

Bishop O'Hara Foresees New Understanding of Missions

NEW YORK—A very mission-minded generation of Catholic laymen may be expected when America's fighting forces return from the war, the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., Military Delegate, declared in a letter addressed to the Rev. Major Thomas J. McDonnell, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

The spiritual benefits of the experiences shared by American soldiers and the natives of far lands has been mutual, Bishop O'Hara wrote.

"Thousands of lives of American soldiers, sailors and marines have been spared because of the good will of natives of far-distant countries whose fathers in Christendom have been the missionaries supported by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith," His Excellency wrote.

"From chaplains and men of the armed forces of the United States have come hundreds of letters telling of the friendly reception accorded our men by the neophytes of these missionaries. Orders of the joy of the natives at seeing white men from across the sea kneel with them at their prayers, at Mass, and at Holy Communion. On one island in the South Seas three beautiful chapels, native style, were built by the joint labor of natives and marines.

"The effort of our chaplains and men has been inspiring. The spiritual benefit of the experience has been mutual. And you may be prepared for a very mission-minded generation of Catholic laymen in this country when our soldiers, sailors and marines come back home in peace to build the Cath-

olic homes for which they are fighting today on a hundred fronts.

Testimony of Faith

The sign of the cross is a public testimony to the faith that is in us. Wherever we see that symbol, we know for what it stands. The perfume burn of the night air reveals the flower the whirr of wings betrays the passing bird, the sign of the cross made on the body of a man reveals the secret springs whence the soul is comforted and strengthened.

It is like a flag above a fortress whence a man looks out upon his foes. In great crises men have made this sign of their last salute to their Redeemer, as their final act of homage to Christ their King. The early Christians loved it because it was the sign of fellowship and spoke of their common knowledge and good comradeship in Jesus.

The Church uses it in blessings, in consecration, in her sacraments, in her Mass. The sign of the cross was the last definite act of the martyr before the blackness of death enveloped him; it was the loving token of remembrance and resurrection which his friends whispered upon his underground tomb. In the Far East,

Declined Freedom



Interned with other Americans in Stanley Prison, Hong Kong, fourteen Maryknoll missionaries have reached Kweilin in Free China. Two others declined offers of freedom and safety. They are the Rev. Donald L. Hessler, M.M. (above), of Lake Orion, Mich., and Rev. Bernard Meyer, T.M. (not pictured), who volunteered to remain as chaplains for the prisoners held in the Japanese camp. (N.C.W.C.)

Getting On In The World

CHURCH MANNERS

There's a book, or perhaps two or three books, on good manners in church, and now and then a hint or two in some such place as this. And yet there seems always some need of a reminder to some people.

There's the man, or woman, who insists upon having the end seat in the pew. He, or she, makes others squeeze by and climb over his or her feet. This is anything but courteous, it causes distraction to all concerned.

There is also the man, or woman, who insists upon sneezing into a paw already well-filled, when there are plenty of empty seats nearby. Why they should want to do this is a mystery of our queer human nature.

Putting one's feet on the kneeling benches, especially in these days of slush means that one is likely to get the dirt on one's own knees, or somebody else coming into the place later will soil his or her clothes.

Some folks insist upon sitting, or nearly sitting, even at the most solemn moments of the Mass, and this makes it difficult for those back of them who wish to kneel upright and read from a Missal.

Finally, outside of the church, it's the correct thing for Catholic men and boys to tip their hats when they pass by, in homage to Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

Often a convert is zealous not through piety, but because of the novelty of his experience.

Movie Guide

NEW FILMS REVIEWED

- Amusing Mrs. Hobday, A-1
- Fugitive of the Plains, A-1
- How's About It? A-1
- Johnny Doughboy, A-1
- Lost Canyon, A-1
- Riders of the Northwest, A-1
- Thundering Trails, A-1
- Two Weeks to Live, A-1
- Behind Prison Walls, A-2
- Rhythm of the Islands, A-3
- Young and Willing, B
- Immortal Sergeant, B

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- PALACE**
 - Palm Beach Story, B
 - Lucky Jordan, B
- LOEW'S ROCHESTER**
 - Random Harvest, A-1
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National Legion of Decency List

CLASS A—Section 1—Unobjectionable for General Patronage

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CLASS A—Section 2—Unobjectionable for Adults

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Diocesan History

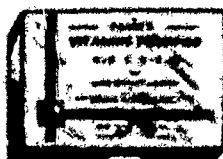
MEXICO CITY.—The Rev. Jose Maria, has published a "History of the Archdiocese of Guadalupe."

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The Missionary's Mail

When the mail comes, the first thing the mission priest looks for is a letter from home. Have the folks there forgotten him? Let him know you remember his work and his needs by asking him to say Mass for you.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN A MOSLEM LAND

Nowhere is a Catholic school more necessary than in Mohammedan countries. In most of them, school attendance is compulsory. Where there is no Catholic school, the children must attend a Mohammedan school. There they are taught the religion of Islam, and their own faith is derided. Many are drawn away from the Saviour Who died for them.

In Turkey, this situation is acute. The Turkish government, wishing to achieve higher standards in education, has enacted stringent laws regarding schools. Catholic schools are permitted if they meet government standards. Otherwise, they will be closed. This puts a great burden on the Catholic bishops and priests.

Bishop Varouchas, of the Byzantine Rite, has been faced with this problem for over ten years. His people are few in number and very poor. They are unable to build new schools and find it very hard to maintain existing schools.

The Bishop is without funds for these purposes. Yet he is mindful of Our Lord's words: "Suffer the little children to come unto Me," in his extremity, he asks your aid.

You can build a school meeting the government requirements for Five Hundred Dollars. Think what it would mean to poor Catholic children in Turkey! For Ten Dollars you can pay a child's way in school for a year. Please come to their rescue.

A NEW CENTER

When a chapel is built in a mission, it becomes a new center of activity for souls and for God. The people have a proper place to hear Mass. Instruction can be better given. Non-Catholics can be invited to attend services. All this means growth of God's Kingdom.

In many parts of the Near East, our missions are struggling along without chapels. Little progress can be made in these places. Five Hundred Dollars will erect a suitable chapel. If you build it, you will be remembered in all services there. You can name the chapel and make it a memorial if you wish.

FOR THE SICK. When the priest brings Holy Communion to the sick, he uses a special vessel called a Pyx in which to carry the Sacred Host. Some of our priests in the Near East need a Pyx. You can give one for Five Dollars.

BOARDS FOR ALTARS

In some of our chapels the Altars are mere boards resting on boxes. This is not fitting for the Holy Sacrifice. A proper Altar can be built for Fifty Dollars. Give one in memory of your departed.

STRINGLESS GIFTS

We call a gift "stringless" when you tell us to use it where it is most needed. Such gifts we can apply to any emergency needs which may arise. Our "Stringless Gift Fund" needs replenishing. Send us something for it—a large amount or a small one. We will be most thankful.

LIVE IN POVERTY

The priests of our Near East missions live in poverty. They ask only the barest subsistence and devote everything they get to furthering their work. Help these self-sacrificing servants of Christ to continue their apostolic work. Twenty-five Dollars supports a priest for a month.

SUPPORT A NOVICE

In our Near East Missions, many more Sisters are needed and many young women are anxious to become Sisters. But the religious communities often are too poor to receive and support them as Novices. Help supply Sisters by supporting a Novice. Sixty Dollars a year—Five Dollars a month—will do it.

FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

Burn candles for your intentions for a whole year. You can do this if you supply one of our chapels with the candles needed for Mass and devotions. Eight Dollars provides candles for a year.

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