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Mixed Marriage Decree Recently Approved by Pope, Analyzed by Experts

Thus far the legislation of the Church required that before a dispensation be granted for mixed marriages the dispensing authority have moral certitude concerning the fulfillment of the promises. The present regulation ordains, in effect, that above and beyond the moral certitude required by the Code a form of assurance be used which will preclude hindrance on the part of anyone, even to the extent of civil law. In the faithful execution of the law the new forms required.

In other words, the assurance (also called promise, agreement, caution) must be drawn up in a form that will meet the requirements of the new regulation. It is no longer sufficient to use the usual agreement forms that are customarily issued by the chancery offices. The agreement must contain the usual promises exacted by the Code of Canon Law and such Civil Law safeguards that neither of the parties nor any other person will be able to hinder actively the actual accomplishment of the promises.

It also states that hindrance is protected by possible recourse to Civil Law, or such hindrance cannot be prevented by properly worded contractual forms, dispensations for mixed marriages cannot be granted. If a dispensation is granted without the due observance of the present regulation of the Holy Office, it is null and void and a marriage contracted with such dispensation between a Catholic and an unbaptized person in lawful marriage contracted with such dispensation between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic is valid but illicit.

New forms, therefore, will have to be drawn up to meet the requirements of the recent legislation. The advice of civil lawyers will have to be sought in the States or region, where the parties reside now or will probably reside later, must be taken into consideration.

Oral Promise Insufficient

The new Decree of the Holy Office does not go into effect until three months after the date of the Acta Apostolicae Sedis, the official organ of the Church, in which the Decree is published. This leaves ample time in advance for the proper drawing up of forms. At present the Canon and Civil Law Faculties of the Catholic University are collaborating on the outlines of forms to be presented to the Bishops of the country for approval. These forms with the necessary changes, may be used in the various States.

While the Decree does not explicitly forbid oral promises, it implies that such promises are not to be allowed. The Code legislates that the promise, as a rule, should be in writing; hence, this piece of Code legislation will be affected to the exclusion of assurances given by word of mouth.

The new regulation states that assurances must be such that no one shall be able to hinder the faithful execution of the promises. This suggests the consideration that the form of the assurances must be so constructed with legal provisions that the non-Catholic party, after the death of the Catholic party, shall be able to hinder the Catholic education of the offspring.

The fulfillment of the promises concerning the Catholic education of

Jew Teachers Favor a Drive To Kill Bigotry

New York, March 4.—The principles of equality enunciated by George Washington were emphasized Monday by speakers at the annual luncheon of the Jewish Teachers Association in pleas for tolerance and understanding which they suggested might be inculcated early in the minds of school children.

The luncheon was held in the Hotel Commodore in honor of Louis S. Posen, newly appointed member of the Board of Education, who declared the present relations among pupils, teachers and parents reflected a larger feeling of sympathy than in former years.

"The efforts of teachers, however, to tear down the black banners of bigotry are not yet finished," he said. "And now more than at any other time teachers should teach children the blackness of intolerance. In New York City there are more than 1,000,000 school children in your hands to mold into the leaders of the nation tomorrow, to teach friendship and understanding that will bring peace to the world."

A New Magazine At Catholic Univ.

Washington, Mar. 4.—A new journal called the "Alumnus" has just been issued by The Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., whose purpose is the formation of a stronger national alumni body among the graduates of the University.

In connection with the expansion program recently adopted by the Bishops of the United States for The Catholic University, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Hugh Ryan, rector of the University, has sponsored the new magazine and is taking an active interest in the formation of chapters of the alumni association throughout the country wherever groups of a sufficient size make this possible.

Without prayers we have neither light nor strength to advance in the way which leads to God.

St. Patrick's Cathedral Radio Hour

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
Eighteenth Talk—By the Rev. Charles F. Shay

Subject: "The Chalice and Its Accidents."

Good Afternoon My Dear Friends: Almost every nation which traces its origin to a sacred history has some treasure these narratives based upon tradition more highly than others. They seem to act as one entranced the moment the facile tongue pours forth the all-absorbing story. It may be true; it may be a myth, but back of it all there is a truth which somehow influences the listener to view with respect the subject matter proffered. When the subject is sacred or pertains to holy things, there arise poignant feelings of reverence which certainly have the effect of moulding thought as well as action along sanctimonious lines.

Well, you will pardon me to-day, if in the treatment of this holy-subject, "The Chalice and Its Accidents," I deviate from my usual method of approach and to make the matter more interesting, borrow from a sacred-legend, with the hope that you may see the moral attached.

The legend is entitled: "The Priest's Leap," and in forcible but poetic manner illustrates the sacredness of this object which holds the Divine Blood of the Saviour in the mystical sacrifice of the Mass. For know you well that the chalice and the paten, the golden circular plate upon which rests the Body of Christ, after the consecration of the Mass, occupy the first place of honor among the sacred vessels which are used in the divine service upon the altar. The legend runs thus:

An Irish Legend

During the persecution of '98 in the Emerald Isle, a priest is found out on the hills before the break of dawn in peasant's homely garb. Ordinarily in times of peace he might wind his way from the city to the country and thence to altar without even a nod of recognition into his consecrated hands he would take the chalice with its paten, the altar bread and wine, and after the consecration of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, would elevate them for adoration by the faithful. Now, due to circumstances, the scene is changed.

"He walks about in disguise and carries with him concealed near his heart what he treasures most.

"For the chalice, paten, wine and bread, are hidden lest he attract the rebel host.

"He sees a cabin low and rude to nourish three fainting souls with God's appointed food."

Now let the legend continue in the poet's own dramatic recital of the scene. For so it is within the land whose brave and faithful men in other days made all the land a bright and holy place."

But now their altars are in ruins, their country overthrown. Their hearts in cliff and cave, are tenantless and lone.

The ancient race is broken down, their pride is passed away. Poor helots plundered and despoiled, they tread the soil to-day.

But yet though fatten their fortunes, he, in want and woe and ill. Close hid and fondly loved, they keep their priests among them still.

Their faithful priests who though by law condemned, denounced and banned Will not forsake their suffering flocks, or quit the stricken land.

The morning brightens as he goes, the little hut is near. When runs a peasant to his side and speaks into his ear.

"Father, the spies are out, they've watched you on your way. They've brought the soldiers on your track to seize you or to slay. Quick, Father dear, here stands your horse; no whip or spur he'll need. But mount at once and dash away, take chance thru' field or food. And God may raise his hand to-day and foil those men of blood."

Up springs the priest, away he rode, but ere a mile was run. Right in his path he saw the flash of bayonets in the sun. He turned his horse's head around and sped the way he came. But Oh! there too the hunters were, fast closing on their game.

Straight forward that he faced his steed and urged him with his hand. To where the cliff, stood high and sheer, beneath a sea-beat strand.

Then from the soldiers and the spies a joyful cheer. Their firestone-chase was well nigh over the wished-for end was near.

Some stretched for their eager hands in night, to pluck the rider from his seat— A few more lusty strides and they would bring him in their clasp.

For now betwixt him and the edge was scarce ten feet of ground. But stay—good God, right o'er the cliff the horse is seen to bound!

The soldiers hasten to the spot, they gaze around below. No splash disturbs the waves that keep their smooth and even flow.

From their dark depths, no form of man or horse is seen to rise. Far down the rocky strand, no mangled body lies.

"Look up, look up," a soldier cries, "for see the priest horse-backed as still speeding through the skies!"

They look, and lo! the words were true and trembling with affright. They saw the vision pierce the blue and vanish from their sight.

Three miles across the bay a group of wandering eyes. Saw some strange sleek coat rushing onward through the skies.

A bird—they deemed it first to be, they watched its course, and soon they thought it a darksome mass flung from the sea-or moon.

It neared the earth, their hearts beat fast, they held their breath with awe. As clear and clearer, first, the horse and then the man they saw.

Some shut their eyes, some closed their ears to save the heart a shock. As steed and rider both came down and struck the solid rock.

AV. STRIKE THE SOLID ROCK, MY FRIENDS! No mangled leaping sleek coat flung was scattered on the ground.

For when the horse fell on his knees and when the priest was thrown. A little forward, his hands but reached beneath his sacred gown.

Unhurt, unharmed the priest arose and through the crowd he went. His hands just closed upon his breast, his head serenely bent.

Long years have passed since dawned that eventful thirteenth day. But yet of that terrific leap, the tongue bespeaks still.

On the high hill from which the horse and rider sped. The hoofs are found in deepest red.

And still the rocky spot where they fell, no trace upon the stones. Is found as sign to mortal man of God's protection alone.

The moral, dear friends, standeth forth only too clear. What the Lord has given, beware no hand, save one, draw near.

Their Sublime Use

Yes, dear friends, considering the sublime use to which these vessels are put and their sacredness in the Church, let me draw near; and only the most noble and precious metals, gold and silver, enter into their composition. If silver is used, then the interior of the cup of the chalice must be gilt with gold. The paten, thin and sharp on its outer rim, and shallow and unbordered on its inner cavity, must be plated with purest gold. But art or richness of metal is not the thing worthy of divine service, for they must be consecrated by oil of Christ in order to render them appropriate for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Holy Christ, composed of balm mingled with olive oil, symbolizes the sweet-scented strengthening grace of the Holy Ghost.

For in the chalice, the sacrificial blood flows, and on the paten rests the Body of Christ. Who was anointed by God with the oil of gladness: "And from the wounds of the Eucharistic Victim, gushes forth all the heavenly perfume of grace, all reconciliation and mercy, all peace and joy in the Holy Ghost."

The Holy Grail Legend

I can't help but permit my mind to ravish another legend of legends which has come down the ages. "The quest for the Holy Grail." For since that eventful night in which the Lord with His Apostles supped and dined at that first Eucharistic banquet, in Jerusalem, through Joseph of Arimathea and on the Christian centuries, there has ever existed in the mind of man the thought that perhaps some day to a pure heart there might be vouchsafed a vision of the original cup—the type of every chalice since used in the Church—from which the Saviour poured forth mystically an eternal remembrance His Blood—the He was crucified on the holy rood. Yes, not only

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Many Records Of Washington At Georgetown

University, Founded at the Time the Constitution Was Adopted, Has Fine Collection of Revolutionary Data.

Washington, March 4.—An interesting feature of the program being carried out by the Georgetown University Bicentennial, on March 4, will be an exhibit of Washington letters, colonial records, and relics identified with the first President and his time.

The archives of Georgetown, which contains a wealth of early American historical data, were searched for personal correspondence of George Washington and documents bearing on his public and private life. Among documents in the Georgetown archives are records pertaining to early faculty members who were acquainted with Washington and who served in the Revolutionary Army.

This bi-centennial year is of unusual significance to Georgetown, since the university itself was founded simultaneously with the adoption of the Constitution.

Apostolic Delegate To Have New Home

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and accommodations for various secretaries. The second unit will comprise the chancery, with library, waiting and conference rooms and offices for clerks.

A beautiful chapel on the ground floor of the third unit will be a small and richly beautiful chapel, intended particularly for the use of the Apostolic Delegate but also arranged to accommodate his guests, household members and small groups of outsiders. This chapel will contain one principal altar and two subsidiary altars, and will be similar in ornamentation to the quietly studied altars of the newly Italian palaces.

The interior will be designed in the use of light and color, and will have separate facilities for the street. A unique feature of the project is that the Apostolic Delegate cannot include women among his guests. The project will be for the use of the domestic staff.

Attractive Gardens

The garden surrounding the villa will be a masterpiece of such character as the building itself, and elaborate plans have already been made for its layout. The beauty of formal Italian gardens with strict paths, bordered by flowering shrubs, and statues set among clumps of dappled cypress trees or the silver jets of purring fountains, will be retained in all its splendor.

The Vatican garden, as well as those of the more famous villas of Italy, are being studied for inspiration, and numerous plants and shrubs familiar to the Italian landscape will undoubtedly be brought to this country to adorn the new garden. Many excellent ideas to be used in the arrangement of the garden, as well as in the plans for the building, have been contributed by Archbishop Blondi.

Gifts of Art Treasures

Paintings of no particular period are being selected for the building, and it is understood that numerous gifts of rare paintings, tapestries and treasures from the Vatican art collection will find places in it.

It is apparent that the Papal Delegate, with the occupancy of his new home, intends to assume a position of importance in the diplomatic life of Washington.

The first representative of the Vatican, Msgr. Satolli, arrived in this country in 1893. His successors, not including Archbishop Blondi, have been Sebastian Martinelli, Domènec Cateo and John Bonzano. All were elevated to the rank of Cardinal following their American services.

The question of the diplomatic recognition of the Papal State by the United States has been raised frequently, especially since Italy's renunciation of power two years ago by the Lateran Treaty. Rome would welcome such recognition, it is said, but awaits the initiative from this side.

An Excellent Will

New York, Mar. 4.—The will of Michael Discolli of New York, probated the other day, contained these bequests: To Redeemptorist Roman Catholic Church, \$500; Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, \$200; Nursing Sisters of the Sick Poor, \$200; Franciscan Monastery, Paterson, N. J., \$200; Society of the Propagation of the Faith, \$200; St. Joseph's Home for the Blind, Jersey City, \$200; Timothy O'Driscoll, brother, Ireland, \$4,000; Bridget O'Driscoll, sister-in-law, Ireland, \$2,500; Ellen Foley, niece, 257 51st Street, residue.

Eleven Graduate Scholarships, Four Teaching Assistantships, Open At the Catholic University

Washington, Mar. 4.—Eleven graduate scholarships and four teaching assistantships for the academic year 1932-33 are available in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of The Catholic University of America at Washington, D. C.

The scholarships are offered in the departments of Architecture, Biology, Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Physics, Politics, Psychology and Romance Languages. The teaching assistantships are available in the departments of Architecture, Chemistry, Geology and Greek and Latin.

Founded primarily as a school of graduate studies in 1889, contemporary with Johns Hopkins and similar industrial institutions of learning, The Catholic University of America has always stressed graduate studies and the promotion of sound scholarship. Realizing the need for fostering advanced studies it maintains as many scholarships and teaching assistantships to aid and encourage young candidates for higher degrees as its limited means permits.

The teaching assistantships just announced carry a salary of \$1,000 and tuition. The assistants teach one-half their time and pursue advanced studies. The teaching assistantships give the recipient an opportunity to complete his studies and to gain himself at the same time.

The graduate scholarships provide varying returns. Some give tuition only, while others grant allowances from \$150 to \$500, including tuition. Students holding these scholarships are expected to assist in their departments in various capacities.

Berkeley Square Closes Its Run Saturday Night

"Berkeley Square," this week's attraction at the Auditorium Theater, and the most recent offering of the production Permanent Players first season, is an entrancing romance based on the Einsteinian theory of relativity.

With its music by beauty and tender love story, "Berkeley Square" hints that past, present and future are all one, and that the impression of the time travelers' hours and years is made to be trusted. It was suggested by its author, John L. Balderston, London correspondent of New York newspaper, by Henry James' "Sense of the Past."

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