

Several of Persons Cured at Lourdes Join in Celebration

Lourdes, April 2.—The recent celebration in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, conducted by the Association of Our Lady of Safety under the auspices of Msgr. Poirier, Bishop of Tarbes and Lourdes, was made especially interesting by the presence of some of the people who had been cured by visits to the shrine during the past year.

St. Vincent Society In Waterford City Warns On Evil Print

Dublin, April 2.—A crusade against the selling of evil literature and against the importation of objectionable printed matter from outside the Free State, has been launched by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Waterford City. Disaffection exists in Waterford, as elsewhere, at the wily of the Government in putting the Evil Literature Restrictions before the Dail for adoption.

Voluntary workers find difficulty in dealing with certain newspapers, who say that restriction on the importation of objectionable papers will mean a serious decrease in their profits. It is found in Waterford that the newspapers are selling a far greater proportion of Catholic papers since the crusade of the local St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

Catholic Daughters Gathering Spiritual Bouquet for Pope

New York City, April 4.—Plans for the transmission of a silver jubilee spiritual bouquet of one million Holy Communion, Rosaries and Masses to His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, in June, in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Catholic Daughters of America, and as an evidence of the fealty of its members to the Holy See, have been announced by Miss Mary C. Duffy, Supreme Regent of the order, at its national headquarters here.

In a message to the Grand Regents and members of the 1500 subordinate courts of the society, Miss Duffy points out that this is an epochal year for the Catholic Daughters of America, since the twenty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the order will occur on June 4, 1928. Formed in 1903 by Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Daughters have grown from a membership of 60 to their present strength of 206,000, in every State of the Union, and in Panama, Porto Rico, Cuba and Canada. It is said to be the largest Catholic women's organization in the world.

Catholics Must Aid Anti-Tuberculosis Fight, Bishop Says

Paris, April 2.—It is the duty of all Catholics, both clergy and laity, to support the anti-tuberculosis crusade, Msgr. Sagot du Vauroux, Bishop of Agen, makes clear in a letter he has sent to the members of his flock. After discussing the material and sanitary ways in which to prevent the disease, as well as the importance of encouraging the sale of anti-tuberculosis stamps, the Bishop dwells upon the moral aspects of the problem. He points out the benefits to be derived from having greater respect for the Christian laws. The letter, in part, follows:

"To diminish the ravages made by disease especially among the young is not only good, but it is necessary. But to accomplish this, it is not necessary to add to the hygienic and medical processes those of moral methods? Assuredly yes.

"The causes of tuberculosis are multiple, but it is fairly certain that it would cease to be if the precepts of the Christian Law were less misunderstood. The material and moral disorganization that reigns in certain homes, defective education of children, and, later, the abuse of some pleasures that are inoffensive in themselves, and worse still vice, with its increasing disoluteness—these are the active propagators of the disease.

French Marist Dies Victim Of Leprosy In Fiji Islands

Paris, April 3.—The death from leprosy of Father Francis Xavier Nicoulean, a Marist, at Makogai in the Fiji Islands, he was 63 years old. This heroic French priest was born in the diocese of Rodes in 1866, but left France at the age of 27. In 1913 he was asked to be sent as chaplain to the leprosiarium of Makogai. After nine years of devotion to his work, he ceased to be the chaplain and became instead an inmate. When he realized that he had become a victim of this dread disease, Father Nicoulean's only reaction was to recite the Mass. Like other lepers of the colony, he had his little rose-covered cottage and there, on a rustic altar, he celebrated Mass until the leprosy had caused his fingers to drop off. For a year past, his body had been eaten away by the disease. During all his horrible sufferings, Father Nicoulean's patience and courage have been exemplary.

Alumni of Jesuit College In Dublin Honor Fr. Tomkin

Dublin, April 3.—The members of the Belvedere College Alumni have presented Father Nicholas Tomkin, S. J., with a chalice, paten, and illuminated album, on the occasion of the celebration of his fiftieth year in the Society of Jesus. Father Tomkin is secretary to the Provincial of the Irish Province, and is well known to generations of Irish Jesuit pupils. He was for many years rector of Belvedere College, Dublin, and of Clongowes College, Kildare, which are the chief day school and residential college respectively managed by the Jesuits in Ireland. He was also the chief founder of the Belvedere College Past Pupils Union. Belvedereans representing sixty-four years of college life joined in the presentation.

Senate of Malta Consecrates Work To Sacred Heart

London, March 28.—The Maltese Senate has agreed unanimously to renew each year at the beginning of its work the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart. A message from Malta just received here says that Msgr. Gaud moved in the Senate a resolution: "Taking into consideration that our Parliament by an act worthy of its religion and the country has most solemnly consecrated itself on the 10th of February, 1922, to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in the presence of His Grace the Archbishop in the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist to find in the Heart of Jesus the way, truth and the life promised by our Divine King;

"It being a fact that the spirit of this consecration is that it should be repeated as is done by many bodies of practicing Christians; "Considering that a similar act of public faith while it is a high reaffirmation of religious belief, it is also a great gratification and encouragement to all the people; "Resolved, that this Chamber renew every year at the beginning of its work the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by the reading by the chaplain of the House of the official formula."

Prof. A. Bartolo on behalf of the Government seconded the resolution which, he emphasized, needed no pleading and gave a good example to the community. One could not be a man of character unless one were loyal to one's faith, he said. Msgr. Prof. Zammit warmly supported the resolution and expressed himself as greatly pleased that it had been resolved by the Government. The Rev. Prof. Cuschieri laid stress on the fact that if there was one thing on which all parties were united it was their faith. Prof. Bartolo moved that a copy of the approved formula of the act of consecration be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly. The approved formula is as follows: "Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, whose sovereignty is acknowledged by all Christians, we, today, in this Chamber, where the affairs of the Republic are looked after, prostrate before Thee, recognize and proclaim Thy dominion over all our acts, promising that nothing shall ever be done which is displeasing to Thy Heart, from whence comes all good. "Divine Heart of Jesus, deign to be present at all our gatherings, bless them, sanctify all of us and turn away all evil from us. "Let none of us offend Thee, let us always remember that Thou art always ruler of our minds and hearts, and let us have Thy great mercy, especially with sinners, before our eyes, that we may love Thee and through Thee be saved. "Accept, O Good Jesus, from the hands of Mary, Mother of Mercy, this, our Act of Consecration, and grant that we may be made worthy of Thy Heart, of Thy promises, of Thy favors and of Thy infinite love. "Long live the Heart of Jesus, our King and our Father, Amen."

Bookings For K. of C. European Trip Close

San Francisco, April 6.—Reservations for the European tour under the auspices of the San Francisco Council, Knights of Columbus, were closed several days ago, thus insuring the largest delegation of Catholics to visit Europe from this part of the United States since the World War. Ten countries of the European continent and Great Britain and Ireland are included in the tour. The tourists will sail from New York on the Majestic, June 23, and will return to San Francisco August 24. A private audience with His Holiness Pope Pius XI and interviews with Premiers Poincare of France and Mussolini of Italy, King Albert of Belgium, the Prince of Wales, President Hindenburg of Germany, and President Cochrane of the Irish Free State are on the itinerary. Two hundred will be in the party. NEW GREIDLEY, CAL. CHURCH Grisdley, Calif., April 3.—The contract has been awarded for the construction of a new reinforced concrete church building for Sacred Heart parish, here. The Rev. Patrick Kennedy is pastor. The church will have a seating capacity of 300. It will cost \$28,600.

Catholic Appointed Judge in Manitoba

Winnipeg, Man. April 1.—W. J. Donovan, Catholic barrister of this city, has been appointed a judge of the Court of King's Bench for the Province of Manitoba, Mr. Donovan since coming to Winnipeg from Lansdowne, Ont., 24 years ago, has been prominently identified with various Irish societies and with the Knights of Columbus.

Holland Withdraws Mission Handicap

The Hague, March 28.—In accordance with a decree of the Colonial Minister of Holland the regulation prohibiting the establishment of missions of more than one denomination in a colony has been rescinded, provided no trouble results. The Catholics of Holland consider this decision as the first step toward the abolition of the restriction.

Mexico Is Indebted To Catholic Clergy, Correspondent Says

New York, April 6.—Under the heading "Mexico's Debt to Priests," the Herald Tribune here has printed some interesting notes on the contributions of the Catholic clergy to the civilization and development of Mexico since its history began. They are in the form of a letter to the paper written by Michael V. Simko of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Simko says, in part: "It is possible that the average reader has not learned that the clergy have played such a vital part in Mexico's history that no political regime will ever eradicate the monuments which to-day represent the zeal of pioneer priests. "From the day early in the sixteenth century when the Rev. Father Juan Diaz celebrated the first Mass recited in the New World, the clerics have devoted their industrious efforts to the civic and spiritual welfare of Mexico's natives. Although Mexico claims the first baptismal font and the first pupil in this hemisphere, it is not generally understood that Bishop Zumarraga early in the colonization period imported the first printing press. Moreover, to him the Aztec was indebted for his first knowledge of letters when this prelate had ordered the Spanish catechism translated into the native tongue. "The early places of learning were established by Bishop Zumarraga, an indefatigable educator determined to elevate the intellectual standard of the Indian. "On the other hand, our information respecting conditions as found during the Spanish conquest of Mexico is obtained from the accounts of Father Andres, who, as early as 1537, wrote extensively on Indian antiquities. Not all the clerics manifested a proclivity to authorship; others were of an adventurous nature. Father Salvatierra and Father Kino, for example, were dauntless explorers to whom the Spanish government was indebted for the acquisition of Lower California. A few years later Fray Bartolome de las Casas, Bishop of Chiapas, won the friendship of the Aztecs when he besought the King of Spain to liberate the Indian slaves sorely abused by Spanish settlers. "Furthermore, Mexico's earliest patriots were two priests. Today a national holiday is annually celebrated to venerate the valor of Father Miguel Hidalgo, who, with his curate, Jose Maria Morales, roused the natives in 1810 to rebel against the Spanish yoke. "It is obvious that from the period of Cortez's invasion down to the present era the clergyman has had the welfare of Mexico as much at heart as the spiritual duties of his profession."

Spring Hill College Baseball Nine Going To Play In East

Mobile, Ala., April 3.—Spring Hill College here is to send its baseball squad into the East the latter half of this month. In 1927, the Spring Hill team played 16 college games, and won every one of them. Among the colleges beaten was Birmingham Southern, conquerors of Auburn Southern conference champions, and of Alabama. On a road trip through Louisiana, the Spring Hill team established what is probably a collegiate record by making 81 hits and 66 runs in four games, and also defeated the Gulfport team of the Cotton States League and split even in a two-game series with the Mobile team of the Southern League. The 1928 squad, which will invade the East in April, is almost identical in personnel with the 1927 championship team. Murphy, catcher in 1927, was one of the three to graduate. He is now with the New Orleans Southern League outfit.

London Priest Dies At Public Meeting

London, March 30.—A few moments after being elected chaplain to the Wigan and District Council of the Catholic Young Men's Society, Father Joseph Rimmer had a seizure and died in the hall where the meeting was being held. Father Rimmer asked the chairman to leave to retire for a moment and, accompanied by a few members of the society, went outside. There he immediately collapsed. He asked that a priest be sent for, and Father Fitzmaurice arrived from a neighboring church in time to administer the last Sacraments. Father Rimmer, who was 64, had returned from a health trip only a few days previously. Death was due to heart failure.

Two Million Girls In U. S. Working

Washington, April 4.—Nearly two million young girls under twenty are working for a living in the United States today, says a statement just issued by the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor. In St. Miss Mary Anderson director of the Bureau, makes an appeal that the employers and the communities of these girls do what they can to make their lives reasonably safe and happy. A poster, "Daughters of America," incorporating that idea is being distributed by the Bureau.

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Advertisement for European Women's Help For Mexican Catholics Sought (By N. C. W. C. News Service) Paris, April 2.—The Patriotic League of French Women, at its general congress here, sent to Pope Pius XI a message expressing sympathy for the Catholics of Mexico. The message said: "The French Patriotic League, in the name of its 1,100,000 members proclaims their indignation at the Mexican persecution and, sympathizing with the Sovereign Pontiff in his grief, assures him of their prayers and support."

Advertisement for Benedictine Monks Occupy Temporary Home In Mt. Angel (By N. C. W. C. News Service) Mt. Angel, Ore., April 4.—The Benedictine Community attached to St. Benedict's Abbey Church, which have occupied temporary quarters, since the destruction of the abbey by fire almost two years ago, is now installed in its new home, a three-story concrete and brick building, erected on Mt. Angel.

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