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FATHER HILBERT IS CONTEMPLATING NOCTURNAL ADORATION IN CHINA

A Nocturnal Adoration Society in China is being contemplated by the Rev. Charles P. Hilbert, M.M., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hilbert of 45 Normandy Avenue, Father Hilbert announces in a letter to the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, Diocesan Director, Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

In his letter Father Hilbert expresses thanks for Mass offerings and continues. "I was also very pleased to get the gift from the Nazareth Mission Unit. Practically all our money from gifts has come to a standstill. The missionaries are right down to rock bottom. We are now living and running our missions on our Mass stipends. If America goes on the gold standard and our money drops in exchange value we will be hard put.

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POPE RAISES DR. JOHN RYAN TO MONSIGNOR

(Continued from Page 1) logical studies and was ordained to the priesthood in 1898. Following post-graduate studies at the Catholic University, Dr. Ryan became professor of moral theology at St. Paul seminary. He first served as professor of political science at the Catholic University, and later became professor of moral theology and industrial ethics in 1916. He was professor of economics at Trinity College from 1915 to 1922, becoming professor of political science there in 1925. Jointly with those posts he has filled the chair of ethics at the National Catholic School of Social Service since 1922.

Dr. Ryan has been Director of the Department of Social Action of the National Catholic Welfare Conference since the founding of the Conference in 1920. This Department has been in making more widely known Papal teachings on social and economic questions. Dr. Ryan is the author of numerous widely read works, among them "The State and the Church," which figured in the religious controversy that stirred the pre-nomination campaign in 1928. A pioneer advocate of such legislation, Dr. Ryan wrote the Minnesota minimum wage law. He has consistently defended "the right of labor to organize, and has urged the formation of cooperative societies with labor sharing in the management, profits and ownership. He was one of a group of sociologists who investigated the Denver tramway strike in 1920 under the auspices of the Denver Commission of Religious Forces. He was also one of the editors of "Industrial Relations and the Churches," published by the American Academy of Political Science in 1922.

Dr. Ryan took a leading part in the origination of the plan of forming the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems, an organization of Catholics interested in the development and diffusion of Catholic social teaching along industrial lines. He is Chairman of the Committee on International Ethics of the Catholic Association for International Peace, in the organization of which he played a prominent role. In addition to holding the degree Doctor of Divinity from the Catholic University of America, Dr. Ryan also holds the honorary degree Doctor of Laws from the University of Notre Dame and Seton Hall College. Dr. Ryan was a delegate to the Institute of Pacific Relations in 1927, a lecturer at Oxford in 1932, and Chairman of Commission V of the International Conference on Social Work at Frankfurt in 1932.

FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE IN U. S. FORMED

Chicago (NCWC) — A Catholic Conference on Family Life was organized here this week for "the promotion of the welfare of the family" and "the encouragement by every means within its power of wholesome and successful family life." The Conference adopted His Holiness Pope Plus XI's Encyclical on Christian Marriage as its guide, condemned modern efforts to have "merely supplementary educational agencies" take the place of the home, pledged itself to the encouragement of "a well-founded and thoroughly Catholic parent education program," declared it to be a disgrace that is "so fabulously rich" a country mothers find it necessary to work for a livelihood in mill, shop or factory, urged that in the allotment of money under the Public Works program "generous provision" be made for the improvement of housing conditions among the American people, and viewed with satisfaction "a renewed interest in the Association of the Holy Family in this country." It also congratulated college and universities that have introduced into the curricula courses of Christian Marriage, the Family and Parent Education.

More than a dozen specific objectives were laid down for the Conference, and special emphasis was placed upon the encouragement of common family prayers within the home, the renewal of marriage vows on anniversaries of marriage and the Feast of the Holy Family, the custom of displaying religious articles such as holy pictures and crucifixes in the home, and other wholesome practices. EXHIBIT DOLL NUNS Paris (NCWC) — A collection of dolls dressed to represent the various Sisterhoods has been placed on exhibition in the Pyrenean Museum in the old chateau of Lourdes. The collection was started by a priest of Narbonne, Abbe Mulbec, who visits Lourdes each year. He presented 50 dolls to the museum, but others have been added by various congregations. Many of them were prepared in convents of the order which they represent.

Forestry Army Goes to Mass



Emulating the "padres on horseback" of the Old West, Father Cornelius E. Kennedy of San Francisco, senior chaplain of the Civilian Conservation Corps of California, rides hundreds of miles over mountains and deserts to celebrate Mass from crude altars erected in the wilderness for the reforestation army. Thirty-five per cent of the 5,000 boys in the California camps are said to be Catholics, and represent many States of the Union. Chaplains have been assigned to minister to the spiritual needs of the boys in the 1400 forestry camps throughout the country. (Fred V. Williams photo.)

President Roosevelt To Address Catholic Charities Meeting

(Continued from Page 1) Church had a more negative call to service than at present, and better before has been so well equipped by organization, discipline, understanding and experience in ministering to the woes of mankind to meet this call in the particular field represented by this Conference. With point the way to an era of social reconstruction in which the trials of the past may be used to build a firm defense against their recurrence. Large List Invited Invitations to attend the Conference were issued this week to a large list of clergy and laity in Rochester to attend. Leaders in charitable work in other parts of the diocese will attend. The Rochester invitations were extended to the following: The Rev. Walter A. Faery, Ph.D., director, Rochester Catholic Charities; the Rev. John M. Duffy, director of Catholic Education; the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, diocesan director, Society for the Propagation of the Faith; the Rev. Frederick Nastvogel, C.S.S.R.; the Rev. Thomas F. Connors, the Rev. William Bergan, the Rev. Francis J. Law, the Rev. Paul B. Gaffney, Sister M. Teresa Marie, Sister M. Paulette, Sister M. Mildred, Sister M. Bernice, Sister M. Gustave, Sister M. Geraldine, Miss Kathleen D'Ott, Miss Elizabeth McSwaney, Miss Ann Verhoeven, Miss Frances Connors, William T. Nolan, Miss Mary E. Galtman, Oscar W. Knapp, Whitehead Allen, Frederick G. Barry, Miss Anne Fisher, T. H. Green, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hickey, David F. Lawless, Frank H. Biel, William C. Barry, William T. Farrell, John Barrett, John Connors, James E. Guff, Anthony J. Cunningham, Harry D'Annunzio, John L. Keenan, John N. Rauber, John E. Rice, Martin J. Rickard, William F. Shafer, James J. Stafford, Frederick J. Wilder, Francis J. Yawman, Mrs. A. F. Nellis, Mrs. William T. Noonan, Joseph P. O'Hern, Mrs. Charles H. Stearns, Mrs. Charles B. Ward, Miss Mary McCarroll, Mrs. Richard Ford, James P. B. Duffy, Peter Tettebach, Miss Cecelia M. Yawman and Harry B. Crowley.

In his announcement of President Roosevelt's acceptance of an invitation to address the Conference, Monsignor Keegan declared: "I am confident that the message of His Excellency, the President, on this occasion will be an inspiration, not only to the delegates of the National Conference and the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, but to all social workers of every denomination in the United States." Conference's Aim "The aim of the Conference will be to direct the trained forces of all charitable and social welfare workers to a close co-ordination with the President's views on National Reconstruction." "The increased demands in recent years upon public charitable agencies have added greatly to the responsibilities of organized private agencies. Federal, state and municipal programs to relieve immediate distress have necessarily resulted in a shrinkage of funds to private agencies. Thoughtful and informed social workers are concerned about financial support of those agencies dealing with such problems as character training, child guidance, health and other human needs." "The advanced social-economic legislation of recent months must be related to the needs of individuals. Private agencies—informed, experienced and organized, have a distinct contribution to make. Family relief, mortgage legislation, housing, and slum clearance projects need this administrative viewpoint in their administration."

Eighty Speakers Listed "The coming Convention of the National Conference of Catholic Charities and the Contingent of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will bring together in New York City the best trained and most devoted servants of private welfare which the

Msgr. Hart Urges Attendance At N. Y. Charities Meeting

(Continued from Page 1) tion have been called upon to meet the needs of recent years. We are turning upon a new epoch, seeking higher and more firmly established standards of living and of social service. To this movement the organized charitable activities of the Catholic Church in America, speaking through the Conference in New York, have every right to hope that they can contribute powerfully in thought, experience and action. "With the saintly example of Frederick Ozanam in our midst, service to mankind by the laity brought into high relief by the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul; with the presence of His Excellency, Most Rev. Ambrogio Giovanni Cleophrani, the Apostolic Delegate, personal representative of the Holy Father, who will address the Conference on "The Holy Father and Catholic Action"; with the presence of President Roosevelt and the active heads of the national movement for reconstruction, the Conference presents an opportunity which no Catholic citizen in this diocese may overlook. "The work of the Conference, as of the national reconstruction program, must be attuned to the peculiar problems of race, population and social conditions in the communities where its benefits are to be felt. Every citizen of this diocese, Catholic or non-Catholic, leader or worker in charitable endeavors, should attend this Conference and assist in the particular needs of the diocese are presented, and that the results of the Conference are brought back home and properly applied. First Conference in N. Y. "This is the first time that the Conference will have met in the City of New York. It is indeed fortunate that in this great social and economic crisis of the nation the meeting should be in the city which, of all the world, furnishes the greatest variety of social, economic and racial problems and the most comprehensive field for studies related to national problems of social reconstruction. "I feel that it is a privilege to urge all in this diocese, whether members of organized Catholic activities or not, to make every effort to participate in this event."

OLD MOTHERS I love old mothers—mothers with white hair And kindly eyes, and lips grown softly sweet, With murmuring blessings over sleeping babes. There is a something in their quiet grace That speaks the calm of Sabbath afternoons; A knowledge in their deep unfaltering eyes That far-out-reaches all philosophy. Time with caressing brush, about them weaves The silver-threaded fairy-shawl of age. While all the echoes of forgotten songs Seem joined to lend a sweetness to their speech. Old garden walks—old roses, and slowbound steps Their trembling hands cling gently to youth's strength. Sweet mothers!—As they pass—one sees again Old garden walks—old roses, and old loves. —Charles Ross.

Catholic Church in America has been able to develop in nearly a century of organized effort. In a program covering four days it will assemble more than eighty speakers of national and sectional prominence and accomplishment in public and private charitable work. Upwards of 5,000 delegates will be the guests of His Excellency the Cardinal Archbishop of New York who will officially open the Conference with a Pontifical Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday morning, October 1."

FAMED SHRINES IN 3 NATIONS REPORT CURES

(Continued from Page 1) message from all over Germany, 75,000 pilgrims have so far arrived in Belgium from various countries. Among the many prominent cures was His Excellency the Most Rev. Clement Micara, Apostolic Nuncio to Belgium. BY WILLIAM H. BRADYEN (Dublin Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service) "Dublin, Sept. 13.—This year's cures at Knock, County Mayo, are reported to be the most reported about since the shrine's opening in 1925. Miss Rafferty, of Castlerea, who was suffering from a spinal disease, was to be cured when she had been in the hospital for a year and had been told that she would never be able to walk again. Some time later she arose and walked to the shrine. She was then taken to the hospital and the report was that she had been cured. Her sister, Kathleen, who had helped her around the house, suddenly asked for amputation. When a year later it was reported that Miss Rafferty realized that she was walking without the aid of her cane, shortly afterwards she presented herself to the parish priest, the Rev. Father Gerald P. P. and requested that he should be allowed to perform the same miracle. Miss Rafferty, who is about 40 years of age, had been suffering from spinal disease for the past 14 years, and every year was among the vast numbers of pilgrims who visited the shrine of Knock. (By U. C. W. C. News Service) Part Robinson Can., Sept. 6. A year ago at the Shrine of the Canadian Martyrs in Midland, Miss Mary Ellen Ferrer, 26 years old. According to the report, Mrs. Ferrer was for more than eight years an invalid, but a year ago when she kissed the relics of St. Jean de Brebeuf, Gabriel Lalemont, and Charles Garnier at the shrine, she dropped her crutches and walked without aid. She left the crutches at the shrine. Examination by medical men, it is declared, proved that she had been cured. Mrs. Ferrer is a convert, having entered the Catholic Church a year after she was first confined to her bed with a disease that paralyzed her left leg. Treatments of all kinds and an operation, necessitating long stays in the hospital, proved unavailing. Mrs. Ferrer says, and when the crutches became too heavy, she had been reduced to the belief that she would never be able to get about on crutches. Mrs. Ferrer returned to the shrine a few weeks ago, she says, with a certificate from her physician attesting to her recovery.

Weekly Calendar of Feast Days

Sunday, Sept. 17 St. Lambert
Monday, Sept. 18 St. Thomas of Villanova
Tuesday, Sept. 19 St. Januarius
Wednesday, Sept. 20 St. Eusebius and Companions, Martyrs
Thursday, Sept. 21 St. Matthew
Friday, Sept. 22 The Theban Legion
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