

"In vain will you find nations 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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Heroic Priests Helped Authorities Quell Riot in Auburn Prison; Pastor of Geneseo Buried in His Church Cemetery on Monday

Auburn Priests Risked Their Lives During Prison Riot Sunday

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OTHER PRIESTS COUNSELED CONVICTS AND MINISTERED TO THE WOUNDED

Auburn, Aug. 2.—While prison guards, State trooper and State militiamen searched for stolen revolvers, rifles and machine guns among the 1,750 rioting convicts in Auburn Prison Sunday afternoon, with the smoke and flames of burning buildings lapping around them, the Rev. Frederick G. Straub, Ph. L., rector of St. Alphonsus' Church, and the Rev. John Bohmwetch, Ph. L., assistant rector of the same church, entered the prison yards, went among the convicts and pleaded with them in God's name to yield to authority, cease their rioting and return to their cells. They were accompanied by Dr. W. B. Wilson, who showed utter lack of fear in going among the men and caring for the injured.

Two men already had been killed, several wounded and more than half-million dollars worth of damage done by fire. Great buildings in the heart of the six-acre prison were in flames, and the temper of the desperate convicts, thwarted by armed guards in their efforts to bring about a wholesale escape, was at its worst. But the words and the presence of the priests—messengers of peace and of good will—had a quieting effect, and much good came of their willingness to face imminent death in efforts to stop the rioting and the shooting.

Father Straub and Bohmwetch were amongst the first to reach the prison from the outside when the rioting began. The wounded men, convicts and guards, had not yet been removed from the prison yards. Father Bohmwetch, seeing their desperate plight, ran to the prison gates. Rev. William Bergan of Rochester was there, hurrying to give what assistance he could. The two priests commanded an automobile, filled it with men who had

been shot in the riot, and pushed them to the Mercy Hospital.

Rev. Norman M. Margaret and Rev. Samuel Haughton, assistants at St. Mary's Church, were soon at the prison, and they gave spiritual consolation to other wounded men, and aided them in every possible way.

Later came the Rev. John B. Crowley, rector of St. Aloysius' Church, the Rev. B. L. Quirk of Seneca Falls, the Rev. John McGrath, rector of St. Mary's Church, and the Rev. Joseph E. Gault of Montezuma. All of these priests were admitted at various times by Warden Jennings to the prison yard, where they went among the prisoners, counseling them to remain quiet and to give up any arms they might possess.

Fathers Straub and Bohmwetch remained constantly at the prison from 3 to 10 P. M., and with the other priests were a power for good in helping restore the rioting prisoners to some semblance of order.

Father Straub, in addition to pleading with the prisoners, went among the rioting who were showing signs of strain and overwork in trying to overcome the flames of the buildings that had been set on fire by the convicts. He encouraged them in their work, and his words were real inspiration to them.

Knights of Columbus Active
Early in the plot the Knights of Columbus set on the job in a humane way. They rushed baskets of sandwiches and cans of ice water to the prison for the guards and firemen, and their efforts won great appreciation.

The Auburn Lodge of Elks did likewise, and many individuals near the prison performed myriad acts of charity.

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From the Far East



Time, place or circumstances mean little to people who have consecrated their lives to God. When the first boat came down from Fort Smith this summer it brought from the frozen ice fields of the far North Sister Boucier and two companions. Sister Boucier has made her home with the Eskimos and traders for 45 years. She has lived their life, shared their sorrows and sacrifices, as well as their joys, and she loves them. In the picture, from left to right, are Sister Boucier, and her companions, Sister St. Cyr and Sister Garceau, younger in years of service, but who also live and labor among the Eskimos.

8,757 People Return to Faith During Mission

Los Angeles, Aug. 2.—A total of 8,757 persons were brought back to the practice of their religion in the great London Mission that was held in the Diocese of Los Angeles and San Diego, complete reports from the 237 parishes reveal. During the retreat, sponsored by the Rt. Rev. John J. Cantwell, 786,510 communions were given.

In addition to the great number of persons who returned to the Faith, it was announced, 843 now are under instruction and are due to be received into the Church. A total of 2,800,000 Catholic pamphlets were distributed.

May Consolidate



Thousands of Sisters of Mercy have been voting on the proposition of consolidating under one head. At the present time the Sisters of Mercy in each Diocese conduct their own organization, subject to the Bishop of the Diocese, and they have no central head. The various groups of these Sisters throughout the country have been asked to vote on the proposition of consolidating, and of having a central Mother House to direct and supervise all their activities. Many of the Sisters have voted against the proposition, and many others for it.

Dohenys Give \$30,000 To Religious Education

Los Angeles, Aug. 2.—A gift of \$30,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Doheny to the University of California at Los Angeles, has been announced here. The gift will enable the conference to close an optional held on a site for a \$150,000 building.

Meet the HIERARCHY



The Rt. Rev. Francis W. Howard, Bishop of Covington, Ky., was recently chosen head of the National Catholic Educational Association, of which society he had been secretary for 26 years. He is greatly interested in educational work, as well as in the affairs of his Diocese.

Friendly Religious Relations in Free State Shown Anew

Dublin, Aug. 2.—The Rock of Cashel Celebrations Committee following the celebration of Mass on the Rock before a congregation estimated at from twenty to thirty thousand, has issued a statement to the press in which the following occurs:

"To our good Protestant fellow-countrymen, men and women, titled and untitled, who by their presence showed their sympathy with freedom and fair play, we think a special need of praise is due."

The statement, a grateful acknowledgment of the help received by the committee from various sources is signed by Monsignor Innocent Ryan, dean of the Diocese of Cashel, and by the secretaries to the committee.

Many preachers of the Church of Ireland, including Archbishop Greig of Dublin, have expressed their gratification at the complete abolition of religious inequality in the Free State, while a committee of the Methodist Church of Ireland has been appointed to consider the best way of giving official Methodist recognition to the Catholic celebrations of Emancipation.

Father Walsh Is In Europe

Washington, Aug. 2.—The Rev. Dr. Edmund A. Walsh, S.J., Vice-President of the Georgetown University here and President of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, is in Europe.

Social Leader, A Noted Convert, Dies in New York

New York, Aug. 2.—Mrs. Rosalie DeWolfe Anthony Post, widow of William Post and a sister of the late Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, died last Monday at her home, 777 Madison Avenue. She had been in failing health for several months. Mrs. Post's former home at 14 East Sixty-seventh Street was the scene of many brilliant social gatherings. She had also been interested in philanthropic activities.

In 1912 Mrs. Post renounced her former creed, Episcopalianism, and embraced the Catholic faith. Mrs. Henry Taft, a sister-in-law of Chief Justice William Howard Taft, then President of the United States, had become a Catholic a few weeks earlier.

Their conversion was said to have been effected by the Rev. Bernard Vaughan of London, an English Jesuit who had preached in this country a series of sermons attacking the attitude of society toward the sanctity and duties of marriage, and had pleaded for more pious lives among the wealthy. After a period of instruction in the tenets of the Catholic Church, Mrs. Post was received into the Church at the rectory of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, Eighty-fourth Street and Park Avenue.

Mrs. Post is survived by a son, William Post of Tuxedo Park, N. Y.



REV. DANIEL E. HUDSON, C.S.C.

The dean of Catholic editors, friend of Longfellow, and director of the "Ave Maria" magazine for more than half a century, the Rev. Daniel E. Hudson, C.S.C., has just retired. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Eugene Burkes, C.S.C.

Priest Made Chippewas Chief
St. Columbanus, Neb., Aug. 2.—Requiem High Mass was celebrated at St. Columban's Mission House, Thursday, for the repose of the soul of the Rev. Timothy Leonard, missionary who was murdered by bandits, July 14th, in the district of Kien Chang in the southern part of Kiangsi Province, China.

All Geneseo United In Paying Tribute To Rev. J. Edw. B.

Business Places Were Closed, Church Bells and Nominations Were Toned, and Citizens In Attendance at the Funeral Services in St. Mary's Church—Many Priests Were Present

ELOQUENT TRIBUTE PAID TO HIS LIFE BY BISHOP O'HERN IN ROCHESTER

All Geneseo people united in paying sincere tribute to the Rev. J. Edward Bayer, Ph.D., S.T.B., rector of St. Mary's Church in that village, whose funeral was held Monday morning in the church he had loved and had beautified in preparation for the celebration of his diamond jubilee. Father Bayer, stricken with a heart attack while fishing in a boat in Canandaigua Lake on Wednesday evening, July 24th, fell from the boat into the lake and was dead when taken from the water a few minutes later.

The body of Father Bayer lay in state in St. Mary's Church, Geneseo, from Sunday afternoon until the hour of the funeral Monday morning. The office of the dead was chanted by priests of the Diocese at 8 o'clock Sunday evening, and at 10 o'clock Monday morning a pontifical Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester.

The church was filled to overflowing long before the hour of the Mass. People of all religious beliefs and from all walks of life, came mourning sincerely the death of their pastor, their neighbor and their friend.

Officers of the Mass as celebrated with Bishop O'Hern as celebrant, the officers of the Mass were: Assistant priest, the Rev. William M. Hart, V.G.; deacon of honor, Rev. J. Schellhorn and Rev. Leo Kofschneider; deacon of the Mass, Rev. James Kennedy; subdeacon, Rev. William Rafferty; acolytes, Rev.

Bless Thousand Babies At Novena to St. Anne 50,000 in Procession

Greatest Outdoor Religious Spectacle Ever Held in California Drew 100,000 Pilgrims to the Shrine of St. Anne

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—One thousand babies in the arms of their mothers were carried to the shrine of St. Anne in the Sunset in the Church of that name Tuesday, and in the time-honored ceremonial blessed by the priests and dedicated to St. Anne the mother of Mary, the Mother of God.

The ceremony was one of the closing features of the novena to St. Anne, which commenced last Thursday and which drew 100,000 pilgrims from the archdiocese and all parts of California.

Every section from Siskiyou on the north to San Diego, 300 miles to the south, was represented in the massed 50,000 mothers who participated in the Eucharistic procession Sunday incident to the novena.

This novena, with the procession of the Blessed Sacrament, is the great annual outdoor religious event of California. It has grown constantly, but Sunday's outpouring eclipsed any demonstration given in past years.

Street car and vehicular traffic was suspended in the Sunset district during the ceremonies. The procession included a mounted police escort.

Noted Chicago Priest Made Chippewas Chief

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 2.—The Rev. Francis C. Young, pastor of the Church of the Holy Ghost here and author of "Our Nation's Prayer," was made an honorary chief of the Chippewa Indians, Friday, at Okauchee Lake, near Rosary, Wis. Chief Peter Wolf officiated at the ceremony, which took place at high noon, and Father Young accepted the name "Sikaping" (Sikaping, "Robed," or Naga mo lahi) which means "I am a priest."

Emmons De Valera, the Irish leader in the only other nation to give this honor to a priest, was also present.

New York Priest, Once Noted Athlete, Departs For Parish Nearest Pole

Father Thomas Griffin, O. M. T., Volunteers For Service In Northwest Territory—Will Travel By Dog-Sled and Airplane

New York, Aug. 2.—The first American volunteer to go to the North Pole diocese has just left for his far-away post. He is the Rev. Thomas Griffin, O. M. T., born in New York and educated in the New York archdiocesan school system.

Father Griffin—of "Father Tom," as he is called by those who know him as an outstanding athlete in his school days—was born in East 65th Street and was baptized in the Dominican Church of St. Vincent Ferrer here. After completing his elementary school studies, he went to St. Anthony's Apostolic School, San Antonio, Texas, conducted by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. As a student, apart from making his mark at studies, he became one of the best football, baseball and basketball player in the Southwest. Just as Notre Dame had its "Four Horsemen," so St. Anthony's had its "Four Magicians," and Thomas Griffin was the star of this combination.

Father Tom has just left New York. He went to Edmonton, Canada, then by train to Fort McMurray, and thence to Fort Smith, where he will meet Bishop Breynt, O.M.T., who lately flew over part of his diocese by airplane.

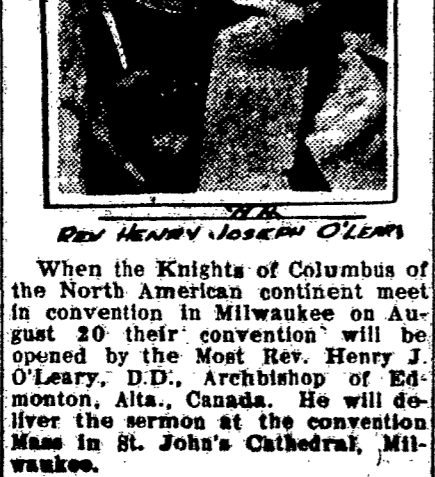
He will be in the Northwest Territory, the diocese of which goes to the North Pole. The train which Father Tom takes leaves weekly from Edmonton to Fort McMurray; the rest of the way he will travel by airplane and dog sled. If the river happens to be open when he arrives in the far north, he will use a boat—otherwise that lengthy northern journey will be made by dog sled.

Father Tom's parish will be the nearest to the North Pole. In it live many Eskimos—who, by the way, scorn that Indian-given name, which means raw meat eaters. They call themselves "Innu" (the men), since they consider all other peoples a little below them. They inhabit the northernmost parts of the continent, between Greenland and Alaska, but only where there is no for-

est. It is their superstitious belief that among the trees lies danger for them.

Father Tom will study the habits, language, etc., of these Eskimos while he is devoting his life to their spiritual care. His first mail, which will probably arrive for Christmas, will come through Bishop Breynt at Fort Smith, Northwest Territory, Canada.

To Open Convention



REV. HENRY JOSEPH O'LEARY

When the Knights of Columbus of the North American continent meet in convention in Milwaukee on August 20 their convention will be opened by the Most Rev. Henry J. O'Leary, D.D., Archbishop of Edmonton, Alta., Canada. He will deliver the sermon at the convention Mass in St. John's Cathedral, Milwaukee.