

Catholic Industry Council Opens In Hartford Monday

Hartford, Conn., Nov. 27.—The first of six regional meetings planned by the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems for this winter and next spring will be held here Monday and Tuesday.

Characteristic of the brilliant program arranged for the meeting is the list of speakers and topics announced for the first day's sessions, when the general subject will be "Wages." Prof. David A. McCabe of Princeton University will speak on "Prosperity and the Living Wage"; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Cassidy of Fall River, Mass., on "Wages and Working Conditions"; Charles L. Baine of Boston, on "Wages in the Boot and Shoe Industry"; Thomas F. McLaughon, on "Wages in the Textile Industry"; the Rev. Joseph Huselstein, S. J., of New York, on "The Ethics of the Living Wage" and Howell Cheney of the Cheney Brothers Silk Mills, on "Wage Incentives."

Monday evening, 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., will speak on "Labor in American Democracy." There will be another speaker, not yet announced, at this session.

"Unemployment" is the general topic selected for the Tuesday morning sessions. The speakers and their topics have been announced as follows: Leroy Ransdell, Director of the Community Chest, Hartford, "Unemployment in its Relation to Relief Agencies"; T. J. Kelly, manager of the Manufacturers' Association of Hartford, "Facts and Fallacies of Unemployment"; John J. Ryan, secretary of the Connecticut State Federation of Labor, "The Unemployment Situation Today"; and John F. Tinsley of Worcester, Mass., vice-president of the Compton-Knowles Loom Works, "Remedies for Unemployment."

At the afternoon session Tuesday, the Rev. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director of the Department of Social Action, N. C. W. C., will speak on the "Prosperity Reserve Plan Inhibition in Labor Disputes."

Speakers at the informal dinner include: Dr. James B. Hagerty, Dean of the School of Social Administration, Ohio State University, and Chairman of the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems; the Rev. James I. Corrigan, S. J., of Boston College, and the Rt. Rev. Maurice F. McAuliffe, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, Dr. Hagerty will speak on "Pope Leo's Encyclical"; Father Corrigan, on "Catholic Social Teaching," and Bishop McAuliffe, on "The Bishop's Program."

Press of Turkey Renews Fight on Greek Patriarch

By Dr. Alexander Mombelli, Jerusalem Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service

Jerusalem, Nov. 26.—The Turkish papers have just begun again a violent campaign of attacks against the Greek-Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople, charged with political activities contrary to the dispositions of the Lausanne Treaty which confined all of the Patriarch's work within the limits of the merely religious field.

Magr. Basilious III, it is charged, has transformed his Holy Synod, composed of 12 prelates, into a religious Council of 18 members, and has consecrated new bishops giving them an ecclesiastical title the sees of some Anatolian dioceses.

Under the domination of the Sultans, before and during the World War, the Patriarch enjoyed so many civil privileges that he was regarded even as a temporal chief. He was able to administer himself without control by the State, all the Greek schools, the charitable institutions and their properties. He acted as a civil-state officer with regard to the personal status of his Ottoman faithful and his ecclesiastical courts were judges on hereditary and marriage matters.

All these privileges and prerogatives that were not merely of religious nature, and the honors which the Turkish authorities themselves rendered to it officially and abundantly, made of the Phanar, the Greek quarter in Constantinople, a sort of "state within the state", regarded in reality as the "national center" for the Greek Community living within the Ottoman Empire. The summit of this power was reached by Patriarch Joachim III.

When the nationalist movement of Anatolia caused the overthrow of the Greeks the situation of the Phanar entered a period of extreme gravity. And when the Allied armies retired from Turkey, a series of hostile demonstrations began against Patriarch Melottos.

To aggravate the situation, there came then the internal schism led by Ephythmus. He was supported by the Kemal authorities and tried to establish a National Orthodox Church for the Christian subjects of the new Republic. He proclaimed himself the first Turkish Patriarch. Scenes of violence in the Phanar followed.

To calm this storm of passions the Rev. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director of the Department of Social Action, N. C. W. C., will speak on the "Prosperity Reserve Plan Inhibition in Labor Disputes."

Cardinal Praises

Medical Course For Missionaries

By Rev. J. Van der Heyden, Louvain Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service

Louvain, Belgium, Nov. 26.—A six weeks' hygienic and medical course for missionaries has just been concluded at Rotterdam. The course was directed by twenty doctors engaged by the Netherlands Medical Mission.

Twenty-five missionary priests and brothers and sisters attended the course and received diplomas. Cardinal Van Rossum, in a letter written while the lectures were being held, commended the sponsors of the course for their interest in the missions. Particularly, he praised the Medisch Missie-Maandblad, a monthly medical mission publication.

The Cardinal concluded his letter in this manner: "Your Committee performs a very useful task through the monthly publication and all its patrons."

Stories Published In Catholic World Listed Among Best

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

New York, Nov. 27.—In his list of the leading stories of 1928, Edward J. O'Brien places the Catholic World, Paulist magazine published in New York under the editorship of the Rev. James S. Gillis among those publications which carry the best.

The Catholic World is the only magazine of a strictly denominational nature that is included in Mr. O'Brien's list. Among the stories published in The Catholic World that were given honorable mention by Mr. O'Brien are the following:

- Passion Play, Cyril B. Egan, September, 1927; Great Unmuddier, Edith M. Almedingen, October, 1927; Lady of the White Horse, Seumas O'Brien, October, 1927; Trappings of Woe, Nan O'Reilly, January, 1928; How Shame Found His Soul, P. J. Carroll, C. S. C. March, 1928; Portrait of a Gentleman, Frederick Skerry, November, 1927; Martyrdom of St. Alban, Katherine C. Macdonald, November, 1927; One Morning in Quimper, W. Branch Johnson, January, 1928; Anatiquel the Rat-Catcher, Helen Perry Eden, March, 1928; Loss of Erin, Mary McSherry, Edward, March, 1928.

Buffalo N. C. W. C. Hear Bishop Turner Flay Birth Control

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 30.—Members of the National Council of Catholic Women of Buffalo diocese, meeting in their semi-annual convention, were urged by Bishop William Turner, to oppose to their utmost the attempt of certain organizations to have the principles of the birth control movement enacted by the State legislature.

"This movement," said Bishop Turner, "brings the challenge to our faces and you may be sure a determined attempt to enact birth control legislation at the next session will be met with effective opposition if Catholic women take up the question as they ought. I urge you to give it very serious attention."

Attacking the measure on moral and sociological grounds and as against all Catholic ethics and social standards, Bishop Turner said:

"We cannot exist for ourselves. God placed us here not solely as individuals, but as sons and daughters, in time to become husbands and wives and fathers and mothers. That is the divine ordination in regard to us, and any attack on the home is an attack on the State itself."

Economic reasons advanced by birth control advocates Bishop Turner characterized as merely camouflage.

Stolen Madonna Found In Museum

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.—An 18-inch statue of the Madonna, the work of Giovanni Pisano, a master of the Middle Ages, which was stolen more than a decade ago from a church in Sarzana, Italy, has been found in the John G. Johnson collection on exhibition in the new Philadelphia Museum of Art, according to a story in the Public Ledger here yesterday.

Search for the statue, extending over the years, was carried on in Italy and America.

Trustees of the Johnson collection were unable to explain how Mr. Johnson obtained the statue, but said it came into his possession shortly before his death, in 1917, the story added. It was also said that the Italian Consul in this city has begun negotiations looking toward the return of the statue to Italy. The negotiations have been described as a "friendly overture without thought of court action." The offer of an important Italian painting in exchange for the statue is a part of the "venture," the paper said.

But One Student Hurt In Notre Dame Mishap

South Bend, Ind., Nov. 30.—Accounts of an accident that occurred at a railroad station here, Nov. 11, when a student was killed and another injured, were described as inaccurate by John W. Rickord, publicity director of the University of Notre Dame.

It had been reported that a baggage truck was dragged across the tracks by students who were waiting to greet the returning Notre Dame football team. According to Mr. Rickord the truck was standing on a platform and its handle was struck by a moving train. Reports that two girls and another boy were injured also were inaccurate, Mr. Rickord said.

Louisiana K. of C. Hold First Reunion

New Orleans, Nov. 28.—The first grand reunion of the Knights of Columbus of Southeastern Louisiana, held last night, took the form of a reception to Archbishop John W. Shaw of New Orleans. Delegations from many Councils outside of New Orleans attended.

The reception was a token of appreciation, it was stated, of the cooperation that Archbishop Shaw has given the Knights of Columbus.

Minister Sentenced For Circulation of False K. of C. Oath

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 1.—Convicted of criminal libel in connection with the circulation of a false oath of the Knights of Columbus, the Rev. W. F. Larowe was sentenced to serve three months in jail, yesterday. On recommendation of the jury for extreme mercy, his sentence was suspended.

The minister and Mrs. Ed. C. Alumbaugh were accused by Thomas F. Walsh, Savannah attorney.

200 Priests Honor Cardinal on Jubilee

London, Nov. 30.—Two hundred priests of the Westminster diocese met at Archbishop's House here last week, on the invitation of the Chapter, to present an address and a check to Cardinal Bourne to mark the 25th anniversary of his reception of the Pallium.

Nation's Religious Sense Subject of Msgr. Thomas At Pan-American Mass

Diplomats of Many Nations Hear Sermon on Thanksgiving Day; Archbishop Curley Pontificator Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—With

the diplomatic representatives of virtually all of the Pan-American nations and persons eminent in the public and private life of the United States attending, the annual Thanksgiving Day Mass was celebrated yesterday at St. Patrick's Church.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Pietro Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate, presided at the Mass, at which the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, pontificated. The sermon was delivered by the Very Rev. Msgr. C. F. Thomas, pastor of St. Patrick's, who afterward was host to his distinguished guests at luncheon in the rectory.

In his sermon, Msgr. Thomas "religious sense," warning that "religious sense," warning that where that sense was weakened, great nations and peoples of the world have fallen into oblivion.

Feature of National Life. "The Thanksgiving holiday," strong and deep in the public mind Msgr. Thomas said, "has become a feature of our national life, is strong and deep in the public mind and is an annual expression of us all as a Nation, who adopt everywhere and at all times the motto 'In God We Trust.'"

Although constitutional guarantees are given for the exercise of any and all forms of religious beliefs, the Nation is not without conviction of the need of real religion if it would be faithful to its destiny and true to its ideals," the Monsignor declared.

"We fear and fight shy of any union of the state with any particular form of religion, and we brook not that any distinctive religious issue would have predominating influence in legislation or in political questions, yet we strongly hold that our conduct, public and private, should be directed by the religious sense and that our dealings as a Nation should be under the great principles which flow from God and His law."

Msgr. Thomas said he believed that America was founded and is being perpetuated, on the recognition of the dominances of God in world affairs.

Loss of Religious Sense. "We cannot fail to acknowledge that any civilization is doomed to failure, and country faces ruin unless it repose in the fundamental truth which comes from God and which have an intimate relation to every ramification of civil, political and social life," he said.

Msgr. Thomas reviewed the history of Rome, which he said fell because its religious sense was weakened. The history of other nations long since defunct were cited by the speaker as proof of the fate merited by the loss of religious sense.

Declaring that America has had a very providential career so far, Msgr. Thomas said the "onward outlook is of a distinct divine purpose," that this country stands on the threshold of an important and vital part in the destinies of the human race.

"But we are not all America," he said, "we are the Republican North America. The republics to the south of us rejoice in a civilization which antedates ours and is in no way inferior to ours. The education, refinement and culture of their people are the result and development of centuries of training. Their universities are older and surpass ours in many respects."

Colors Massed in Church. The auditorium of the Church presented a scene of inspiring pomp, resplendent with the massed colors of the Pan-American republics. The marble columns which range the aisles were draped with the red, white and blue of the United States, while the American flag held the place of honor in the mass of national bunting.

A Guard of honor down the center aisle was formed by cadets of Saint John's College and the choir of St. Patrick's, with orchestral augmentation, provided the music for the mass.

Archbishop Curley was assisted by the Very Rev. Francis McBride, C. S. C., while the Deacons of Honor were the Rev. John K. Cartwright and the Rev. Lawrence J. Shehan. The Rev. Thomas Healy was Deacon of the Mass and the Rev. John F. Donnelly, Subdeacon of the Mass. The Rev. Joseph M. Nelligan was Master of Ceremonies of the Mass, the Rev. John A. Dixon, S. J., Assistant Priest; the Rev. Edward L. Buckley and the Rev. Dr. George W. Johnson, Deacons of Honor to the Apostolic Delegate, and the Rev. Francis J. Hurney, general Master of Ceremonies.

Architects Honor Notre Dame Tutor

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 30.—Francis W. Kerrick, professor of architecture at the University of Notre Dame, has been elected to membership in the American Institute of Architecture. Professor Kerrick has been assigned to the Indiana chapter. He has been teaching at Notre Dame since 1908.

Rad's Plea Is Made For Medical Mission

New York, Nov. 26.—In a talk broadcast from radio station WLWL, Saturday night, the Rev. Edward F. Gareche, S. J., director of the Catholic Medical Mission Board, appealed for nation-wide assistance for the work of the board to alleviate suffering in Asia, Africa and other mission countries.

Father Gareche pictured the conditions prevailing in these countries, where he declared, the situation of the sick is most miserable. "Even the well-to-do," he said, "are at the mercy of charlatans, while as for the poor, they are miserable indeed in their sickness, dying like flies without nourishing food and simple medicines which would restore them to health."

After telling of the scope and plans of the Medical Mission, Father Gareche added:

"Our hearts go out to these poor people and we long to do something to relieve them. But there is still another reason why the medical side of the mission appeals to our hearts. These poor pagans are not only destitute of medical aid, but they are also in the blackness and hopelessness of false and ancient creeds which have taken terrible holds on the lives of the people. They know nothing of Christ and His tender mercy, of the love of God which He has taught us. "To minister to their bodily ailments, to bind up their wounds and cure their diseases, opens a way into their minds and hearts for the teachings of Christ."

Msgr. Ryan Host At Dinner To Lay Students of C. U.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 27.—Lay students of the Catholic University of America were guests of Msgr. James H. Ryan, newly installed rector, at a dinner last night in the university dining hall.

Msgr. Ryan expressed his appreciation of the loyalty he had found on the part of the lay students and brought his hearers to take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the school for a more general education, particularly along cultural lines.

Refreshments were made by Richard H. Ryan, the graduates, Thomas P. Ryan, the senior class and the graduates and John F. Bergin, the freshmen.

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Catholic Press
Circulation Now
Nearly 7,000,000

Chicago, Nov. 30.—The combined circulation of Catholic newspapers and periodicals published in the United States is approximately 7,000,000 according to The Catholic Press Directory just published here by Joseph H. Meir.

While 291 papers and periodicals are listed in the Directory, only 248 of these furnished the publishers figures on their circulation. These papers boasted a combined circulation of 6,647,066. If the figures for the other 43 publications were a quarter of a million could be available, the editor says, at least added to the above total.

A table showing the frequency of issue reveals that nine of the 291 listed papers and periodicals are published daily, while 106 are weeklies and 127 bi-monthlies. The remainder are published with the following frequency: three-a-week, one; semi-weekly, three; week, one; bi-monthly, nine; semi-monthly, five; quarterly, 26; semi-annually, one; annually, two, and bi-annually, one.

Two hundred and six of the 291 publications are printed in the English language. It is shown by another table. Eighteen are published in German, 15 in Bohemian, 15 in Polish, nine in Italian, nine in French, four in Ukrainian, three in Slovenian (Jugoslav), two in Spanish, two in Italian, two in Ruthenian, one in Hungarian, one in Slovak, one in Japanese, one in New York Point (for the blind), and one in Revised Braille (for the blind).

A forward to the Directory re-emphasizes the fact that "parish monthlies, college journals, school papers, purely local fraternal or papers, etc., have not been included."

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Provincial of Jesuits Lauds Lenten Mission
Los Angeles, Nov. 30.—Writing of the great spiritual campaign as set forth by the Bishop John J. Cantwell in behalf of his diocese of Los Angeles and San Diego during the Lent of 1928, the Rev. Joseph M. Piet, S. J., Provincial of the Province of California, Society of Jesus says:

"The Spiritual Campaign during the Lenten Season, whereby all the parishes of the Diocese will receive the benefit of a Mission, will produce a far greater and more lasting result than if the Missionaries visited a few places only. For the whole atmosphere will be permeated with spirituality, so to speak; Mission renewed men and women meeting other Mission renewed men and women wherever they turn will be strengthened by mutual encouragement, will be spurred to live up faithfully to the requirements of Catholic belief and precept."