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—Pope Benedict XV.

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—Bishop O'Hern.

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First Anniversary Of The Consecration Of Bishop O'Hern

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PRAYERS OFFERED FOR CESSATION OF RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION IN RUSSIA

The Diocese of Rochester happily celebrated two great events on Wednesday this week—the feast of St. Joseph, universal patron of the Church, and the first anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., as third Bishop of Rochester. The events were celebrated with a solemn pontifical Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral at 9:30 o'clock. Present at the Mass were the Most Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, D.D., Archbishop of Viminacium; the Rt. Rev. Emmett M. Walsh, D.D., Bishop of Charleston, S. C.; more than 150 priests, a large number of Sisters, students, members of the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of St. John, and laity from all parishes of the city and vicinity. The Cathedral was completely filled.

The officiating at the Mass were as follows: Celebrant, Bishop O'Hern; assistant priest, Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G., deacon of honor, the Rev. Thomas O'Hern, brother of Bishop O'Hern; of Buffalo, and the Rev. John P. Brophy, deacon of the Mass, Rev. Sebastian Englert, sub-deacon, Rev. George V. Burns; master of ceremonies, Rev. William Bergen.

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus acted as ushers, and there were two pages from St. Mary's Orphan Asylum. The Mass was sung by the choir of St. Andrew's Seminary, under the direction of Rev. Benedict Eismann. The altars of the Cathedral were beautifully decorated with flowers.

Father Shay's Tribute
The Rev. Charles F. Shay, rector of the Cathedral, spoke in tribute of

A Beloved Prelate



The Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D.

the work of Bishop O'Hern in the past year, and in expression of the feelings of the people of the Diocese for him. He said that Bishop O'Hern, in the Cathedral of Rochester, the third Bishop of the Diocese was consecrated by his Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes. One year to the day of time has elapsed since that memorable event—memorable because in this sanctuary a priest of God, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. O'Hern, was elevated to the great dignity of Bishop of the Church. He became a lineal successor of the Apostles, a prince of the Church. He was anointed like Aaron of old, and charged solemnly to feed the lambs and sheep of Jesus Christ, in union with his Vicar, the Supreme Pontiff of earth, the Bishop of Rome, Pope Pius XI.

Cardinal Hayes Commends Work Of Catholic Club

New York, March 21.—The work of the Catholic Young Women's Club of the Archdiocese of New York was heartily commended here last Sunday by Cardinal Hayes, who was a speaker at the annual Communion breakfast of the club in the Hotel Plaza. The Cardinal praised Miss Constance Armstrong, founder and president of the organization, for building it up in five years from a membership of 30 to 1,000 at present.

Miss Armstrong, who is a daughter of Sir Henry Gloster Armstrong, British Consul-General in New York, sat at the left of the Cardinal. She also founded the Carroll Club for Catholic business girls. Near by was Lady Margaret Armstrong, wife of Sir Harry, who is president of the Catholic Big Sisters and who is an officer in many other Catholic philanthropies. Among other guests of honor was Mrs. Grover A. Whalen, wife of the Police Commissioner.

Follows Corporate Communion
The breakfast followed an annual corporate communion of the club, at St. Patrick's Cathedral at the 9 o'clock Mass. Cardinal Hayes was the celebrant.

Other speakers at the breakfast were Pedro de Cordoba, actor, now playing with Mrs. Flisk in "The Rivulet"; Michael Williams, editor of The Commonwealth, a Roman Catholic periodical; the Rev. Edward R. Moore of the staff of the Catholic Charities, who is spiritual director of the club.

"This organization was born in my days and was maintained with enthusiastic patriotism," said Cardinal Hayes. "After the war there was a question whether there was any further need of the existence of the club. But there seemed to be enthusiasm for its continuance. A committee was appointed of women from the Rt. Rev. A. J. Willingham, D.D., Bishop of Ponce, Porto Rico, who is always the case, somebody must spring out of the committee. That person is here at my side—dear Miss Armstrong. I wish I could do my work as Archbishop of New York as well as Miss Armstrong has done her work for this organization."

Hospitals, Churches, Schools and Convents To Be Built in Spring

Bishop O'Hern Issues Appeal to Priests and People to Do Everything Possible to Help the Unemployment Situation, "Making No Distinction as to Color, Race or Creed."

SAYS BUILDING PROGRAM OF DIOCESE IS EVIDENCE OF CHURCH'S INTEREST

For the first time in the history of the Diocese of Rochester, an appeal was read Sunday at all Masses in the churches throughout the Diocese, asking priests and people to unite in doing everything possible to relieve the unemployment situation. This appeal came from the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and it was heard with sympathy and concern throughout the Diocese.

As concrete evidence of the interest of the Church in doing everything possible to relieve the present unhappy situation, Bishop O'Hern pointed out in his letter that a \$1,000,000 building program amounting to over \$2,000,000 will be gotten under way in the Diocese at the opening of Spring.

This building program embraces the proposed erection of a million-dollar addition to St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; the erection of a new church in St. Alphonse's parish, Auburn; the erection of a new church in St. Francis' parish, Phelps; new schools in Holy Cross, and Lady of Good Counsel parishes, Rochester; new rectory for St. Patrick's Church, Oswego; hall and convent for St. Mary's Church, Danville; the completion of the St. Patrick's new Church, now under way; and the erection of a new rectory for St. Casimir's new School, now

Elmira K. of C. and Friends Heard Eloquent Tributes To Ireland and Her People

Elmira, March 21.—More than 400 Knights of Columbus and their friends attended the second annual St. Patrick's Day banquet of Elmira Council, held Sunday evening at the Mark Twain. The Knights and their friends enjoyed an unusually fine program of oratory and music, and heard eloquent tributes to Ireland and her people, as well as a strong appeal to help rebuild the land of St. Patrick and restore her lost glory.

There were two featured speakers—Congressman James M. Mead of Buffalo and District Attorney William F. Love of Rochester. The former spoke on Ireland, her people, her problems, and how to help restore the land in a commercial and business way. Mr. Love spoke on "Law Enforcement," and he made a plea to all to stand back of constituted authority and proper law enforcement.

The program was opened by Grand Knight Cornelius J. Milliken, and it was a happy night for him. He expressed his appreciation to all who were present, and to all who had helped make the event the success it was. Then he introduced Attorney Thomas F. Fennell as toastmaster.

Congressman Mead, the first speaker, paid tribute to the Irish love for liberty, and to the Irish champions who fought for liberty everywhere in the world. He told how the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick unanimously elected George Washington a member of their society on December 18, 1771; how Washington proudly accepted membership in "a society distinguished for the firm adherence of its members to the glorious cause in which we are embarked," and how valiantly the Irish fought for the freedom of America. He paid eloquent tribute to statesmen like Glyn, Cochrane, Devere, Walsh of Massachusetts, Walsh of Montana, Smith, Walker and others, and to the humanity of these men in all legislation for the betterment of men, women and children.

70,000 People Present at Mass Said for Russia

Vatican City, March 21.—Seventy thousand people filled every part of St. Peter's Basilica, the largest church in the world, here on Wednesday, when Pope Pius XI celebrated what is termed the Mass of expiation, propitiation and reparation for the terrible martyrdom of Christians and the mockery of religion in Soviet Russia.

The ceremony, announced some six weeks ago, was attended by representatives of all the Slavonic races, and by peoples of every Catholic country. It was carried out with all the elaborate ritual attendant upon a papal Mass. The great crowd of worshippers gathered long before the hour set for the pontifical ritual, broke into frenzied cheering the minute he appeared from the chapel of the Sacrament, borne high upon the portable throne.

"Long live the Pope" was heard on every side. The trumpeters of the Noble Guard, from a balcony over the central doors of the mammoth edifice, sounded the papal march on their silver instruments. Enthusiasm prevailed as Pius XI made his progress up the center aisle.

The Pope appeared lost in meditation on the horror of the reports he had received from the land of the Soviets, once known as "Holy Russia." Enveloped in a gold-embroidered red mantle that covered his severely plain white cassock, the Pontiff made the Sign of the Cross, right and left, in token of benediction to the throngs below. His countenance, which can at times resemble a moon in radiance, was stern and set.

The "De Profundis" was chanted by the choir and congregation for the repose of souls of those killed during the Russian persecutions. Then the sacred relics of the true cross, the Centurion's lance, and the holy veil of Saint Veronica, with which she wiped Christ's face on his way to Golgotha, were exposed for veneration and a blessing was bestowed in their name.

The impressive and moving ceremony came to a climax with the Pope imparting the apostolic benediction with its haunting line: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Fervent cheering greeted the Pontiff as he remounted the portable throne and was borne down the great nave of the Basilica, and thence back to the private apartments in the Vatican.

47 French Priests Have Use of Altars On Steamship Baltic

(By N.C.W.C. News Service)
New York, March 21.—Prior to the sailing of the White Star liner Baltic from here recently, 47 French-Canadian priests were taken to the Eucharistic Congress at Carthage to say Mass during the voyage to England. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Joseph Hallé, Vicar Apostolic of Upper Ontario, headed the delegation of Canadian clergymen among a party of more than 100 Catholics bound for the Congress, which is to be held in the African city from May 7th to 11th.

Msgr. Omer Plante and Canon Francis Blanchet, director of the French newspaper L'Action Catholique, are members of the Canadian group.

Arabs Beat Drums And Annoy Jews At Wailing Wall

Jerusalem, March 21.—The correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reports that Jewish prayers at the Wailing Wall were interrupted last Saturday by Arabs, who beat drums and used other noisy instruments to disturb the worshippers.

The Jewish community protested to the government and asked for protection for Jewish worshippers.

Meet the Hierarchy



RIGHT REV. BERNARD J. MAHONEY, D. D.

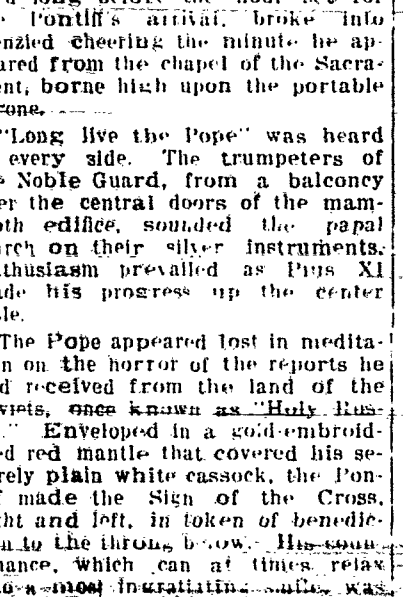
The Diocese of Sioux Falls, South Dakota is presided over by the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. Mahoney, D. D. It has 35,091 square miles, nearly five times as large as the Diocese of Rochester. There are 146 priests in the Diocese, 139 churches, one college, two academies, 35 parish schools, six hospitals, one orphan asylum, and 6,832 children receiving Catholic education.

Memphis Church Construction Begun

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
Memphis, Tenn., March 21.—Construction has been begun on the first unit of the \$300,000 new Catholic church, school, rectory and convent of St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus, to be erected here under the supervision of the Rev. James P. Whitfield, pastor of St. Bridget's Church, who is acting as special representative of Bishop Alphonse J. Smith.

The first unit will cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000. It will serve for a time as both church and school, the school to be housed in six rooms on the first floor while the church will occupy the second and third floors.

A Perfect Record



REV. MATTHEW MUEHLING, O. S. B.

For 35 years, without missing a single rehearsal or concert, the Rev. Matthew Muehling, O.S.B., played with the St. Vincent College Symphony Orchestra, until a recent stroke of paralysis incapacitated him.

Virginia Laymen's League Arranges For Broadcasts

Norfolk, Va., March 21.—Arrangements have been made by the Tide-water Division Laymen's League of Virginia, for regular broadcasts through radio station WVAR. It has been announced here following the signing of a contract between the division and the broadcasting company.

The broadcasts will present authoritative Catholic speakers, both of the clergy and laymen, who will present the Catholic religion in its true light to their listeners. Final plans for the broadcasts, including the dates on which they will be given, have not yet been announced, although several speakers have been tentatively scheduled.

According to present plans, the Rt. Rev. Andrew J. Brennan, D.D., Bishop of Richmond, will be the first speaker. The Rev. Dr. Hubert Louis Motry, of the Catholic University of America, and the Rev. Francis J. Byrne, D.D., Richmond Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, also are scheduled to be heard over the broadcast.

Celebrates Mass Of St. Patrick

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
San Francisco, March 21.—The formal celebration of the feast of St. Patrick was observed in St. Patrick's Church on Mission Street today.

It is believed that this was the only church either in Ireland or America, where the Mass Proper of St. Patrick was celebrated. The St. Patrick Mass for centuries was the only Mass celebrated in Ireland, but during the great religious persecution there it lapsed into disuse and has not yet been resumed.

Porto Rico Bishop Writes Letter of Appeal for People To the Bishop of Rochester

That thousands upon thousands of people are literally without food sufficient to sustain life and health, and there is untold suffering among the people of Porto Rico, is the pitiful story unfolded here by a letter recently received by Bishop O'Hern from the Rt. Rev. A. J. Willingham, D.D., Bishop of Ponce, Porto Rico. The letter reveals a pathetic and terrible condition of affairs and it is as follows:

"BISHOP'S HOUSE,
"Ponce, Porto Rico,
"January 30, 1930.
"Rt. Rev. J. Francis O'Hern, D.D.,
"947 East Avenue,
"Rochester, N. Y.

Your Lordship:

"Upon my recent arrival on the island of Porto Rico I have found that conditions as previously reported have not only not been exaggerated but are actually understated.

"My previous knowledge, gained from twelve years' residence here, had led me, before coming here as Bishop, to see the need of an organization which would aid in the task before me, but I was hardly prepared to find it one of such magnitude as a few days' investigation has revealed.

"Thousands upon thousands are literally without sufficient food to sustain life and health. Disease—the inevitable follower of undernourishment—is making terrible inroads upon the rising generation, upon whom the future of my Diocese rests.

"Governor Theodore Roosevelt has called the attention of the people of the United States to conditions here, and not only is every word he has uttered only too true, but he has by no means told the whole story.

—Much Proselyting Done—

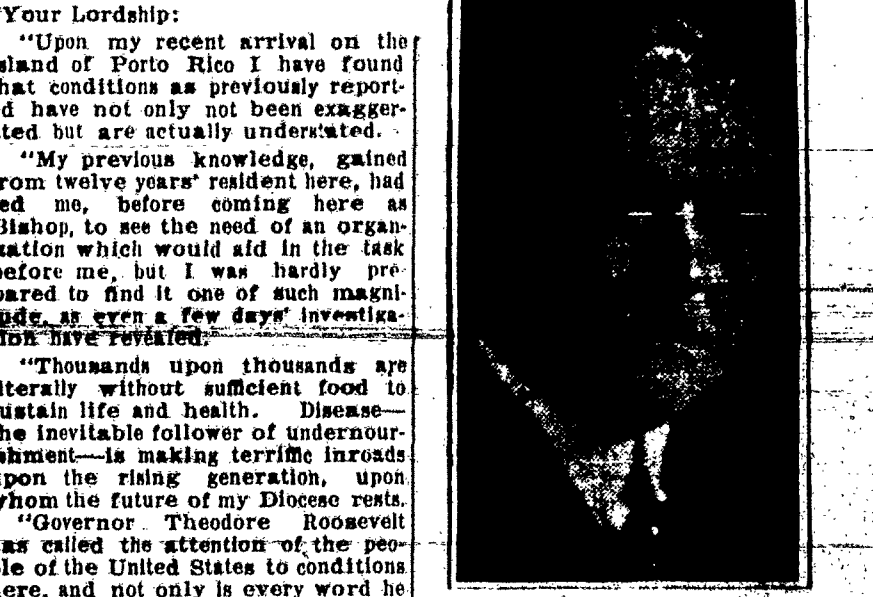
"There are 500 Protestant missionaries on the island—they are at work, backed by ample funds—and will inevitably draw many of these people away from their ancient Faith, unless the people of the United States come to our rescue.

"The Catholic Porto Rican Child Welfare Association, duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, has been designated by me as the agency through which such aid may be given. The Rev. Frederick J. Rooney, I.C.D.—a young priest who has had large experience in welfare work—has consented to act as my personal representative in placing this cause before the Catholics of the United States, and has opened an office at 80 Union Square, New York City, for this purpose.

"We are without funds, my Diocese is scarcely more than a name, and I, who have spent my life as a Religious, have no influential friends to whom I may appeal. May I not therefore, humbly beg you as a member of the American Hierarchy, to

assist me by commending this Association to your priests and people and looking with favor upon its requests?

Fraternally yours in Christ,
(Signed) A. J. Willingham, D.D.,
"Bishop of Ponce, Porto Rico."



DAVID J. O'CONNELL

The Ninth New York District is represented in Congress by David J. O'Connell, who has been re-elected for four consecutive terms. He was born in New York in 1868. There he was connected with the publishing business and was one of the organizers of the Allied Trades of Trade in Brooklyn.

As a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1910, he first entered politics. Then he was elected to the 66th Congress. Since that time he has been re-elected to the 68th, 69th, 70th and 71st.

700 Irish Greet Ramon De Valera
New York, March 21.—More than 700 persons attended the tenth annual ball of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic last night at the Grand Pennsylvania. Esmon De Valera, who is in America to raise money for the Irish Free State, was the guest of honor. Thomas Roosevelt, president of the organization, welcomed Mr. De Valera and him of the support of the Irish in all of his undertakings.

