

"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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## Prussian Government and Vatican in Happy Concord Over Treaty; Strong Decision by South Dakota Court on Bible Reading in Schools

### Prussia Approves Vatican Concordat By Substantial Vote

Nationalists and Communists Opposed Treaty, But the Vote Was 243 to 172 In Favor of It—Concordat Represents Culmination of Long Years of Negotiations With Government

NO MENTION OF RELIGIOUS TEACHING CONTAINED IN PROVISIONS OF TREATY

Berlin, July 11.—On Tuesday of this week, after serious consideration, the Prussian Diet or Parliament, by a vote of 243 to 172, approved the "solemn convention" or concordat between the State of Prussia and the Holy See. The vote was taken in the presence of numerous Catholic and Protestant clergymen. The concordat contains no provision concerning religious teaching, a subject which was the basis recently of much criticism in the concordat concluded between Bavaria and the Holy See. The concordat represents the culmination of several years of negotiations between Mr. Fausti, the Papal Nuncio, and the Prussian Ministry of Worship. By its terms Cologne, Breslau and Paderborn become archbishoprics. Berlin and Aachen will seat two new bishops. The government parties—Social Democrats, Catholics and Democrats—voted for the bill, with the support of the Economic party. The Communists voted solidly against it. Some of the provisions of the concordat provide that no one shall be appointed to a vacant position in the Prussian hierarchy without the approval of the Pope. The measure regulates the appointment of bishops in that local chapters and bishops will submit their lists to the Pope, who will select three candidates from whom the chapters will then elect one by secret vote. The Holy See, however, will not select candidates until the chapters have assumed themselves.

### Abolish Rabbit Dance



Catholic Indians at their encampment at Mt. ... voted to abolish the suggestive Rabbit Dance.

### Officers Elected By C. D. of A. In Texan City

Miss Mary C. Duffy of Newark, N. J., Unanimously Re-elected Supreme Regent of the Order. CONVENTION OPENED WITH PONTIFICAL MASSES. 200,000 Catholic Women Members of Organization, and Junior Courts Established in Many Cities.

### Exploitation of Girls in Athletics Opposed

Galveston, Texas, July 11.—Miss Mary C. Duffy, of Newark, N. J., was unanimously re-elected Supreme Regent of the Catholic Daughters of the Head of C. D. A.



Miss Mary C. Duffy

America at their supreme international biennial convention, in session here. Other officers chosen are: Mrs. Jennie B. Green of Maryland, Vice Supreme Regent; Miss Katherine M. Rosney of New York, National Secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth L. Ahearn of Connecticut; National Treasurer; Mrs. Leonard Z. Meder of Chicago, Counselor.

Mrs. Anna Baxter of Iowa, Mrs. Mary L. Mollet of California, Mrs. Kathryn T. Salmon of Massachusetts, Miss Catherine V. Mylott of Ohio, Miss Frances Maher of Pennsylvania and Miss Mary E. McKeogh of Vermont were elected Directors.

200,000 Represented. Prominent women from all parts of the North American continent attended this convention which was formally opened with a solemn High Mass celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Christopher E. Byrne, Bishop of Galveston, in St. Mary's Cathedral. The Rt. Rev. William J. Haley, Bishop of Raleigh and National

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### Reading of Bible in Public Schools Of Dakota

Vigorous Decision by State Supreme Court of Bitter and Bigoted Attack Upon Church By Counsel for the School Rights of Catholics Upheld

READING BIBLE AND RECITING PRAYERS INFRINGEMENT OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

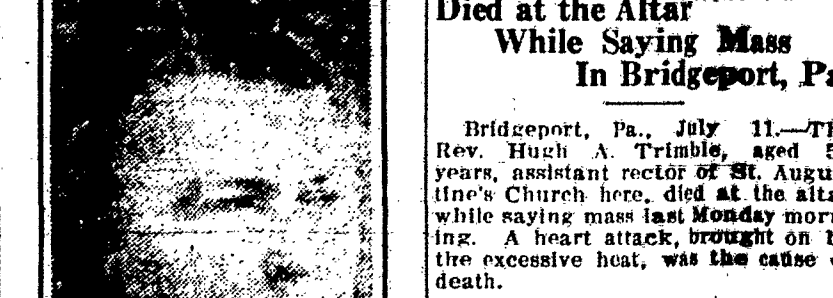
Lead, S. D., July 11.—The decision of the State Supreme Court, just made public, affirming the right of Catholic students in the public schools to absent themselves from classrooms during the reading of passages from the King James version of the Bible and recitation of the Lord's Prayer by teachers, declares such exercises to be unconstitutionally devotional and Protestant in character. As such, the opinion states, the practice is "an infringement of religious liberty." The Supreme Court's opinion, written by Justice Bush, is a sweeping declaration that it invalidates Section 7658 of the State's Revised Code of 1919, providing that "No sectarian doctrine may be taught or inculcated in any of the public schools of the State, but the Bible, without sectarian comment, may be read therein." Appellate Was Decried. The contrary view, espoused by the school trustees, was that Catholic pupils to return until they signed a written apology and agreement "to give respectful attention to the scriptural reading or other opening exercises." The father of one Catholic pupil, with the approval and encouragement of the Rt. Rev. John J. Lawlor, Bishop of Lead, brought action in the Meade County Court. The decision of the court upheld the school board, and Bishop Lawlor was instrumental in having the case appealed to the Supreme Court, where the ruling of the lower tribunal has just been reversed. (Continued on Page Eight)

### Seneca Falls Parish To Have Fine New Church, Now Under Construction

Ground Is Broken For A Handsome Norman Gothic Edifice, Designed By The Rochester Architect, Joseph P. Flynn

Seneca Falls, July 11.—The energetic leadership of Rev. B. L. Quirk, rector of St. Patrick's Church in this village, has resulted in the erection of a fine new church. Ground was broken for the new edifice last Saturday, work is now in progress, and Father Quirk hopes to have the cornerstone laid the latter part of September by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester. Roda Hogan of Canandaigua has been awarded the contract for erecting the new church. The building was designed by Joseph P. Flynn, well-known Rochester architect. It will be of stone, of Norman Gothic architecture, 50x155 feet, with a tower 76 feet high. The tower will have castellated coping walls, surmounted by a large Celtic cross in stone. Similarly crosses will mark the roof apex of each transept. Exterior walls will be of Briar Hill Ashlar stone from Glenmont, Ohio. Trimming will be in Onondaga litholite. There will be three entrances to the church, the main entrance from West Bayard Street and wide doorways into each transept. The main doors will open into a vestibule 32 feet by 22 feet, paved with variegated slate, as will be the aisles. The entrance will be surmounted by a facade 74 feet high, and 30 feet above the ground will be placed a seven-foot statue of St. Patrick, and about it 10 emblems of the patron saint worked in Onondaga litholite. A new parochial residence of the same material and design as the church will be built after the church edifice is completed. The new church is being erected on the site of the present parochial residence, which is being moved to a new site, and will be fitted up as a social center for parish activities.

### Famous Poet-Priest



REV. ABRAM RYAN. Ninety years ago this week in Norfolk, Va., although some biographers place his birth in New York, he came into the world at Norfolk, Va., an infant destined to become a famous priest. Father Abram Ryan was a young priest when the Civil War started. He unhesitatingly cast his lot with the Confederates and wrote some of the most human poetry ever written in America. His "Conquered Banner" and "The Sword of Robert Lee" are classics. His memory is revered throughout Dixie. He is known as the "poet-priest of the South."

### Meet the Hierarchy



ST. REV. HENRY ALTHOFF. The Rt. Rev. Henry Althoff, D.D., Bishop of Belleville, Ill., will celebrate the 27th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on July 26. He has been Bishop of Belleville the past 15 years, and is a greatly beloved prelate.

### Presbyterians Ask Archbishop Diaz to Aid Seized Priests

Mexican Synod of Protestant Church Appeals to Catholic Primate To Help Rescue One of Their Ministers From Bandits

Mexico City, July 11.—The National Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Mexico has appealed to the Most Rev. Primate of Mexico, Cardinal Primate of Mexico, to aid in effecting the rescue of the Rev. Adolph Paul, pastor of a Presbyterian mission church at Zitacuaro, Michoacan, who was seized by bandits June 8th. The Rev. Mr. Paul disappeared while en route to Ajacocotepec, near Tuxpan. On June 15th a demand of 10,000 pesos was received by his wife from "General" Elias Verjara. Archbishop Diaz, it was announced, has arranged for an emissary to go from Zitacuaro to confer with the bandit leader. Military and civil authorities also are seeking the bandits. The War Department announced the capture and execution of Jose Padron, reputed leader of a bandit group which kidnaped and killed two Americans, Joseph M. Underwood and C. C. Althoff last February. The capture of the bandit, the report stated, took place at El Zaos, Guanajuato. A dispatch from Guadalajara said that 131 persons, most of them Catholic women, had arrived here on a special train from Matatlan, returning from the penal colony at Ixtlahuaca. All have been pardoned by the Government since the settlement of the religious controversy.

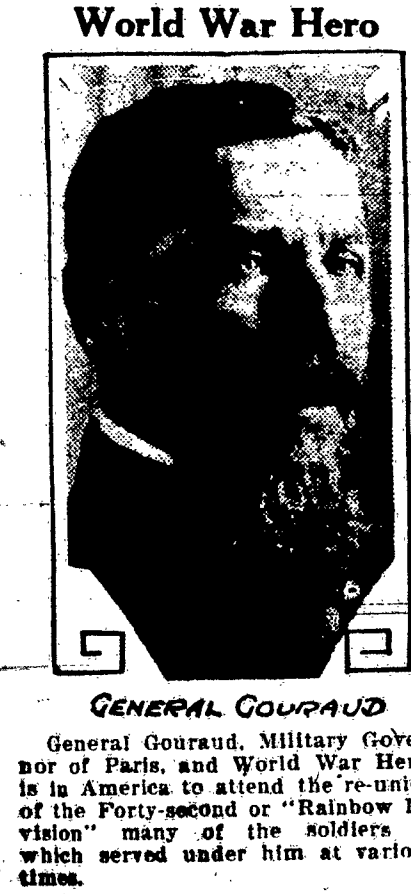
### Bill Would Provide Religious Training In Costa Rica Schools

San Jose, Costa Rica, July 11.—A bill providing for compulsory religious training in schools and abolishing a law which prohibits the entry of religious communities into the republic has been introduced in the Costa Rican Congress. Opposing the bill, President Chacón Viquez said he would veto it if it were passed.

### Convent of Mexican Nuns In Los Angeles Is Raided By Prohibition Officers

After Breaking In Door and Invading Dormitory of Nuns In Search For Liquor, But Not Finding It, They Offer Apology and Depart

Los Angeles, July 11.—A vigorous protest made to the District Attorney here by the Rt. Rev. John J. Cantwell, Bishop of Los Angeles and San Diego, has just brought to light a ruthless and unwarranted raid made by county prohibition officers on a convent in this city occupied by Mexican nuns whose Mother Superior is an American citizen. The convent raided by the officers stands at the side of the Church of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in Fisher Street here, of which the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Jose Gutierrez is pastor. Monsignor Gutierrez gives the details of



GENERAL GOURAUD. General Gouraud, Military Governor of Paris, and World War Hero, is in America to attend the reunion of the Forty-second or "Rainbow Division" many of the soldiers of which served under him at various times.

### World War Hero

On Thursday, the 13th of June, the astonishing incident as follows: at 3 o'clock in the morning, five police officers came to the house of the Sisters in the convent of this church. They entered the courtyard at the side of the house and, without calling at the door, they broke down the portal, smashing it into pieces, and entered the house, turning everything upside down. It was said they were in search of wine. They even entered the rooms where the Sisters were sleeping. Having found nothing, they went away refusing to give their names or to show any papers which would authorize them to compare the assault of which they had been guilty. "In the afternoon, they returned and found a carpenter setting up a new door in place of the one they had broken down. They told the carpenter that they were going to pay; that whatever the amount might be they would pay the price put upon it. They said to the Sisters: 'Excuse us for all that happened last night.' Then they went away."

### Bishop De La Mora Returns To Diocese

Mexico City, July 11.—The Rt. Rev. Miguel de la Mora, Bishop of San Luis Potosi, has returned here to resume direction of his diocese, according to advices received today. Bishop de la Mora went into hiding soon after the outbreak of religious persecution in 1928. He was constantly being sought by Federal troops.