

Missiologic Week In Louvain Attended By 400 Missionaries

By Rev. J. Van der Heyden, (Louvain Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service).

Louvain, Aug. 29.—Four hundred missionaries, representing twenty nationalities and thirty religious orders, met here a few days ago for a missiologic course of study...

The object of the studies of the week was "The formation of an elite in missionary lands, what had been done thus far to that end, what more could and should be done."

For the better, concrete and practical comprehension of the problem, Father Charles, S. J., the permanent secretary of the Missiologic Weeks, gave a graphic description of the difficulties the Protestant missions are contending with and of the means to which they have recourse to solve those difficulties.

Father Rutten, superior of the Belgian Fathers of Scheut, showed the great need of developing native vocations for the priesthood in China, where there now are 1600 foreign priests to 1200 natives...

Berkeley Catholic High School Ready

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

Berkeley, Calif., August 29.—The new St. Mary's high school in Paralta Park was dedicated with ceremonies continuing from early morning until late in the afternoon.

The students' chapel, a beautiful structure capable of seating the entire student body, was dedicated first. Archbishop Hanna, celebrated the first Mass in the new chapel.

Following the morning ceremonies the new building was thrown open for inspection, with dedication of the academic structure at 2:30.

The new building represents an outlay of \$300,000 and is the first unit in a plan that calls for two new academic buildings and two new dormitories.

Ceremony Recalls Fra. Serra's Birth

Carmel-by-the-Sea, Calif., August 29.—The anniversary of the birth of Father Junipero Serra was observed at the Mission yesterday with ceremonies that attracted visitors from every part of California.

Jo Mora, Carmel sculptor, made a sarcophagus of the great explorer-priest, a bronze monument which rests over his grave at the Mission. It consists of a recumbent statue of Father Serra, surrounded by standing figures of his friends and fellow pathfinders, Lasten, Crespi and Lopez, with Crespi in the foreground.

Father W. J. Flynn Is 'Faithful Eagle' Among Sioux Tribe

St. Francis, S. Dak., Aug. 21.—At the close of the ceremonies for the dedication of the St. Agnes Chapel at Cut-Neat, South Dakota, donated by a generous member of the Marquette League, White-Swan, Chief of the Indian Council, in the name of the Sioux Indians of St. Francis Mission, conferred on the Rev. William J. Flynn, the secretary general of the Marquette League, the name "Wam-bi-Wonwiyi," which means "Faithful Eagle" as a mark of gratitude for all the Marquette League has done for the Sioux Mission and as an expression of their appreciation of his personal interest in the Mission.

Alfred J. Talley, president of the Marquette League, presented a check for \$100 to the Mission for the purchase of a new stove for the kitchen. The stove is the first of its kind in the Mission and is a gift from the Marquette League.

New Chicago Church Will Cost \$300,000

Chicago, Aug. 29.—Work will start this week on a new \$300,000 Catholic church for Chicago's north-west side. Father J. F. Ryan, pastor of St. Viator parish, yesterday announced plans for construction of a building to seat 1,200. The church will be in Tudor Gothic architecture, with stone exterior.

Feng Renounces Christianity

Paris, Aug. 19.—News has been received here from Nanking that General Feng, long known as the "Christian General," has renounced Christianity and has ceased to read the Scriptures, because of the attitude of the Christian nations toward China.

Blessed Virgin's Statue Put on Mt. Blanc Peak

Milwaukee, Aug. 24. A party of eight Alpinists recently climbed one of the highest and most dangerous peaks of Mont Blanc in order to erect there a four-foot statue of the Virgin.

The small procession left Chamouix with its precious burden, weighing nearly 100 pounds, at three in the morning, and achieved their goal only after seven hours of the most difficult rock and ice climbing. There, 11,300 feet above sea level, the figure was set up, with its face turned toward Chamouix, and after two hours' work the foundations were made secure against the elements.

Then, amid the solemn and majestic stillness of the eternal snows, Father Vuarnet conducted the brief but poignant ceremony of blessing the new statue of the Virgin of Mont Blanc.

Old Spanish Mission At Santa Clara Is To Be Rebuilt

Santa Clara, Calif., Aug. 29.—The old Mission Santa Clara, founded by the Franciscan Fathers in 1777, is to be reproduced in exact duplicate. The shady cloisters, and adobe bell tower—reminders of the days when the Padres gathered red-skin and disciples within the shelter of their white walls—will rise again on the site of the fragile edifice that the Fathers De la Pena and Margula established one year after the American Declaration of Independence was signed.

But the duplicated edifice will resemble the mission of Spanish times only in appearance. Inside the adobe walls and rough-hewn timber of the old structure, will be the reinforced concrete and structural steel of present-day construction.

The new mission will be erected by the University of Santa Clara and will be fireproof and quake-proof. Work is to begin immediately and the cost will be \$150,000. When completed it will be the fourth to house the mission church since it was founded in 1777. The original church stood on the banks of the Guadalupe Creek, on the old Laurelwood ranch. A few years after its dedication it was destroyed by flood.

To Repair Damage By Bomb Explosion

St. Francis, S. Dak., Aug. 29.—Work is restoring the damage done to the Franciscan monastery here by the explosion of a bomb is well under way under direction of the local superior, the Rev. Matthew Schmitz, O. F. M.

The explosion occurred on the morning that Sacco and Vanzetti were electrocuted in a Massachusetts prison.

A fund was started locally by the contribution of \$1 from a policeman who said that it was "to start a fund for the restoration of the monastery."

Several persons, who were taken into custody by the police at the time of the explosion have since been released.

S. Guasti, Grower Of Grapes, Is Dead

Los Angeles, Aug. 29.—Second Guasti, one of the leading grape growers in California, and at one time owner of the largest vineyard in the world, died at his home here today, aged 68 years.

He was a native of Italy. He had received decorations from the King of Italy and Premier Mussolini, a personal friend.

City of Rome Giving Training To Women In Child-Nurture

Rome, Aug. 13.—The municipal government of Rome has established in connection with the Institute of San Gregorio al Celio a school for the instruction of young women in the proper care of children.

There is a three-year course, infant-care and domestic economy, as well as academic and cultural studies including the study of maternity, adapted to fit the young women students intelligently to guide the mental and spiritual as well as the responsibility in later years.

Newly Formed Council Has Fine Record

The Councils of the Order welcome to their company the newly formed Prairieville Council, No. 2657, of Prairieville, Louisiana. Sixty-nine new members were accepted at the institution of the Council. Fifty of these were insurance members, representing a total insurance of \$55,000. This large proportion of insurance membership augurs well for the prosperity and growth of the new Council. Brother Henry R. Montrelo is Grand Knight.

Has Five Sons Knights

Brother Ambrose Hagarman, Grand Knight of Dover Council, No. 1973, Dover, Ohio, his five sons who are Knights. They are Joseph, Roy, Harry, Raymond and William. All members of Dover Council. Brother Hagarman is the father of fifteen children and has three other boys whom he hopes to see received into Knighthood when they have attained the necessary age. He has also two sons-in-law who are members of Dover Council.

Fourth Degree Exemplified at Vancouver, Sept. 5

The Fourth Degree was exemplified at Vancouver, British Columbia, Monday, September 5th, with an elaborate program arranged by District Master M. Leo Sweeney. An invitation was extended to the Knights of the State of Washington to take part in the ceremonies and many availed themselves of the opportunity. Seattle Assembly sent a large delegation to attend the Degree. Many ladies were present at the banquet following the exemplification and special entertainment was provided for them.

New Supreme Knights Takes Up Duties

After a meeting of the Supreme Officers at New Haven, Conn., Martin H. Carmody took over, on September 1st, the duties of his new position as Supreme Knight. At the same time, James A. Flaherty, who has been head of the Order for the past eighteen years, formally entered his new office of Supreme Councilor. The next meeting of the Supreme Board of Directors will be held at Toronto, Ontario, Saturday, October 8.

Supreme Council Ask Special Flood Aid

Mindful of the immense damage done by the recent Mississippi floods and of the distressed condition of the thousands whose homes and means of sustenance have been destroyed, the Supreme Council adopted this resolution:

"Resolved, That if be the sense of the Supreme Council that a special session of the Congress of the United States be called for the purpose of taking the action necessary for the relief of the people in the flooded area in the lower Mississippi Valley."

Keep the Home Fires Burning

Ask Me Another and Cross Word Puzzles are no longer popular pastimes in the families of Knights of Columbus. The action of the Supreme Board of Directors in opening the Correspondence School to families of members has caused the members and their families to turn their attention to Home Study Courses.

The first enrollment under the new plan was received from a seventeen-year-old girl, the daughter of a prominent Knight of Columbus of Philadelphia. She enrolled for a course in Accounting. On the same day a sixteen-year-old son of another member enrolled for a course in Algebra to prepare for a college examination. An interesting enrollment was received from a fourteen-year-old boy who is unable to receive classroom instruction on account of the condition of his health. His father, a well-known member of the Order, explained the case to our Educational Bureau and a program of home study courses was arranged for the boy.

Father, too, are showing more interest in courses for themselves. It will soon be a common occurrence for the whole family of a Knight of Columbus to be engaged in home work. The daughter occupied with a course in French, the son immersed in the subject of Automobile Engines, the father interested in a course in Real Estate and best of all, mother studying the course "The Catholic Church and Science."

Write to Supreme Secretary William J. McGinley for a copy of Bulletin A which describes all the courses that are available for home study.

Boy Work Notes

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The Circle was divided into several small units known as sectors, each named in honor of some noted Catholic missionary or explorer. Throughout both sessions of the school talks were given and discussions and activities participated in the Columbian Squire and other famous Boys' Work programs such as the Big Brothers' Boys' Clubs, Boy Scouts, Woodcraft League, American Red Cross, Playground and Recreation Association, National Child Welfare Association, Junior Holy Name, etc. Another notable feature was the appearance for the first time of the daily paper, "The Knights of Columbus Boy Leader," edited and composed mostly by the students of the school. The student body this summer represented the states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, and the province of Ontario, Canada.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Grand Knights—Please Urge Name 'Columbus' For New Tunnel

The Publicity Bureau plans to issue, in the near future, a new edition of the Directory of Council Publications. If your Council has a Publication please send this information: the number of your Council, the name of the publication, the name of the editor and the address to which the weekly News Sheet should be mailed. This does not affect the mailing of the News Sheet sent you each week as Grand Knight. The information here requested should be sent in whether or not your publication is already listed in the present Directory. It is desired to have the new Directory one hundred percent complete and accurate. The small amount of co-operation asked will make this completeness and accuracy possible. It can be obtained in no other way. Experience, history, research and everything else show that requests like the above receive prompt response from one or two, leisurely response from a few and no response at all from a great many. But experience, history, etc., also show that when, after much travail, a Directory of some sort is produced, there is instantaneous correspondence from those who have been left out and want to know why. So we say—please! And promptness will be doubly appreciated.

South Dakota Knights Fete Presidential Party

The Knights of Columbus of Rapid City Council, Rapid City, South Dakota, recently staged a genuine western rodeo and barbecue for the Presidential party in the Black Hills. The rodeo was attended by some fifteen hundred people, including members of the Presidential party, secret service men, camera men, newspaper representatives, and Knights and their families. The magnificent Diamond S ranch, covering hundreds of acres of the once favorite hunting ground of the Stou, Crow, and Cheyenne Indians, was the scene of the festival through the courtesy of Mr. Russ Madison.

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Noted Jesuit Author Dies

Knights of Columbus note with regret the death of Rev. John Rickaby, S. J., in England. Born in 1847, he was within a year of celebrating his golden jubilee in the priesthood. Father Rickaby, who had been a Jesuit for sixty years, was the author of several books and articles. His contributions to Catholic literature caused him to be very well known and loved among American readers.

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Catholic Schools Of San Francisco Diocese Crowded. San Francisco, Aug. 30.—Enrollment reports from the several parochial schools indicate that approximately 30,000 children will attend the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of San Francisco during the 1927-28 term. In some sections so many children applied for admission to the Catholic schools that it was necessary to refuse acceptance, due to the fact that accommodations had already been taxed to capacity.

St. Agnes College, Memphis, Finished. Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 1.—All is in readiness for an inspection of the new St. Agnes College here on September 11. The members of St. Agnes Alumnae will assist the faculty in receiving the guests and the class of 1927 will act as pages on the occasion. The building is of attractive collegiate Gothic architecture and combines efficiency and artistry. It is fireproof throughout and contains the best modern equipment, lecture rooms and laboratories. A standard gymnasium and swimming pool adjoin the college building. Besides a well-planned curriculum for regular students, classes for adult specialists are to be opened. Announcement of these courses will be made later.

Anniversary Kept By Eight Sisters. Plainfield, N. J., Aug. 31.—Celebrating the anniversary of eight Sisters of Mercy of Mount St. Mary's Academy, at North Plainfield, a Solemn High Mass was sung this morning in the chapel. The Rev. Thomas Kearney of Keepsburg, N. J., brother of Sister Genevieve, was the celebrant. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, delivered the sermon. The ceremonies were held for Sisters Genevieve, Eulalia, de Chamal, Justina, Philip, Lucille and H.

Captain John Kelly Dead. Captain John Kelly, 82 years old, one of the last of the seafaring men closely identified with the making of the nation's history, died recently at his home in Saginaw, Michigan. For many years he had been a member of Saginaw Council. He was born March 7, 1845, in County Down, Ireland, and when four years old came with his parents to Ontario. At the age of 12 years, Capt. Kelly began his seafaring life, shipping on lake boats in various occupations available to adventurous youths. In 1862, he joined the navy, being assigned first to the old gunboat Michigan and later the U. S. Cruiser Huntsville, of Commodore Wilke's squadron.

Captain Kelly will be remembered by his brothers of Saginaw Council as a fine old gentleman ever willing to take his full part in all the Council's activities.