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Thousands of People Visit and Inspect New Convent for Carmelite Sisters

Cardinal Confirms 1,200 Boston Converts Before Great Crowds

Impressive Ceremonies, Held in Holy Cross Cathedral, Witnessed by Capacity Congregations—Six Hundred Men Confirmed One Sunday, and Six Hundred Women the Next

CARDINAL O'CONNELL WELCOMES THEM BACK TO THE FAITH OF THEIR FATHERS

Boston, June 20.—Approximately 10,000 people saw Cardinal O'Connell of this city administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to 1,200 converts from the City of Boston in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross here on the past two Sundays.

A class of 600 converts men, received the Sacrament on Sunday, June 8, with a capacity congregation of about 5,000 people present at the ceremony. A class of 600 women converts received the Sacrament last Sunday, June 15, with a similar capacity congregation present.

Impressive Ceremonies
The ceremonies were among the most impressive and significant ever held in the venerable Cathedral. In his talk to the men, the Cardinal said:

"Hundreds and thousands of converts have by study and sacrifice learned to understand the true position of the Church and by the grace of God have at last entered the fold of Christ.

St. Andrew's Seminary Graduates 19 Students; New Seminary is Foreseen

The annual commencement exercises of St. Andrew's Seminary were held in the Auditorium of the Columbus Civic Center on Friday evening last week. There were 19 graduates in the class, and the Auditorium was well filled with relatives and friends. The program was a most excellent one, featured by an address to the class by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester.

Bishop O'Hern told the audience that "at no great distance" a new site and new buildings for St. Andrew's—an announcement which delighted all who are interested in the seminary, its work and its future.

The Program
The program of the evening was as follows:
Selection from "Tannhauser"
R. Wagner
Professional, Coronation March
Meyerbeer
Masling String Ensemble
(Members of Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra)
Eccle Sacerdos
Stadler
St. Andrew's Choir
Choruses:
(a) Jesu, Dulcis Memoria
Gregorian
(b) O-God of Loveliness
Traditional
St. Andrew's Choir
Oratorical Contest:
1. The First Semidarians and Ave Maria—Gerard W. Folts
We Maria—F. Schubert
2. The King of Love
Patrick J. Flynn
Selection from "La Tosca"
Puccini
Ensemble
3. God's Messengers of Redemption—Albert L. Simonetti
Choruses:
(a) Concordi Laetitia
Gregorian

France Decorates Sister
Shanghai, China, June 20.—Another missionary sister has been decorated by the French Government with the Legion of Honor. Mother Mary Reisenfeld, of the Daughters of Charity, Mother Mary, who spent many years in the Near East, and had many trying experiences during the World War, is now Visitor of the Sisters of Charity in China.

New York Priest Buried
New York, June 20.—Funeral services for the Rev. Joseph W. Dally of the Church of St. Alphonsus, West Broadway near Grand Street, were held in the church Monday morning. Final absolution being pronounced by Cardinal Hayes. The body of Father Dally was placed in the Redemptorist vault in the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer in East Third Street.

Descendant of Count Pulaski On Lecture Tour

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Although he is a Polish citizen, it is thought that Count M. W. Pulaski would be eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution for his great-grandfather, General Pulaski, took a leading part in the war that freed the colonies from England. Count Pulaski is in America on a "sight-seeing" and lecture tour. He will go through the south and midwest and plans to visit Savannah, Ga., where his illustrious ancestor so nobly distinguished himself. Numerous Polish organizations are planning to fetter him.

Holy Cross Man Is New Referee Of Compensation

New York, June 20.—The appointment of Stephen S. Jackson as referee of the Workmen's Compensation Bureau of the State Department of Labor is announced by Miss Frances Perkins, Industrial Commissioner.

Mr. Jackson, who is a resident of New York City and a member of Holy Cross College and has done post-graduate work at the Catholic University. He has an LL.B. from Harvard Law School. He is instructor in Social Legislation at the Fordham School of Sociology, a member of the Committee on Legal Aid Problems of the New York Welfare Council and does socio-legal work with the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York. He is also a graduate of the Pittsburgh Military Camp and served in the United States Army during the World War.

Says Porto Rico Is in Bad Plight And Needs Help

New York, June 20.—A picture of Porto Rico—a disease-ridden island whose population is suffering acutely from poverty and whose children are woefully lacking in educational privileges was drawn here by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, Governor-General of Porto Rico, speaking at a meeting of officers and trustees of the Catholic Porto Rican Child Welfare Association.

"This 'trinity of evils' confronting Porto Ricans today, said Colonel Roosevelt, who is honorary president of the Catholic lay group, is a disgrace to the United States, and 'our sense of national decency dictates that we see that every Porto Rican gets the opportunity of an American citizen.'

With fully two-thirds of its 1,500,000 population suffering from some disease, and a mortality rate higher than any country in the Western Hemisphere, Colonel Roosevelt declared that unless immediate relief was forthcoming there would result an economic chaos in Porto Rico and thousands of deaths among children.

To the Catholic Porto Rican Child Welfare Association, Colonel Roosevelt paid high tribute, especially to its spiritual head, Bishop Aloisius Willinger, of the diocese of Ponce in Porto Rico, who under severe handicaps, he said, for many years has labored in behalf of the poor in the interior where there are to be found the worst health conditions on the island. He lauded highly the project of the Association, which is receiving the support of Catholics throughout the United States, to erect a children's hospital in the interior where it is a great necessity.

In an appeal for support of the projects of the Catholic Porto Rican Welfare Association, Colonel Roosevelt said "every penny given to this cause will bear fruit in human happiness." He expressed the hope that Catholics of the country would unite in aiding the Association.

The Rev. Frederick J. Toomey is general secretary of the Association, which has its headquarters at 50 Union Square, New York City.

The average loss from lightning strikes in the United States is about five per million population.

The river systems of the earth are estimated to carry to the ocean each year about 6,500 cubic miles of water.

Fine Tribute Paid to the Wife of Boston Mayor

Boston, June 20.—The recent death and burial of Mrs. James M. Curley, wife of the Mayor of Boston, has caused great sorrow in this city, and many fine tributes have been paid to her life.

No victory that Mayor James M. Curley won in his long and turbulent career, no triumph in his public life was ever as great as his success in winning the devotion of such a splendid woman as the late Mrs. Curley.

This was the tribute uttered on a New England radio hookup by the Rev. Michael J. Ahern, S. J., towards the conclusion Sunday of the Catholic Truth Period broadcast every Sunday from Station WJAC, Boston, and through Station WEA, Providence. In a brief eulogy, the Rev. Father Ahern indicated the great force Mrs. Curley had been through her devotion to her husband in shaping his career. Her death, which he said, was not the end but really a beginning, evoked for the family the regret and sympathy of the entire city.

The hour, by action of the Catholic radio committee was dedicated in memory of Mrs. Curley. The reverential notes of the broadcast was under the direction of Dr. George L. Dwyer and included an especially selected choir, a quartet and vocal soloists.

Buffalo Bishop Now in Ireland; Home in August

Buffalo, June 20.—The Rt. Rev. William Turner, D. D., Bishop of Buffalo, will return in the early part of August from his intended vacation in Europe, taking the advice of his physician, he announced Monday by Msgr. Edmund J. Britt, chancellor of the diocese.

A decided improvement in the health of the Bishop since his departure last March, was reported by Msgr. Britt, who accompanied him on the voyage, returning Friday.

"Bishop Turner is now enjoying excellent health," Msgr. Britt said. "When I left him in Ireland, where he is visiting his sister, he had completed plans to return home in August."

Noted Teacher



JAMES A. REEVES, M.A., S.T.D.
James A. Reeves, M.A., S.T.D., Professor of Philosophy and Psychology at Seton Hill College, who will give the president's address at the college section of the 27th annual meeting of the National Catholic Education Association at New Orleans, June 23 to 26.

Mexican Beet Field Workers Unpaid, Say K. of C. Group Chief

Denver, June 20.—The plight of the Mexican and Spanish beet worker in Colorado is becoming worse, with companies and growers holding back salaries and causing widespread discontent, according to a statement by Thomas P. Mahony, of Longmont, Chairman of the K. of C. Mexican Welfare Committee.

"The present condition is unnecessary and is being used to work an injustice upon a helpless people," Mahony's statement said. "Many of the workers are leaving the country, not to return; others will leave if they can get away."

Morgan J. O'Brien, Famous Jurist, Is Widely Known

NEW YORK—When a New York jurist distinguishes himself by being elected to the Presidency of the New York County Lawyers' Association, it is an honor that is not to be despised. Morgan J. O'Brien has just done this and the photo here with it from the artist's portrait. Judge O'Brien is one of New York's outstanding lawyers. He has served with distinction as a Supreme Court Justice and has been a corporate counsel for some of the largest concerns in the world. One of his sons is the husband of Clarence Mackay's daughter. Mackay is president of the Postal Telegraph Company.

Raskob Makes Gift of \$100,000 To Warm Springs

New York, June 20.—A gift of \$100,000 from John J. Raskob to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation was announced Monday by William H. Woodin, chairman of the finance committee of the foundation, at a meeting at the Recess Club. Gov. Roosevelt is president of the foundation.

The foundation is attempting to raise an endowment fund of \$1,500,000 to permit the enlargement of accommodations for patients at Warm Springs, Ga., where the springs have been found to be beneficial to sufferers from infantile paralysis. The foundation provides treatment at cost to victims of the disease.

The members of the finance committee, which has been active in obtaining gifts, are former Governor Smith, Barron Collier, T. B. Davis, Jeremiah Milbank, James A. Moffett, F. Root, Walter Sachs, Percy Straus and Eugene Wilson.

Noted Prelate Guest of Bishop O'Hern in City

The Most Rev. George J. Caruana, of Havana, Cuba, titular Archbishop of Sebaste, and Apostolic Delegate to the Antilles, is the guest of the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, whose classmate he was in the North American College in Rome years ago. He is a noted churchman, and had an active part in the settlement of the Church's difficulties with Mexico.

On Wednesday morning the Archbishop celebrated the first Mass in the new convent of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd on Winton Road, Wednesday evening, with Archbishop Thomas F. Heley and Bishop O'Hern, he blessed three bells for the tower of the Nazareth mother-house at Pittsford, and on Thursday morning celebrated the first Mass in the Carmelite convent on Saratoga Avenue.

Archbishop Caruana served for a time under the late Bishop Hendricks of Rochester in the Philippines, and at one time he was secretary to Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia. He has a most responsible position as Apostolic Delegate of the Antilles, and his work has earned him the high regard of many people, including his superiors in the Church. He visited Bishop O'Hern in Rochester 14 years ago, and he expressed himself as greatly surprised at the progress the city has made since that time. He will remain here for several days.

Low Income Tax in Ireland Taken As Hopeful Sign

Dublin, June 20.—The lower income tax of the Free State as compared with England, especially with the recent addition to the British tax in the Snowden budget, has led to the hope that many wealthy Irishmen who moved to England when the Free State was established will come back to Erin.

The normal tax in England is now 50 per cent. higher than the Saorstát rate and the super tax is also considerably lower here.

Moreover there is no immediate prospect of increased taxation in Ireland. The budget for the coming year shows a deficit of roughly \$3,750,000 on a total income of \$121,250,000, but the excess is regarded as largely abnormal and will be raised by borrowing rather than by increased taxation.

Carmelite Sisters Arrive in Rochester And Go to Convent

The Most Rev. Archbishop George J. Caruana, Apostolic Delegate to Antilles, Celebrates First Mass in Chapel—Bishop O'Hern Blessed Convent Sunday—Rev. Leo C. Mooney, Chaplain

CONVENT CHAPEL WILL BE OPEN DAILY FROM EARLY MORNING UNTIL EVENING

History, beautifully written by hands of piety and of prayer, added a new chapter to the great spiritual work of the Diocese of Rochester on Thursday morning this week, when four Sisters of the Discalced Carmelite Order came to the city of Rochester and took possession of their new convent at 151 Saratoga Avenue. They were given warm welcome by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, upon whose invitation they came to the Diocese, and by a number of priests and a large number of laity.

Apostolic Delegate Present
An unexpected honor for the Diocese and the Sisters was the presence of the Most Rev. Archbishop George J. Caruana, of Havana, Apostolic Delegate to the Antilles. He is the guest in Rochester for a few days of Bishop O'Hern, whose classmate he was at the North American College in Rome. He celebrated the first Mass in the humble little chapel at the Carmelite Convent at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, and joined with Bishop O'Hern in expressing the joy that is felt over the coming of the Carmelites to Rochester.

The Carmelite nuns arrived in the city at an early hour on Thursday, and were taken at once to the Academy of the Sacred Heart Convent by a delegation of ladies composed of members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John and of the Young Ladies Society of the Sacred Heart Academy. From there they were brought to the ladies in their own conveyance at 1 o'clock. Here a group of laity, mostly women, filled the little chapel and the yard around the convent.

The First Mass
Archbishop Caruana celebrated the Mass, assisted by the Rev. Charles F. Shay, rector of St. Charles.

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St. Bonaventure's College Now Under Construction, Opens Summer School in July

St. Bonaventure, N. Y., June 20.—While wreckers are completing the raising of the million dollars' worth of buildings destroyed by the fire of May 5, which swept away a large part of the institution, workmen are busy laying the foundations of new buildings for St. Bonaventure's College. Less than 50 yards of ground separate the wrecking crew and the construction group. The addition in Devereaux Hall, now being constructed, is the first of the new buildings planned to replace those destroyed.

The addition to Devereaux Hall will house at least 150 students and facilities already been arranged so that if the new dining hall cannot be completed for the opening of the college year on September 13, there will be means of feeding the students without difficulty.

St. Bonaventure's, built amid the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains and along the Allegheny river, possesses one of the most attractive settings in the world for an educational institution. Its grounds were laid out by a landscape artist who was in the service of the Austrian emperor, and who some years ago forsook the world and donned the habit of a lay brother in the Franciscan Order. He is now the custodian of the Garden of Gethsemane in the Holy Land.

In the meantime, with commencement over, the college is preparing for its summer school, which will open immediately after July 4, with a large attendance. Because of its beautiful setting and its charm in summer, the college has always been attractive to students who attended summer school. The curriculum this year will be just as complete as that of last year, the faculty having been strengthened during the past year.

Reports from the twenty-four chapters of the Alumni Association of the college indicate that the Diamond Jubilee Enrollment plans are being carried forward very successfully. There is no effort being made to conduct a drive, the idea being that the alumni, who have always been enthusiastic in the support of their Alma Mater, can best assist her in her present hour of need through their organized chapters. That this plan is working out well is apparent from the encouraging reports reaching the president of the institution from all parts of the United States.

Receives Degree

Morrisstown, N. J., June 20.—Representative Mary T. Norton from the Tenth District of New Jersey received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws June 13, at the commencement exercises of the College of St. Elizabeth at Coventry, Conn. The honorary degree was conferred upon Representative Norton as the first award of its kind in the history of St. Elizabeth's, which is the oldest women's college in New Jersey. The honor was bestowed upon her in recognition of her character and of her record of public and social work, and of her "consistent interest in the welfare of women."

Mrs. Norton, the first woman elected to Congress, was selected by Governor Woodrow Wilson for many years a member of the Jersey Day Committee.

A Mass was celebrated in the chapel of the college with the Rev. Father J. J. Conroy, S. J., as officiating minister.

Sixth Carmel Cloister Founded in Indo-China

(Fides Service)
Phat Diem (Indochina), June 27.—The church in Indochina now has six monasteries of cloistered Carmelite nuns with the opening at Thanh-hoa of a new foundation. A caravan of eight cloistered sisters and two non-cloistered has journeyed from the old foundation of Hue to the new site and has made a simple beginning of this another monument to the strength of the faith in Indochina.

The mother monastery from which the new establishment takes its start counted before the division 23 religious, six European and 17 Annamite. Another monastery nearby counts 45 religious, three European and 42 native.

The Bishop of Phat Diem, His Lordship John Marcou, under whom the new foundation is made, has 127,000 Catholics within his vicariate. Up to the present he has had the assistance of 10 European Sisters of Our Lady of the Mission who direct a native community of 168 sisters, the Lovers of the Cross. (Fides Cor.)