PRIESTS OF QUEBEC PROVINCE GIVEN REMINDER OF ELECTIONS

Quebec—(NC)—His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec, has had inserted in L'Action Catholique a brief letter clarifying certain reports that have recently been widely published in the secular press concerning priests and elections in Canada.

His Eminence makes it clear that what has been done in this matter in recent days is that the Bishops of the Province of Quebec have again called to the attention of priests the provisions in a pastoral document issued two months ago, and dealing with the duties of priests in relation to political questions. This was done in a private letter which somehow found its way into the press.

Last summer, both federal and general elections and an election for the Provincial Legislature were held. Before leaving on his ad limina voyage to the Vatican the Cardinal Archbishop thought it pertinent to remind his people of their duties as citizens to vote and not to succumb to the wiles of unscrupulous politicians. He recalled all the principles enunciated by his predecessors in the See of Quebec.

The federal elections passed off satisfactorily, but a month later, during the provincial elections, politicians resorted to money, drinks and promises of jobs in their efforts to bribe voters. The clergy intervened to the extent of reminding Catholics of the Cardinal's warning. This led certain politicians to accuse the clergy of meddling in politics. Upon his return from the Vatican, His Eminence found it necessary to issue another Pastoral, which was read in all the churches and chapels of the Archdiocese on January 26. In this Pastoral the Cardinal pointed out that accusations against priests should be brought before the proper ecclesiastical courts, and that any charges against them, with proper evidence, should be presented to the archdiocesan tribunal.

Later His Eminence addressed the private letter to the clergy, which was signed jointly by the Bishops of the ecclesiastical provinces of Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa, in which extracts from the Discipline of Quebec and from Canon Law, dealing with the conduct of priests with respect to political matters, were recalled. This document fell into the hand of a Protestant journalist who published extracts from it which were echoed in the provincial and foreign press.

Cardinal Lifts Interdict On Priests in France

Paris—(NC)—Semaine Religieuse, official publication of the Archdiocese of Paris, announced that the interdict placed on Canon Richard for having given absolution to the body of Jacques Bainville, Action Francaise adherent who refused to retract his support of the banned organization, has been lifted.

The announcement carried by the Archdiocesan weekly, signed by His Eminence Jean Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, reads: "Canon Richard having expressed his regrets in sense of filial submission to the Church, we have lifted the interdict pronounced against him on February 18, 1936."

BISHOP ILL

Parish—(NC)—The Most Rev. Joseph Lucien Giray, Bishop of Cahors, because of ill health, has been transferred to the Titular See of Liesposli.

Christian Doctrine Course By Mail Is Initiated By Pupils

Oakland, Calif.—(NC)—With no less an exemplar than St. Paul himself, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Mary's College, Moraga, has inaugurated a correspondence course in Christian Doctrine.

Spurred on by the accomplishments of St. Paul in teaching Corinthians and Galatians and the rest by letter, the students of the Society stays undertaken to send by mail complete lessons in Christian Doctrine to farm children of Contra Costa County.

The mail method of providing these children with an opportunity of knowing their religion is proving most effective.

Sacred Congregation's Special Instruction on Mission Welfare Work

Rome—(NCWC-Fides)—A special instruction of the Sacred Congregation of Propaganda Fide regarding assistance for mothers and infants in missionary countries, has been addressed to all religious orders of women.

The document is published in agreement with the Sacred Congregation for Religious, and is described as an indication of the constant efforts made by the Holy See to have Catholic missionary work conform to the varying needs of times and places.

The instruction expresses the wish that new religious institutes of women be founded whose special purpose will be to conduct health work in the missions. It also encourages the formation within existing sisterhoods of special branches for this particular work.

Rules are given for the guidance of religious in the exercise of sanitary assistance, and special instructions for their scientific and technical training.

Final Services Held for Patrick Curry, March 7

Funeral services for Patrick Curry, 57, who died March 4 at St. Mary's Hospital, were held Saturday, March 7, at 300 Flint Street at 9:30 a. m. and at 10 o'clock at St. Augustine's Church.

Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Michael Fufferd, assisted by the Rev. William Devereaux as deacon and the Rev. Orrin Feller as subdeacon.

Present in the sanctuary were the Revs. Martin and Francis Feeney.

The bearers were James Caverly, Anthony and James O'Connor, Thomas Curry and Stephen and Michael Cleary.

Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery where the final blessing was pronounced by Father Francis Feeney.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs Catherine Curry; four son, Bernard Francis, John and Edward.

All disquiet of heart and distraction of the senses arise from inordinate love and vain fear—Thomas a Kempis.

FR. GILLIS DUE HERE MONDAY

Brilliant and distinguished editor of "The Catholic World" for fourteen years, noted radio speaker and author of many books, the Rev. James M. Gillis C.P.S., will be in Rochester Monday night to address a public audience in Columbus Civic Centre Building on the subject,

Rev. James M. Gillis

"This Changing World." His appearance is sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club.

Father Gillis' reputation for outspoken and trenchant comment on the world of affairs, both in its secular and religious aspect has gained for him a wide following among the clergy of the country. He speaks over the Paulist radio station WLWI, every Thursday evening on topics of the day.

In the latest issue of "The Catholic World," Father Gillis calls attention to the awful possibilities of destruction should another great war occur, due to the lethal discoveries that have been made since the World War. In a striking paragraph he declares:

"When the Eiffel Tower tumbles it will make a louder crash than the Colossus of Rhodes, and when the Empire State Building topples and falls it will kick up more dust and make a bigger heap of ruins than the Temple of Venus in the Roman Forum. The higher they stand the harder they fall; the more complicated the civilization the more danger of its destruction." For this reason he strongly urges upon readers that "the most important business of the human race is to prevent war."

Father Gillis' last appearance in Rochester, also under the sponsorship of the Catholic Women's Club was in 1928, when he spoke on "The Catholic Church and the Modern Mind."

In charge of arrangements for the lecture is a committee on arrangements headed by Miss Lucy Sheridan, president of the club. Miss Hilda Connor is in charge of ushers.

WILL REVISIT LOURDES

London—(NC)—Bruch war Veterans will go to Lourdes again this year to take part in the international pilgrimage for peace. The Most Rev. Thomas William, Archbishop of Birmingham, will lead the delegation.

VATICAN CITY PAPER FLAYS NAZI ARRESTS

Vatican City—(NC)—L'Osservatore Romano [illegible] on the arrest of Monsignor Hertzog, director of the Catholic Youth Association, priests and other members of religious orders and affiliates. Anti-Communists call attention to the [illegible] of the statements that appeared in the German press.

[illegible] L'Osservatore Romano states are given as the [illegible] there where [illegible] after months and in the [illegible] which this center of Young Catholic Action had been the object of constant National Socialist siege and attack, solely because it has been a Catholic Action youth center. But to do away with an association is not enough. The men still remain and enough men cannot be dissolved like centers of action they can be made to disappear, especially if they are inconvenient witnesses and victims of a violent campaign that has tried in vain to find justification."

L'Osservatore Romano further comments upon the absolute absurdity of alleging the existence of a conspiracy between Catholic Action and Communism.

Parishioners Warned Of 'Rosy Colored' Russia Life Tales

Halifax, N.S.—(NC)—Warning against the glowing tales being circulated concerning life in Soviet Russia and pointing out that no Christian can be a Communist, the following statement has been issued to parishioners of St. Joseph's Church here:

"Beware of rosy colored pictures of the happiness of life in the Soviet Republic! When visitors tell us about the wonderful advantages of the Russian experiment, we should know:

"According to Soviet official papers, 1,800,000 persons have been executed by their secret police force.

"In two years from 1918 to 1920, the Soviet Communist authorities in Russia massacred 26 Archbishops and Bishops, and 6,775 priests.

"In 1930, a Soviet document records the destruction or closing of 1,370 churches in a single year.

"Soviet agricultural collectivization was brought into existence at the price of the suffering of some 5,000,000 small farm holders, forcibly deported to the Arctic on open freight trucks, with no adequate clothing and no provision for housing.

"This deportation, one of the most colossal crimes in history with its dreadful toll of death from cold, hunger and disease, was accompanied by the shooting of thousands of other peasants who contested the seizure of their homes.

"Communists in the United States are openly working for the overthrow of government by force and violence, they are voting against the restriction of the rights of religious freedom, of speech and the Press. No sincere Christian can be a Communist.

"Let young people not be led astray by Communistic propaganda. Being an integral part of the World Communist Party the Communist Youth International has the same objectives and seeks to carry out the same methods as the International itself."

Prayers For Many Occasions In New Book by Fr. Burke

New York—(NC)—Nearly 150 prayers including some from the liturgy, some from the Saints, some from other sources and some composed by the author himself, are embraced in "A Collection of Prayers for Various Occasions," by the Very Rev. Dr. John J. Burke, C.S.P., the early publication of which has been announced by F. J. Kenedy and Sons here. Father Burke is General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Emphasizing the Catholic doctrine that at the same time we pray for others we pray for ourselves, the new book contains prayers for ones parents, one's children, the sick, the aged, the newly confirmed, the newly ordained, the discouraged and distressed, those in doubt, and those indifferent to their religious duties.

The book also presents a clear explanation of Indulgences, their meaning and the conditions under which they may be gained.

Graduates of Mission School in China Given Suits, Shoes By Pastor

Kaying, China—(NC)—A new suit of clothes and a pair of shoes was the graduation present from the pastor of the mountain mission of Tung Shek to each graduate of his evening school.

The poverty of the people is such that few could have attended the simple ceremony at the close of their course without this help from the Rev. Thomas Donovan, M.M., of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Father Donovan established his school in the past year and has for a teacher a young man he helped through Middle School. In the evening, he himself teaches the boys to serve at Mass and to sing at church ceremonies.

What is really momentous and all-important with us is the present, by which the future is shaped and colored.

GOD IN THE UNSPOKEN LANGUAGE

Rev. Michael A. Furtell, S.J., editor of "The Catholic Deaf-Mute," national publication of New York City, who is visiting seminaries throughout the country to interest future priests in learning the sign language. Father Furtell for the past eight years has been pastor of the deaf in the Archdiocese of New York. He has spent twenty years serving the deaf of Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia. In these pases he is shown using the sign language to say (1) God, (2) Past, (3) Present and (4) Future.

SILVER WORRY FOR MEXICO RULERS NOW

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strikes which for the present constitute the normal life of Mexican industry.

Two questions are put to the President: "To what point are we being borne by this conjunction of circumstances all of which tend to destroy private property and with it the wealth of the country? Can we collaborate with the Government without the risk of the exercise of the rights to which we are entitled in the improvement of the laboring class and the development of the country?"

Exaggeration Charged

In his reply, Lerdo de Tejada declared the statements made in the memorial to be exaggerated and wholly unwarranted. Owners of industrial concerns could not, he said, that they are working for their own benefit, forgetting their obligations to the nation, and that labor is a factor and a part of the national economy and that society suffers when they fail to carry out their functions. The President added as the time for Government intervention in order to prevent economic disturbances.

"Any employer boycott whatever on principle would mean illegal intervention."

Later, legislation, the President stated, is passing through an experimental state but this allows for the exercise of authority in their legal functions on foreign capital.

Matters of doubt should be resolved in favor of the weaker party. To meet on equal terms and to treat unequal parties is not to eliminate prejudice. Labor legislation in all countries is lifelong and women feel it is to their benefit to have their welfare guaranteed by a living wage and by fixing hours of work, rest periods, etc., on the basis of 40 hours per week.

URGES CREEDS TO UNITE AS MORAL FORCE

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ship." With these admonitions he urged the acquisition of knowledge of the true not the expedient.

In every community he saw the opportunity for men to put their shattered dreams to work. "Not by might nor yet by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord," he quoted.

The speaker concluded his remarks with humorous "gems" which caused the audience to forget the serious attention to rounds of chuckling.

The Rev. Frederick Hemgridge, rector of Grace Episcopal Church in responding, said he said that everyone has the job of exalting righteous [illegible] and making of the [illegible] of national life.

The invocation was offered by the Rev. William J. Ryan, Grand Knight Harry J. Lagomarsino introduced Carmelo Cribbs, tenor, who sang "Ave Maria" and "Prayer" from Rabbi Henry P. Silverman's opera in Jamaica, British West Indies, and John P. Calans, who is Mr. George F. Gibbs's song leader, and Albert Capozzi and Thomas Dell'Aquila sang solo numbers.

Catholics In American History

CHARLES O'CONOR

Recognized as one of the greatest jurists in the history of our country, Charles O'Conor was perhaps the outstanding Catholic in American public life during the Reconstruction Period after the Civil War.

He was [illegible] in New York [illegible] Mr. O'Conor [illegible] respects [illegible] American bar. Long before Governor Tilden's day of him that he thought he had "more precise knowledge of the [illegible] of jurisprudence than any other person living of the English-speaking race." O'Conor defended Jefferson Davis when an effort was made to punish him as a traitor following the Civil War. He argued Tilden's case in the great Hayes-Tilden contest of 1876-77 before the Electoral Commission in Washington. He was counsel in many other notable legal cases among them being the trial of William Tweed for municipal corruption. He was chosen by all political parties for the New York State Constitutional Convention in 1846 and five other members of the convention voted against approving the new State Constitution and of this Constitution he said in later years that it gave life vigor and permanency to the trade of politics with all its attendant malpractice."

He was the only Catholic prior to former Governor Alfred E. Smith to be nominated by one of the major political parties for the presidency of the United States being tendered the nomination of the Democratic party in 1872. O'Conor was born in New York in 1804 and died at Nantucket, Mass., in 1884.

(NCWC FEATURES)

NAMED BISHOP

Rome—(NC)—The Rev. Raffaele Faggiano, C.P., master of novices for the Passionist Fathers at Laurignano in the Archdiocese of Cosenza, has been named Bishop of Cariati.

Fr. Damien Hawaiian Mounument Is Object Of Highest Iterest.

By GEORGE T. PETTY

(Hawaii Correspondent, NCWC News Service)

Honolulu, T. H.—(NC)—The earthly remains of Father Damien De Veuster, Martyr of Molokai, removed from Kalawao churchyard and the houses of the former leper settlement fast falling into ruin the monument which was erected to the memory of Father Damien by the people of England and dedicated September 10 1893 will now be the object of more interest than heretofore. St. Philomena's Church built by the priest is not easily accessible to visitors in the new settlement but the memorial located a few yards from Kalaupapa may be visited readily.

Leopold G. Blackman staff member of the Honolulu Advertiser has through considerable research at the Archives of Hawaii, brought to light the details of the presentation of the monument and the dedicatory ceremonies. Mr. Blackman is a Protestant. He has made public the following facts:

The then Prince of Wales, afterwards Edward VII., headed the committee which solicited funds in England.

On behalf of the Catholic Mission the Rev. Gulstan P. Robert, Vicar Apostolic of Hawaii, accepted the memorial. The ceremony of presentation was performed before a large audience of clergy, Government officials, and residents of the settlement. Edmund Stiles of the Department of Public Affairs of the Provisional Government of Hawaii, delivered the address of dedication.

Catholic Church Seen As Youth's Bulkwark Against Absolutism

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