

National Council of Catholic Women Membership Advantages to Be Given By Miss Doran in Elmira Lecture

Elmira—What does it mean to be a member of the National Council of Catholic Women?

The answer to this question, which has been in the minds of many Catholic laywomen, will be answered in a lecture on the subject to be given by Miss Carolyn Ruth Doran of this city on Monday evening, January 30, in the Dunn Memorial Building of St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

St. Mary's Church Financial Statement

Dansville—At the Masses at St. Mary's Church, Dansville, last Sunday morning, the Rev. Leo G. Hofschneider, the rector, gave the following statement of financial receipts and expenditures of the church for the year 1932, punctuating his remarks with pertinent suggestions and rules covering church finance. Notwithstanding the depression and the inability of many people to contribute as generously as in former years Father Hofschneider by strict economy succeeded in making improvements during the year without dipping deeply into the reserve treasury fund.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts	
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 6,721.05
Pew Rents	1,294.25
Candles and Flowers	371.75
Interest on Deposits	677.79
Donations	150.00
Society Rooms	66.00
Cemetery	70.00
Propagation of Faith	72.00
Diocesan Collections:	
Holy Land	6.55
Diocesan Needs	200.00
Seminaries	127.75
Total	\$ 9,757.14
In Treasury Jan. 1, 1932	19,554.06
Total	\$29,311.20
Disbursements	
Pastor's Salary	1,500.00
Assistant's Salary	1,050.00
Church Expenses	2,971.75
School Expenses	4,231.84
House Expenses	1,048.25
Taxes	236.47
Cemetery	9.00
Seminaries	420.00
Cathedralium	150.00
Clergy Fund	30.00
Propagation of Faith	72.00
Diocesan Needs	200.00
Catholic University	20.00
Diocesan N. C. W. C.	15.00
Diocesan N. C. C. M.	15.00
Holy Land	6.55
Peter's Pence	10.00
Total	\$11,985.90
In Treasury Jan. 1, 1933	17,325.30
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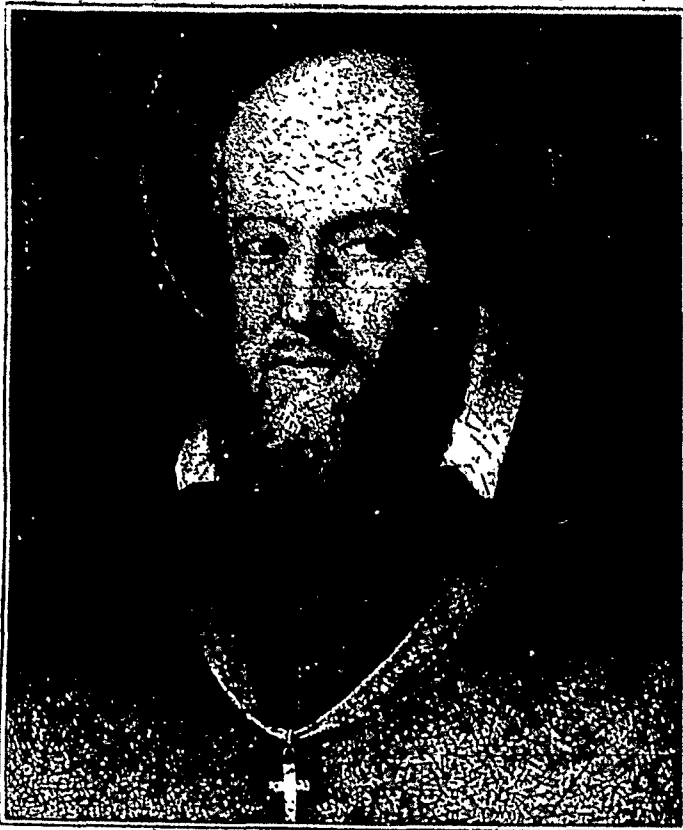
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St. Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva and Doctor of the Universal Church, whom His Holiness Pope Pius XI, in the Encyclical Humani Generis, proclaimed the heavenly patron of all those Catholic writers "who by the publication of newspapers and other writings illustrate, promote and defend Christian doctrine." This Encyclical was issued at Rome just 10 years ago this January. St. Francis de Sales was born at Thoirs in the Duchy of Savoy on August 21, 1567, and died at Lyons, France, on December 28, 1622. His Feast day is January 22. This picture is an original reproduction of a famous painting made by Herndon Davis for the N. C. W. C. News Service, especially for use during Catholic Press Month this year.

Jehol, "Fontainebleau of Manchus"

Quite suddenly the name of the Chinese city Jehol has appeared on the front page of our dailies. The majority of readers have probably concluded it is just another place on the map, a conglomeration of Chinese houses, with a pagoda here and there, situated somewhere near the Great Wall.

History tells another story. Jehol holds an important place in the annals of the Manchu dynasty, the Abbe Grosier, writing over a hundred years ago, at a time when the glories of this imperial city had not as yet waned, called it "the Chinese Fontainebleau," comparing it to the creation of the French kings, near Paris. Moreover, he attributes this comparison to a missionary, probably a Jesuit, who knew the city.

Grosier's book on China, published in 1818, declares the district Harbin, now occupied by the Japanese, to be one of "the finest in all Mongolia." It borders "on the Great Wall," he continues, "and the Emperor goes there every year to hunt, and in fact to spend the entire summer. He possesses many sumptuous country seats in this district, the most gorgeous of which at Jehol. This city was once upon a time an unknown place in Tartary. For its rise to glory and fame it must thank the Emperor Kang-hsi. Since the time of his reign this city has grown up unintermittently and during the last emperors (of the 18th century) Jehol was constantly being made more magnificent; palaces were built and parks laid out. Consequently, a stay at Jehol offers, especially during summer time, genuine recreation."

Does Not Exaggerate
Even what remains today of all the pomp and glory of this Manchurian Versailles or Potsdam proves this description not to exaggerate. In fact, it does not do full justice to what may well be called the wonders of Jehol. When visited by the distinguished Swedish traveler, Sven Hedin, in 1930, ruin was already visible on all sides, both in the temples and the palaces of yore. On the other hand, there remained in the city as well as its environs many remarkable witnesses of the intention of a number of emperors to lavish on this well chosen spot everything Chinese culture could produce. Political and religious policies were also responsible for much that was planned and accomplished in this remarkable attempt to create a "summer White House," luxurious to an oriental degree. Sven Hedin declares: "Even now we harken in the ruins of the palaces for the echo of great political events."

It was to Jehol a shrewd emperor induced the head of Lamaism to repair, with the intention of subjecting him to the influence of Chinese diplomacy. Jehol, in fact, grew to be a center of Lamaism, and some of the temples and monasteries built there compare favorably in size and might to those found in Tibet. It was to Jehol the first embassy from the King of England to the Imperial Court of China, under McCartney, was guided in 1793; it was from here an emperor directed an army to proceed to the frontier, entrusted with the task of receiving the remnants of a once numerous and powerful Mongolian tribe, which had emigrated to Russia, but had concluded to return to Mongolia, harassed by the Cossacks, sent out to intercept them, during their terrible long and disastrous trek across Asia. They were granted land, and no less than 120,000 head of cattle, on their arrival, to which the emperor ultimately added 140,000 horses, oxen and sheep, and much else needed by them.

Scene of Intrigue
Like Versailles, its French counterpart, Jehol was the scene of many intrigues; and of much also that goes with the life at the court of a powerful oriental monarch, surrounded by courtiers, sycophants, a multitude of wives and mistresses. There were many tragedies enacted in the palaces and parks; one of them challenges sympathy to a high degree. It is remarkable, in fact, the story of Princess Eshang Fei should not have been dramatized, or made the subject of a libretto or a novel ere this by some Western writer. Curious as it may seem, she was painted twice by a Jesuit, Father Castiglione, and the portraits are still extant, and now in the Museum at Peking.

While at Jehol, Sven Hedin not merely met, but enjoyed the guidance of a distinguished Catholic missionary, Father Joseph Muller, who has since been recalled, and now teaches Chinese in his native Belgium. The great Swedish traveler, who has virtually opened Central Asia to research, speaks of him as a highly learned scholar, "whose Chinese-Flemish Dictionary in two volumes, the result of many years of labor, is about to be published in an English edition."

Such, in brief outline, is the story of Jehol, to which the Japanese are now adding a new chapter.—C. V. Service.

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Bishop Walsh Pays Visit To Elmira Pastor

By Carolyn Ruth Doran
Elmira—The Most Rev. Emmet M. Walsh, Bishop of Charleston, S. C., which comprises the entire State of South Carolina, has been the guest of the Rev. William J. Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, Bishop Walsh, who is a pulpit orator of unusual gifts, preached at all Masses in St. Patrick's Church Sunday. He is a classmate of Father Brien and was ordained with the latter at the completion of his theological studies at St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester in June 1916.

Bishop Walsh was born in Beaufort, S. C., March 6, 1892. Previous to his elevation to the rank of Bishop, he held pastorates in Atlanta and Albany, Ga., and later in Savannah. He was consecrated Bishop Sept. 8, 1927. His appointment to the See of Charleston places him in the rank of Missionary Bishops, that part of the United States being still regarded as Mission territory because of the sparsely settled country with the extensive parish areas over which priests have laborious jurisdiction and difficult supervision. Under the episcopacy of Bishop Walsh, however, the work in South Carolina has been greatly improved, and his zeal and outline of the work being done in his native state were evident in his graphic description of his program of missionary work there.

Penn Yan C. D. A. Have Degree Work

Penn Yan—Courts in surrounding cities and villages were represented by delegates Sunday afternoon when the first and second degrees were conferred upon a class of 12 candidates by Court St. Michael, Catholic Daughters of America, at the church hall.

Anna R. Murphy of Oswego, district deputy, was in charge of the ceremonies. Invitations were accepted by members of Geneva, Seneca Falls and other courts. Refreshments were served following the degree work.

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Kansas City, Mo.—The Catholic Register, here, points out that the Catholic schools of this city save the community approximately \$1,000,000 a year.

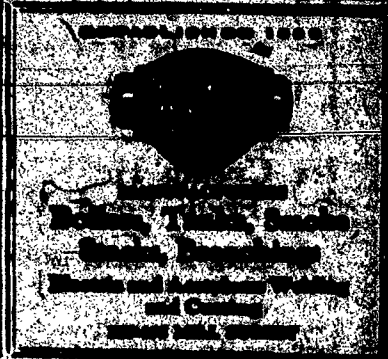
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Macedon Couple Mark 50th Wedding Jubilee In Same Church in Which They Were Married

Macedon—Mr. and Mrs. James M. Neary, well known residents in the town of Macedon on Wednesday observed the 50th anniversary of their wedding at their home on Main Street. During the day the couple received countless congratulations from their many relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Neary were married January 25, 1883, by Rev. William Casey in St. Patrick's Church, Macedon, and their entire married life has been spent in this village. High Mass was celebrated Wednesday morning by the Rev. Dr. George J. Kottell in the same church in which they were married.

Mrs. Neary, who is a descendant of one of the pioneer families of the town of Macedon, was born 77 years ago, the daughter of the late Hugh and Ann Cronin Maxwell. Mr. Neary was born in Manchester, England, 75



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