

# NATIONAL NEWS

## U. S. Hierarchy's Heroism In Frontier Days Recalled

This is the second of a series of articles prompted by the observance of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the American Hierarchy. The series was prepared by the Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Code, instructor in history at the Catholic University of America, whose latest work, "Dictionary of the American Hierarchy," is soon to be published by Longmans, Green & Company, New York.

By REV. DR. JOSEPH B. CODE  
(Written for N.C.W.C. News Service)

The well-known frontier theory in American history, so popular in universities and colleges the country ever since the time it was first proposed by the late Frederick Jackson Turner of the University of Wisconsin, suffers a rude shock when it faces the expansion of the Catholic Church under the direction of the American Episcopate.

## Urge Encyclical As Sex Education Guide

WASHINGTON—In face of the American tendency today to stress a materialistic "sex education," the School Superintendents Department of the National Catholic Educational Association, meeting here this week, announced as the guiding principle for all schools the encyclical of Pope Pius XI on "The Christian Education of Youth."

The semi-annual meeting of the Department was held Wednesday and Thursday at the Catholic University of America and was presided over by the Rev. John M. Duffy, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools in Rochester, N. Y., and President of the Department.

The following injunction of Pope Pius XI in his encyclical was quoted in the meeting's resolution as a guiding principle:

"In this extremely delicate matter, sex education, all things considered, some private instruction is found necessary and opportune, from those who hold from God the commission to teach and who have the grace of state every precaution must be taken."

Other resolutions expressed the Department's satisfaction with the progress of Catholic secondary schools and recommended thorough preparation of students in these schools for the duties and responsibilities of Christian citizenship in our American democracy and facilitated the Catholic University on its golden jubilee.

An important action taken at the meeting was the decision to form a committee at each semi-annual meeting to sponsor some cooperative study to report at the following fall meeting. The subject decided upon for the coming year is "The Service of the Religious Teachers for Elementary Schools."

The special committee appointed to conduct the study this year includes the Rev. Dr. William R. Keenan, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, New York; the Rev. Harold E. Keller, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, Harrisburg, Pa.; the Rev. Mr. John R. Hagan, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, Cleveland.

## Pontiff Praises Catholic U.

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He robes on the long day a splendor of vital, moving color. A solemn Te Deum was sung this afternoon in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and a fireworks display this evening brought the festivities to a close that was as resounding, impressive and colorful as the ceremonies of the three days.

In his message, broadcast from the Vatican City Radio Station, Pope Pius XI said his pleasure in congratulating the university was made "all the more intimate" by the recollection of his visit to the university two years ago, as Papal Secretary of State when he said he saw with his own eyes "the great work" accomplished by the university "for the glory of God and the welfare" of the United States.

Followed Great Universities.

In the half century since its founding, His Holiness continued, the university, following the example of "the most distinguished and venerable universities of the past" in its adherence to the purest traditions of Christian thought, attained great success in the spread of Catholic culture in the United States.

Citing the hollowness of "a philosophy built on purely human standards," His Holiness declared hope "rests in the schools of the Christian countries, among which, he said, the Catholic University stands as 'a typical example.' He concluded with praise of the Catholic universities of the United States as "a pride in the present and a protection for the future."

Expressing his "enthusiastic" interest in the university as "an alumnus," President Roosevelt, in his message to the Rev. Dr. Magr. Palicki, J. McCormick, Vice-Rector of the university, expressed the hope that the university, "so rich in achievement, so full of promise of future usefulness, will, through a bold generation, contribute to the perfection of the intellect which the great Newman upheld as the ideal of education."

Messages also were read from His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, and the Most Rev. James F. Ryan, Bishop of Omaha and former Rector of the university.

The miscellaneous medal devotion owes its origin to an agreement secured in 1870 by Blessed Catherine Laboure.

Very Rev. Anthony May S. V. D. of New York who has been appointed rector of St. Mary's Seminary Techy III headquarters of the American Province of the Society of the Divine Word. Since his ordination in 1891 Father May has served in teaching, missionary and pastoral work and was recently secretary to the American Provincial (N.C.W.C.).

## Academy Alumnae In 35th Reunion

The 35th annual reunion and luncheon of the Alumnae Association of the Convent of the Sacred Heart was held on Saturday, November 4th at the Prince Street Convent and was attended by 150 alumnae from Rochester, Buffalo, Utica, Syracuse, Auburn, Binghamton, Bath, etc.

At the business meeting following luncheon the retiring president, Mrs. William W. Bennett, presided.

The following officers and board members who will hold office for two years were elected:

President: Mrs. Frank B. Sweeney; vice-president: Miss Margaret McGovern; recording secretary: Miss Dorothy Lucas; corresponding secretary: Miss Evelyn Ruth Melner; treasurer: Mrs. T. Joseph O'Connell; and directors: Mrs. Bancroft Carson; Mrs. Donald A. Dalley; Mrs. Eugene J. Dwyer; Mrs. Francis J. Dwyer; Mrs. Austen J. King; Mrs. Helen Little; Mrs. Arthur C. Lohman; Mrs. John J. McInerney; Mrs. Margaret Murphy; Mrs. George T. Welch; Miss Marion Wobus; and Miss Cecelia Yawman.

Rochester Circle, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae will meet Sunday November 10 at 3:30 o'clock in the Columbus City Centre for the purpose of electing officers.

The following nominees have been submitted by Mrs. Henry Samuel Hafford, chairman of the nominating committee:

For President: Miss Helen A. Durnin.

For Vice-President: Mrs. Leo T. Callahan; Miss Mary Hartman.

For Secretary: Miss Bernice Ginnity; Miss Geraldine Glaw.

For Treasurer: Mrs. John J. Lehner; Miss Helen Louise Whalen.

Rev. Leonard Kelly of Nazareth College, the new moderator of the Rochester Circle has been invited to attend the meeting and address the Alumnae. Miss Genevieve O'Connell, Regent, urges all members to be present.

## Priests Deliver Prayers At U. S. Congress Session

WASHINGTON—Catholic priests delivered the prayers with which the United States House of Representatives opened its deliberations on two successive days this week.

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## Priest Named To State Disability Commission

MANCHESTER, N. H.—The Rev. Edward T. Anglin, O.S.B., of St. Anselm Abbey here, has been appointed a member of the State Commission on Disability Benefits, a fact-finding agency created by the 1933 Legislature, by Gov. Francis P. Murphy, of New Hampshire, and his Executive Council.

Father Anglin is Professor of Moral Theology and Economics at St. Anselm College here, and is Spiritual Director of the Abbey Retreat League.

## Catholic Economists Group Formed

WASHINGTON—The Organization in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in a period of less than two years, of an Association of Catholic Economists which in that brief time has developed remarkable strength, was described here by Silverio Vegega, President of the Association.

Mr. Vegega, who also is President of an important Commission of the Municipal Administration at Buenos Aires, visited the headquarters of the National Catholic Welfare Conference here in the course of a long journey he has undertaken to study municipal administration in various lands. He returned recently from Europe, where he made such studies and has already visited several cities in the United States.

There were 35 members of the Catholic Economists at the beginning and they have grown to 300 in 18 months, he said. In doing so they have attained a strength which may be measured by the fact that the general non-sectarian association of economists in the Argentine capital numbers only 600.

Moreover, because of its form of organization and chiefly because of the unanimity of its membership based on the teachings of the Church, it has had peculiar strength in being able to pronounce almost immediately on any problem that arises. It is conducted by a board of nine members, with an ecclesiastical adviser.

# HIERARCHY'S ANNIVERSARY SEX TEACHING SCORED

## Heads Seminary



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## First Pilgrims At Mother Seton Tomb

EMMITSBURG, MD.—The first organized pilgrimage to Mother Seton's Tomb came from New York Sunday morning with nearly 200 in number headed by the Redemptorist Fathers of New York.

Your presence this morning is a glowing evidence of the undying devotion and reverence which the Empire State will ever cherish for Elizabeth Seton, the pilgrims were told by the Rev. Salvatore M. Burgio, C. M., Vice-Postulator of Mother Seton's cause.

Gathered in the chapel at St. Joseph's here, the pilgrims heard from Father Burgio, the noted Vincentian Father, of the life of Mother Seton, who in the spring of 1805 came to New York from Italy with her five children.

"Elizabeth Seton was attracted from Society, was persecuted by her relatives and friends because she chose to serve God rather than man," the speaker said. "When the Catholic Faith, the only true religion of Jesus Christ became a conviction neither power, nor wealth, nor persuasion of friends could keep her from uniting with the true Faith. She left New York no more to return she left New York forever."

"But New York will never leave her. Your presence this morning is a glowing evidence of the undying devotion and reverence which the Empire State will ever cherish for Elizabeth Seton."

Urging the pilgrims to spread the devotion to Mother Seton and to do everything in their power to aid in the promotion of her Cause at Rome, Father Burgio said:

"Talk about her, tell others of her distribute literature about her, books, pamphlet, medals, pictures, novena prayers."

"Miracles obtained through her intercession are required by Rome for her beatification. And in order to obtain these miracles we must pray for them asking God to grant them through her intercession."

"Funds are needed. Much must be done in her Cause before the Process is completed and for this learned and highly skilled workers are necessary. We can contribute what is in our power. All donations are welcome no matter how small."

"Yes, pray and work that the day may not be far distant when America shall have in very truth a native-born saint proclaimed as such by our Holy Mother Church—none other than the baby, the glorious the beloved Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mother of Catholic Charity in the United States."

## SOVIET RUSSIAN ENGINEERS BARRED FROM FORD PLANTS

DETROIT—Fifty-one Soviet Russian engineers who have been studying American factory methods in the Ford Motor Company's plants at Dearborn have been barred from the plants, the company announced Saturday.

Investigation disclosed, it was stated, that some of the engineers had Communist connections and had attempted by bribery to get certain plans. The Russians first came to the plant seven years ago. They brought interpreters and were assigned office space and access to production departments.

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