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Minister Will Enter Seminary For Priesthood

Rev. E. W. Whipple, Universalist Pastor at Middletown, N. Y., is Convert to Church.

Middletown, N. Y., Jan. 30.—A convert to the Catholic Church, the Rev. E. W. Whipple, who recently resigned as pastor of Christ Universalist Church here, is now preparing to study for the priesthood.

Members of the Christ Church congregation, when informed of the contents of the Rev. Mr. Whipple's letter, voiced the belief that he had contemplated the step for several years, but hesitated out of deference to the wishes of his mother, recently deceased. His father, also a Universalist clergyman, died three years ago.

Practical Catholic Beliefs Parishioners to-day recalled that in several of his later sermons, the Rev. Mr. Whipple made frequent reference to Catholic beliefs and practices, always in terms of praise. While the contents of the Rev. Mr. Whipple's letter were not made public by the church trustees, it was stated that the former pastor told them he was of the belief he could best serve humanity through the medium of the Catholic Church.

Paper Has Editorial The conversion of the Rev. Mr. Whipple was the subject of an editorial in the Middletown Times, Herald, entitled "Changing Faith." It said in part:

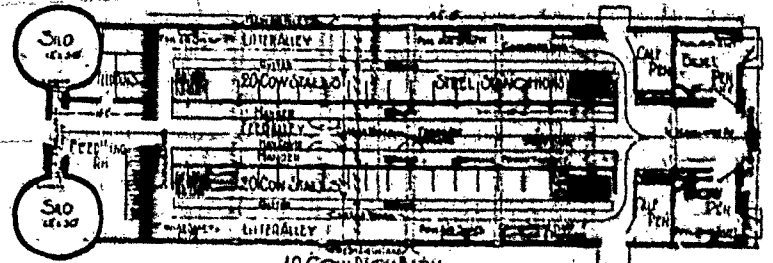
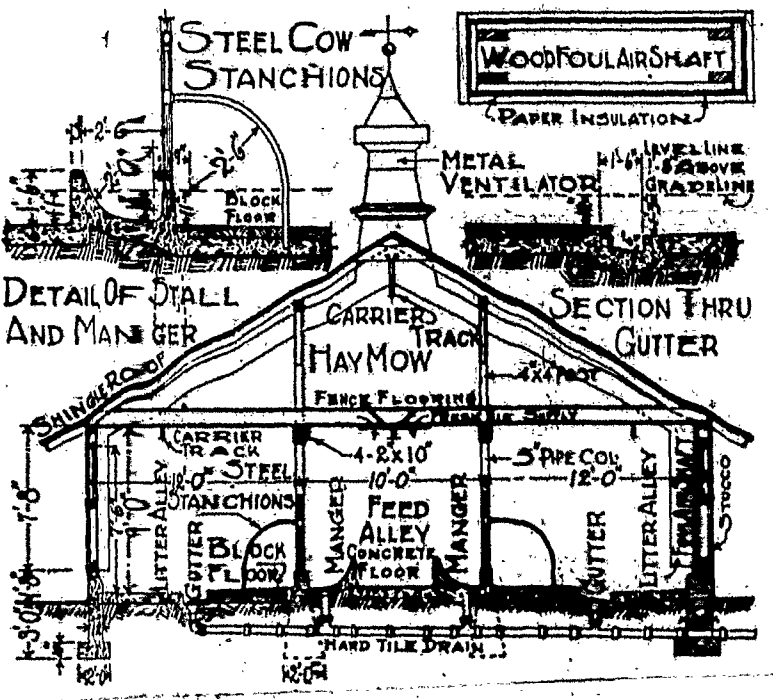
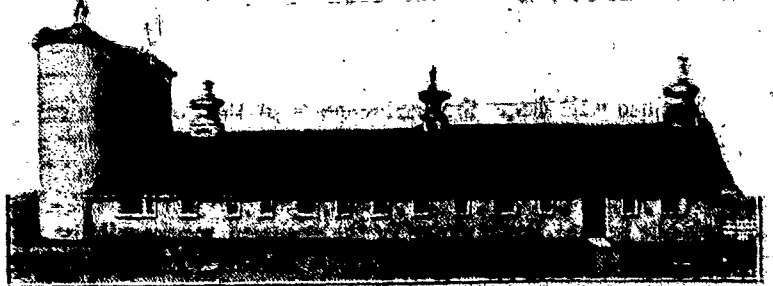
"Laymen people of weak faith or none, and change church affiliations easily. Men there have been who were in turn Jew, Catholic, and Mohammedan. But what it means to men of Mr. Whipple's quality, education and service probably lies wholly beyond the comprehension of the ordinary lay mind. "It must involve months, even years, of spiritual travail, of prayer and vast yet minute searching of conscience. In this particular instance the convert was the son of a minister devoted to a liberal theology. His training was in the thought that Christ was but the divinely inspired originator of a great philosophy which sought to establish the brotherhood of man under the benediction of a benevolent Father. There were no miracles, no eternal damnation, no inviolate, unchangeable or irreconcilable dogmas.

Many Obligations "From that he turns to a faith of many obligations: a hierarchy of religious discipline, a celibate priesthood, elaborate symbolism in impressive ceremonial rituals, implicit belief in the divinity of Christ as part of a trine deity, the authenticity of the miracles, and not only a Hell but a Purgatory for the perfection of souls entitled ultimately to see God. "Men who began in that faith have on the other hand abandoned it for the liberal religious regimen which Mr. Whipple found insufficient. In either event the change required the utmost moral courage. "It entailed a battle of spiritual forces devastating in extent, but with a reward of peace, solace and satisfaction perhaps beyond the conception of those to whom religion means little or perhaps nothing at all."

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In these days when dairying has become the principal activity on many farms rather than a side issue, many building architects have devoted more and more attention to economy in the construction of the buildings to house the dairy cows. Instead of possessing a huge barn with a horse floor, many dairy barns are now constructed with only one story. The roughage which the animals need is stored in a cheaply constructed building of a size required to hold the amount of hay necessary to supplement the silage. This one-story construction not only saves in the original cost but makes really a better stable because it is more easily ventilated and side walls may be slightly higher permitting more windows to admit sunlight, which is one of the things needed in the stable to keep the animals healthy.

The barn shown in the accompanying illustration was designed to house a herd of twenty milk cows, ten heifer and young stock. How the stanchions and box stalls are arranged is shown on the floor plan. Indicated on this plan is the equipment which is installed in modern dairy stables to lessen work and make the stable more sanitary. It will be noted that the mixing rooms and feed bins above the twin silos and that an overhead carrier track is installed in a direct line to the mangers. Also shown is a cross section of the stable showing how the concrete floor is constructed to provide concrete mangers and gutters and how the system of ventilation is installed. This type of a dairy barn will appeal to those farmers who have a herd of considerable size.

Adapt Architecture to Style of the Locality Can America adopt modern architecture and, at the same time, preserve those distinctive features that have been developed through centuries in the colonial mansions of the South, the red brick homes of New England, the Spanish-influenced buildings of the Southwest, and in other widely scattered regions? The answer, undeniably as it may seem, is "Yes," according to Walter H. Kilham, widely known architect, who points out in the American Architect Magazine that the feat is being accomplished in New England. At Westborough, Mass., the recently completed town hall has followed a design of clean modern lines and strikingly effective angles without rejecting the deep red brick walls or slate roofing which has marked New England architecture for centuries. In conservative Boston an outstanding industrial building has admirably adapted the modern idea to local atmosphere and materials. Mr. Kilham warns American architects and the public interested in architecture, that America, because of its wide range of climate topography and other regional differences, cannot expect to create a single nation-wide style of modern architecture, or to borrow one bodily from any European nation. A building effective in flat Kansas would seem exactly out of place in rolling New England or among the oaks of Louisiana, he points out. "Modern design, if it lives, must possess the element of appropriateness," he says. "The Gothic, for example, with its large windows and pointed roofs, was appropriate in northern countries, but did not flourish in the South. Similarly, modern design cannot continue itself to flat roofs and corniced walls if it is going to survive in America. It is able to assimilate pitched roofs, double-hung sash and local materials, its great principles of clean lines, tasteful surfaces and freedom from needless ornament should assure for it a brilliant career, and one which will take full advantage of the decorative possibilities latent in the play of light and shade on clean walls and the projection of colors on flat or curved surfaces."

Extra Long Hinges Are Best for Garage Doors Do you have to pull and tug at your garage doors to open them only a few months after the garage is constructed? This is because the contractor has not hung the doors properly. Regardless of quality, if they are not hung correctly, exposure to the weather and settling of the building are bound to cause trouble. Doors should make the garage water-tight and should stay open when the automobile is backed out. Extra long hinges will distribute the weight of the door and give greater satisfaction. I am bigger than anything that can happen to me. All these things, sorrow, misfortune and suffering are outside my door. I am in the house and I have the key. —Charles F. Lummis. The soul would have no rainbow Had the eyes no tears? —John Vance Cheney.

Bandits Free 9 Missionaries From Captivity

Four Priests and Five Sisters Are Released Unharmed — Future Looks Brighter Than in Many Months.

Vatican City, Jan. 30.—A recent telegram from Shanghai announcing the release of the four priests and five sisters held by the communists in Kiangsu, Kiangsi, China, brings the number of Catholic missionaries in captivity of long standing to a new low level. Only two of those captured previous to November last have not been released. Father Hidalgo and Avila, concerning whom there are many rumors, but no confirmed reports.

The number reported killed is also reduced to two, following the definite elimination from the list of the names of Aquino and Novelli, who, it is now reported, were not priests. This puts the number of priests killed this year at five.

Though, as usual, local disorder and banditry are reported from sections of China, the general tone is one of optimism. In places where actual banditry has not been established, strong hopes are expressed for the near future. Shenchow, for instance, famous for its famine and banditry and last year the scene of the murder of three American-Polish missionaries, "Comparative peace throughout the entire province, no danger of famine this year," and the future looking brighter now than it has for many months.

Father Maxwell Free Pointing, China, Jan. 30.—A telegram to the Apostolic delegation here Tuesday said that Father Maxwell of the Lazarist Mission, 30 miles from Shanghai, Southwest Shensi, was captured by bandits, Oct. 13, 1930, has been released. No word had been received of the other two members of the Mission captured with Father Maxwell.

Magr. Barry Doyle, Head of Near East, Loses His Mother

Elizabeth, N. J., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Mary Doyle, 84 years old, widow of James R. Doyle and mother of the Rt. Rev. Magr. Barry Doyle of Montrose, France, the first president of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, died Monday morning at the home here of her daughter, Mrs. James Doran. Born in County Wexford, Ireland, Mrs. Doyle came to this country fifty years ago. Her daughter, Mrs. Alice Keating of Philadelphia, three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive.

Tile Roof Provides Protection From Fire

When the fire alarm awakes you at midnight on a windy night, do you calm turn over and go to sleep again, or does the dread of fire, felt by all those who sleep in inflammable buildings, arouse you? Even if the fire may be far away, you are not at ease, not knowing what progress the fire is making—whether victory awaits the fire fighters or whether the burning brass-borne by the wind is flying toward your roof. The fear of fire is a dreadful thing. Fire, which is a good servant but a hard master, exacts a heavy toll year by year from those who fail to provide against its hazards. The annual loss in the United States is eight times as great as in England per thousand houses, it is said. Americans do not insist on fireproof materials for roofs and walls of homes like the English. The roof is the most vulnerable point. Wood shingles are responsible for an unbelievable amount of fire. Often they are like tinder. Flying sparks from chimneys, from passing trains or nearby buildings will often set an old, inflammable roof ablaze, and when such a fire is started it gets under the roadway quickly and is hard to stop. The wind will lift strands of blazing shingles more than half a mile around. If they fall on a burnable roof, another fire is likely to be started. Large conflagrations, such as the Chicago fire, the San Francisco fire and the Salem (Mass.) fire were spread in this manner. A fire loss amounting to more than a million dollars annually is saved by many of the large cities in the United States that refuse to allow a combustible roof within their corporations. Modern conditions and modern production methods have made it possible to have a permanent fireproof roof over a house of five or six rooms at about \$250 more than the cost of perishable roofs. A house owner can, for an investment of an additional 2 or 3 per cent, secure a roof that is not only fire resisting but permanent as well as beautiful.

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Fiji Islander Gave Entire Life To Church Work

(Fiji Service) Cawston, Fiji Islands, Jan. 27.—The recent death of Daniel Vuniviri at the age of 70, who gave his entire life to the service of the Catholic Church, is a touching reminder of the devotion of a native-born Christian. Mr. Vuniviri's activity in the Church was remarkable. He was a member of the Fiji Islands Catholic Mission, and his work was particularly noted in the "Catholic" schools. He was a devoted teacher and a successful administrator. His death is a great loss to the Church in Fiji.

Pope Blesses Two White Lambs On St. Agnes' Day

Vatican City, Jan. 30.—Two little white lambs, adorned with pink ribbons and laid in flower-filled baskets were solemnly presented last week to Pope Pius XI. The custom, which dates back for centuries, is observed every year on the feast of St. Agnes, whose body lies in a church just outside the imperial city. The Pope blessed the lambs, then turned them over to the Benedictine monks. On Wednesday in Holy Week, April 1, the lambs will be shorn and their wool woven into the pallium which marks the rank of an archbishop.

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