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## Noted Speakers To Come For Justice Meet

### Father Burns Ends Third Month As Bandits' Captive

The third month of captivity of a Manchukuo bandit has been completed by Rev. Francis Burns of Toledo, O., Maryknoll Missioner at Tung Hua, who was captured by a Chinese sick call and kidnapped by bandits February 5.

Meanwhile special prayers are being offered in many parts of the world for the young American priest. At Masses, Christians offered to speak at the public commemoration of the Encyclical's anniversaries in Columbus Civic Centre Building, Thursday evening, May 11.

Japanese police have traced Father Burns and his captors, a bandit, through the mountains southeast of Tung Hua. He has been seen by farmers and a favorable report of his condition and treatment was made by a Chinese Christian, captured with Father Burns, who later escaped.

The bandits have sent reassuring messages to the church authorities promising to return him, but so far Japanese police and Manchukuo troops have been unable to attack their stronghold without imperiling Father Burns' life.

### Specialists In Economics To Bring Timely Exposition of 2 Encyclicals

### Archbishop to Talk

### Program Part of Nation- Wide Commemoration Of Anniversaries

Two outstanding exponents of the principles of social justice as embodied in Pope Leo XIII's and Pope Pius XI's great Encyclicals will come to Rochester to speak at the public commemoration of the Encyclicals' anniversaries in Columbus Civic Centre Building, Thursday evening, May 11.

Bringing a timely message on current use of the Encyclicals in promoting social justice will be Dr. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director, N.C.W.C. Department of Social Action, Washington, nationally known for addresses and writings on the Encyclicals.

### State Labor Leader

The key speaker will be Dr. John J. Carroll of Niagara Falls, member of the Industrial Board, Department of Labor, State of New York. Mr. Carroll is well known for his clear and eloquent exposition of the Encyclicals principles.

The program in Rochester is to be part of a nation-wide observance of the Encyclicals' anniversary, Pope Leo's five years ago and Pope Pius' five years ago.

Increasing interest in these documents it is believed will bring out a strong turnout for the Mass Meeting.

The celebration of the anniversary those in charge said this year is one in gratitude to the Encyclicals for the great contributions which they have made in furthering the application of principles of social justice.

In the words of Bishop Edward F. O'Hara they are "the world's outstanding pronouncement on the cause, nature and cure of the economic evils that afflict mankind."

### Administrative Free

Miss Cecilia M. Yamamoto, President, Rochester Division, Council National Council of Catholic Women in charge of attendance reports wide distribution of the books through parishes and through Catholic lay organizations sponsoring the event. The meeting is open to the public and there is no charge for admission.

Archbishop Mooney is expected to preside at the opening.

On May 11, the first annual "Year of the Cross" will be observed throughout the country.

The new Editor-in-Chief for 1936 has been an Associate Editor of the review and for the greater part of that time the literary section of the weekly have been under his direction.

Father Talbot is the moving factor in the formation of the new book review section. He is secretary of the Catholic Poetry Society which he serves as spiritual director and of the Spiritual Book Association. For a number of years he has taken part in the work of the Motion Picture Bureau of the International Federation of Catholic Action which now goes in official review of films for the Legion of Decency.

Father Parsons succeeded the Rev. Richard H. Tierney, S.J. as Editor of America in May 1925. A year later he founded though a quarterly review of religion and letters and has been since that time its Editor-in-Chief.

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### Father Lord Has Papal Audience

### Anti-Catholic Riot Leaders Pay Fine

LONDON.—Cardinal Francis Spellman, Archbishop of Boston, received a formal audience from Pope Pius XI on May 1. The Pope received the cardinal in the private study of the Palace of the Holy Office.

On Wednesday Father Lord lectured in the Picardie Hall of Georgetown University on the Catholic juvenile movement in the United States.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Clemente Micara, Papal Nuncio to Belgium attended the ceremony.

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Senate Prints N.C.A. Statement

Washington.—The statement of demands of freedom adopted by the National Catholic Educational Association at its recent meeting in New York City was presented to the Senate yesterday by Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts and at his request was printed in the Congressional Record.

Senators Pronounce Eulogy

The eulogies attending the arrival of Father Damien's remains actually began with Prime Minister Sir Herbert Samuel's speech at the academic session in the hall of the House here. Senator Verbit pronounced a eulogy of the heroic

### Most Rev. James A. Walsh

## 'I Will Be Your Helper Until We Meet Merrily In Heaven'

All that He seeks from you is generosity and ready willingness to use the opportunities—or meet the difficulties—which will inevitably present themselves.

"I have often urged you to appreciate what is good in other societies than ours. Keep up this spirit, but watch closely that loyalty shall be a shining virtue in your life—loyalty to the Society, to your Superiors, to one another. That we may be one in Christ, is my prayer.

"Keep me in filial remembrance and know that, if God finds me worthy, I will be your helper until we meet merrily in Heaven."

Archbishop John T. McNicholas of Cincinnati has revealed that in a letter dated April 11—the very day of his death—Bishop Walsh wrote him:

"I was very much moved to learn that you have approached the Dominican Sisters of the emmunt for the intercession of their masters through Blessed Martin de Porres. The Maryknoll Sisters are beginning their Novena tomorrow. It would be fine to see Blessed Martin add to the lustre of his name by a good deed in my behalf, but so far as I am personally concerned, I prefer to remain indifferent on the point and to let it be entirely a matter of God's will."

Reports from Berlin indicate that the German authorities find it rather difficult to explain the many offenses committed both against the letter and the spirit of the Concordat.

As a matter of fact the persecutions of the Catholic clergy in Germany have by no means ended, although the results of the recent Reichstag elections showed conclusively that the German Catholics are prepared to meet the Nazi Nazis in half way in their efforts to bring about a modus vivendi.

Only one instance of a priest being caught in the mesh of Nazi secret service tactics has become known here. Father Bongarts, parish priest in a small town of the Saar territory was taken into "protective custody" after he had refused to fall in his bullet outfit of the booth provided for the voters.

Most voters were forced to sign their cross indicating they were in favor of Hitler on the dotted line in the presence of Nazi witnesses and were not permitted to make the necessary alterations to the card before entering the voting booth.

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In general, the recent reopening of churches in Mexico in addition to being far short of the "thousands" reported by secular news agencies has meant only that the doors of the edifices are no longer barred and sealed, and the faithful may have the satisfaction of entering them to pray.

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A clear and open statement on the part of the Federal Government that, in contradiction to the previous attitude, it has no objection to the reopening of churches not specifically allowed by Federal action for non-religious use.

2. The actual taking of a certain number of churches in the Republic, thus far the number of which is not known, are available for the use of the Nazi regime.

3. In the case of three States action by the State authorities to increase the number of priests of the Roman Catholic Church is fully authorized to officiate.

4. At least one instance in Columbia where the Federal authority stepped in after the State authority refused to permit the re-opening of churches and the re-opening of services, decided by the civil rights commission.

STATES BAN PRIESTS

It is to be understood clearly that while no specific action has been taken by the civil rights commission, the re-opening of services, decided by the civil rights commission.

5. In all there are at least 44 priests legally officiating in the Diocese of Columbia.

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