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Noted Men Pledge \$150,000 Fund To Fight Bigotry

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The fund will be administered by a committee headed by Ralph Adams Cram, distinguished architect of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine and numbering among its members George Gordon Battle, Prof. Carlton J. H. Hayes of Columbia University, Owen Johnson, writer; Philip Kees, attorney; Major Gen. Robert Lee Bullard, Prof. David A. McCabe of Princeton University, Nelson O'Shaughnessy, editorial house in the United States is Archibald F. C. Fiske and Judge St. Martin T. Manton.

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CATHOLIC LOSSES IN PORTO RICO BY RECENT HURRICANE

All Priests and Sisters Safe, But Nine Redemptorist Chapels Are Reported To Be In Ruins—Relief Work By Bishop Byrne, By The Redemptorists, By Sisterhoods And Other Catholic Agencies—Priests Appeal For Relief

By Very Rev. Joseph E. Murphy, C.S.S.R., Vice-Provincial of the Redemptorist Fathers (Special Cable to N. C. W. C. News Service)

San Juan, Porto Rico, Sept. 20.—Picturesque Porto Rico, with its million and a quarter of Catholic souls, is laid waste. Desolation confronts and saddens all here.

Thousands of the island's poor are penniless, without homes, without food, without clothing, since the terrible cyclone swept it September 13, bringing the barometer down to 28.83 and sending a wind crashing at a hundred and fifty miles an hour across the land.

Cities are without light, and communications have been torn away. The beautiful military road across the island, the pride of Porto Rico, is a paradise lost.

Fallen trees, telegraph poles hurled to the ground, and landslides impede traffic.

Country districts are desolate. Sugar mills, tobacco barns and farmhouses are utterly destroyed.

Terrible Suffering Throughout Island

There is terrible suffering among the island's families. Hundreds crouch under gables of roofs which have been blown down and now rest on the ground.

All the priests and Sisters are safe. But the general populace has suffered terribly, particularly in the Niquabo, Humacao, Caguas, Cidra, Cayey and Albion districts.

In San Juan the Redemptorist Fathers of the Baltimore province and Sisters of Notre Dame are feeding hundreds of poor. A temporary hospital has been opened for the sick and injured.

Dorothy James, the lay Catholic medical missionary, who has been laboring here under the direction of the Catholic Medical Mission Board, is doing heroic work.

The wife of Governor Horace M. Towner of Porto Rico and the Red Cross are cooperating with the Redemptorist Fathers in their relief work.

At Mayaguez, in the Diocese of Ponce, Sister Barbara Regan, who was opening a new convent of the Sisters of Charity as a school, has turned it over to relief work, and the Fathers and Sisters there are working indefatigably to help the stricken poor, although the two chapels have been utterly destroyed.

Bishop Byrne of Ponce is sheltering and feeding hundreds of the poor in his episcopal residence at Ponce. He believes the hand of God protected the larger cities from complete ruin.

Nine Redemptorist Chapels Destroyed

At Caguas, where the Redemptorist Fathers have the large Church of the Holy Name of Jesus and a considerable number of mission chapels in the surrounding country, nine chapels are reported to have disappeared, and others have been unroofed and otherwise seriously damaged.

The outlook is dark. There are now no crops, no money and no work.

In the face of this appalling disaster, some blasphemy. But others are resigned, saying, "The Lord gave; the Lord has taken away."

The priests of Porto Rico are appealing for help to repair their churches and rectories, besides giving relief to the poor.

Certainly, now is the time for the United States to practice charity.

The Virgin Islands, which have a Catholic population of 4,000, have been hard hit by the hurricane, according to word brought here. No particulars of the damage there are available at this time, however.

Paulist Choir Has New Conductor

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

Chicago, Sept. 20.—The famous Paulist choir of Chicago has begun its 1928-29 season with a new conductor, the Rev. Eugene O'Malley, C. S. P. He is a pupil of the Rev. William J. Finn, C. S. P., who had charge of the choristers in 1910 when they won world recognition.

That year the Chicago singers won first prize in the division of boy choirs at the national contest in Philadelphia and they were equally successful in international competition at Paris. During their European tour they sang before the late Pope Pius X.

Father O'Malley finished his musical education in Europe, spending much time in the study of the boy voice.

\$6,000,000 Sisters' Hospital Is To Be Erected In Chicago

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

Chicago, Sept. 20.—Announcement was made today by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary of plans for one of Chicago's largest hospitals. It will be a nine-story \$6,000,000 structure to be erected in Evergreen Park, on the south side. When completed it will have a capacity of 600 beds.

Work on the first unit, to include a 150 bed hospital, power plant and laundry, probably will be started this year. The second unit will be separated from the first by a chapel and convent.

Plans call for a structure in northern Italian style. Each of the two major units will be in the form of a cross, so that every room will have sunlight and fresh air. Construction will be of reinforced concrete and brick.

The Little Company of Mary is a nursing order. It had its beginning in Nottingham, England, in 1877. Five years later a house was established at Rome, which in 1893 became the mother house of the order. The next house was at Sydney, Australia, and six more later were established on the continent and two in New Zealand. There are three houses in London, four in Ireland, one in Scotland and two in Italy.

The order's only North American home was established in Chicago in 1893. Cardinal Mundelein has approved the Sister's appeal for funds to finance their new hospital.

C. S. Lusk's Death Great Loss, Says Card. Dougherty

Philadelphia, Sept. 25.—His Eminence, Dennis Cardinal Dougherty, President of the Board of Directors of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, expresses his appreciation of the work and character of Charles S. Lusk, Secretary of the Bureau, who died Sunday in Washington after a long illness, in a statement made public here. Cardinal Dougherty says:

"The death of Mr. Charles S. Lusk involves a great loss to the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, served by him for over fifty years as Secretary. He was a man of marked ability, excellent judgment and deep faith. Forward of a half century, he devoted his time and energy to the spiritual and material interests of the American Indians, and in particular to the Catholic mission schools conducted in their behalf. There can be no doubt that the mission priests and Sisters laboring among the Indians will feel his loss and will gratefully remember him in their prayers."

"Last year, as a mark of appreciation and esteem, our Holy Father conferred upon him the dignity of Chamberlain of Sword and Cape, requested by the Board of Directors of the Indian Bureau. I am profoundly grieved to hear of his death and beg to send both his family and the Indian Bureau my heartfelt condolences."

Japanese Frescoed Catholic Church Is Consecrated

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

Tokio, Sept. 17.—Msgr. Giardini, Apostolic Delegate to Japan, has just consecrated at Kitami the first Japanese Catholic Church whose walls are frescoed with frescoes.

The mural decorations are the work of a Chinese religious, Rokk Hasegawa. The largest of the frescoes, placed behind the altar, represents St. Francis Xavier with St. Michael at his left and symbols of the progress of the Catholic church in Japan. The background is made up of figures of the early missionaries to Japan and the first Japanese martyrs.

Monticello Hostess Ousted For Voicing Bigoted Sentiment

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New York, Sept. 24.—Stuart G. Gibboney, president of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, has ordered the resignation of the hostess who greets tourists at the home of Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Va., following her admission that in declaring her preference in the coming presidential election she announced publicly that it was "because you can't trust a Catholic in politics."

"The name of the hostess was not revealed."

In a statement issued in this connection, Mr. Gibboney made it plain that the Foundation is not interested in the politics of its employees, but that "of all places intolerance cannot be permitted at Monticello."

Mr. Gibboney explains that he caused a thorough investigation to be made at Monticello, and that it was reported that the hostess admitted making such a statement. He, therefore, upon and with the approval of the Board of Governors, directed the superintendent at Monticello to ask for the hostess' immediate resignation, he said.

"The officers and the Board of Governors of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation," he added, "are not in the least interested in the politics of their employees, but will not countenance for a moment any expression connected with the Foundation expressing such an un-American sentiment, and particularly at the home of Thomas Jefferson, the father of religious freedom in America."

Suicides Among Korean Wives Is Mission Problem

Peng Yang, Korea, Sept. 12.—American missionaries in the Maryknoll Prefecture Apostolic of Peng Yang have found the frequent suicides among young Korean wives a grave problem. In pagan families the boy is often married at the age of ten or even less, while the bride may be twenty or older. This is done in order to secure a good, strong household for the mother-in-law. After a few years of drudgery many of the young wives attempt suicide.

Even among the Korean Catholics, the newlyweds are supported by the father of the boy. It is only in exceptional cases that they leave the parental home. It not infrequently happens that the young wives admit to the priest that they can no longer bear the drab round of toil and have contemplated suicide.

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