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Vera Cruz Catholics To Defy Law Limiting Priests in the States

All Priests Will Continue Their Work Until Removed or Arrested by the Authorities—Law Limits One Priest to 100,000 People.

PARISH PRIEST AMBUSHED AND SLAIN; SIX PERSONS KILLED AT HIS FUNERAL

Mexico City, June 26.—The great Mexican state of Vera Cruz has enacted a law limiting the number of Catholic priests to one for every 100,000 inhabitants. Archbishop Ruiz y Flores, Apostolic Delegate to Mexico, has appealed to President Ortiz Rubio for federal intervention, but it is not expected that the President will be able to accomplish much in the matter. The Archbishop has announced that the Church will not obey the law, but that all priests will continue at their posts, officiating as usual, until arrested or removed by authorities. There is great excitement in the State over the new law, and many petitions against it are being circulated. If any priests are forcibly removed, the Church will apply for an injunction against the State on the ground that the law is unconstitutional.

Priest and Six Slain
Co-incident with the enactment of the law, and illustrative of the efforts that are being made to throttle the Church in the state of Vera Cruz, a parish priest on his way home from work call, the Rev. Jose de Jesus, was ambushed by unknown parties and shot to death near the town of Huasteco.

At the funeral of the priest three days later, some one in the large crowd of mourners shouted: "Viva Cristo Rey!"—long live Christ the King. Armed policemen immediately attacked the mourners, who fought back. The chief of police, two other policemen and three of the mourners were killed, and a number of persons injured in the disturbance that followed.

Will Not Name Priests
The law limiting the priests specifies that the Church authorities shall name the priests who are to serve in the State. The Papal Delegate announced that he will not name any priests, but that all have been instructed to remain in their posts until the law is enforced. There are more than 3,000 Catholic churches in the State.

Governor Tejada, who was Minister of Interior during the Churruarín administration, is held responsible by the Papal Delegate for the enactment of the bill. "He shows the real, true ideals of Communism," he said, "and this is premeditated attack on the Catholic Church, designed to ruin the support of the State by bad elements among his followers."

People Threaten Mayor
The Mayor of the town of Toluca attempted to eject a priest from his church on May 25th. Several hundred persons rushed to the church and threatened to lynch the priest.

41 Societies Of Germans To Fight Alcohol
Catholic Organizations Issue An Appeal to Their Members to Liberate Themselves From Strong Drink.

Berlin, June 26.—Forty-one German Catholic organizations have issued an appeal to their members "to liberate themselves from the prevailing alcoholic drinking customs," according to Das Neue Reich, one of the leading German reviews.

The review publishes a statement, to which the 41 organizations subscribe, in which it is declared that "Catholic public opinion must not remain indifferent toward the abuse of alcohol, but must condemn it in sharp terms. Every Catholic society should regularly conduct a systematic campaign of information about the harm of alcoholism. Abstinence from alcohol and nicotine on fast days is hygienically helpful and therefore represents a form of modern fasting that should be recommended."

Modern immorality is closely associated with alcoholism and is being supported and encouraged by a capitalism that is not restrained in any shape or form. More determined and effective work through local committees of Catholic societies is an urgently necessary form of Catholic action.

Gaelic Football Players Defeat All Rivals Here
New York, June 26.—The All-Ireland Gaelic football team defeated a picked New York aggregation here Sunday, 17 to 2. The Irish have won every game they have played in this country. They have drawn great audiences of sport lovers, and by their skill and gentlemanly conduct have won thousands of friends and rooters to their side.

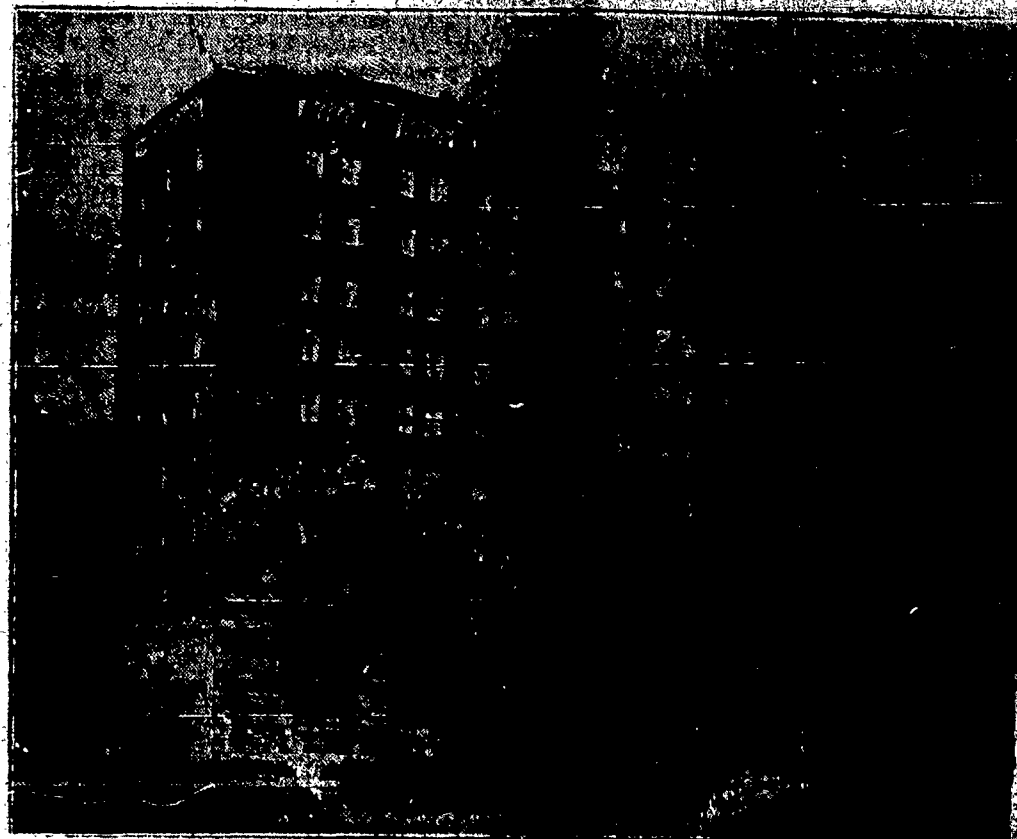
Boston Baseball President's Son Ordained Priest
Boston, June 26.—Robert C. Quinn, son of Robert Quinn, owner of the Boston American (Red Sox) Baseball Team, was ordained to the priesthood at the Dominican House of Studies at the Catholic University in Washington, D. C., recently.

He received his early education at Columbus, Ohio, and is a graduate of Boston College. He celebrated his last Mass at St. Patrick's Church in Columbus last Sunday. Members of the family were present at the Mass.

Jewish Cemetery Ransacked
The Southern States of Russia, the bulletin, commenting upon the depopulation of the former thriving Jewish centers, asserts that peasants there were driven to leave their homes "to wander and seek work in strange lands, and that the intolerable conditions with police compulsory colonization has been conducted."

In cases cited, the bulletin says, such as forbidding Jews to work in certain professions, such as milling, printing, etc., and

Beautiful New Nurses' Home



(Dedicated Wednesday at Elmira by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hara, D.D., Bishop of Elmira.)
THE EDWARD JOSEPH DUNN MEMORIAL

Major General Haskell Says Religion in Russia Is Still Very Much Alive

Army Chief of U. S. Relief in Russia Writes: "Anti-Religious Museums Are Thoroughly Disgusting."

New York, June 26.—Major General Haskell, Chief of the United States Army, who served as chief of the American Relief Administration in Russia from 1921 to 1923, and who visited that country five years ago, and again a few months ago, is writing a series of articles on Russia for the New York Times. The first article appeared last Sunday in The Times, and it contains some very interesting and straightforward comments on religion in Russia. General Haskell writes:

"Many museums in the cities are open to the public, and guides take groups of visitors, school children, and others, explaining everything as they go. Theatrical galleries and old museums are interesting. The Museum of the Revolution in Moscow is a collection of misinformation, and the anti-religious museums I found thoroughly disgusting."

Status of Religion
"Religion is no means dead in Russia, although every weapon has been employed by the government to destroy it. The most scurrilous posters ridiculing religion are circulated, and many of the churches have been taken over for other purposes, such as workers' clubs and anti-religious museums."

"A certain number of churches are functioning as houses of worship and are very much overcrowded. But it is only with the utmost difficulty that a church can exist, because of the great number of rules and regulations imposed upon it. The life of the priests is one of the hardest of all, but they are clinging to their missions as did the martyrs of old."

Communism a Religion
"The church is employed in the campaign against religion and against the belief has been employed in the attack. I saw a miserable show, with poor music, futuristic scenery and practically no dancing, which portrayed priests in drunken roles and burlesqued religious processions, but I noticed that there was a definite lack of applause, in contrast with the church."

Mercy Brothers, Founded in 1856, Do Worthy Work
The Brothers of Mercy were established in the year 1856.

In addition to the sanctification of their own souls, their chief purpose is to care for the sick of the male sex, preferably the poor, those suffering from mental derangement, either in hospitals or in private homes. They also take charge of working homes and similar institutions of charity.

In 1908 the congregation, and in 1921 the Statutes, received the approbation from Rome. At present the congregation includes 31 houses, with a membership of 425, covering 13 dioceses in Germany, Holland and North America.

For the same purpose a branch was established in 1924 at 49 Cottage Street, Buffalo, N. Y., with the approval of Church and State. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, and since 1926 it is privileged to take charge of an infirmary where sick and convalescents are cared for. The Rt. Rev. William Turner, D.D., Bishop of Buffalo, is president.

Permission from Rome was received in 1926 for the Novitiate where healthy young men between the ages of 17 and 37, provided they are recommended by a parish priest, are admitted.

Governor Writes Priest Praising Blessing Autos

New York, June 26.—A letter from Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt commending the blessing of automobiles was made public by the Rev. Daniel de Noone, pastor of the Holy Catholic Church, of the city, shortly after the blessing ceremony. The letter, which is being held in the office of the Governor, is as follows:

"I am glad to hear that the Holy Catholic Church in the city has been a whole-hearted endeavor to install in the hearts of motorists reverence for the lives of those who ride as well as those who walk. It is a letter from the Governor of the State, Father de Noone and 'Governor-Roosevelt' wrote to me that he wished to express his appreciation for your cooperation with the State authorities in their safety campaign, a cooperation that is so necessary to the solution of the motor vehicle accident problem."

The blessing of the cars followed the motorists' Mass, which is held each Sunday at 12:30 P. M. The church, built only a few years ago, is many fagades. By holding the Mass at this hour, Father de Noone held after driving their employees home from worship.

Msgr. W.D. O'Brien Is Reappointed Extension Head
Chicago, June 26.—The Rt. Rev. Msgr. William D. O'Brien, president of The Catholic Church Extension Society in the United States, has been reappointed for another term of five years to the office which he has held for the past half decade. Confirmation by the Holy Father of Monsignor O'Brien's reappointment comes in two letters from Raphael Cardinal Ruffini, Assessor of the Sacred Consistorial Congregation, one addressed to George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago, and the other to Monsignor O'Brien.

Monsignor O'Brien has been associated with the Extension Society for the past 25 years. Under his wise direction and able leadership the society has grown in financial and numerical strength, and its work has been broadened in a way that adds much to its usefulness to the Church.

Catholic Hour At Washington Takes a Recess
Washington, D. C., June 26.—The Washington Catholic Radio Hour broadcast every Sunday afternoon over Station WOL from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 14th and N. Street, under the direction of Monsignor O'Brien, has been suspended for the summer months, after 37 Sundays of broadcast.

On this hour during the season may be the most prominent priest in the city, including the Rev. Monsignor O'Brien, Father Smith, Dr. John A. Ryan, the authority on labor problems; Rev. Joseph Malloy, former director of the Catholic station in New York; Father Raphael Burke, O.P., Father James Cox, of Pittsburgh; Rev. Francis J. Lacey, S. J., of Georgetown University; Father George Quinn, the Marxist missionary; Rev. Father Paul, founder of the Priests of the Atonement, and Dr. John Keating Cartwright.

The hour was second most popular religious one in Washington, being surpassed only by Father Connelley's broadcast from Detroit. The series will be resumed the first Sunday in October. On the program will be the foremost leaders in Catholic thought at the Catholic University.

Ireland Issues A Special Stamp
Dublin, June 26.—A special postage stamp has been issued by the Irish Government to commemorate the centenary of the birth of the late Pope Pius IX, which was celebrated June 21-27.

Designed by George Atkinson, Royal School of Art, the stamp is the most attractive yet printed by the Irish Government.

The design shows a harvester carrying a sheaf over his shoulder and a cow in the background, symbolizing the work for agriculture. It will be in use for about three months.

Dunn Memorial Home Dedicated in Elmira With Solemn

Nine-Story Nurses' Home Built Through Generosity of Joseph Dunn to Benefit Thomas F. Murphy.

BUILDING IS CROWDING WITH GENEROSITY OF NEARBY

Elmira, June 26.—The Edward Joseph Dunn Memorial Nurses' Home, a magnificent new nine-story building in this city, was dedicated here today by the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hara, D.D., Bishop of Elmira, in a large number of friends of the building. The ceremony was held in the chapel in the building, which is the largest and most modern of its kind in the city. The building was built through the generosity of Joseph Dunn, who died in 1923, and was dedicated to the memory of his son, Thomas F. Murphy.

The building is a fine example of modern architecture, and is well equipped for the needs of the nursing profession. It will accommodate 100 nurses, and will be a great benefit to the community.

The ceremony was presided over by the Bishop, who gave a short address. He praised the generosity of Joseph Dunn, and the work of the nurses in the home. He also mentioned the work of the Catholic Church in the city.

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Canine Club

Buffalo, June 26.—The Canine Club, which was organized here last year, is holding its annual meeting here today. The club is a social organization for dog lovers, and is open to all who are interested in dogs.

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