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Carthage Congress Plans Completed For Pilgrimage

New York, Jan. 3.—Endorsed by His Eminence, Cardinal Hayes of New York and the Most Rev. S. G. Messmer, Archbishop of Milwaukee, as well as eight other prominent members of the American hierarchy, the special cruise of the Royal Mail steamer Araguaya to the Eucharistic Congress in Carthage next May promises to be outstanding among the distinctly Catholic pilgrimages of 1930, according to its organizers.

Due to the scarcity of accommodations at Tunis and Carthage, the pilgrims will be accommodated aboard ship during the five days of the Congress, which starts May 7. The Araguaya will sail from New York April 23 and will visit Gibraltar and Algiers prior to reaching La Goulette, in which harbor it will remain until the end of the Congress. Following the final ceremonies the party will visit Rome, where it will be received in audience by His Holiness, Pope Pius and will thereafter proceed across Europe to Oberammergau, Lourdes, Paris and other points of interest.

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Ireland's Church Leader's Hopeful Amity Will Grow

By J. J. MOONEY

Dublin, Jan. 3.—Archbishop MacRory, in his message to The Newry Telegraph, expresses the view that if the Catholics of the North were treated more considerably in the matters of government educational grants, a long step would have been taken toward bridging religious and political differences, not only in North Ireland but also between the Six Counties and the Free State.

The Rt. Rev. J. L. Morrow, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, at the same time is of the opinion that such differences are already on the wane.

"We have to thank God this Yuletide for a better understanding and a more friendly disposition. Yearly increasing, between North and South," he says.

Not so the politicians. In a message to the same newspaper, Mr. J. M. Andrews, Northern Minister of Labor, says: "I feel that, politically, we are drifting farther apart, as the policy of the Free State Government, as recent events have shown, is evidently not only to maintain, but to accentuate, its separation from the United Kingdom."

Canon Gabert Dies
Paris, Jan. 3.—Canon Abel Gabert, formerly in charge of the music course of the Catholic University of America, has died suddenly at Grenoble at the age of 68 years.

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Basement Can Be Made Into Useful Quarters

Basements, if they are dry and well constructed, lend themselves to pleasant uses.

Many owners of small homes fit them up as radio rooms and work-shops for the boys, or as dancing rooms with music provided by phonograph or radio. And there's no reason why this shouldn't be done to provide for "elbow room" for the whole family and to enhance the value of the property. Such a remodeling scheme can be worked out by the owner at small cost.

First, partitions should be laid out. Two-by-four timbers may be bolted to the cement floor, or, more simply, they may be laid on the surface and "shimmed" after the studs are put up, to hold the partition in place. Other two-by-fours should be nailed to the joists of the ceiling. Then studs should be erected between the two rows of two-by-fours and the surface material should be attached to these studs.

Few householders would care to undertake the work or the expense of lathing and plastering basement partitions and ceilings. If this is the case, wallboard may be used.

This can be bought in lengths sufficient to reach from floor to ceiling, thereby eliminating waste. Since it can be sawed and nailed just like wood, it may be put by the householder himself, and the ceiling may be finished in the same way.

This material can be decorated with paper, calamine, flat wall paint or the heavy-bodied paints that give rough surface effects, so that the new basement rooms may be as attractive as those above stairs.

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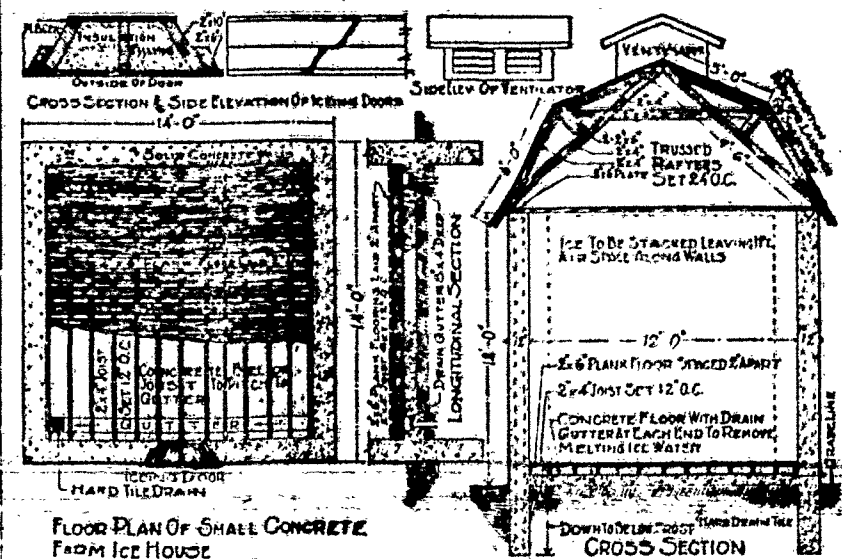
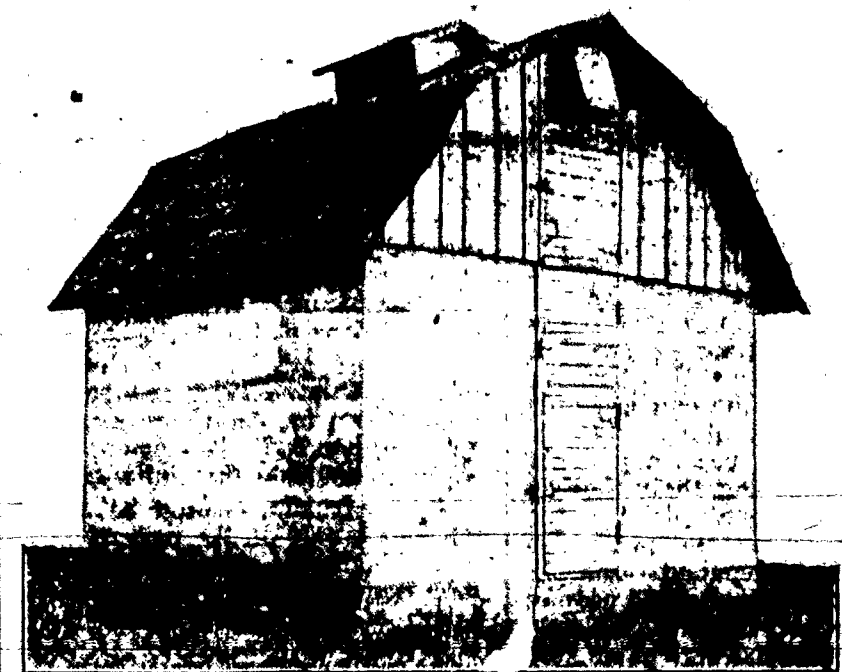
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Concrete Ice House Is Valuable Addition to Equipment on Farm



By W. A. RADFORD
Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all problems pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as editor, author and manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on the subject. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 47 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

While automatic refrigeration is rapidly substituting ice in cities where electricity is available, there is a constant demand for ice in the smaller towns and on the farm. Ice is especially valuable on the farm where there is a herd of dairy cows, as it is essential that milk be kept in the most sanitary manner.

The cheapest means of refrigeration is ice that is kept and stored by the individual. This is a profitable winter time occupation on the farm as the ice crop is harvested when there is not much else that can be done.

The construction of the icehouse is a rather simple matter. When it is of frame construction the outside and inside walls should be separated by the thickness of the studding so that insulation—either sawdust or straw—can be packed between them to preserve the ice when warmer weather

comes. Another type of icehouse which is easy to build and which will last indefinitely is poured concrete just as is shown in the accompanying illustration.

The building shown is 14 feet square and the poured concrete walls are six inches thick. The cross section shown together with the floor plans and some of the detail give a good idea of how this building is constructed. The walls extend a foot and a half below the surface line and are constructed by building forms and pouring concrete. Care should be taken in pouring concrete when the weather is freezing and in concrete that is poured when the temperature is below 32 care should be taken.

The inside measurements of this building are 13 feet by 13 feet. The height of the interior is 12 feet. The floor of the building also is of concrete and is covered with a raised open plank floor. This floor is made of 2 by 6 planks laid two inches apart and set on 2 by 4's which act as the floor joists. This structure will hold 2,028 cubic feet of ice.

By using the poured concrete method of construction the owner will have a building which will be available for ice storage for many years to come.

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Leading builders and decorators make it a point to insist upon the best as the only logical product that can be employed efficiently. Beauty as well as permanent improvement have been made possible with the use of this material and it is highly recommended to all those who know of the importance of better plastering to use such splendid material as one that will give everlasting satisfaction.

Artist Paints Breakfast Nook in Blue and Yellow
A color scheme for a breakfast room may be suggested by our own smallest painter. His painting of a breakfast room surpasses anything in color combination yet seen, unless it be his own Paacock room.

He painted that small and cozy room in blue and yellow. Think of it, think of the beauty of the combination, the sense of selection!

Blue always makes a room look larger even though it be ever so small, and yellow brings the effect of the sun's rays to so much more prominence.

The ceiling he painted light blue, like the very sky itself. The cabinet work and the furniture were of the light radiating color—yellow; the curtains white, but worked in yellow. And you can well imagine the beauty of it all when in the morning the table was set for breakfast with shiny blue china—so simple, and yet so joyous!

Standard Slate Roof Not Heavily Framed
Pitched roofs are very easily covered with slates. This type of material is particularly well suited to wet climates, as the weight of the roof covering prevents it from being blown torn off in stormy weather.

It has sometimes been argued that this heavier roof covering requires heavy roof construction. This is not true when slates of the standard thickness are used.

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