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Archbishop Curley Lauds Lay Retreat In Capital Address

Catholic Support for Community Chest in Washington Urged by his Grace, Who Reminds of Pledge

Washington, Jan. 25.—Speaking on the value and growth in America of the laymen's retreat movement and urging Catholics to do more than their share in supporting the local Community Chest, Archbishop Michael J. Curley, of Baltimore, gave the principal address at the second annual banquet of the Washington section of the League of Laymen's Retreat at the Mayflower Hotel here Wednesday evening.

Several hundred men attended, including four United States senators, who occupied seats at the speakers' table, and a half dozen members of the House of Representatives. Patrick J. Halligan, reading clerk of the House, is archdiocesan president of the local branch.

Aid To Charity Pledged
Opening his address, Archbishop Curley remarked humorously about the fine voice that old Erin gives its sons. He then urged the fullest support of the Community Chest and announced that he had sent a letter to the pastors of the diocese to be read on Sunday, in which he declares: "We have given our pledge and I want that pledge kept. I want to be able to say that the Catholics of the District of Columbia did their bit and did more than their bit."

"We have heard knockers in some quarters," he went on, "but pay no attention to them. You go out and be knocking at the doors and get funds for the Community Chest."

Of the retreat movement, the home of which in this section is Manross House, on the Severn river, Archbishop Curley said:

"A retreat makes you think of your spiritual welfare. To think is what we need today—to think of God. It does not take you out of the world, but send you back into the world stronger, more courageous and happy. It gives you a new perspective and resolve to serve your country, your God and your fellow man."

Greater Success Forecast
Thomas F. Woodcock, member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who took part in the organization of the retreat movement twenty years ago told briefly of the start of the movement and congratulated the local branch for its progress, predicting even greater success in view of the solid support behind the movement.

The Rt. Rev. John M. McNamara, Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore and pastor of St. Gabriel's Church here, also spoke briefly, as did the Rev. Dr. James I. Maguire, S. J., and Mr. Halligan. Hossa F. Dowling was chairman of the banquet committee.

The senators seated at the speakers table were Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, David I. Walsh of Massachusetts, Joseph E. Ransdell of Louisiana and Henry F. Ashurst of Arizona. A musical program was provided by the Bovello Orchestra.

Marquette Dean Made Chancellor Of Girls' College

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

Milwaukee, Jan. 25.—Dr. Edward A. Fitzpatrick, dean of the Marquette University graduate school since 1924 and long active in educational work, has been named chancellor of the new Mount Mary College for girls which will be opened in Milwaukee next September by the Sisters of Notre Dame. He also will retain his position at Marquette. Mount Mary College was founded at Prairie du Chien, Wis., in 1872, as St. Mary's College. It will be moved to Milwaukee this next summer. The present building project will cost about \$2,000,000.

Socialist Deputy Favors Return Of Missions In France

By Rev. J. Van der Heyden, /

Paris, Jan. 21.—When asked his position with regard to the proposed authorization of the re-establishment of missionary congregations in France, M. Diagne, Negro deputy from Senegal, Republican Socialist and Freemason, replied:

"I shall vote for these articles because if we do not aid the French missions, French missionaries will be replaced by Belgian, Italian and Spanish missionaries. French religious have rendered and are rendering exceptional services to the French cause. Their usefulness has many times been attested to by men whose connection with ideas of laicism and to the late laws place them above suspicion."

However, M. Diagne is in the ranks of those who are fighting authorization for the Jesuits. Although the Society of Jesus is in the vanguard of missionary congregations, it is feared by many deputies whose knowledge of it has been obtained primarily from the Irish armies.

Religious Training Urged By Sponsor Of Home Educator

Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 29.—A plea for the revival of home education was made by Ella Frances Lynch, founder and director of the National League of Teacher-Mothers and prominent Catholic writer on the subject of child education, in a radio address delivered at station WGY, yesterday. Many of the complaints against the young people of today, she contended, can be traced back to the fact that parents sidestepped their most important task in the child's tender years—that of home education.

"There is something terrifying," said Miss Lynch, "in this tendency of the present age to shift responsibility. The voting public is rapidly placing its burdens, along with its rights, in the arms of the state; and the parent-public is prone to lay its burdens—its precious, immortal little burdens—upon the shoulders of the school."

Miss Lynch then outlines the aims of the National League of Teacher-Mothers and pointed out that the only requirement for membership is a pledge to give each child systematic instruction for at least five minutes a day. The five primary branches of the teacher-mothers' course, she outlined as (1) the habit of ready obedience; (2) religious education; (3) the work habit; (4) the habit of observation; (5) a good vocabulary.

On the subject of religious education, Miss Lynch said: "Young Americans are undeniably clever, but when they are given all the so-called advantages of schooling and have no religion as a directive of their minds they may justly be regarded as mere educated animals. Our league is entirely non-sectarian, and is perfectly adapted to the needs of all, but it presupposes and insists upon a religious training as the only possible foundation for either discipline or instruction."

"Things are going rather badly with our young people just now, because parents are sidestepping their most important work. Of course they all want their children to get an education. They slave and save to send their boys and girls through college, not realizing that a fraction of this time and effort, if given to systematic home training during the first ten years, would do more toward guaranteeing fine character, high scholarship, and worldly success than will a college course without that fundamental training."

Catholic Schools In England Effect \$2,000,000 Saving

London, Jan. 24.—A saving to the state of \$2,000,000 during the last twelve months has been effected by elementary school schemes undertaken by Catholics in this country, the Bishop of Portsmouth, Dr. Cotter, declared at Southampton last week.

He said that during the year the Board of Education had sanctioned the building and extension of schools which would provide accommodation for 10,630 pupils.

French Scientists Support Missions

By M. Massiani (Paris Correspondent, N. C. W. C. NEWS SERVICE).

Paris, Jan. 21.—The Academie des Sciences Coloniales under the presidency of M. Alapetite, former French resident in Tunis, has unanimously adopted a motion demanding that Parliament accord legal authorization to missionary congregations.

Two prizes are being offered, one for the best essay by a student in a Catholic grade or high school, and one for the best essay written by a student in a Catholic college. Contestants may write on either of the following subjects: "Martyrs of the Southwest," or "Participation of Catholics in the Struggle for Texas Independence." The contests are to be judged at commission headquarters, St. Edward's university.

Texas K. of C. Offer History Essay Prize

Austin, Tex., Jan. 26.—In order to encourage the study of Catholic history by the people of the state, the Texas Knights of Columbus Historical Commission has offered cash prizes for essays on Catholic historical subjects, the Rev. Dr. Paul J. Folk, C. S. C., chairman of the commission, announced today.

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College Alumnae Plans Anthology Of Catholic Verse

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 21.—The Literary Society of St. Joseph's College Alumnae is planning the compilation of an anthology of Catholic verse. The movement was prompted by the belief that much of the verse written by students and graduates of the Catholic colleges is lost to the reading public because it never has been published collectively.

The society is inviting every Catholic college in the country to cooperate in the plan. Each school is requested to submit ten poems written by students or graduates within the last ten years.

Holy Name Church In Capital Is Badly Damaged By Blaze

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—Fire, believed by the authorities to have been of incendiary origin, damaged the interior and roof of the Holy Name Church, here, yesterday afternoon.

The blaze originated in the rear portion of the structure, behind the altar, eating away the rear curved wall of the altar and climbing to the roof. The Rev. J. W. Dowling, pastor, and the Rev. Thomas A. Callahan, assistant rector, were in the rectory next door at the time of the alarm. They saw smoke coming from the windows and made an unsuccessful attempt to enter the building just as firemen arrived.

Californians Raising Fund For Irish Paper

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—California has raised more than \$15,000 of its quota of \$75,000 for the new Irish daily national newspaper to be launched in Dublin, next summer, under the direction of Eamonn de Valera, according to announcement just made here by Gen. Frank Aiken, commander-in-chief of the Irish armies.

C. P. A. Announces Short Story Contest For Catholic Press

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

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Announcement has just been made by J. H. Meier, secretary, that a short story contest is to be conducted by the Catholic Press Association during the year of 1929.

The contest will be under the auspices and supervision of the Literature Bureau of the Press Association, and the members of the Literature Bureau are Rev. Wilfrid Parvare the French Ambassador, M. sons, S. J., the Chairman, who is Paul Claudel, the Belgian Ambassador-in-chief of "America," publisher of "The Bulletin," Augusta, Ga; and Debutti; the Minister of Hungary, John F. McCormick, business manager of "The Commonwealth," New of Panama, Senior Dr. Don Ricardo Alfaro; the Minister of Austria, Mr. Edgar Prochnik; the Minister of the prize for the best short story will be \$250.00; the second prize is \$125.00; the third prize \$75.00 and the fourth prize \$50.00.

The contest is open to all writers and the successful stories will be sent to the members of the Association for simultaneous publication. Stories submitted need not be of a religious character, but they must be clean and original.

As Father Parsons, the Chairman of the Literature Bureau, has just recently returned from abroad, the secretary announces that the rules and regulations governing the contest will be released within the next week or two. Father Parsons is putting the finishing touches to the circular which is to be sent to those who inquire. These circulars will be obtainable at the offices of Catholic papers and periodicals.

Kenrick Seminary's Preparatory Group Soon To Be Erected

St. Louis, Jan. 18.—According to an announcement just made by Archbishop Glennon, work will soon begin on the erection of the new preparatory seminary. Funds were raised for that purpose during the last year.

The plans call for a group of buildings that will cost about \$1,400,000. They will occupy a part of the ground surrounding Kenrick Seminary at Webster Groves.

The buildings will be grouped so as to form a cloister. Here youths between the ages of 14 and 18 years who wish to study for the priesthood will be received and undergo their preparatory training before admission to the major institution, Kenrick Seminary. The structures will be in the style of the Spanish monastic architecture, modified.

A tower in the center of the main facade will be 160 feet high, and will be surmounted by a dome of polychromatic tile. The chapel will stand between the wings in the rear and will connect with the high school and college departments by means of cloistered walks.

On the first floor will be located the parlors, offices, dining rooms, kitchen, library, classrooms and laboratories. The second and third stories will contain studies and bedrooms for the faculty and dormitories for the students.

Paulist Press Issues 1,500,000 Pamphlets

New York, Jan. 25.—The annual report of the Paulist Press discloses that more than 1,500,000 pamphlets and leaflets were published during the year 1923. The publications were distributed in every section of the United States, and many foreign countries.

Catholic Writer Correspondent In Four Wars, Dead

London, Jan. 25.—George Lynch, war correspondent and explorer, was buried at Bayswater here, Saturday afternoon. He was born in Ireland. As a young man he explored the Pacific Islands and Western Australia.

Mr. Lynch was correspondent of the Daily Chronicle during the Spanish-American war, and during the Boer war he represented the Illustrated London News and Collier's Weekly. He was also a correspondent in the Russo-Japanese war and the world war, in which he was with the Belgian army.

Marquette Lecturer To Speak In England

Milwaukee, Jan. 25.—Dr. John A. Lapp, head of the department of social sciences at Marquette University has accepted an invitation to address the world conference on adult education at Cambridge University, next August. He will be the official delegate of the American Association for Adult Education and will speak on "Social Agencies and Adult Education." The loss was estimated at \$30,000.

Posters Of Faith Teach Catholicism On England's Roads

Liverpool, Eng., Jan. 25.—Great interest has been shown in the "Posters of the Faith," which Father J. Lane, secretary of the Liverpool Catholic Truth Society, has displayed along the highways and byways of England.

The posters, prepared with the cooperation of the Catholic Times, are intended to stimulate interest of non-Catholics in the teachings of the Church. One reads as follows: "After Death—What? A Blank? Happiness? Torment? Do you realize that these are questions for you? Sensible men demand definite answers. They get them only in Catholic teaching."

A second poster, dealing with Catholic books, says: "Bigotry is the weed of ignorance. The more you know of Catholic teaching, the more you will admire them. Read, read Catholic books. And judge for yourself."

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Archbishop Curley Is Honor Guest At Washington Dinner

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—Members of the diplomatic corps, prominent churchmen and educators attended a dinner given last night by the Rev. Edward L. Buckley, pastor of St. Matthew's Church in honor of the Most Rev.—Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

Sir Esme Howard, Ambassador of Great Britain, was the ranking diplomat, and the members of the Literature Bureau are Rev. Wilfrid Parvare the French Ambassador, M. sons, S. J., the Chairman, who is Paul Claudel, the Belgian Ambassador-in-chief of "America," publisher of "The Bulletin," Augusta, Ga; and Debutti; the Minister of Hungary, John F. McCormick, business manager of "The Commonwealth," New of Panama, Senior Dr. Don Ricardo Alfaro; the Minister of Austria, Mr. Edgar Prochnik; the Minister of the prize for the best short story will be \$250.00; the second prize is \$125.00; the third prize \$75.00 and the fourth prize \$50.00.

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Church Paintings Hidden 500 Years Under Whitewash

London, Jan. 25.—Wall paintings 500 years old have been discovered in the church of Ashby St. Legers, Northamptonshire.

The cleaning of the walls led to their discovery. Under the direction of Professor E. W. Tristram, of the Royal College of Arts, the paintings have been completely uncovered and treated with preservatives. They had been covered over with whitewash.

Each measuring about two feet square, most of the pictures represent scenes of the Passion.

British Boxer Is WED

London, Jan. 25.—Tommy Milligan, noted British boxer, who took a crushing defeat from Micky Walker whom he fought for the world's middle-weight championship, was married with nuptial Mass at Holy Cross Church, Glasgow, recently, his bride being Molly Reid, daughter of a well-known Glasgow business man.

Flames Destroy School In Buffalo

Buffalo, Jan. 21.—St. Matthew's parochial school, here, was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning, causing a loss of approximately \$150,000.

The cause of the fire could not be ascertained, but it is believed to have started on the stage of the auditorium on the second floor. Only the walls of the building were left standing.

St. Matthew's school was a modern brick structure erected in 1922. All of the class-rooms were on the first floor. The school was attended by about 500 children and was in charge of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Marquette U. Poetry Contest Announced

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 25.—Cash prizes totaling \$100 are being offered by members of the Marquette University poetry society for the best poetry submitted during the current school year by resident undergraduate students of any Catholic college in the United States or Canada. There will be a first prize of \$75, and a second award of \$25.

Contestants must submit single poems or groups of poems related in theme or mood. All contributions must be mailed so as to reach the chairman of the committee on awards, the Rev. John F. McCormick, S. J., of Marquette University here, not later than May 2.

Dying Policeman Asks Mother To Save His Slayer

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—As he lay dying from wounds inflicted by a drink-crazed man, Policeman John F. McAuliffe, 23 years old, asked his mother to promise that she would not allow prosecution of his slayer.

When they were brought together in a hospital operating room, Samuel Jenkins, who shot himself after wounding the young policeman, said to him: "Forgive me, Mister, I didn't know."

Unhesitatingly, McAuliffe smiled weakly and answered, "Sure." As a result, McAuliffe's mother was summoned. "He shot me, Mother, and he shot himself," she whispered. "But he didn't know what he was doing. They would prosecute him. Promise me you won't let them."

Cincinnati K. of C. Will Give Weekly Program On Radio

Cincinnati, Jan. 25.—A half-hour radio program will be conducted each Friday night over station WFBE, at the Parkview Hotel, under the auspices of Cincinnati Council, Knights of Columbus.

The idea was advanced by Grand Knight W. J. Maloney, the purpose being to bring before the public matters of Catholic truth and doctrine, thereby to clear up some of the misunderstandings and misinformation concerning the Catholic religion. Present arrangements are for the weekly programs to continue through Lent, with the probability that they then will be extended indefinitely.

3 Dominican Nuns Observe Jubilees

London, Jan. 18.—Three Dominican nuns observed their golden jubilees at St. Dominic's Convent, Harrow, last week.

Cardinal Bourne, who gave Benediction in the convent on the jubilee day, conveyed to the nuns the Papal blessing which had been obtained by Cardinal Lepicier, a great friend of the convent.

The Jubiliarians are Mother Mary Phillip, O. P., Mother Mary Xavier, O. P., and Mother Mary Albert, O. P. They have taught in schools in the South of England during most of their religious lives.

Algierian Seminaries Take-Up Arabic Study

Paris, Jan. 21.—Mgr. Leynaud, Archbishop of Algiers, who five years ago made the study of Arabic obligatory in the seminaries of his diocese, has just decided to devote seven hours a week instead of three to this subject.

Mgr. Leynaud feels that in order to exercise Christian charity to better advantage among the native Musulmans, his priests should study the Arab language, the Koran and the usages and customs of the country. "We are here," the Bishop said, "to make shine the light of truth, not only for the eyes of Europeans but for the eyes of the natives. Our charity must go even into the desert and not merely into the Christian homes of our cities and rural communities."

The Archbishop recalled that when Cardinal Lavergie was Archbishop of Algiers he had spent all his spare moments studying Arabic.