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But let's not grumble and complain about it. Remember, boys and girls elsewhere have been and still are suffering more than we have ever dreamed of. A priest was telling me the other day that he had heard from friends in Corsica and that they have had no will for better than three months. Over in South China a sister writes to say that "they are almost starved and they can almost see nothing in their rice bowls".

Father Pettit of India writes that he is helping to win the war by cutting his living expenses, but there is one luxury which he will not deny himself. "I've allowed myself the lone luxury of adopting a few orphans, a luxury I simply will not give up till the cupboard is not only bare but broken up and burned, as fuel for the food we haven't."

I sincerely trust, boys and girls, that your adoption of pagan habits will never be included as an act of self-denial. Please follow Father Pettit's advice. He concludes his letter by saying that he too is up for adoption, though he's "finally forced to the reluctant admission of a bald pate".

REPORT FOR THE WEEK

ADOPTIONS:
St. Mary, Deseribes: Eighth Grade, Chinese; Edward; Sixth and Seventh, Negro, John Joseph.
Blessed Sacrament: Seventh Grade, Negro, John Thomas.
St. Alphonsus, Auburn: First Grade, Negro, Patrick Daniel; Second Grade, Negro, Donald Karl.
Holy Rosary: Sixth Grade West, Negro, Joseph.
St. Andrew: Sixth Grade North, Chinese, Doris Helene; Eighth Grade North, Chinese, Richard Leonard.
Nazareth Hall: Sixth Grade, Mexican, Eugene Plus.
DUES:
St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, \$12.92.

CHAPEL FUND:

St. Alphonsus, Auburn, \$21.25.
To all the Sisters and children whose efforts are represented in the above report we extend our sincere congratulations and heartfelt thanks for their mission work.

LETTER OF THE WEEK

Dear Father,
We are near the end of our school year! Helping the missions is still our duty, as we are all children of God. This is our tenth ransom. Since this is the anniversary of our Holy Father, the Pope, it is an honor to name this baby boy after him, Eugene Plus. We would like him to come from Mexico. We are still working, and have not stopped. The Godparents are Robert Doran and Lawrence Cleary. — Sixth Grade, Nazareth Hall.

CONCLUSION— VOCATION WEEK

One last word, next week, May 10 to 17th, has been set aside as Vocation Week in the schools. Watch for the poster on your classroom bulletin board for a message from the missionary priests and Sisters. We need more priests and Sisters in the mission fields. Won't you pray with us that God will call some of his future missionaries from the Diocese of Rochester?
Did you see the PROGRAMMER this month? There is a very good Vocation song to the tune of the Bells of St. Mary's. Have you tried it?

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