

Cablegram Sent to The Pope By Two Bishops and Knights At Lincoln Day Banquet

At the annual Lincoln Day banquet of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Rochester Assembly, held in the Columbus Civic Center ballroom on February 12th, the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, and the Rt. Rev. Emmett M. Walsh, D.D., Bishop of Charleston, S.C., were guests of honor and speakers.

Because the Lincoln's Birthday dinner of the Knights of Columbus fell upon the eighth anniversary of the solemn coronation of Pope Pius XI, Bishop O'Hern paid tribute to the Supreme Pontiff and read a cablegram which had been sent in behalf of the assemblage to Vatican City with anniversary greetings to the Pope.

"It is a happy coincidence that we are gathered here tonight on this National Holiday of the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, to join with our fellow-citizens all over these United States in honoring one of the pillars of the American Republic. While we are assembled here in this splendid act of patriotism, all over the Catholic world, and particularly in the City of Rome, the Vicar of Christ is being congratulated by cablegrams from all over the face of the earth, and in the Vatican City itself, in the great basilica of St. Peter, thousands have gathered today from the Roman peninsula, including most eminent cardinals and high prelates of all nationalities, to take part in the solemn festivities of the annual celebration of the coronation of the Head of the Catholic Church.

"It is peculiarly fitting also that our Holy Father should be commemorated on his anniversary on the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, called the savior of this Republic, when we know what a high place America holds in the esteem and confidence of Pope Pius XI. Nor should we forget that this same world figure, when apostolic delegate in Poland during the World War, was associated with the President and the then young cabinet of the United States, Mr. Herbert Hoover, in alleviating human suffering and in caring for the starving peoples of Central Europe.

"Whenever occasion offers itself the present Pontiff has expressed his admiration for the genius and progress of the American people and, of course, for the magnificent record made by the Catholic Church in this country, which is a part of the world-wide organization over which he is the divinely appointed custodian and guide.

Immodest Dress Is Banned By Vatican, and Bishops Are Asked to Act

daughters to partake in these exercises with indecent clothes. Rules IV and V set down that the heads of colleges and schools should do all in their power to influence young girls so they would be led to dress themselves decently. School teachers and heads of schools are asked not to admit to their schools and colleges young girls who are not dressed properly.

"If, after being admitted, girls persist in dressing indecently they should be expelled from college or school," Rule V says.

Schools should act in accordance with a letter from the Sacred Congregation of the Affairs of Religious, dated Aug. 28, 1928, religious women are not to admit to their schools, colleges, oratories or playgrounds girls dressing in keeping with a Christian standard.

Rule VII declares that pious associations of women should be formed and encouraged which, by their example, advice and work, should seek to prevent abuses in feminine dress and to prevent the wearing of dresses which do not promote purity of morals.

"Such pious associations of women who wear immodest dresses should be admitted, and if already admitted, and violating this standard she should be expelled from the association," continues Rule VII.

Drastic Action Urged Perhaps the most important rule is the ninth, which orders that women and girls who are indecently dressed should be excluded from Holy Communion or from serving as godmothers in Baptism or in Confirmation, and in flagrant cases the women and girls are to be forbidden from entering the churches.

The rule says: "Maidens and women dressed immodestly are to be banned from Holy Communion and from acting as godmothers in the sacraments of baptism and confirmation and, if it be an extreme case, may be even forbidden to enter the Church."

The remaining three rules say that parish priests on certain feast days, such as the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which are particularly appropriate for insisting on modesty of dress, should preach opportune sermons, while special prayers should be said for the same purpose.

"Special councils of vigilance to watch over the modesty of women's dress should be formed in every diocese and should meet at least once a year to study practical means for solving this problem," the Bishops have instructed.

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Pope Pius XI has time and time again shown his great love and affection for the Order of the Knights of Columbus in their international program of welfare work, the most concrete evidences of which are found in the very Vatican City itself, over which he presides.

"Therefore it is most fitting that, assembled here as we are, Ladies and Knights of Council 178, should take recognition of this important anniversary in the life of the Supreme Pontiff by extending to him warm and congratulatory greetings, as devoted and loyal children. Accordingly, this day the following cablegram was forwarded to our Holy Father at the Vatican City:

The Cablegram "To His Holiness Pope Pius XI, Vatican City, Rome, Italy. The Bishop of Rochester, New York, and the Bishop of Charleston, S. C., Knights of Columbus, Rochester, New York, assembled with their Ladies on the Birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator of the slaves, join in sending warmest greetings and congratulations to Your Holiness on the eighth anniversary of your solemn coronation as Supreme Head of the Church. We pray that God will bless you with continued health and strength to carry on your divine mission as spiritual father of Christendom and, prelate at the feet of Your Holiness, we humbly ask your apostolic blessing upon our dioceses, and upon the members of Council 178, Knights of Columbus, and their families." signed John Francis O'Hern, Bishop of Rochester.

The Rosary To Be Played Four Evenings

The Rosary, a religious drama in four acts will be presented in St. Francis Hall, 328 Bay St. on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Feb. 23, 24, 25 and 26. The play is under the personal direction of Claude Roosevelt. The cast of characters will be impersonated by Mrs. Claude Roosevelt, Margaret Doyle, Maebell Philp, Raymond Mooney, Leo Hogan, Sylvester Engler, Edward Mueller and Charles Keller.

To give the play its proper setting, two new sets of scenery have been procured. The orchestra, in its various selections, will endeavor to interpret the theme and the mood of the play. The drama is full of wit and humor, and will cause many a hearty laugh, while it contains lines that are sublime and beautiful. Hence the play will be enjoyed by one and all who attend.

Bishop Blesses New Bell In St. Francis Of Assisi Church

Last Sunday evening the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., blessed the new bell for the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, corner Widney and Orange Streets, Assisi. The Bishops at the services were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, Vice General; the Rev. Charles R. Reynolds, Vice-Chancellor; the Rev. Walter A. Feery and the Rev. Benedict Maselli.

Bishop O'Hern spoke to the congregation in Italian, and he was heard with appreciation. The Rev. Adolfo Gabiani, rector of the church, presided in Italian. There was a capacity congregation present.

The new bell was installed in the belfry this week.

740 U. S. Pilgrims To Catholic Boys' Graves in France

Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster and head of the Roman Catholic Church in England, warned young men in England, not to go to France at this time, as the Bolsheviki were determined to carry their campaign beyond the borders of Russia.

"If we cannot crush the movement," he declared, "the result not only in Russia but all over the world will be terrible to contemplate."

New York Assembly Gets Resolution

Albany, Feb. 21.—Assemblyman Louis A. Cuvillier of New York City introduced a resolution in the Assembly at Albany this week as follows:

"Resolved, if the Senate concur, That it is the sense of the people of the State of New York that it joins with all the Christian denominations in the Christian world and the Jewish people of the world in extending their sympathy to the Christian people of Russia in their terrible hours of agony in being denied their right to worship God in their country and the use of their churches, convents, monasteries and schools for the propagation of the Christian religions.

"Be it resolved further, That the people of the State of New York, regardless of religious denominations, race, creed, color or sex, will use their best efforts in time and money to persuade in a lawful way the Soviet Russia officials to revoke their official decree denying the people of Russia their right to worship God as is compatible with the best interests of the Russian people."

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Rochester Woman At C. D. A. Meeting Held in Syracuse

The Catholic Daughters of America held a District Deputy conference at the Hotel Onondaga, Syracuse, on Sunday last. The conference was attended by Miss Margaret Wickham, Miss Teresa M. Brayer, Mrs. Margaret A. Babb and Mrs. Julia Norton, officers of Court Rochester.

Miss Katherine M. Rooney, regional secretary was the speaker. She spoke at length upon the duties of officers, of the rapid growth of the organization, there being at the present time more than 1,400 Courts established in the United States, Canada and the Philippines, 192 of which are in the State of New York and 58 Courts in the district of which Rochester is one. She also told very interestingly of the activities of two Courts in Texas of Mexico who speak the Spanish language.

Mrs. Margaret Tynan, State Regent, presided at the Conference, which closed with a dinner to delegates and members in the Hotel Onondaga. The Catholic Daughters of America is affiliated with the National Council of Catholic Women.

Civic Orchestra, Nazareth Academy, On February 28th

The Rochester Civic Orchestra will play in the Auditorium of Nazareth Academy at 2 o'clock next Friday afternoon, February 28. Faculty of Nazareth Academy, in connection with other pupils of the school, will give a concert over the radio, and they are to hear the orchestra for the first time in their own academy, and they are looking forward with pleasure to the concert.

Catholic Women's Federation Will Meet on March 18

The Catholic Women's Federation held a well-attended meeting in St. Joseph's School Hall this week, and the members heard a most interesting talk by the Rev. Charles J. Burger, C. S. R., of St. Joseph's Church, on the work that is being done for the deaf mutes of the city at that church.

The next meeting of the Federation will be held on March 18, and a good attendance is desired.

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Cardinal Hayes Lauds Don Bosco Friend of Boys

New York, Feb. 21.—A solemn celebration in honor of the beatification of Don Bosco, founder of the order of Salesians and Brothers of Mary, Help of Christians, was held in St. Patrick's Cathedral here last Sunday. Cardinal Hayes presided in the sanctuary, with the Right Rev. William Turner, D.D., Bishop of Buffalo, delivering the sermon reviewing the life and work of Don Bosco.

"I do not feel that my presence here tonight is a vain one, without availing myself of the opportunity of extending our congratulations to the devoted Order of Salesian Fathers," Cardinal Hayes said. "We are greatly indebted to you and to their illustrious founder, Don Bosco. In particular the archdiocese of New York has had the benefit of their apostolic work for many years. We ought to thank God that He has raised up on earth such a savior as the Rev. Don Bosco."

Referring to the sermon of Bishop Turner, the Cardinal said he was grateful for his part in the education of youth. He said that the problem of the education of youth was one which demands attention not only in the archdiocese of New York, but of the whole country.

"We realize that in this world of sin and shame we face a dire crisis," the Cardinal continued. "We are living under our very eyes miracle after miracle, marvel after marvel, even that which was accomplished by Don Bosco in his poor lifetime. It was the Ignition of Don Bosco, the love of God in his heart that made impossible things seem possible and things possible for him."

Don Bosco believed in expression rather than repression, Bishop Turner said. He believed in allowing the child to express himself in games, in play, in song, and in that natural expression of childhood, religion. He had no use for the religion which teaches the inapplicability of the law of love and to fear God. In the problem of sex, he taught that boys and girls should be tied over the adolescent period by active participation in games and beautiful sports which allowed of self-expression until they arrived at years of maturity and judgment, the Bishop said.

"Don Bosco repudiated French liberalism, but he also rejected the abominations of Frenchism," Bishop

Mother of Priest's Funeral Thursday, In St. Bridget's

Mrs. Katherine Golding of 14 Gordon Park, mother of two priests, the Rev. Philip Golding of Canastota and the Rev. Eugene Golding of St. Boniface's Church, died at her home on Monday this week. Her funeral was held in St. Bridget's Church at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. There was an unusually large attendance of friends, and many priests were present.

Mrs. Golding was greatly beloved by all her friends, and by her family, and she will be sorely missed. She is survived by her husband, six sons, the two priests mentioned, and Daniel, Samuel, Francis and Raymond Golding, two daughters, Mrs. Arthur Johnson and Miss Katherine Golding, and four grandchildren.

Nocturnal Society Meets Saturday Eve At The Cathedral

The monthly meeting of the Nocturnal Adoration Society will be held on Saturday evening this week at St. Patrick's Cathedral. A number of new members will be received into the society at 9:30 P. M., and 30 new members are expected to be in the Chapel at that time. The society is open to all Catholics, and there is no initiation fee. Past members are asked to bring their friends to the 9:30 P. M. service on Saturday evening.

Plans Are Completed For Work On Mission

(By N.C.W.C. News Service) St. Diego, Feb. 21.—Plans and specifications for the \$30,000 restoration of portions of Mission San Luis Rey de Francia have been completed, and an immediate start is to be made on the work. It is announced here by the Very Rev. Novatus Heizinger, O. F. M., provincial of the Franciscans in the West.

Turner said. "He employed fine methods of character building. He had the necessary control by the sacredness of penance, by which he could check the child's fault before it was too late."

Three French Naval Officers Embrace Religious Life

Paris, Feb. 21.—In an article on the spirit of devotion and faith of the sailor, a contributor to La Republique du Val, published at Toulon, mentions three recent instances of officers who have left their command to devote their lives to the service of God.

Ensign Pezouan, first on the promotion list, resigned his commission to enter the Trappist monastery at Cîteaux. Ensign Buzin, who recently entered a Dominican novitiate, was first honor graduate from the Ecole des Torpilleurs (Torpedo School). The third mentioned was a lieutenant, M. de Magonot, who, one week ago, entered the seminary, expressing his desire to become a humble country pastor. He was the youngest naval lieutenant in the French service.

Dutch Catholic Daily Gains 15,000 Readers in Month

The Hague, Feb. 21.—Rotterdam, Catholic daily, with morning and evening editions, is continuing its campaign for new subscribers. At last reports, it had a record of 15,000 additional subscribers between November 29 and January 29. In a land where something over two million Catholics and 35 Catholic dailies, the fact is regarded as a fine feat. And the feat is not all for the Catholic countries. The mainman of the propaganda column sent out through Holland from headquarters to lead the campaign, having been taken sick, the Journal's business manager, Dr. Kuypers, immediately took his place to direct operations at the front in person.

Pre-Lenten Party At St. Bridget's On Tuesday Evening

A pre-Lenten card party will be held in St. Bridget's School hall on Tuesday evening, February 25, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. A variety of games will be played, refreshments will be served, and all patrons will have a pleasant evening. Included in a number of prizes is a door prize of one ton of coal. Everybody is invited to this party, ladies and gentlemen.

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Franciscan Order Has 5,600 Sisters In Mission Work

Rome, Feb. 21.—(N.C.W.C. News Service) The church's largest number of female sisters, the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary, on January 1, 1929, had a total membership of 5,600 distributed in 223 houses of which 15 are in mission areas of Asia, Africa, Oceania and the Americas. The organization was founded in 1877 by Mother Mary of the Passion, herself a missionary in India.

During 1929, 142 sisters left the homeland for the mission field zones to 16 different countries: China, 56; India 9; Ceylon 5; Syria 4; Japan 1; the Philippines 5; the Belgian Congo 12; Morocco 11; Mozambique 2; North America, 25; the 17; Argentina, Peru and Chile 11; the Amazon Valley in Brazil 8.

The sole purpose of the institute is the foreign mission apostolate in the service of which they are dedicated to both the active and contemplative life, every house enjoying the privilege of daily exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and every Sister making as frequently as possible as spiritual broadcast for the Church and for souls. Seven Franciscan Missionaries were martyred at Tainanfuang, China, July 9, 1900 during the Boxer rebellion.

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Australian Brother Visits In The U. S. (By N.C.W.C. News Service) San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Brother Junot, president of De La Salle College at Dubbo, Australia, and noted educator in The Antipodes, is in San Francisco, the first city to be visited on a tour of the colleges and schools of the Catholic Brothers in the United States. While here he is the guest of Brother Thomas, president of Sacred Heart College.

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