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"In vain will you found missions and build schools, if you are not able to wield the offensive and defensive weapons of a loyal Catholic press."
—Pope Benedict XV.

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Three New Priestly Martyrs Claimed by Missionary Field in China; U. S. Senator Copeland Writes a Sharp Letter to the Methodist Board

Chinese Bandits Kill Three Priests Of Passionist Order

Union City, N. J., May 2.—The priests and students of St. Michael's Passionist Monastery in this city sat with death on Sunday morning. A cablegram from Hankow, China, delivered during the night, told that three brother priests of their order had been murdered on April 24 by Chinese bandits in Chenki, Province of Hunan, near Changsha—three more martyrs, heroic as any of the olden days.

Their Bodies Found
The slain priests were: The Rev. Walter Coveyou, C.P., 35 years old, of Potosky, Michigan. The Rev. Godfrey Holbein, C.P., 30 years old, of Baltimore, Maryland.

The Rev. Clemon Seybold, C.P., 33 years old, of Dunkirk, New York. Their bodies were found early this week, bullet pierced, and were taken to comrades and friends. Their lives had been threatened by retreating Wuhan soldiers who were being driven out of the Province by the Nationalists. The American consul general at Nankow, Frank P. Lockhart, has made a protest to the Chinese government because of the killing.

A solemn requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Michael's Passionist Monastery here Sunday morning for the three missionaries. Chenki, which is next to the province of Kiangsi where a Catholic chapel was burned recently, and where other missionaries have been reported, was the missionaries' post of duty. It is believed that they refused to desert their places, despite the many dangers that surrounded them.

Letters that have reached St. Michael's Monastery here from priests in China, have told of a serious food shortage, and that rice was being conserved and doled out to the needy. Even this charitable work was becoming more and more difficult, the letters revealed, as outlaws would swoop down upon the missionaries and seize their food supplies. There was no redress from these outrages, apparently, and the priests were forced to carry on under ever increasing difficulties. Five of thirty-one Passionist missionaries sent from this country to China since 1924 have returned to America because of nervous breakdowns.

Fathers Clemon Seybold and Godfrey Holbein were companions ever since their days at St. Michael's, where they were ordained together on October 28, 1923. They were among the Passionist missionaries who went to China in June, 1924. Father Walter Coveyou had been in China only since last September. Father Holbein once captive. The Rev. Godfrey Holbein, C.P., one of the three missionaries, was the son of Mrs. Mary Holbein, of Irvington, and when sailing for China in 1924 he said his farewell at St. Joseph's Passionist Monastery in Baltimore. The young priest had been captured once before by bandits in China, but was released when he declared he was an American and demanded that he be freed. In addition to his mother, the young missionary is survived by four sisters: Sister Clotilde, of St. Cecelia's Convent, Walbrook; Sister Hilda-garde, of Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, and Mrs. James F. Garvey and Mrs. William J. Quinn, both of Baltimore, and by one brother, Frank L. Holbein, also of that city. The Rev. William Harding, C.P., of St. Joseph's Monastery called at the Holbein home Saturday to tell Mrs. Holbein of her son's death. The Rev. Walter Coveyou, C.P., was a native of Potosky, Mich. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Joe Lyons, of Sand Rapids. The young missionary was educated at the Passionist Monastery at Norwood Park, Chicago, and just before sailing for China last autumn, took the medical training course for missionaries at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.

Joins Convent
Elizabeth Anna Clem, former Washington society favorite, wealthy and sought after, has chosen the better part. She recently joined the Carmelite order at New Albany, Ind.



Catholic Student Is Oratorical Contest Winner
Washington, May 2.—James Leonard Butsch, 19 years old, a senior student at St. John's College, conducted by the Christian Brothers, yesterday won the right to represent the District of Columbia and the nearby counties of Maryland and Virginia in the national oratorical contest to be held next month. The St. John's College pupil won over 10

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other contenders for this region's highest honors. By winning the right to compete in the national finals, Butsch also won the right to a three-month tour in South America next summer, and a cash award of \$200. His topic was "The Constitution and the Individual."

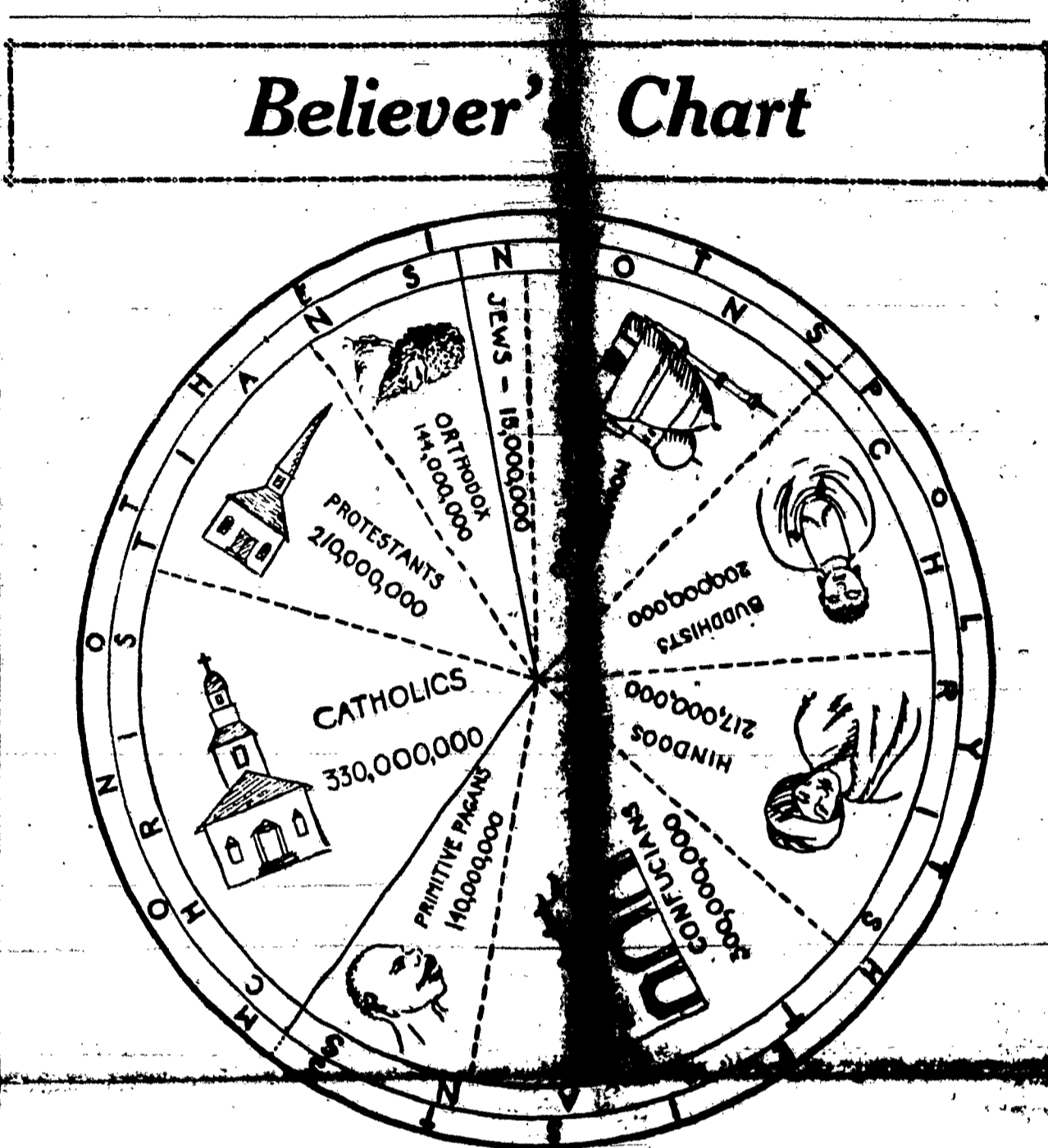
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Members of Hierarchy Present at Requiem Mass—Bishop Lillis Leads Leavenworth Ordinary
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By way of visualizing the religion of the people of the world, the Students' Mission section of Loyola University, Chicago, made the above chart to show how many people believe in God, and how many do not. The figures show that there is a tremendous job ahead of the missionary orders of the world.

Franciscan Fathers Are Coming To Teach In Aquinas Institute

The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D. D., Bishop of Rochester, today made an announcement of great interest to the Catholic people of Rochester and Monroe County, that next September will mark the coming to Rochester of twelve Fathers of the Franciscan Order to teach at the Aquinas Institute. These Fathers come from the Province of the Holy Name of the Order of Friars Minor, and have been engaged in teaching work, principally at St. Bonaventure's College and Seminary at Alleghany, N. Y. The Friars Minor are well known to the people of Rochester, where they have conducted missions in various churches. Many Rochester families have sent sons to become members of this ancient religious community. By reason of the habit they wear, members of this order are spoken of as the Brown Franciscans. They will be welcomed to Rochester by priests and people. Their coming to Aquinas will not mean a change in the administration of this institution. They will serve under the Diocesan priests now in charge of the various departments of the school, with Rev. Joseph E. Grady, M. A., as Principal. All have had experience in the teaching of high school subjects, and have been honored with academic degrees indicative of their fitness and scholastic equipment for such teaching. Bishop O'Hern expressed his satisfaction that the arrangements for this addition to the faculty of Aquinas Institute had been completed, and felt that the new members of the teaching staff would bring added strength to the splendidly equipped faculty of priests and lay professors. The class now preparing for graduation is the largest in the history of the school, and a high standard of scholarship is indicated in the current report.

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Methodist Board Sharpley Rebuked By Sen. Copeland

New York, May 2.—Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Senator from New York State, and widely known for his talks on health, has written a letter to the Methodist Board in Washington, D. C., severely criticizing its interfering with the business of the Nation. Dr. Copeland, a Methodist himself, says this sort of business must stop.

The letter was the direct result of an attempt on the part of a Methodist Board lobbyist to influence the vote of Senator Copeland on a Prohibition bill. Doctor Copeland, annoyed at the audacious request of the man, ordered him out of his office. His amusement was increased to the famous "one hundred per cent" point when the official magazine of the Methodist Board in Washington boasted in its news columns, a few days later, that the Methodist Church had corralled Senator Copeland's vote for the bill it championed. It hadn't done any such thing. But the Methodist Board did corral a very vigorous letter from the Senator. The letter, addressed to Rev. Dr. Charles T. Wilson, General Secretary of the Methodist Board, said:

"That, as I view the function of the Methodist Church, our traditional attitude of one of rebellion against the Government is not only wrong, but we are doing ourselves and our country a great wrong. I demand that the Church should be loyal to the Government, and that it should be willing to support any measure which will bring about the preservation of the Union. I have been greatly concerned for years, over what I regard to be an improper activity, the work at Washington of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church, in its manifest efforts to dictate and control legislation. I disapprove this."

Irish Penal Days Vividly Recalled By Rare Relics

Emancipation Exhibit in London Shows Priceless Chalice and Other Treasures of Hunted Priests
The original begins the doctrine of instruction headed by a list of the Holy Scriptures, of which there are in England at that time with the eight of the also a 'Morning Exercise' from St. Francis of Assisi, instructions and devotion first description of the Further instructions, litanies follow. Then, there are two scripts relating to the written by some of the men who subsequently tyrdoms for the Faith. Of these the most interesting is Thomas More's Address Part of the Peasants of Nancless Hereth. Continued on page 7.

London, May 2.—A silver chalice disguised by an oaken exterior as a drinking cup is one of the eloquent reminders of the penal days to be seen at an exhibition of Emancipation relics which opened at Liverpool last week in the Royal Institution. The chalice itself is only six inches high. In this exhibition, which will continue till May 6, there is assembled a unique collection of portraits in oils of the martyrs, bishops and prominent laymen and laywomen of the period. Ancient vestments with priceless embroidery, antique chalices, including some used by the martyrs and the hunted priests, rare manuscripts and Catholic books printed by secret printing presses are on view. Old Catholic families throughout the country, Catholic colleges and in some cases civic authorities have loaned their historical treasures to make a success of an exhibition the like of which may never be seen again. Some Rare Books Particularly interesting in the section for books and manuscripts is a unique copy of the first edition of "The Garden of the Soul," printed in London in 1746. It was compiled by Bishop Challoner just before his appointment as Vicar Apostolic in 1729. As it exists today, "The Garden of the Soul" is greatly altered from that of the penal days. Bishop Challoner wrote it not as a mere collection of prayers, but as a brief guide to the spiritual life.

Washington, May 2.—The Census reveal that the colored Catholics in the States has more than two decades (1900-1910) number of colored Catholics in the United States has been placed at 1,000,000. In 1910, the colored Catholics in the United States were 1,000,000.



James M. Meade

New York State leads in the number of Catholics in the House of Representatives. Representative James M. Meade is one of the youngest representatives from that state and is now serving his sixth term in Congress. He was born December 27, 1885 at Mt. Morris, N. Y., later moving to Buffalo, where he was educated. In 1913 he was appointed Supervisor of Erie County and three years later was elected to the State Assembly. In 1919 he was elected representative from the State of New York to the 66th Congress, and has been re-elected five times to that office.

of Yale University, died at a retreat here today, where he had come after a nervous breakdown. He was 41 years old. Father Reynolds was a native of Lansing, Mich. On being graduated from Yale he entered the General Theological Seminary to prepare for the Episcopal ministry. Converted to Catholicity, he entered St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers and was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, June 2, 1907. He was an associate professor at the Catholic University of America.

Rev. Graham Reynolds, Convert-Priest Dead

Pasadena, Cal., May 2.—The Rev. Graham Dominic Reynolds, 43, Catholic convert and graduate