"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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# Opportunity Offered to All to Help Rochester's Two Seminaries; Friends of Auburn Pastor Will Honor Him in Fitting Way Su

## Seminary Collection Will Be Taken Up In Churches Sunday

The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, Makes His First Appeal to People of Diocese For St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's—Bishop Pays Tribute to Founders of Seminaries.

ACTUAL NEED OF TWO INSTITUTIONS AMOUNT TO APPROXIMATELY $60,000

The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, has designated the last Sunday of September as "Seminary Sunday"—the day on which collections will be taken up in all churches in the Diocese for the upkeep and maintenance of St. Andrew's Preparatory Seminary and St. Bernard's Seminary.

On next Sunday, September 29, therefore, this collection will be taken up in the churches. Envelopes were distributed in all churches at the Masses last Sunday, and the second part of a pastoral letter by Bishop O'Hern was read to the people. In this letter Bishop O'Hern outlines the work of St. Bernard's Seminary, explains that the actual needs of the two seminaries amount to $60,000, and expresses the hope that this sum will be obtained by the collections.

This is Bishop O'Hern's first appeal to the people of the Rochester Diocese for these seminaries. It is a straightforward and impressive appeal, and it is hoped that the people of the Diocese will meet it with a generosity that will surpass, if possible, the hopes of the Bishop.

The first part of Bishop O'Hern's pastoral letter was read on Sunday, Sept. 15, covering the work and the needs of St. Andrew's Seminary. The second part of the letter, covering the work and the needs of St. Bernard's Seminary, was read last Sunday. This part is as follows:

**St. Bernard's Seminary**

"St. Bernard's Theological Seminary, now known internationally, has been in existence for more than 35 years, and during that time hundreds of priests have been ordained from this institution who are now laboring in various diocese of the country. The registration last year was almost 260 students, 75 of whom belong to the Diocese of Rochester. This registration has never been surpassed in the history of St. Bernard's, and equalled only once in the past.

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## Americans Restore French Church

Many boys from Rochester and vicinity remember the terrible Belleau Woods in France. Bloody fighting took place there. The great guns mowed everything down, including the ancient Gothic Catholic Church near the woods. The Yankee Division which fought there, raised almost $75,000 to restore the church for the people of Belleau. The church is completed now, and will be dedicated on October 16. It will stand for long years a memorial to brave Americans who fought and died there in the great World War.

## 40th Anniversary Of Rev. J. J. McGra Will Be Celebr

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Auburn, Sept. 27.—The 40th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. John J. McGrath, rector of St. Mary's Church in this city, will be celebrated in a solemn and impressive manner next Sunday, September 29th.

The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, will honor Father McGrath and the people of his parish by pontificating at the 10:30 o'clock Mass in St. Mary's Church. The Rt. Rev. William M. Hart, Vicar General of the Diocese, and other officials of the Diocese, and clergy from far and near, will also be present. A great congregation of friends and parishioners of Father McGrath will fill the church far beyond its seating capacity, and the jubilee will be of city-wide importance and interest, because of the great love and esteem in which Father McGrath is held by all people of Auburn, as well as by many friends in other places.

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Father McGrath [illegible] the priesthood on [illegible] 1889, by the Rt. [illegible] Quinlan, D.D., [illegible] Rochester. [illegible] intervening [illegible] in spite work [illegible] to Almighty [illegible] His Church. [illegible] congratulations [illegible] happiness and [illegible] people. [illegible] zeal and [illegible] tion to his duty, [illegible] interest in all [illegible] him a greatly [illegible] this city. All [illegible] religious [illegible] congratulating him [illegible] and in wishing him [illegible] of health, [illegible] complishments [illegible]

## Blessing of the Graves, An Impressive Ceremony, Attended by 20,000 People

Bishop O'Hern Officiates in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Sunday—Seminary Choirs Sing, and Bishop O'Hern Speaks to Great Audience

The solemn and impressive service of the Blessing of the Graves was conducted in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Sunday, with the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, officiating. Bishop O'Hern was assisted by a number of priests. several hundred seminarians from St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries took part in the service, the seminary choirs sang, and fully 20,000 people were in attendance. The day, ideally beautiful, was perfect for an outdoor service of this kind, and it made a lasting impression upon all who attended.

The ceremony opened with a procession of seminarians and priests from St. Bernard's Seminary escorting Bishop O'Hern to the cemetery. The Litany of the Dead was chanted at the seminary chapel. The procession of seminarians, priests and Bishop then moved through the cemetery, the Bishop blessing the graves as he passed from plot to plot, grave to grave, in the solemn city of the dead. The seminary choirs then chanted the "De Profundis" and the "Miserere". Bishop O'Hern gave a talk that was most appropriate to the occasion. He said in part:

"We are assembled here today in this consecrated city of the holy dead in response to the teachings of our holy faith through the Communion of Saints, in which we are taught by Mother Church to pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

**70,000 Beloved Dead**

"Around us here lie the last mortal remains of over 70,000 persons who have been summoned by the Angel of Death from this mortal life and are now numbered among the faithful departed, our beloved dead.

"Close to this chapel lies the body of the first bishop of Rochester, many priests of the diocese, members of the various sitershoods, and then all over "God's Acre" the white tombstone markers tell us of thousands of men, women and children who go to make up the population of this city of the dead.

"They are all dead, but yet they live, because their immortal souls are now with God in the great world of eternity beyond. They are with God, and yet they are also here with us because their mortal remains have been carefully laid away in mother earth, there to slumber till the Resurrection Day.

**Symbolized Great Mystery**

"The word 'cemetery' itself means 'to sleep,' a 'sleeping place,' and thus it symbolizes the great mystery of the Ressurrection which is in store for all the children of men. The practise of separate interments for Christians began early in Rome, as also in other places where

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## Meet the HIERARCHY

ARCHBISHOP HOWARD

The Archdiocese of Portland, Oregon, is presided over by Archbishop Edward D. Howard. Oregon, it will be recalled, tried to legislate the parochial schools out of existence a few years ago. There are 45,000 Catholics in the Archdiocese; more than 10,000 pupils in Catholic schools; 145 churches, and many other evidences of virile Catholicity.

## Mission Mite Boxes Placed In Schools

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 27.—Mite boxes in which school children will be asked to contribute a minimum of a penny a week are to be placed in the rooms of the parish schools of the Cleveland diocese, Bishop Joseph Schrembs announces. The placing of boxes in schools is for the purpose of creating an interest in mission work among children, the Bishop said.

It is in line with the direction of the Pope in seeking to enlarge the activities and effectiveness of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

## 700 Religious Schools Taught Fifty Thousand Children During Vacation

The Schools Were Conducted in More Than Seventy Dioceses and Reached Peak of Success This Summer

Washington, Sept. 27.—The highest point of success thus far in the religious vacation schools movement was reached during the past Summer, when approximately 700 schools were held in more than 70 dioceses, according to an announcement by the Rev. Edwin V. O'Hara, director of the Rural Life Bureau of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

That a total of approximately 50,000 children were in attendance for one month during the Summer is indicated by complete reports from 35 of the dioceses showing an attendance of 30,000 and partial reports from 25 other dioceses placing the attendance at 15,000.

Father O'Hara said that there is every prospect that the hope of the Bureau for 1,000 schools in 100 diocese next Summer will be fulfilled.

**Los Angeles Diocese Leads**

The schools were held in a great variety of conditions and without exception were successful beyond expectations, Father O'Hara said. Most schools, the largest number reported, were held in the Diocese of Los Angeles-San Diego. The Archdiocese of Dubuque was second with a total of 75 schools, organized by the Rev. Dr. J. M. Wolfe, diocesan superintendent of schools. Those in the Los Angeles diocese were organized by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, directed by the Rev. Leroy Callahan, under the patronage of Bishop Cantwell. In the Dubuque Archdiocese the schools were conducted by 125 sisters of 10 different religious communities, supplemented by 25 lay teachers.

A contribution of $5,000 from the Board of Home Missions enabled the Rural Life Bureau to organize schools in practically every diocese in the southern and western missionary districts, in which 5,800 children were enrolled to receive instruction under 300 teachers.

**For Public School Children**

Another development that holds great promise for the future, Father O'Hara said, is the opening of schools in the cities for Catholic children who are attending the public schools. Among the larger cities in which schools were held are Sacramento, San Francisco, and Fresno; in St. Agnes parish, Omaha; St. Elizabeth parish, Chicago, and the Sacred Heart parish, of which Father Coakley is pastor, in Pittsburgh. In a number of these more than 300 children attended.

In addition to religious instruction the children are taught health subjects and many of the schools have recreational and social features. One of the sessions at the meeting of the Rural Life Bureau at Des Moines, Ia., on October 16th and 17th, will be devoted to a discussion of plans for the expansion of the movement, Father O'Hara said.

## Knighted

WM. F. MONTAVON

William F. Montavon, director of the legal department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, has been made a Knight of St. Gregory for his activity in the Church's negotiations in the recent settlement of the Mexican religious difficulties.

## Catholic Institutions Share Many Bequests

Macon, Ga., Sept. 27.—Several bequests to Catholic institutions are provided in the will of Miss Amelia Horn, member of the publicity committee of the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia. They include: St. Joseph's parochial school, Macon, $10,000; the Diocese of Savannah, for the education of young men for the priesthood, $3,000; St. Mary's Orphanage for Boys, Washington, Ga., $1,000; St. Mary's Orphanage, Savannah, $1,000; the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia, $1,000; Columbian Building Association, Macon, $1,000 and St. Anne's Society, Macon, $250.

## Mother Superior Saves Chauffeur As Car Kills Nun

London, Sept. 27.—While carrying a basket of freshly-gathered mulberries from a tree in the garden of Blessed Thomas More's house at Chelsea, Sister Helen (Marie Anne Lieber), aged 68 years, was knocked down by an auto truck and killed.

The first thought of the community, which is an enclosed one engaged in perpetual adoration—Sister Helen being an extern nun—was for the driver of the truck.

The Mother Superior wrote two letters, one to the police surgeon, and the other to the coroner. To the police surgeon she said, writing on behalf of the driver, "Almighty God alone knows all."

In the letter to the coroner the Mother Superior wrote:

"I wish to ask you on behalf of all my Sisters and myself to save the poor chauffeur, who may, or who may not, have been the cause of her death, from all punishment.

"The fault may have most likely been with Sister Helen. She may have risked crossing when the lorry was too near, or she may not have heard it, being deaf in one ear.

"In any case, if it was the poor man's fault, we pardon him from the bottom of our hearts, and we feel sure our dear Sister is praying for him from her heavenly abode. Do, please, take our petition into consideration.

"We could not bear to think he might be punished on our account. We would feel the blow more than the death of our dear Sister, whom we know is at rest. We pray to Almighty God that the poor man may soon be free from further anxiety. I understand he has a family."

The coroner described the letters as "very beautiful" and the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

## Navy's Medical Head To Be On Catholic Advisory Board

New York, Sept. 27.—Announcement has been made from the general headquarters of the Catholic Medical Mission Board, New York City, that Dr. C. E. Riggs, Surgeon-General of the U. S. Navy, has kindly consented to act as a member of the Medical Advisory Board now being organized. The work of this board will have to do with medical and surgical questions and the board will resort to the advice of these medical experts as occasion arises.

The very extensive experience acquired by the Medical Department of the U. S. Navy, especially in the matter of tropical diseases, will make the co-operation of Dr. Riggs doubly valuable and the other members of the Board will be of a similar standing and eminence.

## Fifty Years in P Cardinal of F Beloved by All

Cardinal Dubois Was Great Factor in Bringing Reconciliation of Church and State—Was Champion of Republican Governm

Paris, Sept. 27.—Louis Ernest Cardinal Dubois, Archbishop of Paris since 1920, friend of America, stalwart champion of the Republican form of Government in France, great churchman, and an outstanding figure in the bringing about of a reconciliation between the Church and the State in France, died on Monday this week at the Hospital of the Brothers of St. Jean de Dieu, Paris, aged 73 years. He underwent a serious operation two days before his death. He received the last Sacraments of the Church on Saturday, the fiftieth anniversary to a day of his first Mass.

Cardinal Dubois, who was exceedingly popular, had diplomatically paved the way in the last few years for the resumption of relations between Church and State. A symbol of this was his revival in 1927 of the special Mass on the eve of the opening of the Parliamentary session.

Last year the Cardinal took a determined stand against l'Action Francaise, the Royalist party newspaper. Complaint was made that the journal was sowing seeds of pernicious views whereby the Catholic Church would be made an instrument of politics rather than of Christian faith. The Cardinal received extraordinary [illegible] congratulations [illegible] courageous stand in [illegible] delicate affair.

Champion of Church and [illegible]

"It has been well said [illegible] dinal Dubois in Nov[illegible] "'After the religious, the' [illegible] Although he used [illegible] the sense that to oppose [illegible] to oppose the State, the [illegible] might also stand as an [illegible] his own policy and hold [illegible] in the nine years after [illegible] 1920, when he succeeded [illegible] Amette as Archbishop of [illegible]

For it was always his [illegible] advance the power of [illegible] with the interest of [illegible] found in a legitimate and [illegible] co-operation of both the [illegible] groundwork for the advan[illegible] both. In nearly all [illegible] messages to America and [illegible] every one of the [illegible] views he gave here [illegible] tendance at the Eucharistic [illegible] in Chicago in 1926, [illegible] of nationalism, some [illegible] further [illegible]

"A great work [illegible] and the State," he [illegible] souls, consistent, [illegible] have no more [illegible] individualism, [illegible] not betray civic duty."

Friend of C[illegible]

A friend of Ch[illegible] but a foe of C[illegible] keenly interested [illegible] churches is [illegible]

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## Aunt Martina

MARTINA IRVING

For 54 years "Aunt Martina" Irving of Washington has been a member of St. Augustine's (colored) Church choir in Washington, D. C. Thirty years she was soprano soloist at the church. Despite her years she still takes her regular place every Sunday in the choir loft.

## Mission Vocations Being [illegible]

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According to [illegible] F. McGarrity [illegible] the Junior [illegible] seminary [illegible] year, just [illegible] start of the [illegible]