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GAIN OF 2,883,035 IN U. S. CATHOLICS SINCE 1916 SHOWN

Federal Census Bureau Reports Also Increase in Number of Churches - Losses in Southern States Indicated.

Washington, D. C., July 24. - An increase of 2,883,035 in the number of Catholics and a gain of 1,564 in total of Catholic churches in the United States between 1916 and 1926 are reported by the Census Bureau...

The Census Bureau's reports for certain Protestant religious bodies previously have shown considerable decreases in the number of church buildings in use.

Included in the Bureau's report are statistics of the expenditures for 1926 in the 13,959 churches in the country. The total expenditures for 1926 in the case of the 16,326 churches covered in the report were \$204,521,937, including \$181,734,344 for current expenses and improvements.

Urban churches reported expenditures of \$168,404,856, and 9,386 rural churches a total of \$36,118,131. The value of church properties reported by 6,854 urban churches was \$669,681,780, while that allocated to 9,569 rural churches was \$167,584,373.

Sunday schools were reported by 8,238 churches in 1926. They had a total of 49,497 officers and teachers and 1,201,280 pupils.

Loss in Alabama Shown. Gains in the Church's membership in thirteen Southern States during the ten years were 17,233, according to the Bureau's report.

In Arkansas, the churches reported in 1916 were 204, as against 144 in 1926, but the increase in membership was from 21,120 to 24,743.

In New York State, the membership increased from 2,745,654 to 3,115,424; in New Jersey, from 790,764 to 1,065,998; in Massachusetts, from 1,410,908 to 1,639,484; in Pennsylvania, from 1,380,532 to 2,124,329; in Ohio, from 848,856 to 973,109; in Indiana, from 373,288 to 512,194; in Illinois, from 1,171,381 to 1,352,719; in Michigan, from 572,117 to 844,106; in Wisconsin, from 594, 836 to 657,511; in Minnesota, from 415,664 to 475,909; in Iowa, from 362,513 to 487,066; in Missouri, from 445,352 to 517,466; in Kansas, from 128,948 to 171,178.

Gains on West Coast. On the Pacific Coast considerable growth during the ten years is indicated by the Bureau's compilation.

The Census Bureau emphasizes that all its figures for 1926 are preliminary and subject to correction.

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Pictures Of Monks In 'Ad' Protested By Catholic Body

London, July 14. - In response to representations made by the Westminster Catholic Federation, Alfred Bird & Sons, makers of a widely-known custard powder, have withdrawn the billboard through-out the country a large artistic advertisement depicting two monks sampling the custard, with the legend "Knowing Bird's 'Ad' We."

Pageant In England Depicts Beginning Of 'Peter's Pence'

London, July 14. - The origin of "Peter's Pence" formed a scene in the Taunton Historical Pageant, just ended. King Ina, Saxon king of Wessex, was shown directing a priest to call his Bishop (then the Bishop of Winchester) that for the church built in Rome, he will have one penny sent from each family which hath a score.

18 Broilers At Paul's Market.

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Members of S. V. D. Named Apostolic Prefects, Vicars

Techny, Ill., July 19. - As the result of recent appointments, the Society of the Divine Word, with another house here, has three of its members serving as Prefect Apostolic and Vicars Apostolic, respectively. They are the Rt. Rev. Joseph Loerks, S. V. D., lately named Prefect Apostolic of Central New Guinea, and the Rt. Rev. George Wolf, S. V. D., new Vicar Apostolic of Tinian, China. The Rt. Rev. Francis Wolf, S. V. D., is Vicar Apostolic of East New Guinea.

Mgr. John Klute, Cleveland Priest, Dies In 81st Year

Youngstown, Ohio, July 18. - The Rt. Rev. Monsignor John W. Klute, 87 years old, pastor of St. Joseph's parish here since 1883, died this morning. Mgr. Klute had been in failing health for several months. He was dean of the Mahoning valley and its vicinity, and was one of the oldest priests in the diocese.

Five Bishops Attend Funeral Of Toledo Prelate's Mother

Toledo, July 17. - Five Bishops were at the funeral services of Mrs. Catherine Agnes Stritch, venerable mother of the Rt. Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Bishop of Toledo, Ohio, who died in Nashville, Tenn., recently.

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Memorial To Wilson In Prague Dedicated; Priest At Ceremony

By V. Mjilivic. (Prague Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service). Prague, Czechoslovakia, July 16. - Monsignor J. Strizek, represented the Premier of the Czechoslovak Republic when the Woodrow Wilson Memorial was unveiled in Prague last week.

The solemn ceremony was anticipated with interest by the Praguers, as the late American President was very popular throughout the country after the Revolution, and was regarded as a mighty protector and one of the actual founders of the new Republic.

The Memorial, adorned with large wreaths and floral gifts presented by both Czech and American Association of the "Sokol" famous Czech gymnastic organization, and delegates of the former soldiers of the Czechoslovak Legions who fought in the World War.

President Masaryk was at the dedicatory exercises accompanied by Mr. Uvalde, the National Defense Minister. Other important people, civil and military heads and a host of diplomats were also present.

Sen. Curtis' Parents Married By Jesuit, Old Records Show. Omaha, July 17. - Further evidence of the Catholic ancestry of Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas, Republican nominee for the vice-presidency, says the True Voice, Catholic organ of Omaha, in its last issue, was obtained when it was found that the records books of the old St. Mary's Indian Mission, which recently revealed the record of his baptism, also contains an entry showing his parents were married in the previous spring by the Rev. Ignatius Maes, S. J.

Not only this, but another entry records a marriage a short time before of another Curtis to a woman with an Irish name, given in the register as "Oneida," by the Rev. Louis Dumortier, S. J., who a year later baptized Senator Curtis. It is presumed this refers to a brother of the Senator's father.

World's Fair Sports. In Rockne's Charge Chicago, July 17. - Knute Rockne, of Notre Dame University, has been appointed chairman of sports of the Chicago 1933 World's Fair. Athletic events of various kinds will be one of the big features of the mammoth fair, preparations for which are now under way.