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New Louvain Library, Believed Too Large, Is Overcrowded Now

Students at The University Have Difficulty in Obtaining Seats—The Great Reading Room is Always Filled to Capacity—Nearly Four Thousand Students Are Registered at the University Now.

NEW LIBRARY IS BUILT AND EQUIPPED ACCORDING TO LATEST AMERICAN PLANS

Brussels, April 8.—The new Louvain Library, built on an impressively large and imposing scale, was thought far too spacious while it was being erected, and there was severe criticism of the ideas of Whitney Warren, the American architect in charge of the work. There is no more of this criticism now, for the library is not large enough to accommodate the great crowd of students who flock there. The great reading room is always filled to capacity, and at times many students are unable to find seats. The library has proved popular far beyond expectations, and it is being used in ways that would bring joy to all the generous American donors who made this splendid library possible.

The library has been built according to the most modern American methods. The shelving, the arrangement of the books, the arrangement of the desks, and every detail that spells comfort and convenience for the users of the library—all of these are right up to the minute in arrangement. The rapidity with which the books can be sent downstairs does much to popularize the institution.

There are 3,860 students at Louvain, many of them foreigners. There are Americans, Irish, English, with a large number of Chinese, but no Japanese. Louvain is a training place for priests and its faculty is known far and wide.

The name of Cardinal Desiré Mercier will long be connected with the library, and with the new library. The great Cardinal was intensely interested in the library, and his name and memory are inseparably linked with it.

The erection of the new library brought with it some of the fire and spirit of war that destroyed it. The insistence of Whitney Warren to place his famous inscription upon the library balcony—"Destroyed by German fury, restored by American generosity"—brought a cloud down upon his head. The inscription had its champions, and it had

Mexican Archbishop's Life Threatened in San Francisco And a Police Guard is Asked

Rev. Edward J. Whelan, President of San Francisco University, Exposes Plot to Kidnap or Kill Archbishop Francisco Orozco y Jimenez

San Francisco, April 8.—An alleged plot to kidnap or assassinate Archbishop Francisco Orozco y Jimenez of Mexico at a Catholic mission here where he was a guest caused the private to move to more secure quarters under a police guard.

A request by the Rev. Edward J. Whelan, president of San Francisco University, for a police guard against the Catholic Dominican Fathers prior to the alleged plot to kidnap or assassinate the Archbishop moved from the priory to a Carmelite mission.

Father Whelan said he had heard of the plot from a Spanish-speaking priest, who in turn had been warned by a Mexican parishioner. The latter was said to have overheard the plot being discussed in a store operated by Mario and Pedro Marquez, who came here from Mexico two years ago.

Al Smith Can Carry Solid South Says Broker Home from A Trip

New York, April 8.—Robert M. Harris, of the cotton brokerage firm of Harris & Vose, who has just returned from an extensive trip through the South, declared that he found a decided change of view regarding prohibition. He added that if Alfred E. Smith were to receive the Democratic nomination for President this year he would carry every Southern State.

"I found on my trip," Mr. Harris said, "that large numbers of my former dry friends had changed their views and at last realized that this destructive and impossible national prohibition law must be returned to the States along some such plan as outlined by John J. Raskob before it completely ruins our country."

"They realize that our oppressive taxation cannot be lowered or our national budget balanced until the billions of dollars the bootleggers have been making out of prohibition are made available for government revenue. In fact, so many drys in the South are changing their views that the dry leaders, past and present, are seriously worried and scared and are now using every possible effort to arouse support for their destructive and ruinous prohibition cause."

Denver K. C. Had 1,700 Men At Communion

Denver, April 8.—Ten years ago the Ku Klux Klan had the city of Denver and the State of Colorado in its big pocket. Catholics were dismissed from city and state jobs, were boycotted in business, and other efforts were made to put an end to their influence.

To-day the Klan is dead, and its remains rest in a tombless grave. The other Sunday 1,700 men received Holy Communion at the Immaculate Conception Cathedral at a Mass sponsored by Denver Council, Knights of Columbus. This number included 200 firemen and policemen. At the breakfast that followed, 700 were served and several hundred had to be turned away for want of accommodations. During the afternoon in the presence of 500 Knights from Denver and vicinity, 80 candidates were initiated into the second and Third Degrees. During the Golden Anniversary campaign, 84 former members have been readmitted to Denver Council. The council held a reception in the Civic auditorium March 29, at which an attendance of 3,500 gave hearty greeting to his Excellency Rt. Rev. Urban J. Vehr, Bishop of Denver, and Supreme Director Francis P. Matthews, the principal speakers.

Osage Indian Chief Is Buried From the Church

Chief Bacon-Rind Once Entertained Cardinal Hayes and Was the Friend of Several Presidents

Pawhuska, Okla., April 8.—Bacon-Rind, chief of the Osage Indians here for many years, was buried last week from the Church of the Immaculate Conception. He was a devout Catholic and was greatly interested in the work of the Church. Several years ago he was host to Cardinal Hayes and other Church dignitaries at Washington.

Leading statesman of the Osages for half a century, Chief Bacon-Rind knew many Presidents. He looked the part of a leader, towering 6 feet 5 inches and wearing long hair. He was a member of the committee which saw to completion the Indian land allotment bill in 1906.

The Osage Indian Council elected him chief some years ago, but the Department of the Interior refused to recognize the selection. Nevertheless he was always chief to his tribesmen, and represented them in that capacity in their dealings with the government.

Bacon-Rind, whose tribal name was White-She-Hah, took part in many White House gatherings. His English vocabulary was limited. He talks in public were delivered in the same tongue and translated by an interpreter.

His income from the tribe's oil and gas wealth yielded him a fortune. In recent years, however, his income dwindled to about \$12,000 annually. He lived in modern home near Pawhuska, but he kept a tepee in the yard, which he occupied in Summer.

He was buried in a grave overlooking the village of the Osages. He was 83 years old and had been ill several months with cancer. Then pneumonia developed and caused his death.

Noted Actress Many Years Ago Buried Monday

Englewood, N. J., April 8.—Mrs. Lorena B. Barrett, retired actress and noted beauty of the '30s, died on Thursday last week at the Englewood Hospital and was buried on Monday from St. Malachy's Church, New York City. Mrs. Barrett, whose stage name was Loretta Alreus, was a great aunt of Rehe Daniels, screen star. Her age was 73.

A native of Alpberville, Pa., Mrs. Barrett began her stage career in the West. One of her early appearances in New York was in Hall Caine's play, "The Deemster," in 1901. In 1914 she played in "Madame X" and in 1916 in "The Awakening of Helena Ritchie" and "Tipperary." Thereafter she acted character parts in the movies for a few years. In many of her stage appearances she was associated with her husband, Frederick Barrett, an actor, who died in 1929.

In 1920 Mr. and Mrs. Barrett came here to live at the Actors' Fund of America Home. She had appeared in a number of benefit performances for the home. Burial was in the Actors' Fund plot in Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn.

Fordham Captain To Get Gold Watch

New York, April 8.—James F. "Jimmy" Murphy of Bideford, Me., captain of the Fordham football team, has been voted the most valuable player on the 1931 eleven. He will receive the award of a gold watch at the annual block F dinner on April 23.



The famous Four Courts on the bank of a Liffey will be a point of great historical interest for pilgrims who go to Dublin for the International Eucharistic Congress in June. Besides its historical significance, the Four Courts structure is a notable example of architecture.

Spanish Communists Burn Monastery While Police Kill One and Wound Several Others

Mob of Six Thousand Attacks Monastery in Province of Malaga—Serious Riot Results, with Fatalities When Crowd Defies Guards

Madrid, April 8.—A mob of 6,000 Communists, many of them strikers, attacked a monastery at Antequera in the province of Malaga, last week and set it on fire. A detachment of Civil Guards attempted to save the monastery, but the crowd defied the Guards and then attacked them. The Guards fired upon the mob, killing one man and wounding several, but was unable to disperse the crowd until the monastery was in ruins, a total loss.

The mob is said to have been recruited from 5,000 Communist strikers in the city, a centre of a factory and of woolen and silk manufacturing. Six hundred of these strikers are reported to have run a large estate outside the city in illegal application of the recently enacted laws providing for the expropriation of lands not in productive use.

1,822 Orphaned Children Placed In Catholic Homes by Illinois K. C. During the Past Seventeen Years

Chicago, April 8.—The annual report of the Catholic Home Finding Association of Chicago, a Knights of Columbus activity supported by the voluntary contributions of members in Illinois, revealed that during the past year more orphaned children were adopted into Catholic homes in the state than in any of the previous 16 years of the association's existence. Eighty-three orphans were made members of substantial Catholic families by the process of adoption sponsored by the association. A bright spot in the report of Superintendent Henry J. Lynch, who succeeded the late Supreme Director Edward Houlihan, was the fact that during the year not one death had occurred among the wards of the association, though their numbers had risen to the hundreds.

Rt. Rev. John G. Griffin, Bishop of Springfield and State Chaplain of the Order, praised the work of the association, having made a special trip from Springfield to attend the meeting.

The Catholic Home Finding Association of Illinois is an activity of the State Council of the Knights of Columbus proposed in 1911 by the late Bishop Muldoon and organized in 1915 under the auspices of the then State Deputy, Le Roy Hackett.

During this period it has placed 1,822 orphaned and dependent Catholic children in Catholic family homes and has perfected the adoption by their foster parents of 1,427 of the children so placed.

Others of its wards were reared and educated by their foster parents and when capable of taking care of themselves given the option of becoming a member of the family, or going on their own.

Superintendent Lynch reported on several cases where the foster parents have established their children in business, or given them specialized education in the arts and professions.

The entire cost of operation of the association is paid through a voluntary per capita tax—almost negligible in the individual amount, but sufficient in the aggregate—levied each year by the State Council.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Bonner, Superintendent of Schools of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, who was elected Chairman of the Superintendents' Section of the National Catholic Educational Association at the fourteenth semi-annual meeting of that group just held at the Catholic University of America.

New York Newsdealers Charged With Selling Obscene Publications

Four Are Arrested and Held for Trial After Police Purchase Fifty-Nine Magazines, the Contents of Which Shocked Magistrate Michael A. Ford, City Agency Committee Backs Move

IT IS TIME FOR AMERICA TO GET BACK TO PRINCIPLES OF VIRTUE, SAYS JUDGE

New York, April 8.—Four New York City newsdealers were arrested Saturday on the charge of selling obscene magazines and other publications, and were held in 1900 for trial in the Court of Special Sessions. The arrest of the newsdealers, organized last January for the purpose of putting an end to the selling of obscene publications in the public newsstands of the city. This Committee is headed by former U. S. District Attorney Charles H. Tuttle, and it is composed of members of all denominations, various city officials and a large number of private citizens.

Magistrate Michael A. Ford, who presided over the trial of the newsdealers, said he was shocked by the nature of the contents of the magazines. He suggested that the newsdealers be fined \$100 each and that the magazines be destroyed.

The defendants are Harry Roth, 32 years old, of 1,134 Broadway, Avenue, the Bronx, owner of a stand at the northwest corner of Sixth Avenue and Forty-second Street; Herman Harris, 16, of 756 Mac Avenue, the Bronx, who stands at a stand at the corner of 10th Avenue and Forty-second Street; and Joseph A. Schuler, 42, of 116 West 111th Street, who stands at 11th Avenue and Forty-second Street.

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The Calvert Associates Will Celebrate Anniversary Of Religious Liberty in U. S.

Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland Will Be Principal Speaker This Evening at Notable Banquet in New York City—Other Guests

New York, April 8.—The Calvert Associates, a society organized to help keep green in the hearts of the American people the founding of religious liberty in America, will celebrate this evening the 298th anniversary of the settlement of the Maryland colony, and of the establishment of religious liberty in that colony by its Catholic leaders and founders. A notable banquet will be held in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel here, and many distinguished men and women—Protestant, Catholic and Jew—will be guests at the banquet.

Hon. Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland, will be the principal guest and speaker. As the chief executive of that great commonwealth, it is particularly appropriate that he should deliver the leading address.

Among other important topics, Governor Ritchie will discuss the plans for the national celebration of the Maryland Tercentenary in 1934. After the meeting, he will be tendered a reception.

Following its strictly non-sectarian policy, the Calvert Associates will also present for brief addresses prominent representatives of the Jewish, Protestant and Catholic faiths. Their identity and the entire program, which will include music, will be announced later.

One of the purposes of the Calvert Associates, whose organ is The Commonwealth, is to draw public attention to the principle of religious liberty established by George Calvert, in whose honor the organization was founded. This year, as in the past, a group of distinguished men and women, Catholic and non-Catholic, are cooperating with the

Fine Bequests Go to Churches And Charities

New York, April 8.—The will of Rose A. Burns, who died on May 25, 1930, was probated last week. It contained a number of fine bequests for churches and for charities, as follows:

To the Archdiocese of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, for two churches, \$30,000; for the Relief of Incurable Cancer at Hawthorne, N. Y., House of Calvary, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Charities, Home for the Aged of the Little Sisters of the Poor, \$4,966 each; Society for the Propagation of the Faith, \$7,015; St. Joseph's Seminary and College at Dunwoodie, N. Y., \$12,000; Catholic College, \$5,000; six Catholic institutions receive \$2,000 each; four Catholic institutions receive \$400 each; one institution, \$500; ten minor bequests to friends and relatives.

Paris, April 8.—The Church of St. Sulpice, one of the most remarkable religious structures in Paris, some days ago acquired ownership of an historic and artistic treasure, the organ called "du Dauphin." It is a small pipe-organ the white and gold case of which displays the three golden lilies of the royal house of France.

The organ was purchased before the Revolution by Queen Marie Antoinette for the Dauphin, the unfortunate boy who, after the execution of his parents, died in prison in 1793. The instrument was hidden from the public at Versailles and its fate was unknown until recently. It was discovered in an antique shop. The eighteenth-century instrument has been placed in one of the chapels at St. Sulpice. The organ was inaugurated by the Dauphin, Beau-Art and organist of St. Sulpice, played.

Statue of Virgin Carved on Trunk of An Elm