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De La Huerta, After Trial On Neutrality Charge, Is Freed

Los Angeles, Feb. 15.—Adolfo de la Huerta, former provisional President of Mexico...

De la Huerta and his companions were charged with conspiring to foment a revolution among the Yaqui Indians of Mexico.

the possession of one of the group. De la Huerta and the others denied they had tried to provide arms to the Yaquis...

Bank Of Montreal President 'Silent' On Loan to Mexico

Montreal, Canada, Feb. 15.—A representative of the N. C. W. C. News Service has just seen Sir Frederick Williams Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal...

Mexico City, Feb. 15.—No actual conferences with the Government have as yet been held by the committee of the international bankers here from New York...

However, the committee has done some preliminary work and Mr. Anderson, who is with the firm of J. P. Morgan, has returned to New York, presumably to confer there.

It is believed the Calles Government made three proposals: That an extension of time be granted on the present debt; that a new loan of \$30,000,000 be made on easy terms; and that a short-term loan be made to meet the present deficit and pay operating expenses of the Government during the present depression.

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New York, Feb. 16.—Production of crude oils in Mexico, through which the Mexican Government derives much of its income, fell off 31.1 per cent in 1927 from the 1926 figure...

One company, the Eagle, was making withdrawals of 9,600 barrels a day on the isthmus at the beginning of the year, but has now dropped to less than 6,000 daily, says the paper.

The largest producer of oil in Mexico, the Huasteca Company, says another article in the Journal, has a decrease of 25.74 per cent in production in 1927.

Totals given in the article show 89,106,557 barrels production in 1926, with a drop to 61,394,042 in 1927.

The operating company of the Standard of New Jersey has discharged virtually all its field personnel in Mexico, and its engineering, bookkeeping, executive and general offices in Tampico has been cut down drastically, says the Journal.

Maryknollers Plan Manchuria Center

Fushan, Manchuria, Feb. 10.—Fushan, an important mining town and railway junction to the east of Mukden, is the future center of the missionary territory which the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America is developing in southeastern Manchuria.

The Rev. Raymond A. Lano of Lawrence, Mass., recently received a generous gift from a cloistered community in the United States towards the Fushan seminary for native priests.

The seminary will be begun in the near future and will bear the name of St. Francis Xavier.

Bishop Chartrand Asks For Support Of Catholic Press

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 15.—The Rt. Rev. Joseph Chartrand, Bishop of Indianapolis, in a letter addressed to the "clergy and laity" of his diocese, impresses on them the need for "a well organized religious press."

After discussing the influence and short comings of the secular daily newspapers, which, he declares, are for many the principal source of information, Bishop Chartrand says: "We are living in an age of specialization, and, without minimizing the work and merit of the secular press and the important service it renders to the general reader, we are fully convinced of the great need of a well-organized religious press which shall unite the faithful throughout the world, presenting special features which cannot be found in periodicals of a non-religious character."

"The various movements, activities, problems and events in different localities must be of interest and concern to all the faithful, and they wish to be assured of accurate and full information, and of the Catholic viewpoint on issues of vital importance. What a pleasure and inspiration it is to read a paper or magazine in which every line breathes the true spirit of Catholic Christianity. Such wholesome reading is an antidote for the poisonous, insinuating, suggestive printed matter thrust upon the unwary at almost every turn."

"Such a service, beyond praise, is being rendered by the Catholic press of this and other countries. In defense of truth and virtue and all the higher, nobler things of life. "We are fortunate, indeed, in having the Indiana Catholic a firmly established, creditable local paper, which, for many years has ably, as well as fearlessly, advanced and defended the cause of religion and public decency in our community. Steadily, with the increasing support and encouragement given, it has developed as a high-grade Catholic newspaper and becomes a valuable asset in the furtherance of religion and morality."

King Fouad Pledges Religious Liberty to Catholic People

Paris, Feb. 13.—Assurance of full religious liberty for Catholics in Egypt was given by King Fouad in an interview with Mgr. Girard, Bishop of the Delta, a few days ago. Alluding to other countries that do not show the same tolerance, the King insisted on the respect the Egyptian government has and always will have for the practices of different religious beliefs and for the rights of minorities.

King Fouad added that he recognized and appreciated the work accomplished in his kingdom by the Catholic educational and charitable congregations. "I know," he said, "that they desire the welfare of my country and that they are working effectively to that end."

On another occasion, when visiting the schools opened in his country by the members of the Order of St. John the Baptist, King Fouad warmly praised the Brothers for their educational work. King Fouad was educated in Italy and knew Don Bosco, whom he saw several times, and with whom he was profoundly impressed. "I always came away from him better," he said.

Industrial Problems Regional Meetings

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Washington, Feb. 17.—A regional meeting of the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems will be held in Milwaukee, February 27 and 28. It has just been announced by the office of the secretary here.

Arrangement for the Milwaukee meeting definitely establishes three of the six large meetings to be held by the Conference during the current calendar year. Another regional meeting will be held in St. Louis, March 19 and 20, while the third meeting is to be held in Cincinnati on dates not yet announced.

The program for the Milwaukee meeting as now planned includes discussion of cooperative relationships in industry, a survey of practically the whole field of unemployment insurance, union insurance, life insurance and a plan of company insurance, a symposium on the unskilled worker, and a session on "women in industry."

The Rev. Francis J. Haas of St. Francis Seminary, one of the vice-presidents of the national conference, is deeply interested in the promotion of this meeting. Dr. John A. Lapp of Marquette University will be one of the speakers. It is expected.

Church To Glorify Name Of Schubert, Composer, In July

Vienna, Feb. 15.—Of all solemn honors that will be paid during 1928 by the Church to Franz Schubert, who wrought such grand triumphs of the musical art, those on the days from July 19 to July 23 will be the most outstanding. During that period the Tenth German Choral Congress will be held, and 100,000 singers will take part in the exercises.

More than 90,000 visitors are expected to attend the special dedicatory ceremonies in honor of the great composer, with the various German countries, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Roumania and even far-distant America will be well represented.

A mammoth auditorium is now under construction here, to accommodate 100,000, with places for 40,000 singers. The space occupied by this auditorium measures 20,000 square meters. Besides the great concerts which will be conducted in this hall during the days of the congress, there will be a continuous series of Schubert concerts given in other auditoriums of this city, each to last an hour.

According to present plans, on July 22 the singers will file, with their hands of music, in picturesque array, through the principal streets of the city, when it is expected that it will take eight hours for the lines to pass any given point. A committee is now arranging the details of the commemoration.

The International Office of Music has set aside the date, June 3, as a special festival day. During June there will be an international congress of scholastic musicians. The Minister of Instruction has organized a week of concerts to be held in November. In the various churches the six Masses composed by Schubert will be heard. Special commemorations will also be held in the house in which the immortal master was born and in which he died.

Plans For Receiving Pilgrims To Sydney

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—San Francisco civic organizations will cooperate with committees of San Francisco Catholic societies in the reception of pilgrims to the Twenty-Ninth International Eucharistic Congress in Sydney, Australia, next September, according to an announcement made by the Knights of Columbus Information Bureau, here.

The Public Welfare Committee of the Board of Supervisors and the executive committee of the Convention of the Knights of Columbus, in their official cognizance of the large number of American Catholics who are expected to pass through this port on their way to Australia, Supervisors Milo F. Kent, Andrew J. Gallagher and Alfred Roncovert, the members of the Public Welfare Committee, are all Catholics.

Mayor James Rolph, Jr., who is manager of one of the principal steamship lines that will carry the pilgrims to Australia, has issued instructions that nothing be left undone to care for the comfort and convenience of the visitors while here.

Lineal Descendants Of Early Japanese Christians In Play

San Francisco, Feb. 14.—Lineal descendants of the Japanese converts who for two centuries maintained the traditions of their faith after their forefathers had been converted by St. Francis Xavier made up the principal portion of the cast that appeared in "The Martyrs of Nagasaki," produced in Knights of Columbus auditorium here for the benefit of the Catholic Japanese Mission conducted by the Fathers of the Society of the Divine Word.

The pageant, in seven scenes, depicted among other historic incidents, the conversion of the ancestors of these Japanese children by St. Francis and the dramatic discovery of their later ancestors, the Catholics who had preserved the faith for centuries, without priests, and who even had in their midst when they revealed themselves to missionaries in the nineteenth century, a small jar of holy water which they had preserved by adding, from time to time, pure water to what remained.

Students of St. Ignatius University aided in the production, which was directed by the Rev. William Stoeckl, S.V.D., superior of the Catholic Japanese Mission here.

Vincentians to Take Charge of Seminary

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 14.—The Congregation of the Mission, the religious society known commonly as the Vincentian Fathers, will take charge of the Kansas City diocesan little seminary when its first classes open next fall, according to an announcement made last week by the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Lillis, Bishop of Kansas City.

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Catholics Stop Misuse of Radio By French Scholar (By N. C. W. C. News Service) Paris, February, 15.—Several various dioceses created an organization which has as its aim, not only to encourage the use of radio, but to prevent the official broadcasting any communication which can be criticized from a doctrinal or moral point of view.

The value of this organization has just been demonstrated. In a lecture on astronomy a scholar connected with the Observatory inserted a discussion in which he criticized the Christian conception of Creation. This series of lectures was to last several Sundays. The second Sunday, on commencing his lecture, he excused himself for omitting the discussion on religious philosophy because he had received from the superior authority an order not to discuss this subject.

This was the result of a protest made in the name of certain Catholic listeners, who had called attention to the obligation of respecting the religious convictions of others.

Laymen's Retreat League, St. Louis, Install Officers (By N. C. W. C. News Service) St. Louis, Feb. 14.—Officers of the Laymen's Retreat League were installed at the first annual banquet at Hotel Statler here Tuesday evening. The Most Rev. John J. Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis, addressed the meeting. The new officers are: President, Eugene J. Mudd; vice-president, A. B. Busmann; secretary, Henry J. Schenk; treasurer, Joseph C. McAtee. Those chosen and installed as members of the executive committee: Oliver J. Anderson, William P. Chrysler, J. H. Farish, P. J. Hoffman, Francis J. Klapp, Louis R. McDermott, Dayton H. Mudd, Vincent P. Ring, Joseph A. Sheehan and Dr. George W. Wilson.

Mr. Farish, the retiring president, presided at the banquet. The principal address was made by Prof. James Fitzgerald of Detroit, who is a law lecturer at Detroit University and a leader there in the laymen's retreat movement.

Other speakers were the Rt. Rev. Mgr. J.J. Tannath, who gave the invocation; the Rev. Father Monaghan, S. J., the spiritual director, who is also retreat master at the White House, some miles south of St. Louis on the banks of the Mississippi River; and the Rev. Francis O'Hern, S. J., the assistant director.

Solemn Ceremony, Marks Professor's Lecture at Dutch U. (By N. C. W. C. News Service) Louvain, Feb. 10.—The young following the traditions of its Dutch contemporaries, a few days ago inaugurated with solemn ceremonies the lecture courses of the Rev. Dr. Bellon, lately appointed professor of the history and philosophy of religions.

Professor Bellon being a Belgian by birth and education and a graduate from the University of Louvain, the exercises assumed an international character. His Eminence Cardinal Van Roey, Archbishop of Mechlin and chancellor of the University of Louvain assisted at the lesson with several former professors of the lecturer. He was also honored by the presence of Mgr. Van de Wetering, Archbishop of Utrecht; of Mgr. Diepen, Bishop of Bois-le-Duc; of the Mayor and the alderman of the city of Nymegen and of Father Van Ginneken, S. J., the Rector of the University, surrounded by the professors of the various faculties and their students.

Dr. Van Ginneken opened the proceedings with a salute to the Belgian Cardinal. A student followed and complimented His Eminence, who, after thanking most cordially both speakers, took his place among the listeners to the young professor's maiden lecture on "The Method of the Comparative Study of Religions."

Vocations Increase Rapidly in Glasgow, Archbishop Says (By N. C. W. C. News Service) London, Feb. 13.—Contradicting a statement by the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, Archbishop Mackintosh of Glasgow declares that there is no dearth of ecclesiastical students. The Glasgow archdiocese, he says, is approaching its ideal of a priest for every 1,000 of the Catholic population.

The Moderator of the Church of Scotland, Dr. Norman Maclean, stated that "all the Churches" were suffering a shortage of clerical students.

Archbishop Mackintosh announced at a public dinner last week that whilst in October 1921 the Glasgow diocese had in training 128 students, in October 1927 that figure had been raised to 232. Since October 1921, sixty-nine priests had been ordained, and during that period 21 had died or otherwise ceased actively, leaving a net increase of 49 priests, he said. The cost of training and supporting each student was \$400 a year, so that the diocese had to spend \$96,800 a year for its 232 students, said the Archbishop.