

Nazareth College Class Graduating Exercises Held In Columbus Auditorium

The third annual commencement of Nazareth College was held on Wednesday evening this week in the Auditorium of the Columbus Civic Center. Thirty-two young ladies received diplomas and degrees, and an audience that nearly filled the big Auditorium was in attendance.

The Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., conferred the degrees. The commencement address was given by the Hon. Robert F. Thompson, Supreme Court Justice of Canandaigua.

Judge Thompson paid eloquent tribute to the Sisters of St. Joseph for the excellent work they are doing in Nazareth College and elsewhere in training young women for their proper places in life.

"Because of your training in this splendid school," said Judge Thompson, "you will have a clear understanding of moral issues when you exercise your right to vote. You will take an interest, I am sure, in the civic affairs of your communities, and you will not be like many men I know, who vote as they pray—once a year. You have learned the value of service, of sacrifice, and the beautiful truths that have been implanted in your hearts and minds will enable you to give the highest human contribution to the world around you."

Judge Thompson spoke of the power and influence of love in the lives of womankind. He cited illustrations showing the power of love, of sacrifice, of devotion, and said the most potent influence in the world is the spiritual influence. He was heard with interest and appreciation by the class and the audience.

Announcement of Awards The Rev. Dr. Kettell spoke of the rapid growth of Nazareth College. There are 17 teachers on the faculty this year, he said, and 135 students from States all over the Union. He expressed the gratitude of the College to the Nazareth Guild, for its helpful work at all times, and to numerous business men whose contributions made it possible for the College to add several thousand volumes of excellent books to its library, making the library one of the finest in this part of the State. He announced the awards as follows:

The Thomas Fitzcane Scholarship, established in memory of his son who was lost on an airplane trip, awarded for the first time, and given to Miss Mary Cannon, a freshman. The Nazareth College Scholarship, to Miss Margaret Toombs; Miss Adelaide Mary Blesbach, "magna cum laude" for her work in philosophy and religion and also in Latin; Miss Loretta Foley, "magna cum laude" for work in English;

Miss Helen Claire McNeaney and Miss H. Dorothy McKay, both "cum laude" for their work in Mathematics; Miss Frances Gerolamo McGrath and Miss Ann Marie Weitzer, both "cum laude" for Latin; Miss Esther Rose Merklinger and Miss Eunice Kathryn Rauber, both "cum laude" for chemistry.

Conferring of Degrees Members of the class marched in single file upon the stage for the conferring of the degrees, each girl carrying an arm bouquet of American Beauty roses, and wearing cap and gown. Bishop O'Hern officiated in this part of the program, and Dr. Kettell called the names of the graduates. The audience applauded each graduate heartily, and the graduates made a lovely appearance. The closing address was to have been made by Bishop O'Hern, but he gracefully asked Archbishop Hickey, founder of the College, to speak instead. The audience gave the Archbishop a heart-warming welcome. He spoke in part as follows:

Archbishop Hickey's Talk "This is a memorable day in your lives. In your hearts, and in the hearts of your friends, are feelings of peace and of joy. Your school days have reached the fruition of your efforts, and while there is joy in your hearts, there is also a shadow—you must say 'Good-bye' to those you love and with whom you have worked for the past four years. You have formed in Nazareth College sweet and tender friendships that will endure. Your lives will be influenced by the truths you have learned. I will not assume to advise you for myself, but will quote for you the advice of the world's greatest teacher, in His wonderful sermon on the Mount:

"Lay not up to yourselves treasures on earth, where the rust and moth consume, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up to yourselves treasures in Heaven; where neither the rust nor moth doth consume, and where thieves do not break through nor steal."

Reached the Heights "You have reached the heights. You have learned the value of the treasures spoken of by Jesus. That is why Nazareth was formed—to teach you the truths of life and to teach you the language of self-sacrifice and of self-denial. You have been taught to know and love and serve God. That is the chief reason for our existence. As you leave the portals of Nazareth, remember that your Teacher from above tells you to lay up treasures for Heaven. Do it by sacrifice. Do it by self-denial. You have spiritual strength. You have educational power. Put yourselves under the care of the world's greatest Teacher. Give him your hearts to-night, and He will bless you with the rewards of a life well spent."

The College Glee Club sang effectively at the opening, and the College Orchestra played, with George Mings as guest conductor and Elizabeth O'Connell as accompanist. The Commencement Hymn, in Latin, with words by Sister M. Raphael, M.A., and music by Sister M. Irminda, Mus.B., was beautifully sung by the student body. The stage was prettily decorated with American and Papal flags, flowers and palms, and the whole spectacle was one of impressive beauty and charm.

Says Anarchy Is Order of Day In Russia Now

New York, June 6.—The Rev. Charles J. Finagan, rector of St. James' Church in this city, told members of the Sodality of the Children of Mary of his parish, at a communion breakfast Sunday, that "Russia is a hell hole." "It has no unity and no order," he said. "The children in Russia are reared like wild animals. The Communists and Socialists and other cynics of law and order there want only bloodshed. Anarchy is the order of the day."

"The Catholic Church is the most perfectly organized society in the world. It is infallible and has battled every inch of its way for 1900 years, always coming out victorious. The Roman Empire, its first great enemy, is now only a memory, while the church it tried to crush is strong and powerful, and always growing stronger."

"In our own land of the free it has not escaped persecution. It has been besmirched and maligned, and recently, when one of its sons ran for public office, all the old hatred against it became rampant. But it has not been harmed. I hope and pray America endures until the end of time; but whether or not America comes or goes, the Catholic Church will go on forever."

"Men may rule the world but, in the end the world is what women make it. If all women lived in spiritual grace they would soon convert men to grace, too." The officers of the K. of C. Choral Society deserve hearty congratulation for the success of the concert. They are: President Paul Predmore; vice-president, Al G. Miller; secretary, Edward Rizzo; treasurer, Eugene Gall; assistant secretary, Eugene Dill; librarian, James Doyle; and assistant librarian, Frank Teicheder.

With Backbone The Catholic who eats fish if he is home and meat if he is dining out is neither fish nor flesh—just a jellyfish. —Michigan Catholic.

Nuns Buy Babies For Twenty Cents To Protect Them

Shanghai, June 6.—Twenty cents is the standard price for unwanted Chinese babies in Shanghai.

A year ago babies could be had for nothing, but the nuns of St. Cecilia Convent, to keep Chinese mothers from throwing infants into the river, started paying for children brought to the their doors.

In the Virgin's Garden a large basket is kept beside an open door. Twice or maybe three times a day a screaming bit of human life is deposited therein and an eager woman holds out her hand for a coin.

The business of buying unwanted babies began when a Sister, seeing a woman about to toss her new-born daughter into the Whiangpoo River, tried to persuade her to keep it. The Chinese woman failed to see why she should not throw her baby away and the Sister offered to buy it for 20 cents. All argument ceased. The woman took the coin and disappeared.

Next morning there was clamor outside the convent. Nearly 100 women were waiting to sell their babies. They had been told that the foreign women killed the babies and made them into medicine, but 20 cents lured them.

The majority of the children left with the Sisters are very young. The Sisters give them immediate medical attention, then feed them.

Boy babies brought to the convent later are taught wood carving, printing, photography, sculpture or painting. The girls are taught to read, to sew and to make lace and embroidery.

Cardinals Vote For Canonization Of Jesuit Martyrs

Vatican City, May 29.—Seventeen Cardinals of the Curia in solemn secret consistory Monday approved the canonization of eight Jesuit martyrs, victims of Indians in the early days of American history.

The Cardinals, sitting in the presence of the Pope, gave their approval after Cardinal Laurent, Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of Rites, had expounded the qualifications of the martyrs.

The date of canonization has been fixed for June 29th, and the ceremony will attract thousands of people to Rome. Many Americans are planning to attend.

Vast Fields Untouched By Catholic Missionaries, With Many Million Souls

(Flies Service) Vatican City, June 6.—The statistics recently issued by the Propaganda Society, covering the work of 163,615 priests, Brothers, Sisters and lay workers in the mission fields of the Church the world over told an amazing story of activity. But these statistics also told another story—the story that there are several hundred millions of millions of the billion non-Christians in the world live outside the theoretical sphere of influence attributed by the Propaganda statistics to each station in the mission field.

In Asia, for instance, there are countries such as Tibet, Afghanistan, Nepal, Baluchistan, Kurdistan, with tens of millions of inhabitants, with not a solitary missionary, and within the confines of which a priest of Christ could not hope to preach. There are areas such as the great Arabian, of which the Christian is permitted only timidly to touch the fringe. Of Arabia's 5,000,000 inhabitants, a million and a half live in the unknown reaches of the hinterland where strangers of what ever religion or profession seldom are allowed to enter. The Church maintains a station at Aden, but must limit all other Arabian activity to occasional missionary calls at Persian Gulf ports.

The great Moslem world of the Mediterranean littoral likewise counts few regions where the missionary can set up his standard. However, it appears almost ludicrous to speak of the areas where the missionary cannot go when we witness the enormous territories quietly entered where hosts are approached. The Propaganda statistics, for instance, give quite complete returns from the Dutch and British East Indies and a study of the bishops' statements show that of the 50,000,000 inhabitants of this field 43,000,000 souls are entirely outside the present missionary expansion.

To Give Talks At Commencement Of Niagara Univ.

Niagara University, June 6.—Rev. James P. Hamblan, M.A., Superintendent of Schools at the Albany diocese, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Niagara University on Sunday, June 8, it is announced. On June 10, Rev. Patrick J. Clune, Ph.D., of Princeton, N. J., will deliver the commencement address, while Rt. Rev. Msgr. Nelson Baker of Lackawanna will preside.

Likewise almost complete data from Japan establishes that of the 59,000,000 population almost 42,000,000 are beyond the range of the Catholic message. West of the more complete for China and India, the total of untouched millions in these countries would also be impressive.

Important it is to remember that mission activity is essentially dynamic; it is measured in terms of movement. A great portion of mission forces may be required to hold conquests already achieved but the soul of the apostolate is advanced only as clear from the above that there is a vast field yet awaiting missionary pioneers.

Japs Celebrate Anniversary Of Zendo Daishi

(Flies Service) Tokyo, June 6.—The 125th anniversary of the famous Buddhist, Zendo Daishi, founder of the Jodo sect, was the occasion recently of a series of celebrations calculated to revive the interests of the Japanese in Buddhism. The anniversary ceremonies were held in the Union Temple, Kyoto, Japan.

A religious exhibition, extending from March 8 to May 8, for the purpose of which, according to the "Japan Times," was to rouse religious spirit in the nation and to contribute towards cultural development. It aims, at the same time, to serve the industrial advance of the country, the exhibit including an industrial hall with products of Japanese manufacturers.

Chinese Jesuit Here New York, June 6.—A Chinese Jesuit priest, the Rev. Peter Chang, celebrated Mass in St. Joseph's Catholic Church here last Sunday morning.

College Girls Told That Home Is the Best Place

Tarrytown, N. Y., June 6.—The commencement exercises of Marymount College and Marymount Finishing School were held here on Monday with 25 graduates from the former, and 11 from the latter school. The address was given by Supreme Court Justice Arthur M. Tompkins of the Appellate Division, Brooklyn, and former Grand Master of Masons of New York State.

Judge Tompkins, speaking of women entering the business world, said he liked best to think of women in the home as wife and as mother. He said:

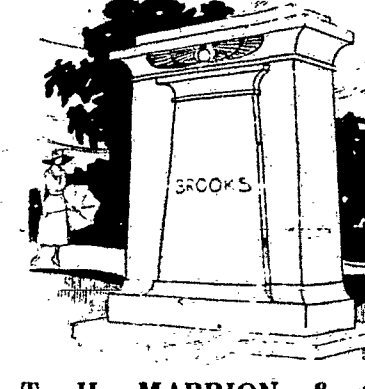
"The home is the strength of the nation. There the woman is queen. There she can accomplish most and best for the present and future welfare of the human race. Her 'his' talk," Judge Tompkins vigorously assailed beauty. "The great need of this world," said Justice Tompkins, "is more tolerance and respect for the rights and happiness and feelings of others and less beauty and indifference. Give us more kindness and less bitterness, more charity and less selfishness and greed, more confidence and less suspicion."

Cardinal Presided Cardinal Hayes of New York presided at the exercises. In his address, speaking of women, education, he said:

"Our holy father is admonished by the immediacy of this day to urge us to have its effect, and he has instructed us to insist and plead with women in the regard. Their modesty which is interior and which is exterior. The Church claims and insists there are ways and means and methods by which you can order the immediacy of the present day. The same holds good with regard to public exhibitions and time of recreation."

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N. F. Brady's Body Is Moved to Vault In New Novitiate Reading, Pa., June 6.—The body of Nicholas Frederic Brady, New York philanthropist, was interred last week in a private burial vault at the novitiate of St. Isaac Jogues, at Wernersville. His widow and several nieces and nephews accompanied the body on a special train. Mr. Brady gave more than \$1,000,000 for the construction of a school at the novitiate, but died before the building was completed.

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