

New Circulation Ranks Courier With Leading N. Y. State Newspapers

\$25,000 Spent by Rural Life Unit To Aid Poor Parish

St. Louis—(NC)—The St. Louis Archdiocesan Rural Life Conference disbursed approximately \$25,000 in aid to needy parishes of the archdiocese in the course of 1935, according to the annual report of the group.

With the religious training of Catholic children not attending parochial schools the Conference's primary concern, 29 rural vacation schools were conducted in 1935 and 1,164 children instructed by 58 teachers—four priests and 54 Sisters. Among other activities of the Conference was the sponsoring of an essay contest.

The disbursement by the Conference of contributions made for the aid of needy parishes included sums for the repairing of church property, the establishment of parochial schools, the maintenance of school buses in scattered areas, and the support of Catholic schools.

The Most Rev. John J. Glannon, Archbishop of St. Louis, and the Most Rev. Christian E. Winkelmann, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, headed the list of donors to this cause.

Offer Girls Here Scholarship At Trinity College

Trinity College in Washington, D. C., is offering a four-year tuition scholarship to begin in Sept., 1936.

The scholarship will be awarded through competitive examinations which can be taken in Rochester. Further information concerning this scholarship will be given by any member of the Trinity Alumnae of Rochester, of which Mrs. Leo Callahan is president. Evelyn Ruth McNeil is vice-president; Kathleen Chrysal, secretary; Corinne Ryan, treasurer. The members are Mrs. Raymond Sluik, Mrs. Philip Hahn, Mrs. Timothy Keenan, Mrs. Charles Parker, Mrs. William Shea, Miss Elizabeth McNeil, Miss Deborah Quintan, Mrs. Francis Dwyer, Miss Edna Hall and Miss Alice Corcoran.

Social Justice Unit 5 Will Meet March 19th

Local Unit No. 5, National Union for Social Justice, 38th Congressional district, will hold its regular monthly meeting, Thursday, March 19 at 8 p. m. at Beechwood Hotel, 3101 East Main Street near North Goodman Street.

Edward L. Norman, president, has urged every member to be present.

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In the total of 88 daily newspapers in New York State, there are only 16 (outside of Greater New York City and Buffalo) which have circulations larger than the



Believe It... Not

By REV. OWEN B. MCGUIRE, D.D.

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Yale burse is duly and authentically qualified.

The other reading to which I refer is from the pen of Monsignor John A. Ryan of the Catholic University, and is, of course, of a different character from that of the last will and testament of the "Anglo-Saxon" philanthropist. And yet both raise some of the same puzzling questions.

Monsignor Ryan has gone to the pages of "Who's Who" and taken therefrom a list of the celebrities with Irish surnames. As the late Father Lambert once wrote of a list published by the A. P. A. of the Irish who held municipal offices in the cities of the United States, this list made by Monsignor Ryan "reads like a roll call of the legions of Bryan Bar." He omits the names that may possibly be "Anglo-Saxon," rather than Irish-Catholic. Such he considers Butler, Hayes, Harrington, Kennedy, MacDonnell. He also omits names that have only a representation. With these exceptions he finds that there are no Irish names listed in "Who's Who."

The biographical sketches in that publication do not usually mention the religious affiliations, but the Monsignor infers this from his own knowledge, from the persons' education, associations, subjects treated when they are writers, etc. If there is inaccuracy in the classification, he believes will not extend far or exist. On this basis he finds that of the 770 listed, 340 can be classified as Catholics while 430 must be regarded as non-Catholics or "Fallen Away." He says that the "deducting" the ten percent from the total of the non-Catholic list, we find that it is still greater than the Catholic list, also that if the "Anglo-Saxon" philanthropists whose ancestors were Irish, but whose names were Anglicized, some before they left Ireland, where this change was imposed by law, and some for various reasons after they came to this country.

Cannot Be Applied

I doubt very much that these people with Irish surnames can be classified as Catholics. From a study that I made years ago of this question in general, I am in fact convinced that they cannot be so classified. In a sense, the whole population of the United States, with the exception of the Jews, might be called "fallen away Catholics." For we are all of European origin, and Europe was for centuries universally Catholic. But use is the law of language, and the common usage of that designation "fallen away Catholics" is that the persons so designated were baptized Catholics at least, that their parents or to stretch it further—their grand parents were Catholic. It cannot, without violating the accepted meaning of words, be applied to those whose ancestors lost the faith two or three centuries ago.

In several books, pamphlets and articles the Secretary of the American-Irish Historical Society has shown by documentary evidence that over thirty per cent of the roll call of Washington's armies bore distinctly Irish surnames. What percentage of these were Catholics? It is impossible to tell. But a few years after the country obtained its independence, I think it was in 1783, Bishop Carroll had a census taken of the Catholic population. Of course, it was not and could not be an exact enumeration, as we understand a census nowadays. But undoubtedly the Bishop did his best to arrive at a fair estimate. According to the article "Irish in the U. S." in the Catholic Encyclopedia, by Mr. Peter Condon, Bishop Carroll estimated the Catholic population of 25,000 "at the outbreak of hostilities." I have seen it stated, however, by another authority, that I cannot now recall, that the Bishop's estimate in 1785 was 65,000, in a population of about three millions. Whichever estimate we take, it appears certain that only a small percentage of those with Irish surnames before and in the Revolution had preserved the faith of their forefathers. Nor was it possible, humanly speaking, to preserve it.

Bancroft estimates that one-third of the whole population in 1775 was in New England; and it was confining the question to that territory alone and consider what are incontrovertible historical facts, we can

The Business SPECTATOR

News and reviews of the business world presented as items of information. Material hereafter does not reflect the editorial policy of the CATHOLIC COURIER

Sears Remodels For Trade Gain

Plans drawn up seven months ago by Sears Roebuck & Company to spend \$1,000,000 in remodeling and redesigning their Rochester store to meet the increased business, argued for the coming year, were fulfilled this week. Actual construction work was completed in "own months' time."

The modernization included installation of seven eras of new fixtures, lighting equipment, re-arrangement of departments, painting, carpeting and adding to and rearranging departments.

With these added facilities Sears can now take care of any customer's needs. For example, if a customer entered the store at opening time, has breakfast and begins shopping, he or she, before the store's closing, can completely furnish a home, furnish an outfit, furnish clothing, fill any auto farm sporting or hardware need.

On the main floor eye-level counters have replaced the former high fixtures. The counters, in a complete harmony with the color scheme chosen for each department, are a complete candy counter has been located near the "furniture" department. The men's and boys' department has been enlarged with every necessity in male clothing. Rich broadloom carpeting in the suit section runs flush to the cases, each with indirect lighting to create choice from among many suits.

The second floor encompasses the women's department, the new infants' wear, furniture, curtains, linens, rugs and allied lines. The color scheme is pastel green combining shades of dark green, yellow, grey and white in the varied departments.

In the display on the second floor consisting of a dress counter, Rochester Service and collection offices have been located for convenience to the customer.

The basement has been totally rearranged with allocation of all lines the major change. Color schemes are carried out in the same manner for the downstairs departments.

All electrical devices are together including radio, refrigeration light fixtures, etc. A bathroom display is located in the men's and boys' department. Kitchenware department.

The entire store is truly a re-creation. Coloring, lighting, new fixtures, each add to its modernity. They, in detail, are as follows: men's department, the women's rest room in modernistic metal furniture, increased parking space off Monroe Avenue, larger "department" all the details in the store and more pleasant shopping at Sears.

R.G.&E. Shows Lower 1935 Net Income

Net income of the Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation for 1935 showed a decline of \$95,275 from the preceding year, as revealed by the annual financial statement increased operating costs, due to higher prices paid for coal and other supplies, and additional expense, represents a return of 5.6 per cent on the amount invested in the business.

Gross sales of the Company were \$14,177,799 in 1935 as against \$13,244,871 in 1934 but this gain was more than offset by the large increase of \$504,989 in operating costs. Gross revenues, however, are still below the peak year of 1934 when they were \$14,877,797.

The Company's gross sales were divided as follows: Electricity \$9,403,093, Gas, \$3,915,596, Steam \$803,199. Gas income showed a decline for the year of \$281,820.

Taxes paid by the Company increased from \$1,014,998 in 1934 to \$1,232,920 in 1935, an amount equal to nearly \$16 for every family in the entire territory served by the Company.

Publish Confraternity Meeting Proceedings

Pateron, N. J. (NC)—The proceedings of the 1935 National Catechetical Congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine have just been published by the St. Anthony Guild Press.

The meeting was held in Rochester, N. Y., October 30, 1935.

Former Mayor Tells Observations Of Persecution

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Government may do in their opinion no one would ever be able to take away the religion of the Mexican Indian, that the Mexican Indian was a loyal, peace-loving individual and very industrious when supervised; that the Mexican Indian holds Americans in great respect, but that the difficulty in Mexico is with the half-breed who took over the Government, passed the agrarian laws, confiscated property owned by the white man or Spaniard and carrying on a crusade of hate against the American and against religion.

"Since the closing of the churches and the parochial schools everyone admits that the education of children is seriously neglected. In some sections of the Government hasn't opened its own schools and since the parochial schools are closed many children cannot go to school at all.

"The Government is exerting all of its educational efforts to keeping the children from knowing anything about God, and what little religious education goes on in the country must be given by the parent, and he must be careful, lest he violate the religious laws and himself be subject to persecution and his property confiscated."

Batavia Woman to Edit LCBA Paper

Batavia, N. Y. Rose H. Callahan of this city has been appointed editor of the Fraternal Leader, official organ of the Ladies' Catholic Benevolent Association, to succeed Bernice McEntee of Pittsburgh, who held the position for 25 years and has been appointed supreme recorder of the organization.

VICE-CONSUL IN F. S.

San Antonio (NC)—Lamberto H. Obregon, nephew of former President Alvaro Obregon, has assumed his duties here as vice-consul. He also is a nephew of General Francisco R. Serrano, who was a presidential candidate in Mexico in 1929.

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Projansky Opens Modernized Shop

Better to serve its distinguished clientele Projansky Company has opened a new and modernized store at 39 East Avenue, Monday.

Completely redecorated, the shop is one of the most fashionable in the city. The frontage has been enlarged and the building modernized in structural glass, gray and maroon being the colors.

"It has always been our desire," stated Mr. Projansky, "to give service and quality at reasonable prices. And in our new store, we shall continue to do just that."

The interior of the store follows the same color scheme as the new Beechwood building and soft buff tones with subdued lighting will be a distinct note of color to the salon.

The re-creation of the main salon permits a better display of the choice selections of ready-to-wear including dresses, military, lingerie and foundation garments. The rear of the store off the salon is devoted to suits, coats and furs. Here the clientele desiring custom tailoring will be served by Mr. Projansky. This department has a gallery of completely appointed fitting rooms with full length mirrors.

Just off the bronze doorway with its glass panel door is an art metal balustrade leading to the floors above.

The entire building has been fitted with an air conditioning system to control temperature and humidity.

NEW NORMAL SCHOOL

Quebec (NC) The convent of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, at St. Jean, this province, is to become a normal school for young women. The Sisters have received authorization signed by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province.

Anglo-Saxon But if it means a distinct civilization derived from England, the people of New England at the time of the Revolution could be called Anglo-Saxon.

Sixth: Those of that population who still bear Irish surnames cannot rightly be called "Fallen Away Catholics."

Fourth: In other parts of the country there was an Irish element or rather two, one Catholic and one Protestant, of more recent immigration who were inspired by these motives and memories.

Fifth: If "Anglo-Saxon" means a distinct race, there are no Anglo-Saxons in New England. Neither are the people of England itself.

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