

Getting On In The World

GETTING OUT OF WORLD

There are quite a number of people in this town who will not need to bother much longer about getting on in this world. Unless they change their ways, they will be out of the world.

Again and again, from a seat in a bus, we have seen how people rush across a street, in front of the bus. If the driver happens to see them coming, all right. But if he is busy taking fares or doesn't happen to be looking in that direction, he's likely to start his bus just as the rushing would-be passenger is exactly in its path. And then the reckless person will probably be out of the world, soon.

We can understand people's eagerness to catch a bus. But it's a whole lot more important to get to one's destination whole than to catch a bus at the risk of one's life and perhaps never reach one's destination at all. Instead, reach a hospital in pain.

Another reckless thing and even more dangerous is to cross in front of a bus that has stopped.

The Liturgy of the "Forty Hours" will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Sunday, May 2—St. Lucy's, St. Vincent's, Rochester; Elmira Reformatory, Canastota, East Liverpool; Ellettsville; Palmyra; Gettysburg; Waterville; Norwich.

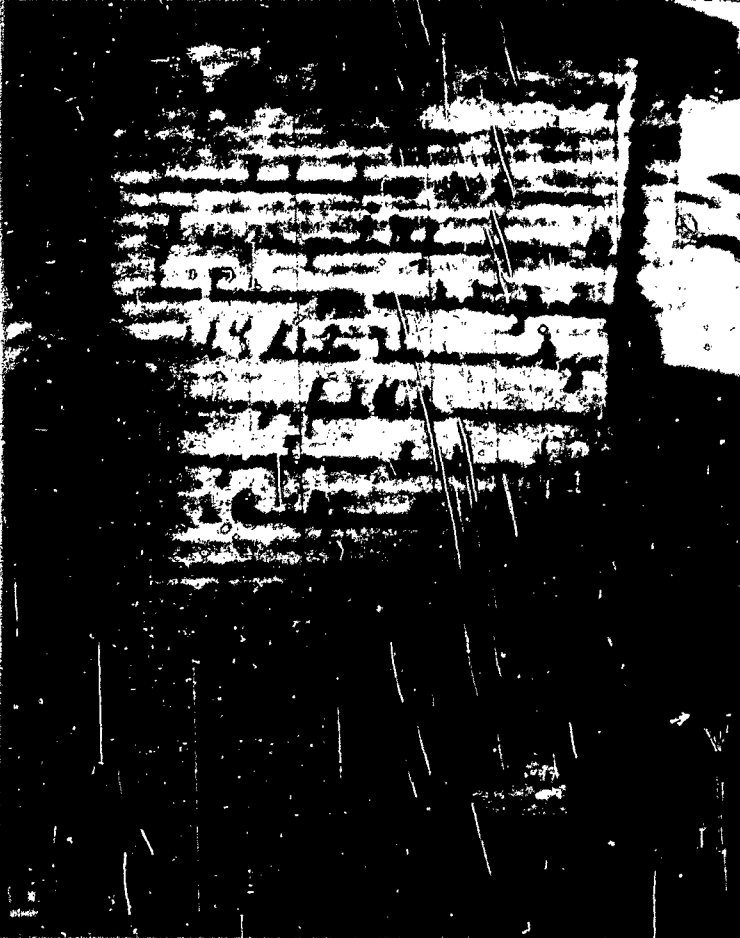
Farm Population

Ontario—The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that Quebec has the largest farm population of any of the Provinces in Canada. The figures are: Quebec, 641,246; Ontario, 518,616; Saskatchewan, 614,684; Alberta, 323,349; Manitoba, 220,463; New Brunswick, 103,817; Nova Scotia, 143,614; British Columbia, 159,139; Prince Edward Island, 61,072.

Our Diocesan Retreat House, Geneva, takes on new significance in these war times. Men—sign up for your parish's week-end retreat now.

At a dinner without paying an attention to the stop and go lights, Automobile coming alongside the bus not liable to move down people who expose themselves in this way.

'HOLY FATHER, I AM A LITTLE GIRL'



"Dear Father: I am the little girl who sent you greetings for the Epiphany last year. Now I am sending you Christmas greetings. I am asking news of my uncle, mama's brother, Anthony Mangano who lives at First Avenue, Greenpoint, Brooklyn, and ask how he is and send him lots of kisses. I pray every night the little baby Jesus so that all my far away uncles will come. I pray also Jesus to make, etc." This plea from an Italian child to the Holy Father, and thousands of similar requests for news about absent loved ones are handled daily by the Vatican Information Office, through the co-operation of representatives of the Holy See in all parts of the world. Inquiries about refugees, war prisoners and internees form the bulk of the work and come from people of all faiths. (N.C.W.C.)

Lines for a Guestroom Wall

(A release of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, 2041 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa) Here be at home, this room is yours what time you choose to make it so. The walls reach toward the top floor and reach toward the sky as you can see. This room will house your waiting or your song.

One fond of freight doled the heavy. Drove chairs and books and fagots to its side. One planned this room who loves to look at sky. And on the windows open fall and wide.

The leaning trees have havened untold wings, Barred against sun and whorled in the wind. When kissed by frost their shadows write an ode. One planned them with thoughts like these in mind.

Be peaceful here. The bed's wide gentle arms Will cradle you with certainty and ease. And patiently, the small light braided rug Awaits the humble pressure of your knees.

Florence Knack White

A HOME-MAKER'S PRAYER: LORD OP! All potatoes and things, since I've no time to be a saint by doing lovely things, or watching late with Thee, Or dreaming in the twilight at storming heaven's gates, Make me a saint by getting meals or watching up the plates.

Although I must have Martha's hands, I have a Mary mind. And when I black the boots and shoes, Thy sandals, Lord, I find. I think of how they trod the earth each time I scrub the floor. Accept this meditation, Lord; I haven't time for more.

Warm all the kitchen with Thy love and warm it with Thy peace. Forgive me all my worrying and make all grumbling cease. Thou who didst love to give men food, in room or by the sea, Accept this service that I do—I do it unto Thee. M. K. H.

Chaplain, in Second War, Wins Second Decoration

MILWAUKEE.—The Rev. August F. Gearhard, a priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, who is now senior Catholic chaplain with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel with the U. S. Air Force in the southwest Pacific, has been awarded the silver star decoration for gallantry in action, according to news received here by his mother, Mrs. Theresa Gearhard. Father Gearhard won the Distinguished Service Cross in World War I, while serving as Chaplain with the 328th Infantry, 82nd Division.

Religious Art

Mexico City.—The Most Rev. Luis M. Martinez, Archbishop of Mexico, has appointed eight architects to the Archdiocesan Commission on Religious Art which is headed by the Rev. Dr. Luis F. Garibay. The Commission, which was established for the purpose of watching over and preserving religious art as it exists in the capital against well-meant but not always desirable intrusions, is charged with studying plans for church edifices with a view to good taste and efficiency, and coordinating its activities with those of the civil authorities involved.

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Holy Childhood Association

Rev. John S. Randall DIRECTOR

Dear Boys and Girls:

As you know, we are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Holy Childhood Association. We are asking all the promoters and members of the Association to join in the Novena of Thanksgiving which is to begin May 8 and end May 11. If it is at all possible, I would ask that you attend Mass every day of the Novena. As an act of thanksgiving Holy Communion should be received on one day of the Novena.

The Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood is doing wonderful work. Since its founding in 1843, 28,000,000 pagan children have been baptized in every part of the mission world—600,000 children supported and educated annually in over 600 Mission Districts. Don't you think that is a grand record? It makes one feel proud that he is a part of this great organization.

The missionaries are deserving of all the prayers we can say and all the sacrifices that we can make for them. I know all of you will want to make this Novena of Thanksgiving for the mission and for your own spiritual and temporal welfare. A Novena of Masses will be offered at the Altar of the Infant Jesus in the chapel of the National Office for the intentions of the Novena and the welfare of those participating in it.

The returns for the Chapel Drive have been coming in very favorably. I can see that you boys and girls sacrificed a great deal for the missions during Lent. God will bless you for what you have done and the priests and sisters and people in these mission countries will always remember you in their prayers.

I cannot tell you the result of your Lenten offering as yet because all the returns have not come into the office, but as soon as we have the final result, I will tell you.

The millium keeps right on bringing us letters from the various schools of the diocese. We have had more requests for the ransom of bullies.

St. Mary's School has asked for a little American Indian girl to be named Geraldine.

Here are three ransoms from St. Mary's School, Elmira. They would like one Chinese baby to be named Mary Justin. Their next choice is a boy from Selma, Thomas Michael, and then a girl from Selma to be named Mary Edwina. Good work, boys and girls!

This next letter contains something that always makes me happy to receive. It is from St. George's School and they have sent in their Holy Childhood dues. They contributed 100 per cent.

Here is another letter from Holy Rosary School. This time it's the girls of the Seventh Grade-North. At baptism they wish to have a little baby named Mary.

I can hardly believe my eyes when I see those mail from St. Andrew's School. The Eighth Grade-North want to contribute \$5 to help support "Fatsy Lee" who was rescued from the Guadalupe area. That is very thoughtful of you, boys and girls. The Sixth Grade-North have asked for a Chinese baby to be named Antonette Rosalia. Isn't that a beautiful name for this little baby? A request for a Chinese boy to be baptized Thomas Joseph has been received from the Seventh Grade-South.

We have been kept quite busy with Our Lady of Victory School lately. The Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades are ransoming a little Chinese boy to be called Joseph Anthony.

That's all the mail for today. Next week I hope to be able to tell you the final result of the Chapel Drive.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF STUDENTS PLANT VICTORY GARDENS

CHICAGO.—Girls and boys at one of Chicago's oldest Catholic charitable agencies, the Epiphany School for the Deaf on the city's northwest side, are cooperating in the victory garden movement. Last week 33 little plots were laid out for use as Victory gardens. The Greek word "Ee Thou Open" will designate the garden project on a large sign just erected.

Bishop Inaugurates Parish For Colored

ASBURY Park, N. J.—A new parish for colored Catholics was solemnly inaugurated here by the Most Rev. William A. Griffin, Bishop of Trenton. The parish is entrusted to the Fathers of the Society of the Divine Word. The Rev. John Barry, S.V.D., is pastor. Music at the ceremony was provided by the Blessed Martin Choir of Group at New York City.

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