

## N. C. C. M. Lists Program Events For Convention

Prominent Catholic Speakers To Deliver Addresses On International Peace Movement and Social Problems

Washington, Oct. 19.—The preliminary program for the eighth annual convention of the National Council of Catholic Men, to be held at Cincinnati November 18 to 21, has just been announced by Charles F. Dolle, executive secretary of the Council, at its headquarters here.

The Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., Archbishop of Cincinnati and host to the convention, has announced the complete membership of the executive committee which is to make local arrangements for the convention. There remains to be appointed a committee of 100 prominent laymen of the archdiocese whose duty it will be to receive the delegates to the meeting and provide for their comfort and entertainment. Mr. Dolle said.

A Pontifical High Mass, to be celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland and Episcopal Chairman of the Department of Lay Organizations, N. C. W. C., at St. Peter's Cathedral on Sunday morning, will open the convention. The Rt. Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Bishop of Toledo, will preach the sermon on this occasion. The Mass will be sung by the Schola Cantorum of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary.

Arrangements are being made for the entertainment of the delegates in the afternoon, and Sunday evening there is to be a public meeting in the Music Hall, Cincinnati's largest public auditorium. The speakers on this occasion will be Archbishops McNicholas, Bishop Schrembs and Judge William D. Cunningham of New York.

### National Officers To Report

On Monday morning, November 19, the convention will receive the reports of the national officers of the Council. Delegates will be registered and committees appointed at this time. At noon there is to be a luncheon meeting at the Hotel Sinton, when a representative of the Cincinnati Archdiocesan Conference will review the work of the local organization.

At the first of two sessions to be held Monday afternoon the convention will hear reports on the activities and accomplishments of various national organizations affiliated with the N. C. C. M. Reports also will be given by state and local societies. Formal presentation of these reports will be made by Richard Reid of the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia, Martin L. Sweeney of Cleveland, National President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians; John J. Coyle, President of the American Catholic Union; Leo G. Schu, Supreme Secretary of the Knights of St. John, Supreme Commandery; a representative of the Catholic Verein, a representative of the Catholic Club of New York, and one from the Rockford Diocesan Council.

The second Monday afternoon session will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. John A. Ryan, Professor of moral theology at the Catholic University of America and Director of the Department of Social Action, N. C. W. C. The discussion will center around Catholic activities in the field of social action.

International Peace Discussion. Two particularly interesting sessions of the convention are scheduled for Tuesday. One of these will be devoted to the consideration of international peace; the other to the discussion of the Catholic position on the so-called science of birth control, with the Rev. Dr. John M. Cooper of the Catholic University of America as a principal speaker. The discussion at the first of these sessions will concern Catholic participation in the movements for international peace, with a view to bringing about a better understanding of the multi-power treaty to outlaw war.

At a luncheon meeting on Tuesday, Dr. Richard J. Purcell, Associate Professor of History at the Catholic University of America, will address the delegates on the participation of American organizations in international conferences. Dr. Purcell has represented the National Council of Catholic Men and departments of the National Catholic Welfare Conference at international meetings held at Paris and Geneva.

The Rev. Dr. Peter Guldway of the Catholic University of America will address the Tuesday afternoon session of the convention. The convention will close formally with a banquet on Tuesday evening. The speakers for this occasion have not been announced.

On Wednesday morning, November 21, there will be a meeting of the executive committee of the Council and several conferences to complete the business of the convention.

**E. L. DUBRUQ MADE GRAND KNIGHT**

After serving Council No. 646, Me-nominee, Michigan, for twenty-five years as Financial Secretary, Brother E. L. Dubruq has recently been made Grand Knight. He has all the qualifications of a Grand Knight as a charter member of the Council in 1902 and has been an ardent worker ever since. The honor conferred upon him by his brother Knights is one well merited.

## Montreal Council Continues Columbus Forum

Columbus Forum, sponsored by Montreal Council, No. 284, Montreal, Quebec, an adult educational movement of approved order, will reopen its third consecutive season's activities Sunday afternoon, November 11. This Forum is conducted upon the lines of a standard forum, featuring the layman's presentation of current topics of the day, with a musical program. This program has in the past been broadcast by radio station CHYC, but the latter's failure to take the air this fall may prevent a continuation of broadcasts.

This Council interested itself in community recreation for the younger generation under proper supervision two years ago. It was found that so many young folks were frequenting cheap and dangerous public dance halls that juvenile delinquency was reaching amazing proportions. Accordingly, popular priced dances were featured by Montreal Council in their spacious auditorium in the heart of the Canadian metropolis on Wednesday and Saturday nights. The best six-piece orchestra in town was secured and what served to draw exactly eleven dancers to the first assembly in the fall of 1926 within one year forced the committee in charge to turn away a nightly overflow after reaching the limit of five hundred and seventy attendance. These dances are conducted throughout the entire year, with the exception of the Lenten season. The operating profits from the sale of soft refreshments, the profit goes directly into the Council treasury.

## Catholics' Burden In English School System Deplored

London, Oct. 22.—Urging Catholics here to organize in defense of their schools, Msgr. Mostyn, Archbishop of Cardiff, speaking at Cardiff charged the present and former governments with "lack of British justice" in overburdening Catholics by forcing them to build their own schools while demanding that they contribute equally to the maintenance of the general educational system of the country.

The Archbishop recalled that for many years the Catholic community, largely poor, had willingly paid out of their hard-earned wages thousands of pounds to build schools throughout the country. With the cost of building enormously increased the burden had become too great to bear, he said.

"We cannot continue to build our school buildings as part of their school machinery, so that by means of this rent we can pay the interest on the money we have to borrow, and gradually extinguish the capital debt we have incurred."

## Seminary In India To Graduate Class Of 22 Scholastics

Shembaganur, Madras District, India, Oct. 16.—Sacred Heart College here will graduate its largest class of Jesuit seminarians on Dec. 1. Twenty-two scholastics who have completed the first seven years of their Jesuit training will leave to teach in schools and colleges throughout India and Ceylon.

Ten of the scholastics belong to the Madras Mission, six to the Bengal Mission and two Americans to the Patna Mission. The Americans are Frank Loesch, S. J., of St. Cloud, Minn., and Michael Lyons, S. J., of Detroit, they came here for part of their course to learn vernaculars while studying philosophy.

The following nationalities are represented in the graduating class: Irish, English, Belgian, French, Sicilian, Italian, Maltese, Anglo-Indian, Indian and Ouraon aboriginal. After two years of teaching the young men will go to Kurseong, India, for theological study in preparation for mission work.

## Bishop Of Versailles Praised By Doumergue

By M. Masclaux, (Paris Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Paris, Oct. 16.—Just before President Doumergue left the chateau at Rambouillet where he spent the summer, he received a visit from Msgr. Roland-Gosselin, Bishop Coadjutor of the diocese of Versailles, accompanied by one of his vicars.

Msgr. Roland-Gosselin presented to the Executive the respects of Bishop Gibler, who is in poor health and was unable to make a call in person. President Doumergue, praised the work of the clergy of the Versailles district, particularly in the improvement of living conditions for laborers. This has been a serious problem because of the increase in foreign population since the war.

In reporting the episcopal visit, the Bulletin de l'Eveche de Versailles says: "In the first ranks of moral forces that orient and stimulate welfare interests, M. Doumergue, undoubtedly places religion. It is this conviction, which he shares with a great number of men in political life, that establishes ease and courtesy in the relations between the Government and the official representatives of the Holy See." President Doumergue is a Protestant.

## Argentina Asked To Intercede For Mexican Catholics

Buenos Aires, Oct. 17.—A memorial requesting the Congress of Argentina to use its influence with the Mexican government in order to bring the persecution of Catholics to an end, was recently presented by Argentine Catholics.

Enumerating the various objectionable laws pertaining to religion contained in the 1927 Constitution and in the so-called Calles law of June 14, 1926, the Catholics of Argentina point out that as the situation was up to a few months ago 184 Catholic priests, 74 youths of the Mexican Catholic Youth Association, and 826 persons, including men, women and children, were assassinated, while 7,000 had been imprisoned, 1,700 deported to the Tres Marias Islands, and 300,000 compelled to flee from their country.

Various Catholic organizations in Argentina also held special meetings to protest against the attitude of the Mexican government toward Catholic citizens. Following a large assembly in the Odeon Theatre messages were dispatched to His Holiness Pius XI, to the Mexican Minister, Dr. Alfonso Reyes, and to President Calles, pleading for the cause of the Mexican Catholics.

The memorial presented to Congress also requests that the Mexican problem be presented in its true character to the League of Nations for adjudication by that body. A thorough investigation of the situation by international authority is asked.

## Jubilees Celebrated By Nuns At Montreal

Montreal, Oct. 26.—At the mother house of the Sisters of Providence in this city His Grace, Archbishop Forbes, of Ottawa, presided at an impressive ceremony held to mark the fiftieth anniversary in the order of seven members of the community. Four other sisters on the same occasion celebrated their sixtieth year as members of the order.

### WILL OPEN NEW CLUBHOUSE NOON

The opening of the new clubhouse of Morris Park Council, No. 566, Richmond Hill, New York, will take place on November 24. A formal dinner and dance will be followed by a bazaar. The ceremony will be followed by a bazaar. The ceremony will be followed by a bazaar.



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## N. Y. Students Plant Trees Columbus Day

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New York, Oct. 17.—Hundreds of school children from the public and parochial schools of the Bronx participated in ceremonies attending the planting and dedication of two trees here on Columbus Day, commemorating George Washington and Christopher Columbus. The ceremony was held under the auspices of the Park and Forestry Association of Bronx County at Poe Park, Fordham.

An address on Columbus was delivered by a representative of the Italian Embassy, Maj. Gen. Hanson E. Ely, commander of the 2nd corps area, also was represented. The Rt. Rev. Daniel Burke, rector of St. Philip Neri's Church and dean of the Bronx, gave the invocation, and the Rev. Dr. William L. Pelton, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, Fordham, pronounced the benediction.

Besides marking the 226th anniversary of the discovery of America, the ceremony inaugurated the four-year campaign of the Park and Forestry Association.

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