic canvass of the same realistic stage effects employed on Broadway, where it is still a reigning sensation. After the Sunday night opening, performances will be given twice daily at 2:30 and 8:15. All seats will be reserved and are now on sale at the box office.

### Louvain Catholic U. Students Win Five First Prizes

Honor Graduates of Institution Also Awarded Eight Scholarships. Louvain, Oct. 25.—At the recent competitive examinations between the students of the four Belgian universities, five students from the Louvain Catholic University received the first prizes respectively in philology, philosophy law, anatomy-physiology, and in medicine. It was announced by Mgr. Ladeuze, the Rector, in his inaugural address a few days ago. Moreover, of the twenty travel scholarships placed at the disposal of the honor graduates of the four universities, eight were awarded to Louvain men, whilst all six travel scholarships to fellows were won by Louvain post-graduates. Finally, seven of its graduates were designated by the American Educational Foundation to spend a year in post-graduate work at American schools. Speaking of the library that is being built here with American money, by a New York building firm, under the supervision of the American architect who drew its plans, the Rector said: Hoover Helps Library. "Last year I told you of the worry the question of the completion of the library building caused us and how in our distress we had recourse to the great friend of Belgium, Mr. Hoover. We were not deceived in our expectations. Mr. Hoover first appealed to the generosity of his fellow citizens, who had already been solicited by the Butler Committee. He succeeded in gathering some \$292,000 in cash and subscriptions. Then, upon his motion, the C. R. B. Administrative Board voted a \$350,000 contribution. "The construction work may therefore go on and we have every reason to hope that, despite the present economic hardships, the grand task undertaken in Louvain by the United States will soon receive its finishing touches."

### Catholic Lawyers Attend "Red Mass" In English Church

London, Oct. 25.—Eminent Catholic lawyers, wearing wig and gown, attended the annual "Red Mass" at Westminster Cathedral which marks the reopening of the Royal Courts of Justice after the long vacation. Among them were the Rt. Hon. Sir Thomas Malony, formerly Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Cardinal Bourne intoned the Veni Creator and gave the blessing. Simultaneously non-Catholic judges and lawyers attended a special service at Westminster Abbey.

### DEATHS

Mald—John G. Mald, died October 30, at No. 454 Child street, aged 58 years. Funeral November 2 from Holy Family Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Schreier—Joseph G. Schreier, Sr., died October 30 at No. 20 Murray street, aged 77 years. Funeral November 2 from Holy Family Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Smith—Albert G. Smith, died November 2, at No. 255 Avenue A, aged 28 years. Funeral November 5 from St. Michael's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Torelli—John Torelli, died November 2 at No. 29 Ketchum street, aged 88 years. Funeral November 5 from St. Michael's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Lockington—Elizabeth S. Lockington, died November 3 at No. 30 Tracy street. Funeral November 5 from St. Rose's Church, Lima, N. Y. Interment in St. Rose cemetery.  
Ritzenthaler—Mrs. Helen Ritzenthaler, died November 2, at No. 358 Electric avenue. Funeral November 6 from Sacred Heart Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

### Priest, Minister And Rabbi Attack Atheism Jointly

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—J. Tal, a Jewish Rabbi; Father Otten, a Dominican friar; and Rev. P. de Hartog, a Protestant minister, professor at the University of Utrecht, occupied the same platform at a solid-front meeting against atheism. Atheists, said Rabbi Tal, remind us of the man who was led to thoughtful reflection at the sight of children seeking to scoop all the water of the ocean into a little sand hole. Likewise does the negator of God's existence seek to "scoop" God into the small hole of his little mind and because he can't do it, he simply denies God's existence. If the atheists were right, said the Rabbi, brotherly feelings and human pity were a lie; for without God all men are strangers to one another. Without father there can be neither brothers nor sisters. Without God there can be no truth and we might then be well justified in asking: What's the use of seeking after truth? Father Otten, O. P., called their joint action an apology and an apostolate. It affords evidence, he said, that there are still many points that unite us; for one thing, we stand united upon the rock-solid foundation of our common belief in God. Catholics hold that the knowledge of God's existence springs both from reason and from Revelation. Reason gives us the causality proof, the biological proof, the theological proof, the ontological or ethical proof and the ethnological proof. All these, however, may be reduced to the causality proof. Nothing can come into existence without some reason for its existence; nothing in the world has a reason for existence in its own self. Therefore we ascend to the uncreated essence, whom we call God. Father Otten said the day of reasoned-out atheism is passed, although the day of practical atheism is still with us. Professor de Hartog began his address by saying: "Rabbi, Priest and Dominic meet here today to tell not of what separates them but of what discriminates them. The Rabbi stands here with his belief in God in the token of the old Israelites; the Priest, in the token of the all-embracing universal Church; the Dominic, in the token of the individual."

### Nuns From Mexico, Forty Seminarians, Go To Other Lands

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Vera Cruz, Mexico, Oct. 27.—Forty young seminarians have just left this port for Rome, where they will continue their studies at the Pio Latino College. They are from Chihuahua, Guadalajara, Quaretero, Pueblo and Michoacan. On the same steamship there sailed eleven nuns who are leaving Mexico, some of them going to Spain and others to Havana, Cuba.



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### DEATHS OF THE WEEK

Funeral services were held from the respective churches on dates given. May their souls rest in peace.  
Donoghue—Frances M. Donoghue, died October 31, at No. 44 Cheltenham road. Funeral November 3 from Church of the Holy Rosary. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Dringer—Kate C. Schultze Dringer, died October 31 at No. 28 Nottingham road, aged 57. Funeral November 3 from the Evangelist Church. Interment in the Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Haegge—Christian C. Haegge, died October 31 at No. 165 Cady street, aged 66 years. Funeral November 3 from St. Peter and Paul's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Hayes—Martin Hayes, died Oct. 30 at his home in Port Gibson, aged 73 years. Funeral November 3 from Saint Ann's Church, Palmyra, N. Y. Interment in St. Ann's cemetery, at Palmyra.  
LaDue—Henry W. LaDue died October 31 at Curdick road, Hilton. Funeral November 3 from St. John's Church, Spencerport. Interment in Parma Cemetery.  
Radigan—Mary E. Radigan, died October 31, aged 71 years. Funeral November 3 from 166 1/2 St. Arnett boulevard, and from St. Monica's Church. Interment in Churchville, N. Y.  
Thines—Jeanette G. Thines, died November 1 at No. 841 Curlew street, aged 5 months. Funeral November 3 from No. 856 Smith street, and from St. Peter and Paul's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Kalaber—John Kalaber, Sr., died October 29 at Scottsville, N. Y., aged 86 years. Funeral November 1 from St. Mary's Church, at Scottsville. Interment in Holy Angel cemetery.  
Cannon—James F. Cannon, died October 29 at No. 58 Tacoma street, Funeral October 29 from Holy Rosary Church.  
Robbin—Rudolph J. Robbin, died October 29 at No. 59 Sylvester street, aged 61 years. Funeral November 2 from St. Andrew's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Ballau—Silas Francis Ballau, died October 29 at No. 18 Amherst street, aged 22 years, 7 months. Funeral November 2 from Blessed Sacrament Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Kraus—Miss Helen Kraus, died October 29 at No. 557 Campbell street, aged 18 years. Funeral November 2 from Holy Family Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Linn—Mrs. Margaret Linn, died October 29 at No. 141 Weeger street, aged 74 years. Funeral November 2 from Holy Redeemer Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.  
Morrissey—James M. Morrissey, died in New York City October 29. Funeral November 2 from No. 89 Arvine Heights, and from Immaculate Conception Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

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