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—Pope Benedict XV.

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## Russia's Determination to Destroy Religion is Taking Terrible Form; Titular Church of New York Cardinal Presented Splendid Gifts

### Devilish Outrages Of Bolshevists In Soviet Armenia

Churches Desecrated and Reduced to Ruins, Priests Whipped, Their Houses Broken Into and Papers Taken—Monsignor Buried Alive in Effort To Make Him Apostatize

#### AUTHORITIES TORTURE CHRISTIANS AND MAKE MOCKERY OF RELIGION

(By N. C. W. C. News Bureau) Dresden, Nov. 29.—Bolshevism's outrageous persecution of religion already has been reported from many sections of Russia, but information which has just come to hand from an absolutely authentic source shows clearly that the desperate measures being taken against all Christian Churches in Soviet Armenia equal, if they do not surpass in cruelty the outrages elsewhere.

In Soviet Armenia churches have been desecrated; priests have been whipped, publicly humiliated and reviled, and in at least one case buried alive. The residences of Apostolic Administrators have been broken into and their papers confiscated, translated and published in an effort to embarrass priests. Mock processions have been staged with hoodlums dressed as Jesuits and Dominicans, and others wearing sacred church vestments. Extreme measures have been resorted to to break down the children's faith in Christ and to build up a reverence for Lenin.

My information has come from a distinguished Armenian, a dealer in precious stones, a man of culture, whose word is absolutely dependable. Conditions in the Soviet States, which threaten not only my informant but also the members of his family with dire and barbarous punishment if his name became known, compel me to keep his identity a secret. I have been able, however, to corroborate the entire truth of his statements with the aid of documents.

Churches Reduced to Ruins  
The Orthodox Armenian and the Georgian Churches are today heaps of ruins. All the once beautiful domed churches erected for soldiers

In the gardens of various garrison towns have been transformed into clubs and places of amusement. The crosses fixed in the domes have been replaced by stars and these are illuminated at night, but the triumph of impiety be forgotten even then. Inside the churches, the heads, hands and feet of saints in mural paintings, which in many cases, were very valuable, have been cut off and obscene illustrations and inscriptions put on.

In 1928, Bishop Bagarad and some priests of the Orthodox Armenian Church, suddenly disappeared from Tills and nobody knew their fate, until, at last, it became known that these unfortunate men had been deported to Siberia. In Achalzieh, the Communist ruler expelled nearly all the priests and turned over three Orthodox churches to the Comsomoles (members of the Organization of Communist Young Men) as club houses. Even heavier than the hand of the secret police is the disaster that threatens the Christian people of that area, as a result of their ritual and demoralizing treatment of these young Comsomoles.

Priest Treated as "Mock" Christ  
"In Karahagh, Comsomoles overtook the village priest, dressed him as a mock Christ, dragged him into the street, and there belabored and derided him. They then stripped him of all his clothing, placed him, facing backwards, on a donkey and drove him through the streets, crying: 'Look here and listen. This is the way demagogues are treated.' Not all of the Orthodox and Georgian church priests withstood these persecutions. Many deserted their

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### 500 CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ORGANIZE ROCHESTER COURT WITH IMPRESSIVE RITUAL

State and National Officers Attend Institution, and Bishop O'Hern is Guest of Honor at Dinner in Columbus Building—Miss Harmon of Auburn District Deputy

Five hundred Catholic Daughters of America attended the institution of the Rochester Court of the Order in the Columbus Building on Sunday afternoon. The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, was a guest of honor at a dinner following the institution of the court. Miss Mary C. Duffy, Supreme Regent of the Order, of Newark, N. J.; Miss Katherine Rosney of New York City, Supreme Secretary, and Miss Margaret Tynon of Poughkeepsie, State Regent, were among the distinguished visitors present.

Members of the order were present from courts in the Rochester, Niagara Falls and Buffalo districts. Delegations were in attendance from Buffalo, Batavia, Newark, Lyons, Geneva, Seneca, Falls, Waterloo, Birmingham, Ithaca, Corning, Elmira, Hornell, Canandaigua, Tonawanda, Lockport, Brockport and Dunkirk.

The degree work was exemplified by the team from Court Canandaigua in a splendid manner. The members of the team brought out the full beauty and appeal of the ritual in a way that impressed the large class of candidates and the visiting members. Many of those present pronounced it the best degree work they had seen in a long time. Singing by a choir composed of members of the choir of more than 15 courts of the order was an impressive feature.

Following the institution of the court, dinner was served in the ball room of the Columbus Building. Bishop O'Hern welcomed the delegates and visitors in behalf of the Diocese of Rochester, and did it graciously and delightfully. He praised the order, its aims, ideals and accomplishments, and wished it great success not only in the city and Diocese, but throughout the entire country. Miss Mary C. Duffy, supreme regent, gave a talk on the aims, purposes, growth and achievements of the organization. Miss Katherine Rosney of New York, supreme secretary, Miss Margaret Tynon of Poughkeepsie, New York, State regent, and other members gave excellent talks. A splendid dinner was served by Caterer Lang of the Columbus dining rooms.

### Sister's Sacrifice Wins Generous Gift For Nuns

London, Nov. 29.—Touched by the newspaper accounts of the bravery of Sister Celestina of Hayling Island, who, as widely reported, re-entered a burning convent after its child-inmates had been rescued in an effort to save the Blessed Sacrament, Mrs. A. Weguelin has given a magnificent house and 42 acres of land to the nuns.

The house, at Mervel Hill, Surrey, has been blessed and opened by Bishop Amigo, of Southwark. In the future it will be known as Mount Olivet, and it will be used as a convalescent home for delicate boys from the Hayling Island convent. It will accommodate about 50 boys.

### Mexican Bishops Named By Pope

Rome, Nov. 29.—Announcement of the appointment of the Most Rev. Jose Guadalupe Ortiz y Lopez as Archbishop of Monterey, Mexico, has been made by Pope Pius XI. Archbishop Ortiz has been titular Bishop of Aucea in charge of the See of Chalapa, Guerrero.

The Rt. Rev. Jose de Jesus Lopez was announced as the new Bishop of Aguascalientes, Mexico, at the same time.

### The Gospel for Sunday Illustrated



The first Sunday of Advent is the first Sunday of the ecclesiastical or Church new year. The gospel for the day, as is every gospel read during the year, was written by one of the four evangelists—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. They are pictured here with the Risen Christ.



Today's gospel, like most read at Mass, is an evangelist's version of what Christ said to His disciples. In this illustration the poor fishermen who later to carry Christianity to all the known world are shown intently listening to what the Master says.

### MALDEN CEMETERY CLOSED TO PILGRIMS BY ORDER OF THE CARDINAL OF BOSTON

It Is Estimated More Than Two Million People Have Visited Grave of Father Patrick Power—Miraculous Cures To Be Investigated.

Malden, Mass., Nov. 29.—Holy Cross Cemetery here, resting place of Father Patrick Power, at whose grave several miraculous cures are reported to have occurred, has been closed to pilgrims by order of Cardinal O'Connell of Boston. The cemetery will be open, until further notice, only to people who have relatives buried there, and for funerals. During the past month an estimated 2,000,000 people have visited the

grave of the long-dead priest, in the hope of finding cures for their various ailments. Many cures have been claimed. Before the Cardinal's announcement was made cemetery officials had planned to close the gates for all but three hours daily, and also had announced their intention of restricting visitors on four days a week to invalids and cripples.

The Closing Order  
The order closing the cemetery reads: "By request of Cardinal O'Connell we are asked to publicly broadcast the following information: The grave of the long-dead priest, in the hope of finding cures for their various ailments. Many cures have been claimed. Before the Cardinal's announcement was made cemetery officials had planned to close the gates for all but three hours daily, and also had announced their intention of restricting visitors on four days a week to invalids and cripples.

Among those who prayed at the grave Sunday was a girl from Sacramento, Calif., a woman who brought her little boy from Pennsylvania, a woman from Montreal. Eleven buses, containing 32 persons, arrived on an excursion from Springfield. All of the New England states and many outside of New England, were represented in the number plates of cars parked outside the grounds.

People of All Faiths  
Among the supplicants at the priest's grave have been Protestant, Catholic and Jew—Chinese, Gypsies and people of a dozen other nations have entered the little cemetery, to pray at the grave of the obscure priest who died more than half a century ago.

Perhaps the most remarkable thing developed in the pilgrimages, in the opinion of reporters who have been watching them, is the universal manifestation of faith. Nearly every person who kneels at the grave to ask Divine aid in ridding himself of their condition bettered. Many instances have been reported of cures.

### Chinese Seminary Built With Funds Of U. S. Women

Peking, China, Nov. 29.—The seminary of the first religious congregation of men to be founded by Chinese, the Congregation of the Disciples of the Lord, with center at Suahwafu, has been erected through the generosity of the Missionary Association of Catholic Women, with headquarters at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The seminary, now complete, was recently visited by His Excellency Archbishop Celso Costantini, Apostolic Delegate to China. The Congregation of the Disciples of the Lord was founded with the encouragement of the Apostolic Delegate by the late Bishop Chao of Suahwafu. The direction is confided to a group of Spanish Religious Sisters under the Superior Father Rodriguez, who will remain until the new community reaches a stage of autonomy.

### Cardinal Hayes Gave Two Splendid Organs To Church in Rome

Parishioners of Church Donate Many Precious Jewels to Make Crown for Statue of Our Lady of Sorrows, Placed by Cardinal on the Statue—Pope Pius Pleased with Church in America

#### CARDINAL TELLS OF GREAT GROWTH OF THE CHURCH IN THE METROPOLIS

By Msgr. Enrico Pucci (Rome Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Rome, Nov. 18.—The crown which His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York, placed on the statue of Our Lady of Sorrows in his titular church of Santa Maria in Via, in this city, was the result of many gifts of the people, from the humblest to the most eminent.

The idea of the gift originated with the people of the parish themselves in the last month of May. They planned then to give the Blessed Virgin a new crown, but they did not intend that it should be anything out of the ordinary. The parish priest suggested that the faithful bring objects of gold and jewels with which to make the crown and the people responded with such a generous flood of precious gifts that it became apparent that if all of them were to be used, the crown would have to be truly artistic and of great value. It was decided then to defer the coronation, and the

the crown was entrusted to the Roman Factory of Sacred Gold Objects of Engineer Arnold Brandolini, which is widely known for its beautiful productions.

Many Jewels in Crown  
The crown which was made from the gifts was executed in the Renaissance style of pure gold studded with gems. Among the jewels in the crown are 18 amethysts, 12 garnets, two topazes, three sapphires, two rubies, one large diamond, three bezels of rings with diamonds and sapphires and other carrying drops with garnets and pearls.

In the midst of all these gifts standing out just above the forehead of the Blessed Virgin, is a superb amethyst of large dimensions, from the ring of His Eminence, the Cardinal Archbishop of New York. Cardinal Hayes gave one of his personal rings so that this jewel might be inserted in the crown.

The Cardinal, who is so pleased with the church in America, told the parishioners that the church in America is growing rapidly. He said that the church in America is growing rapidly and that the church in America is growing rapidly.

### NEW ENTRANTS JOIN CLUB AND COMMENCE ACTIVITY TO WIN SOME OF BIG PRIZES

Double Vote Credits Given Until December 5th Attract Men and Women Who Desire to Help This Paper and Win Share of \$10,000 Prize Awards

By K. M. MacMAHON (Manager Subscription Club Campaign)

The Double Vote Extra Cash Offer, holding the attention of all members of the Catholic Courier and Journal Subscription Campaign, will come to a close next Thursday night, December 5, at 10 o'clock.

Every subscription turned in before 10 o'clock on the night of December 5, will carry Double Votes, and count toward the \$200 cash prize, which is to be given as an extra award to the man or woman turning in the largest total of Votes between November 15th and December 5th, inclusive.

While the main campaign will not end until December 21, all members realize the importance of rounding up and turning in every available subscription before the end of the Double Vote Offer. They fully understand that each subscription will take a decided drop in Vote-value after 10 P. M. Dec. 5. There is a ripple of excitement throughout the campaign territory, as the members wage a spirited drive for subscription Votes.

The main goal ahead in the campaign is, of course, the \$2,000 cash prize to be given to the man or woman turning in the largest total of Votes in the entire campaign. The member finishing in second place at the close of the drive will receive the new \$1645, Marmion 8 Sedan. Third highest will be the fortunate winner of the \$1180, Dodge 6 Sedan. The person finishing in fourth place will receive the \$975, Oldsmobile Sedan. Fifth highest will receive the \$675, Chevrolet Sedan, and the sixth highest member will be given \$200 in cash. After the winners of the six grand awards have been eliminated, the six members in their respective districts, with the highest remaining total in each district will each be given \$100 in cash. All other active members will be paid a cash commission of 15 per cent. The prize cars were purchased



REV. PATRICK POWER

### Meet the Hierarchy



The Rt. Rev. Patrick Barry, D.D.

The Diocese of St. Augustine, Fla., is presided over by the Rt. Rev. Patrick Barry, D.D. It has 46,959 square miles of territory; 93 priests, 94 churches, 150 stations, 20 parochial schools, two colleges for boys, 4,700 pupils in Catholic schools, two hospitals, two orphan asylums, and a Catholic population of approximately 52,000.

### Catholic Club Christmas Sale Opens Dec. 4th

The Annual Christmas Sale, luncheon, tea and supper of the Catholic Women's Club will be held at the new Club House, 215 Alexander Street, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, of next week, from 11 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Luncheon will be served from 11:30 to 2:30, supper from 5:30 to 7, and tea throughout the afternoon. On Wednesday, lamb chops and peas will be served; on Thursday, a sauerkraut luncheon, and on Friday, a luncheon suitable for the day. Members of St. Mary's Junior League under the leadership of Mrs. George Kananat, their president, will act as waitresses.

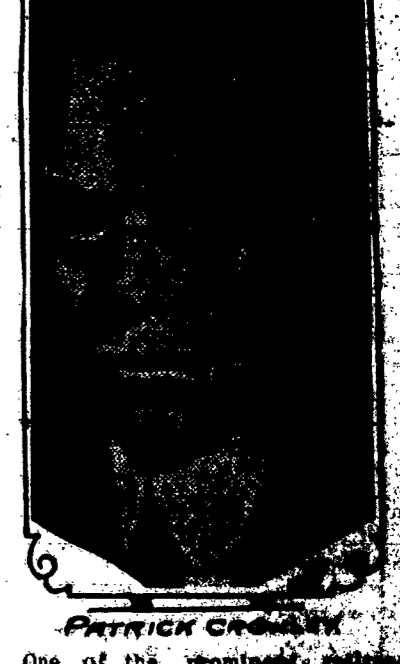
The whole lower floor of the Club House will be turned into a Christmas shop, where Christmas gifts, dolls, aprons, handkerchiefs, towels and gifts for bride devices will be offered for sale. There will be a table of religious articles and Catholic literature, especially appropriate for Christmas gifts. Junior members of the Club will be in charge of the candy and fresh confections of home-baked goods will be offered for sale each day.

The sale is in charge of the president of the Club, Mrs. Frank T. Curtin, and the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Mrs. Wendell E. Andrews.

### 472,000 Diocesan Extension Fund Raised in Mobile

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 29.—Catholics of the Diocese of Mobile, Alabama, have subscribed \$472,000 in support of an extension program, according to a statement issued by John A. McKown, Director of the Diocesan Centennial Fund Campaign. The original objective was \$400,000.

### N. Y. C. President



Patrick Crowley, N. Y. C. President