

CATHOLICS The Big Leagues



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Veteran catcher of the Philadelphia Athletics who is sharing the backstopping honors with "Mickey" Cochrane.

Holy Cross Tops College Teams In Baseball

Won Twenty-Five Games and Lost Only Two in Entire Season—Also Best League Team

Holy Cross College stands supreme among all Eastern colleges in the baseball world this season. It won 25 games and lost only two, one to Boston College and another to Princeton.

A Star Pitcher The past season saw the college pitching on a higher plane than in some years. Nekola, now of the Yankees and formerly of Holy Cross, was the Eastern leader.

The Holy Cross team this year was well balanced and played a brilliant brand of baseball. The team was fast on the bases, could hit and field, and played an alert and wise brand of ball.

There were numerous nines in the East which had good records, among them being Lafayette, Fordham, Villanova and others.

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Recent Rochester Deaths

Donald E. Conley Killed By An Auto On Sunday Morning

Donald Edwin Conley, aged six years, was struck by an automobile and instantly killed last Sunday morning in front of his home, 193 Sherwood Avenue.

Donald, playing with other boys, ran from behind one car directly into the path of another one, driven by John C. Chapman, 1030 Arnett Blvd.

His funeral was held Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock at St. Augustine's Church. Interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

JOSEPHINE HAFNER Josephine Hafner died Sunday in this city. She is survived by three nephews, Fred, Gerard and John Mayer, and two cousins, Frederick J. Hafner and Sister M. Marguerite of the Order of St. Joseph, all of Rochester.

MRS. JAMES H. CLARK Mary Kollerby Clark, widow of James H. Clark, died last Saturday morning at St. Mary's Hospital. She is survived by one daughter, Martha Clark and three brothers, Walter, William and Raymond Kollerby.

MRS. HARRY FLAHERTY Mrs. Harry Flaherty, died Friday June 21. She is survived by her husband; one son, Thomas; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Venz, two sisters, the sisters, Florence and Mary Venz; three brothers, James, Stephen and John Venz.

KATHERINE KAVANAUGH Katherine Kavanaugh, formerly of Clyde, N. Y., died Saturday afternoon, June 22, at St. Ann's Home. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

THOMAS P. LOUGHNEY Thomas P. Loughney, died at the home of his son, John M. Loughney, in Shortsville, N. Y. He is survived by two sons, John M. of Shortsville, Leo T. Loughney of Rochester; two daughters, Sister M. Thomasetta of Nazareth Hall, this city, and Mrs. E. F. McAllister of Holy, N. Y., and 13 grandchildren. He was a member of A. O. H. and Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Church, of which he had been a trustee for 50 years.

His funeral was held Monday morning at 8 o'clock, at St. Ann's Chapel. Interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

ASSES FOR WEEK

(The Gloria and Creed are not said unless otherwise directed. There is only one oration unless others are directed. The Preface is common unless another is directed. The oration left to the choice of the priest is usually one ordered by the Bishop.)

July 30. Sixth Sunday after Pentecost. Green vestments. Mass is proper to the Sunday, Gloria. One commemoration of St. Peter and Paul and one of the Octave of St. John. Creed, Preface of the Trinity. There may be a Solemn Votive Mass of Sts. Peter and Paul (Red vestments) with a Gloria, a commemoration of the Sunday, Creed, Preface of Apostles and last Gospel of the Sunday.

Sir Patrick McGrath Catholic Journalist, Of Canada, Succumbs

St. Johns, N. F., June 27.—Sir Patrick McGrath, president of the Newfoundland Legislative Council, one of Canada's outstanding journalists and a leading figure in Newfoundland's economic and political affairs, died at his home here last Friday evening. He was a devout Roman Catholic.

President of the Legislative Council since 1915 and created a Knight of the Order of the British Empire three years later, he was in large part responsible for the gathering of material by which Newfoundland won a \$250,000,000 lawsuit from Canada in 1924 after twenty years of litigation. A number of books and pamphlets on travel and economic and political subjects came from his pen.

Bishop O'Hern Pays Eloquent Tribute To Womanhood

(Continued from Page One) and in every age open and sincere minds have proclaimed with Libanius the pagan teacher of Basil and Chrysostom: "What women these Christians have!"

Her Beneficent Role "When the Church came forth from the catacombs in the third century to plant the cross on the Capitol, the victory is due more to St. Helen than to Constantine. Through-out the middle ages, from Queen Blanche down to Isabella of Castile who sent Columbus to discover the new world, what a great and beneficent role woman has played in the history of religion and civilization!"

Tribute to Sisters "Now among the noble array of womanhood with which the Church and the world has been blessed, we instinctively turn to that innumerable army of virgin angels of innocence and purity, our Sisters, who in every age and clime lead a life of solitude and contemplation, of simplicity and service, who though clothed in austere garments, nevertheless bear brave and cheerful hearts.

Heroes of Humanity "This is the sum of their life's story, this is all they care to know of themselves, and this is all we need know of them. But though they would hide themselves, the divine beauty and power of their lives cannot be hidden. Their love and sympathy are as wide as the heart of Christ. They are the heroes of the service of humanity, the priest, the nun, the girl, the woman, the child, who are the chosen few who followed Christ into the world, who waited and wait, who serve and work in silence—these are the teachers, my dear young ladies, who have entered into your lives and who send you forth tonight graduates of Nazareth Academy."

The Rev. John W. Keefe presented the class, and prizes were announced as follows: Reverend Mother Agnes medal for her history paper, Iphigene for her members of the senior class, Margaret Heindel; junior class gold medal for Bible studies, Josephine Boyer; sophomore class gold medal for Christian doctrine, Ethel Moore; freshman class gold medal, Alice Welch; medal for general excellence, Ida Herman; scholarship medal, Arlene Werner; French Alliance medal, Frances McCormick; a special medal for having merited to draw for excellence medal during each of her four academic years, the Harriet Piers; Father Kieran Memorial scholarship, established and maintained by Nazareth Alumnae Association, Gertrude Seru, Blessed Sacrament School.

Mrs. Catherine L. McCormick received the honorary diploma of Nazareth Academy some sixty years ago. Miss Arline M. Werner, the valedictorian, spoke of filial loyalty and devotion in her address, "In the Light of Their Love."

The large audience went home inspired and edified by the beautiful program presented, and by the whole atmosphere of the school, that has done so much for more than half a century.

The Catholic Courier—A Paper for Catholic Homes

Body of Hermit-Martyr Of the Sahara Recovered After 2,625-Mile Journey

Paris, June 27.—The body of Father de Foucauld, which since his murder on April 7, 1926, has remained buried at Tamanasset, in the heart of the Sahara, has been brought by a caravan of White Fathers to El Oueia, a hamlet also situated in the desert but only 300 miles south of the farthest Algerian commune. The tomb is now near enough to make it accessible both for pilgrimages and, if need be, canonical verifications necessary for beatification.

The caravan which sought the remains of the heroic hermit traveled from Algiers to Tamanasset and returned—2,625 miles, 1,875 miles of which were in the open desert. Their journey took 22 days.

It was found upon examination of the body on April 18, last, that it was mummified. The hole made by the assassin's bullet was still visible at both the point of entry and departure.

Churches in Mexico Closed For Three Years

(Continued from Page One) primary or higher schools, whether public or private or but this cannot prevent ministers of any religion from imparting its doctrines within church confines, to adults or their children who may attend for that purpose.

Three. That the constitution as well as the laws relating to the country guarantee to all residents of the Republic the right of petition and therefore, the members of any church may apply to the appropriate authorities for the amendment, repeal or passage of any law.

Archbishop Ruiz's Statement The statement of Archbishop Ruiz said: "Bishop Diaz and myself have had several conferences with the President of the Republic, the results of which are set forth in the statement which I issued today."

"I am glad to say that all of the conversations have been marked by a spirit of mutual good will and respect. As a consequence of the conversations the Mexican clergy will resume religious services pursuant to the laws in force."

"I entertain the hope that the resumption of religious services may lead the Mexican people, animated by a spirit of mutual good will, to cooperate in all moral efforts made for the benefit of all the people of our fatherland."

After concluding the settlement with President Portes Gil, Archbishop Ruiz and Bishop Diaz went to the Basilica of Guadalupe, where they remained for an hour in prayer. As they left the shrine, Archbishop Ruiz said:

"I consider the settlement as the beginning of a real era of peace for the Republic, which will no longer doubt feel the benedictions which come together with harmony and the close unions of a whole nation with its Government."

Rev. Dr. Walsh's Statement Among those who had an influential part in bringing about peace, was the Rev. Dr. Edmund A. Walsh, S.J., vice-president of Georgetown University, who came to Mexico about six weeks ago with the authority of the Vatican to assist in solidifying sentiment within the ranks of the representatives of the Church. He made this statement:

"The simultaneous declarations issued by the President of Mexico and the senior member of the Catholic Hierarchy in that country is a welcome harbinger of mutual respect and domestic harmony, so ardently desired by the broad masses of population and equally hoped for by all Americans both of the North and South."

"The language and spirit of these declarations place the relations of the Church and state in Mexico on a new foundation of mutual respect, mutual co-operation and a common sharing of fundamental rights by all Mexican citizens."

"With the present removal of old misunderstandings and the joint acceptance of the great task of national reconstruction, both patriotic and religious will now have a fairer chance to solve the admittedly difficult problems that still confront civil and ecclesiastical authorities. The two documents constitute an organic whole and neither should be read nor interpreted without the other."

Former Chilean Ambassador Crujeira issued the following statement: "In my opinion the signing of the agreement marked the beginning of a new epoch in the life of the Mexican Republic. The United States has been no inconsiderable factor in bringing about the settlement."

Sadlier Text Books Prove Popularity In Chicago Schools

The school book plays a very important part in the up-to-date classroom. As the modern text book in general is a very high class product, the best that brains and money can devise, the school authorities have been forced to invent special means of selecting the best of these books from among so many good ones.

Recently the Archdiocese of Chicago set out to adopt some new text books to be used in all their schools for a period of five years. Chicago has a particularly fine and well organized Parochial School System. At its head are two Superintendents, Rev. Fathers Cunningham and Koslowski. Assisting them are the Sisters Supervisor of over fifty teaching Communities of nuns. Each of these supervisors, a trained expert in pedagogy, has direct supervision over the schools operated by her Community and is responsible to the Superintendents for their scholarship. When a text book is to be chosen the Supervisors are notified at the beginning of a term to have their teachers try out the texts of the principal publishing houses.

This is done during the fall and winter sessions and early in the spring each Supervisor calls her teachers together to vote for the particular book they prefer. The choice of the majority of these Sisters then becomes the choice of that Community and the Supervisor casts the votes of the Community in its favor. Each Community is entitled to a number of votes commensurate with the number of classes taught, so the result of the balloting is a true reflection of the sentiment of the teaching body.

In the recent Chicago contest the Sadlier series of books is published by William H. Sadlier, Inc., 11 Park Place, New York City, were chosen by the astonishing vote of 3,616 to 249 for the rest of the field. This newest series of books is published by one of our oldest firms, as the Sadliers started their publishing business in 1832, nearly a century ago.

procession to the country's national shrine, in the northeastern outskirts of Mexico City, under way with private cars, buses and street cars discharging thousands hourly. Through the great central doorway of the church, which never has been closed to worshippers, the faithful entered sometimes eight abreast, and when finished with their devotions streamed from two side doors in a never ending procession to make room for the new arrivals. There were no official recitations as priests have not yet returned to the altars, but rather the proceedings took the form of spontaneous demonstrations with many floral offerings being heaped upon the altars.

Touching scenes were enacted in the interior of the great church, where for three years the faithful have worshipped without clergy. The low steady hum of thousands of whispered prayers could be heard throughout the central chapel as the worshippers advanced slowly upon their knees down the wide central aisle.

First Mass Saturday The first public Mass in Mexico since August 1, 1926, will be said at the Church of Nuestra Senora de la Guadalupe — "Our Lady of the Guadalupe" — Mexico's national shrine, next Saturday on the occasion of the feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

Other churches will be reopened as quickly as the governmental surrender can be completed and priests can be sent back to them.

Bishop Diaz Elevated Bishop Pascual Diaz has been elevated to the archbishopric of the diocese of Mexico (Federal district), succeeding Archbishop Mora del Rio, who died about a year ago. The appointment was in appreciation of his services in bringing about solution of the religious problem.

Archbishop Ruiz Expresses Thanks To Father Burke

Washington, June 27.—The following telegram, announcing the reaching of an agreement settling the religious problem in Mexico, was received here by the Rev. Dr. John J. Burke, C.S.P., General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, from Archbishop Ruiz y Flores, Apostolic Delegate, in New York City:

"Dear Father Burke: The work of reconciliation between the Church and Government in Mexico started by you and the National Catholic Welfare Conference, under the auspices of the Apostolic Delegate, Monsignor Pumasoni-Biondi, in March of last year, has been crowned with the official documents signed today as the first step toward final settlement. May God bless all the Bishops, clergy and people of the United States, who were kind sympathizers in the days of trial.

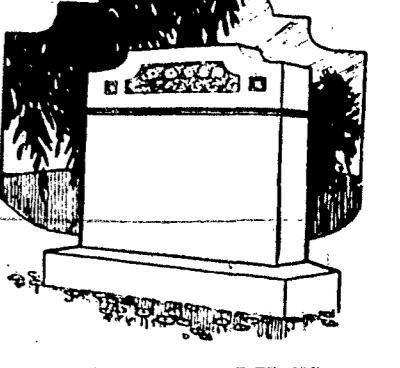
"RUZ."

Praise For Morrow The new Primate paid high tribute to Ambassador Morrow for his intervention in bringing about a settlement. Bishop Diaz said that since February the American Ambassador has been working "to bring spiritual tranquility back to Mexico," using his influence as far as was compatible with his official position.

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