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CITES WORK OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Centenary Brochure Shows Expenditures Four Times 1929 Figures

New York.—(NCWC)—The brilliant manner in which the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the United States has met the challenge of the economic depression during the last four years is reflected in statistics published in a brochure commemorating the Society's centenary meetings recently held in New York.

In 1929, the statistics show the total expenditures of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the relief of suffering in this country amounted to \$1,375,098.61, while in 1932 it was \$6,553,115.72, or nearly four times that much. In addition to this factor, expenditures amounting to \$591,780.93 were made for special works, bringing the grand total of expenditures for 1932 up to \$6,144,896.65. Expenditures for special works did not appear as a special item in the report for 1929.

Number of Conferences
The approximate number of Conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in this country increased from 1,518 in 1929 to 2,350 in 1932, the approximate number of active members increased from 18,933 to 30,000, the average attendance at meetings from 9,557 to 15,643.

The number of families assisted by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul increased from 33,349 in 1929 to 143,787, the number of persons in families assisted from 141,157 to 692,862, the number of visits to families in need from 288,924 to 1,425,907, the number of visits to institutions from 29,863 to 65,587, the number of persons for whom employ-

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MINERS CHEER PRIEST'S TRY AT MEDIATION

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—A final appeal to the United States Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania to refrain from acts of violence was made by the Very Rev. Msgr. John J. Curran, pastor of St. Mary's Church, here, at a meeting of the miners in the Y. M. C. A. hall Saturday afternoon. It was at this session that the miners voted to strike.

The entire convention rose and cheered Msgr. Curran after he had prayed for divine guidance in the crisis which has arisen in the coal region. "No matter what comes," Msgr. Curran said, "I will continue to do my best, and let me request of you as a father would request of his own children, keep the peace and do not violate the laws of the nation, State, brotherhood or neighborhood. May the blessing of God be upon you all, and may God direct you to do the right thing for yourselves, families and communities. When Washington is aroused to the situation they will send men here, and I will continue to use all my power to aid you. I will wire President Roosevelt, Senator Wagner and General Johnson and see if it not possible to straighten out this affair."

Throughout the week, Msgr. Curran has been leading attempts to mediate the difficulties which have arisen in the coal fields. His personal appeal had succeeded earlier in the week in averting a strike vote and he made a special trip to Washington to ask the Federal Government to send a representative to the region to investigate the situation. Thomas Maloney, district president of the miners' union, paid tribute to the work done by Msgr. Curran. "This great man," he said, pointing to Msgr. Curran, "this priest who does not work in the mines, or sell clothing, or sell bread and cheese, gets in his automobile and travels to Washington to take up our cause without any solicitation."

Captive Missioners Get Mass Privilege

Anking, China.—(N.C.W.C. Files)—The Holy Father, at the request of the General of the Jesuits, has granted permission to the two Spanish Jesuits now captives of the bandits in China, Father Avito, taken in May 1930 and Father Esteban taken in December 1931, to say from time to time the votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin without vestments of sacred vessels and without candles, employing a little Chinese wine and ordinary bread.

Youth Bureau Head



Rev. Vincent Mooney, C. S. C., of Scottsdale, Pa., former head of the Department of Physical Education at Notre Dame University, and the priest who instructed and baptized Knute Rockne, has been chosen head of the Catholic Youth Bureau organized by the National Council of Catholic Men. Father Mooney will have his headquarters in Washington, D. C.

DOMINICAN ON WAY TO CHINA VISITS HERE

Future Missionary Attended St. Andrew's Seminary Before Joining Dominicans

The Rev. John Francis Monroe, O. P., S. T. L., M. A., A. B. is visiting with his father, Michael J. Monroe, his sister, Mary, and aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Donohue, 5 Lorimer Street, this week prior to sailing on November 24 from San Francisco for China where he will engage in missionary work.

Father Monroe who celebrated his first solemn High Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral here on May 22, 1932 was born in New York City, the son of Michael J. and Nora Donohue, Monroe of County Mayo, Ireland, on June 27, 1905. He received his grammar school education at St. Vincent.

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Fr. Lord's Mother Dies In Illinois

St. Louis.—Mrs. Iva Jane Lord, mother of Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., editor of The Queen's Work, and national director of the Sodality of Our Lady, died at her home in Oak Park, Ill., October 28. She was the widow of the late George D. Lord and is survived by her two sons, Father Lord and James Lord.

Father Lord's last book, "Religion and Leadership" was dedicated to his mother "to whom," the dedication reads, "under God, I owe my precious faith." Father Lord's father, a convert, died in May 1930. Father Lord was attending a Sodality Convention in Toledo when word came of his mother's death.

Mrs. Lord, whose maiden name was Langdon, was born in Cincinnati. Her only club affiliations were in the Jesuit Mothers' Guild and the Foresters. Her name was mentioned frequently on the ballots in the poll for the 12 Greatest Catholic Women in the last Century held last year. Her relationship to Father Lord, Editor of The Queen's Work which conducted the poll made her ineligible for the competition, and her name did not appear in the final tabulation.

PRIEST'S SILVER JUBILEE RECALLS LOURDES CURE IN SEMINARY DAYS

By F. W. MASON
(South Africa Correspondent, N. C. W. C. News Service)

Cape Town.—The Rev. Albert Schweiger, Africa missionary, who, as a student, was cured at Lourdes after being declared permanently unfit for the priesthood by the doctors, has just celebrated his sacerdotal silver jubilee.

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ACCORD GERMAN YOUTH GROUPS PROTECTION

Catholic Organizations Formally Recognized Are Officially Listed

Berlin.—(NCWC)—After protracted negotiations between representatives of the Government and the Hierarchy and with representatives of the Catholic German youth organizations an agreement has been reached whereby the organizations formally recognized by the Government are now officially listed.

Article 31 of the Concordat recently concluded between the Holy See and Germany provided for the publication of a list of those Catholic organizations and associations which are to be protected in their institutions and in their activities.

The youth organizations now formally recognized by the Government are the Katholische Jugendbewegung (Catholic Young Men's Association) with all its branches, St. George, the Katholische Gesellenverein (Catholic Workmen's Association), the Deutsche Jugendkraft (Catholic Young Men's Sport Association), Neudeutschland, Katholischer Jungfrauenverband (Catholic Young Women's Association) and the Werkjugend. A few minor groups also are included in the official list.

All assurances have been given by the Government that these organizations shall enjoy the full protection of the competent authorities, especially as far as wearing their traditional emblems and uniforms is concerned. The Government's representatives emphasized that the provisions of the Concordat will be observed scrupulously.

Special care shall be taken to make it possible for the members of the recognized organizations to fulfill their religious duties on Sundays and Holy Days and to remove any obligation to do anything incompatible with their convictions and with their religious and moral duties.

One question only has not yet been decided, that is whether members of the Hitler Youth Groups may at the same time maintain their memberships in the Catholic organizations where they had belonged before the recent change of political regime. The chairman of the Hitler groups has so far maintained the position that simultaneous membership is not permissible. A compromise now suggested by the Catholic representatives seems to stand a good chance of being accepted.

From now on all German youth groups will be organized in five large organizations: the Hitler Youth, the Protestant Youth, the Catholic Youth, the Sport Youth, and the Professional Youth. All organizations will have the same rights, with the only exception that the Hitler Youth will not be accorded a right of precedence.

Red Cross Aid Urged By Archbishop Curley

Washington.—(N. C. W. C.)—The national recovery program needs the help of the Red Cross and, consequently, the Red Cross will need the help of the whole American people, the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, who is one of the Red Cross Incorporators, said in a statement issued here today. The annual roll call of the Red Cross will be held from November 11 to November 30.

"Today, whilst hope has been renewed and economic recovery is gradually becoming a fact," Archbishop Curley said, "we must keep in mind that suffering is still with our people and the work of the Red Cross is as much needed now as it was during the past two or three years. In fact, if the work of the President of the Nation is to be a success, it will need the support of every organization operating in the field of relief-giving."

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PRESIDENT GREETES ESSAY VICTOR



Joseph A. Brenderler, graduate of the Messmer Catholic High School, Milwaukee, photographed at the White House receiving congratulations of President Roosevelt, who presented him with the Henry L. Doherty Prize of \$500, awarded for the best high school essay among 18,000 submitted in the fifth annual Gorgas Essay Contest on the subject of "The Problem of the Mosquito and Other Insect Life in Relation to Sanitation, Health and Industry." Mr. Brenderler also received \$200 travel allowance to Washington for the presentation. Photo shows, left to right, Mr. Henry L. Doherty, wife of the donor of the prize, and Mr. Brenderler shaking hands with the president. (Wide World photo.)

Zeppelin-Passenger Cites Value Of Airship Travel To Missions

New York.—(NCWC)—Air ship travel eventually will constitute an important factor in the promotion of Catholic missionary activities, in the opinion of Dr. Max Jordan, the German Correspondent of the N.C.W.C. News Service, who just arrived here after completing a 12,000-mile trip aboard the airship "Graf Zeppelin."

Dr. Jordan was a passenger aboard the giant German dirigible in his capacity as European representative of the National Broadcasting Company of America, which had arranged for a series of broadcasts from aboard the airship. Those broadcasts constituted the first attempt ever undertaken to broadcast a human voice from an airship flight. While the "Graf Zeppelin" was still some 2,000 miles distant from American territory, en route from South America,

POINTS ONLY WAY TO SOVIET FRIENDLINESS

New York.—(N.C.W.C.)—"The only way" by which the Soviet Government can prove its friendliness "to the satisfaction of our people" is to "dissolve" the Third International, says the Rev. Wilfrid Parsons, S. J., editor-in-chief of America, national Catholic weekly review published here, in the current issue of that magazine.

Writing in a contribution entitled, "An Open Letter to M. Litvinov," Father Parsons reviews various aspects of the Soviet question as they relate to the forth-coming conversations between the Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs and President Roosevelt. He asserts that the Soviets cannot convincingly "establish" their Government's friendliness by disavowing Soviet propaganda, or severing the Third International from the Soviet Government, but only by the dissolution of the "Third International itself."

"We know enough from England's and Germany's example," Father Parsons writes, "to be sure that as long as the Third International exists the propaganda, supported from Moscow, will go on just the same, though you personally may not like it and feel it embarrasses you, as has been said."

Father Parsons asks if the dissolution of the Third International is "too great a price to pay for recognition by this great nation." "I think you will find," he adds, "that it will be regarded by the great majority within it as the only solid guarantee of the sincerity of your Government. Facts speak louder than words, as we say here."

RETREAT HOUSE'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Quebec.—(N.C.W.C.)—The tenth anniversary of the founding of the laymen's retreat house of "Jesus, the Worker" was commemorated with fitting religious services and a general reunion of former retreatants at St. Peter's Hall. In the evening His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec, was present and said a few words on the importance of laymen's retreats.

CATHOLIC YOUTH RECEIVES GORGAS ESSAY PRIZE FROM PRESIDENT AT WHITE HOUSE

Joseph A. Brenderler of Messmer High School, Milwaukee, Is Complimented By Chief Executive After Victory Over 18,000 Other Contestants

Washington, (NCWC)—President Franklin D. Roosevelt set aside the cares of the recovery program for a few moments on last Thursday and interrupted the daily series of conferences with mighty men of the world to pay honor to a 17-year-old Catholic high school student from Milwaukee. The boy is Joseph A. Brenderler, of Messmer High School, winner of the national essay contest conducted by the Gorgas Memorial Institute.

Joseph was escorted to the White House promptly at noon by Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Clegg, and Mr. Clegg, Dr. Frank B. Rowland, chairman of the board of trustees, and Mrs. Henry L. Doherty, wife of the donor of the prize. For his prize-winning essay, which was chosen from 18,000 submitted by students of high schools all over the country, Joseph received \$500 and \$200 travel allowance to Washington for the presentation.

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Geography demonstration lessons will be given in the various parishes of the diocese on the following dates:
Rochester—Immaculate Conception school, 4 p. m.;
Monday, Nov. 12—Seventh grade teachers.
Tuesday, Nov. 14—Fourth and fifth grade teachers.
Wednesday, Nov. 15—Sixth and seventh grade teachers.
Geneville—St. Mary's school, 4 p. m.;
Thursday, Nov. 16—Fourth and fifth grade teachers.
Friday, Nov. 17—Sixth and seventh grade teachers.
Minden—St. Peter and Paul's school;
Saturday, Nov. 18, 10:30 a. m.—Fourth and fifth grade teachers.
Saturday, Nov. 18, 1:30 p. m.—Sixth and seventh grade teachers.
Auburn—Holy Family school, 4 p. m.;
Monday, Nov. 20—Fourth and fifth grade teachers.
Tuesday, Nov. 21—Sixth and seventh grade teachers.
Geneva—St. Francis de Sales school, 4 p. m.;
Wednesday, Nov. 22—Fourth and fifth grade teachers.
Thursday, Nov. 23—Sixth and seventh grade teachers.

K. C. OFFICER TELLS POPE OF PRESIDENT

Vatican City.—The audience granted by the Pope to William F. McGinley, Supreme Secretary of the Knights of Columbus, and to Mrs. McGinley, was most important for the interest shown by the Pope not only in the Knights of Columbus and its activity both in America and in Rome, but also in the American nation and its chief.

The Pope, after having expressed his pleasure at all that the Knights of Columbus do for their country and his thanks for all that they do in Rome in the Pontificio Oratorio di San Pietro and other institutions, spoke of the United States, asking with the greatest solicitude for the fullest news of the present economic conditions.

Mr. McGinley replied, giving all the information he could, and the Pope responded with words of great hope and good wishes for the future and welfare of the United States. Then the Pope asked: "And Mr. Roosevelt, how is he?" Mr. McGinley replied that the President is full of activity, energy and good will and that the people of America are with him in the campaign undertaken to bring back economic stability.

AUSTRIA CATHOLIC ACTION PLANS TO MAKE PARISH BASIS OF AIMS

By DR. FREDERIC FUNDER
(Vienna Correspondent, N.C.W.C. News Service)
Vienna.—The great Congress of Catholics recently held here promises to bear many fruits. Under the leadership of His Eminence Theodor Cardinal Innitzer, Archbishop of Vienna, the archdiocese has immediately proceeded to make use of the results of the congress to increase the scope of Catholic Action.

In the course of a meeting of the clergy, Cardinal Innitzer explained the aims. Erected around the altar, the parish communities, united in brotherly love, shall be formed into parish families, the innermost soul of which is to be the parish clergy. In all the parishes special parish committees are to be set up in which the most active forces of the laity shall be represented. The Cardinal himself will be at the head of the union of all these committees. In all parishes the so-called "Mass of the community" shall be introduced in which there will be joint prayer and pointing of the faithful. In addition to church singing in the national language—an age-old institution in Vienna—the choral to be sung by the congregation according to the new Vatican edition, shall be cultivated. While hitherto the music at high Masses in St. Stephen's Cathedral has been presented by a trained choir only, in the future once a month at High Mass the congregation is to sing the choral Mass.

Soon after Christmas a large meeting of the clergy will convene, the subject of discussion to be "The Living Parish Community."

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