

TORNADO TURNED ST. LOUIS TO GOD, ARCHBISHOP SAYS

St. Louis, Oct. 5.—Taking as his theme the Biblical text, "The Lord Giveth and the Lord Taketh Away Blessed be the Name of the Lord..."

After describing the terrors of "the tragedy," as he characterized the storm, the Archbishop said in part:

"It is asked, is this a visitation of Providence? Of course, God is the Supreme Master of the universe; the storm was permitted by Him..."

"Divine Mind Inscrutable. "But it came to us as a dread visitation. A visitation of Divine Providence? Indirectly, yes. A visitation from a merciful and loving Providence..."

"We cannot go back of the Divine Mind. We cannot explain the Divine Mind, even in its application to ourselves. We do not see the ultimate reasons back of things..."

After expressing sympathy for the thousands who suffered because of the tornado, His Grace called attention to the popular tendency of many people to be frivolous.

He suggested that the storm had taught wealthy people not to scorn the poor. "It has visited the rich and poor alike," he continued.

Dublin Spurns U. S. Methods In Picking Beauty

Dublin, Oct. 3.—In the course of Civic Week in Dublin, a Queen of Beauty was chosen at a ball held at the Mansion House...

Miss Beatrice Toal, sister of the Rev. Dr. M. F. Toal, Professor of Theology in Manley College, Sydney, Australia, was chosen as the most beautiful young woman.

Two of the five judges were Mrs. Hugh Kennedy, wife of the Chief Justice, and Mr. James Montgomery, the film censor of the Free State.

The program arranged for Civic Week was of great interest. Military tattoos, historical pageants, exhibitions of painting and photography...

This was the first attempt made by the Municipal Government of the city to foster a civic spirit in Dublin. It is generally being regarded as a most encouraging success.

Catholic Hostel For Ex-Prisoners. London, Oct. 13.—A Catholic hostel for ex-prisoners has been opened at Liverpool under the name of the Prisoners' Aid Society.

BISHOP MULDOON IS DEAD AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Rockford, Ill., Oct. 8.—The Rt. Rev. Peter J. Muldoon, Bishop of Rockford, one of the most able and prominent members of the American Catholic hierarchy and leader in the founding and developing of the National Catholic War Council and the National Catholic Welfare Conference, died at his home here at 6 15 this morning.

Ill since the time of the Eucharistic Congress at Chicago, he was forced to undergo an operation for appendicitis on reaching St. Louis for the consecration of the Cathedral in that city. His condition had several times been critical, and on one occasion prayers for his happy death had been asked in all the churches of his diocese.

His condition again became critical Friday, and after that time he gradually lost strength until the end of this morning. His sisters were at his bedside when he died.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in the Cathedral here. His Eminence George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago, will officiate. Burial will be in Rockford.

Bishop Muldoon, a commanding figure among the Catholic Bishops of America, was also a national figure, having contributed magnificent service to his country in both war and peace.

Mother Austin, One Of Pioneer Band Of Mercy Sisters, Dead

Titusville, Pa., Oct. 5.—Mother Austin, one of a band of seven nuns who in 1870, at the request of the late Bishop Mullen of Erie, came from Pittsburgh to Titusville to organize the Sisters of Mercy here for the Erie diocese, died in the mother house of the Order last week. She was in her eighty-third year.

In the small band was her sister, Mother Nolasco, who died in 1872. For fifty-seven years Mother Austin worked in Titusville with the Sisters of Mercy, watching the community grow from a small band of seven to a powerful organization extending throughout the diocese, working for the benefit of the citizenry in general.

Ill only a few days, her death was rather sudden. She complained after a motor trip to Erie, and while her illness was not thought to be serious, a stroke followed and she was called to her reward.

Mother Austin served in various capacities in the Order, and was Superior from 1895 to 1898. Previous to her entering the Order she was Melissa Kratzer, daughter of Christopher and Mary Kratzer, of Clearfield, Pa. She came from a family that was noted for its longevity. Her father lived to be more than 100 years of age, and she is survived by a sister, Mary, of Clearfield, who is in her ninety-third year. A brother, Harry, of Clearfield, also survives.

NEW LOS ANGELES CHURCH. Los Angeles, Oct. 5.—The Rt. Rev. John J. Cantwell, Bishop of Los Angeles and San Diego, officiated Sunday afternoon at the cornerstone laying of the new basilical style church being erected in the parish of the Immaculate Conception.

Discredits Report Priest Led Rebels

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) New York, Oct. 7.—Reports that a priest named Sandano led a band of rebels in the State of Jalisco, Mexico, were discredited here today by the Rt. Rev. Paschal Diaz, Bishop of Tabasco, Mexico. This is the priest who is reported to have been summarily executed after his capture.

"We are unable to find the name of Sandano on our church lists, and until further advice is received from Mexico, we must take these reports with much reserve," Bishop Diaz said.

"We believe, however, that some poor unfortunate has suffered the penalty imposed by the summary court, as it has been the custom of the various military leaders operating in the States of Michoacan, Jalisco and Colima to charge the Catholic priests with being the leaders of all disturbances.

"Our information from Mexico states that a large number of bands of rebels are springing up in all parts of the republic. These new uprisings, according to our reports, are caused by conditions in connection with the new Presidential elections."

James R. Sheffield, retiring Ambassador to Mexico, declined to comment upon the statement attributed to a high Mexican Government official that Mr. Sheffield had been treated with the utmost courtesy in Mexico.

"Although I would like to express my views upon the Mexican situation," he said, "yet there is a possibility that a revival of the Mexican question would embarrass Mr. Roosevelt."

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Collins and Goldstein Announce Subject for Fourth Degree Contest

Peter W. Collins and David Goldstein, famous foes of radicalism, are about to start on another lecture tour of the United States under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus. Brother Goldstein's first appearance will be at Junction City, Kansas, on October 14, where he will talk on "Subversive Movements in America."

Brother Goldstein was at one time himself a Socialist and was the first "red" candidate for Mayor of Boston. His thorough knowledge of his subject is agreeably combined with fine faculty for imparting that knowledge to his audiences in simple and interesting fashion.

Brother Collins has been an active and outstanding defender of American traditions for more than a quarter of a century. Only last year, he was the revolution in China, the Communist Defense League of Shanghai, called upon him as one who is supreme in America in anti-Communist propaganda, to give advice on how they might best meet this international scourge.

It is expected that these two speakers will address approximately two hundred audiences on their tour. As is their custom, they will conduct an "open forum" at the close of each lecture, answering all questions and objections submitted from the audience.

Bishop Attends Dinner to Supreme Knight

The dinner tendered Supreme Knight Martin H. Carmody in his home city of Grand Rapids, was attended by dignitaries of State and Church by Supreme Officers and prominent Knights of Columbus from all parts of the state.

It was Joseph G. Platon, Bishop of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, discussed in a masterful address, the interrelation of various groups in society today and outlined the immense tasks confronting the Knights of Columbus as an organization. He praised the Order for its accomplishments in the past and the work it has planned for the future.

Supreme Knight Carmody was much affected at the honor shown to him by the large assemblage and he pledged his best efforts toward carrying out the programs of the Order and putting its high ideals into effect.

Supreme Officers who were at the reception and dinner were Supreme Councilman James A. Flaherty, Deputy Supreme Knight John Martin, Supreme Secretary William McGinley, Supreme Advocate Luke Hart, Supreme Physician Bailey, and Assistant Supreme Secretary Conway.

Boy Work Notes

An extensive Boyology Course schedule extends into the west this year where many requests have come for the Institute Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Texas, Arizona, Utah, California, Washington, Louisiana, and Montana are states where members of the Order will, after the formal presentation to the State of the ground surrounding the graves of the first three members of the American Expeditionary Forces to be killed in action.

La Crosse, Wisconsin, Council No. 839 will institute a Circle of Columbian Squires on Wednesday, October 12. A number of La Crosse Boyology Course graduates, under the capable direction of Brother A. H. Schubert, are preparing the boys for reception into the Columbian Squires.

Circles of Columbian Squires will shortly be established by Councils in the following cities: Springfield, Massachusetts; Springfield, Illinois; Hoboken, New Jersey; Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and Fresno California; Tucson, Arizona; Hays, Kansas; Fort Wayne, Indiana and several other cities.

Show Gain in Number of Insurance Applicants

Supreme Physician Edward W. Fahey reports that applications for insurance membership in the Order received during Sept. have exceeded by 151 the number received in Sept. of last year. This is a real growth. It is due to the increased emphasis that is being placed on the benefits of Insurance Membership and to the growing appreciation of the safe and economical protection the Order extends to its members.

Will Lecture Before Councils

Mrs. Augusta Maguire Wilder, of South Dakota, who has lectured in all the principal cities of the United States, will talk before several Knights of Columbus Councils during the fall and winter seasons. At the Nebraska State Convention this year, Mrs. Wilder gave a discourse on Catholic Art.

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Handle 750,000 Cards in Paris The Knights of Columbus' special postoffice at Paris handled 750,000 postcards during the week of the American Legion Convention. This was an average of 25 cards for every Legionnaire.

Holds Council Office 31 Years Brother Alvin Krim, of Teutonia Council No. 225, Dorchester, Mass., has served as Treasurer of the Council since its institution 31 years ago. He takes his place on the roster of those who have given more than a quarter century of devoted service to the progress of the Order.

"Columbia" in Public Libraries Master Robert B. Trame, of Bishop Flaget General Assembly, Fourth Degree, announces that this Assembly is donating subscriptions to "Columbia" to public libraries. Libraries in Covington and Newport, Kentucky, have already been supplied, and other Assemblies in the district are being urged to see that copies of the Order's official publication are made as instructor. Seventy-seven students available to the public in this way, are attending.

N.C.C.W. PSYCHOLOGY CLASS Los Angeles, Oct. 5.—A psychology class under the auspices of the Diocesan Council, N.C.C.W., has been opened here with Dr. Elizabeth Sullivan of the Adult Education Department, University of California, as instructor. Seventy-seven students are attending.