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First Anniversary Of The Consecration Of Bishop O'Hern

Falls on March 19, St. Joseph's Feast, and Will Be Observed in Fitting Manner in St. Patrick's Cathedral—All Priests and Sisters in Diocese Invited to Attend Pontifical Mass

SOME IMPORTANT DIOCESAN EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURING THE PAST YEAR

Next Wednesday, March 19, will be the first anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., as the third Bishop of Rochester. The anniversary falls upon the feast of St. Joseph, and the anniversary and the feast will be celebrated in a fitting manner in St. Patrick's Cathedral. A solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 9:30 o'clock, Wednesday, by Bishop O'Hern. The Rev. Charles E. Shay, rector of the Cathedral, has invited all priests and Sisters of all orders in the Diocese to attend this service. He has received hundreds of favorable responses. The Cathedral choir will sing the Mass, and the Cathedral will be decorated in keeping with the occasion.

In addition to the clergy of the Diocese, it is expected that there will be a number of priests from other places present at the Mass. Bishop O'Hern is certain to receive a large number of congratulatory messages during the day, and good wishes and prayers for his future work and accomplishments.

One Year Ago
Following his consecration one year ago as Bishop of Rochester, Bishop O'Hern entered upon his work with characteristic vigor, energy, and with tireless effort in every duty and opportunity that came before him. His

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Arabs and Jews Sharply at Odds In the Holy Land

(N. C. W. C. News Service)
Jerusalem, March 14.—The appointment here of a special delegation composed of four Moslems and one Christian to London to defend the Arab cause against the Zionist policy has met with disfavor in several quarters.

Many Arabs are of the opinion that the journey to London will do no good, even if it does no harm. Some still believe that the delegation would be doing more profitable work if it went to Mecca at the time of the Moslem pilgrimage and collected funds with which to start in Arab countries companies which would purchase the lands of Palestine, and to establish religious funds for the benefit of schools and other places. Some believe that the delegation would do more good if it went to Iraq and to the Bagdad Government the importance to the Arabs, to the British Government and to the world peace in keeping Palestine Arabic. The words which these two kings would address to the British representatives at the coming Arab-British meeting would have more influence than 20 delegations sent by a small Arab community to England, it is contended.

The Jews oppose this Arab delegation on the ground that two of its members are Government officials, and they demand that they resign immediately their official places, if they intend to go to London to oppose the interests of the Jewish community recognized by the Mandate.

Death Sentence Condemned
Police Constable Hinkis, a 22-year-old Jew of Tel-Aviv, has been convicted of the "premeditated murder" of the Arab family of Sheikh Abdul Ghani Loun and has been sentenced to death. The Jewish Press is protesting against the sentence, and all motion picture houses in Tel-Aviv closed down in protest against the condemnation of the Constable.

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Bishop Schrembs Gets Check For \$5 From Man In Denver

Cleveland, O., March 14.—The Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, D.D., Bishop of Cleveland, has received a flood of letters telling him how his opening sermon on the Catholic Radio Hour was enjoyed a week ago Sunday. One came from a man in Denver, Col., who enclosed a check for \$5.00 to help pay the cost of upkeep of the Radio hour, and wrote:

"It was a great pleasure to hear you yesterday, and what a wonderful address to all mankind it was! If the others who will follow you in the program do as well, I am sure the Church will receive benefits never before attained. I am sorry the check is not for a larger sum."



WILLIAM J. QUINN
William J. Quinn, Chief of Police in the city of Denver, was recently voted to be one of the outstanding chiefs in America, by newspapermen with whom he co-operates in the detection of crime. He is an able and fearless official.

Dr. Fulton Sheen Begins Series On Catholic Hour

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
New York, March 14.—With "Man's Quest for God" as his topic, the Rev. Dr. Fulton J. Sheen, Professor of Philosophy of Religion at the Catholic University of America, Sunday evening inaugurated his Lenten series of talks on the "Catholic Hour," sponsored by the National Council of Catholic Men and broadcast over a network of the National Broadcasting Company, from Station WCAP, here.

The Paulist Chorists were again the feature of the musical program of the "Hour," which included instrumental numbers by a string ensemble, a vocal selection exemplifying the Gregorian Chant in the style of the Seventeenth Century, and a hymn composed in the sixteenth Century.

Three Treated Separately
Dr. Sheen treated separately with "the first deep seated yearning" for life; the "second fundamental yearning" for truth; and the "third fundamental yearning" to love and be loved.

Sharp Protest Made By Irish Bishops On Education Act

Proposed Change in Law Would Permit Protestant Religious Instruction in the Public Schools While Denying It To Catholics—Called An Outrage On Justice and On Decency.

CARDINAL MACRORY AND FIVE BISHOPS SPEAK FOR PEOPLE IN SIX COUNTIES

(By N.C.W.C. News Service)
Dublin, March 14.—His Eminence, Cardinal MacRory and the five Bishops whose sees wholly or partly in Northern Ireland have issued a joint pronouncement on the position of primary education Northern Ireland, with reference to the distribution of Government Building Grants.

The present situation is that Government funds for the erection or improvement of school buildings and equipment will be made only to schools managed by what are known as "Regional Committees." These committees, composed of representatives of the managers of the schools and of the local municipal or county authorities, have the right, as the law stands, "to determine whether any, and if so what, religious instruction shall be given in the school, and by whom such instruction shall be given." Since the representatives of the municipal authorities in Northern Ireland are usually Protestants, it follows that the religious instruction "if any" for Catholic children, shall depend on the votes of Protestants.

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More Than 1,000 Attended The Sodality Conference Held at Nazareth Academy

More than 1,000 young men and young women attended the Lenten conference of the Western New York Student-Sodalities, held at Nazareth Academy last Sunday afternoon under the auspices of Nazareth College. There were out-of-town delegates from Catholic schools, colleges and universities in all parts of Western New York, and especially from the cities of Buffalo and Lockport.

The conference, from all points of view, was a great inspirational gathering, rich in spiritual atmosphere and reflecting in a fine way the enthusiasm, interest and love felt by the students for the organization they represented and for the ideals they championed.

The conference was formally opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. M. J. Nolan, Chancellor of the Diocese. Martin Scherer, of Canisius College, Buffalo, president of the conference, then introduced Charles Wick of Buffalo. He spoke on "The Liturgy," and his excellent talk was followed by a discussion in which representatives of a number of schools took part.

The principal address of the day was given by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester. He won the hearts of the audience by a number of clever stories, all of them illustrating points in the work he was discussing, then he gave a talk that left a firm impression upon everybody in attendance.

"Dear Sodality: My first word this afternoon is a word of welcome to our city and our Diocese. Your coming here today marks a new era or epic in our Church history, linking us of the 19th century with the student bodies of the middle of the 15th century in Europe, and particularly in Rome where the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary was first established in the year 1456 of the Gregorian or Roman Calendar. Thus we see that this organization has extended over more than three and a half centuries from the little group of 70 students first organized by the Jesuit Father Luisius, to the world-wide organization of our times, embracing thousands of Sodality in every part of the Catholic world. Wherefore, we consider it a great privilege and honor for the episcopal city of Rochester, to welcome to our academic halls the first Lenten congress of all the student Sodality of Western New York, and to offer them our hospitality and our episcopal blessing.

"The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to which you belong, is

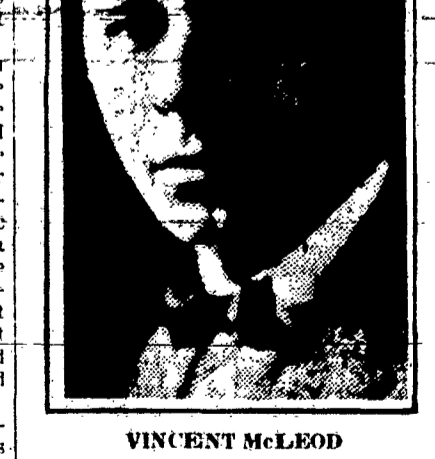
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Catholic in Congress

One of the Michigan representatives in the House of Congress is Vincent McLeod of Detroit. When he entered Congress in 1920 he was one of the youngest members ever elected to that body. He is a graduate of the University of Detroit, served in the Intelligence Division of the U. S. Navy during the World War and retired with the rank of Captain. He is an able and eloquent speaker.

Missionaries to Get First Aid Kits
New York, March 14.—Eighty-five medical kits, prepared for shipping to missionaries in distant fields, will be sent from the headquarters of the Catholic Medical Mission Board here shortly, it was announced yesterday.

The kits, made of heavy canvas, contain everything needed for first aid medical or surgical treatment. They will be sent to missionaries most in need of them.



VINCENT McLEOD

Court in India Voids Marriage Of Two Cousins

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
Bombay, India, March 14.—A judgment has been returned by the High Court of Patna interesting Catholics in its significance for the standing of Canon Law in India. Justice Worth of the High Court has declared null and void a marriage entered into by two Catholics who, unknown to both at the time of the ceremony, were second cousins of the half-blood. The decision was based solely on Canon Law which thus is recognized once more as the personal law of Catholics in India.

In India the state recognizes as the personal law of every citizen the law of his religion. By the contention of some, this recognition was granted originally to avoid conflict with the Hindus and Moslems and it has been claimed that the civil laws of marriage were intended for all Christians. As cited by Justice Worth at Patna, however, by the case of *De Souza v. De Souza* handed down in 1885 it was recognized that the law applicable was "the law of the community to which the parties belong" and that the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church was the law of Catholic parties. Hence the Justice cited Canons 96 and 1076 as applying in the case clearly to prohibit marriages between parties up to the third degree of consanguinity.

The Times of India—important secular daily of Bombay, in face of this recognition of the Church's right to govern the marriage of her members, agitates that the Government ordain that no marriage among Christians be binding in civil law unless there has been a civil ceremony.

Britain Not to Give Birth Control Data At Clinics of State

(By N.C.W.C. News Service)
London, March 14.—The government will not give way to the demand, which has been going on for some years, that birth control information should be given at state-aided clinics. An assurance to this effect was given in the House of Commons last week by the Minister of Health, Mr. Greenwood, who was replying to a question by Mr. Thurtle, the Labor member for Shore-ditch.

Mr. Greenwood said the government did not intend to depart from the policy hitherto followed by the Ministry in refusing to make this information available at clinics aided by the state.

Red Religious Persecution Is Attacked by Fr. Walsh In 3-Faith Mass Meeting

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
Washington, March 14.—An audience of 3,000 persons of varying faiths Sunday listened to the Rev. Edmund A. Walsh, S.J., vice president of Georgetown University, indict the Soviet Government for religious persecution in its most virulent form.

Police ended an abortive attempt on the part of young Communists to hit and molest by arresting six of them, who were distributing pamphlets attacking Dr. Walsh for an attempt to start a war under the guise of religious persecution. The six "Reds," three of whom were girls, were detained by police for several hours and then released upon the posting of \$10 collateral. They were charged with distributing leaflets without permission.

Father Walsh shared the platform of Constitution Hall with representatives of the Jewish and Protestant religions. The Rt. Rev. James E. Sheehan, Episcopal Bishop of Washington, presided and delivered a short address, introducing Father Walsh. Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, delivered the invocation and Rabbi Abram Simon, of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, spoke briefly, denouncing Soviet policies regarding religion.

Audience Enthusiastic
Father Walsh aroused his audience to highest enthusiasm with his denunciation of the Soviet persecutions, which he characterized as "an international menace." His protest against "stale platitudes in an hour of crisis" was applauded by his hearers. To emphasize his point, he exhibited magazines published in Russia with pictures ridiculing the sacraments of the Christian religion.

"I defy Premier Rykov to convict any of my co-religionists, who even now are suffering persecution of any crime except belief in God," declared Father Walsh.

"The Soviet Government, by its deliberate choice, has transferred its belligerency to every heart and home, and enlarged a domestic policy into an international menace which strikes at the very foundations of Christian civilization.

"It is intellectual suicide for any man, whether he be a prime minister, a paid propagandist, or a Senator of the United States, to avert his eye from the evidence now so abundant, and keep repeating stale platitudes about 'keeping hands off a purely domestic question.' In the face of established facts, it becomes moral cowardice to remain dumb."

Father Walsh estimated the number of priests of the Orthodox

Church put to death in Russia to be 6,000.

Cites Two Cases
"The Archbishop of Perm" he said, "was buried alive after having his eyes put out. A priest of Tcherdin was stripped naked in the cruel Russian winter and sprinkled with cold water, until he became a statue of ice."

The extent to which the persecution has gone was indicated eloquently by the fact that, by the outpouring of more than 4,000 believers in various faiths, who have fled Russia recently for other countries.

Communism, he declared, demands the abolition of all religious beliefs. Its policy, he said, is not purely domestic, but aims at the extinction of religious life throughout the world. Its anti-religious fight, Father Walsh charged, is being conducted in Russia as a mere prelude to a world-wide campaign.

The policy of Communist leaders, he declared, was declared by the declaration of St. Basil, former president of the Third International, in 1923: "Our program is based on scientific materialism, which includes unconditionally the necessity of propagating atheism."

Anti-Religious Youth Aim
The Soviet Union aims not at making youth non-religious, the speaker asserted, but seems to have the young definitely anti-religious.

The only crime of the clergyman who have been killed in Russia, he continued, was that committed by himself. Bishop Freeman and Rabbi Simon: "They believed in God and taught his Revelation."

Cardinal Bourne Climbs Mountains To Visit Shrine
London, March 14.—Cardinal Bourne, at the age of 69, descended 11 m. to the shrine at Assisi, Italy. His pilgrimage returned from Rome a short time ago and it was on the return journey that he stopped at Assisi and undertook the ascent.

Montallegro is 2,000 feet up the summit and two hours of ascent. A portulaca—a kind of wildflower—sent up with the Cardinal, but except for a few taken by the Cardinal's men who carried them, none was seen on the summit. No Cardinal's men were seen on the summit. No Cardinal's men were seen on the summit.