

BOOKS OF THE MONTH APPRAISED

Table with columns: FICTION, NON-FICTION, SPIRITUAL, HIGH SCHOOL, ADULT, GENERAL RATING, OBJECTIONABLE, DISAPPROVED. Lists books like 'The Bureau of the Bureau' and 'The Glorious Lily' with ratings.

Key to Abbreviations: EXcellent - Very Good - FAVORable - SATisfactory - Doubtful - Merit - RECommended - Not Recommended - With Reservations...

So Long as We Insist

We repeat that the success of the Good Neighbor policy stands or falls with the type of person we send to South American countries.

assist on sending men who are unsympathetic, hostilely Protestant, and smugly Yankee, our relationships cannot but be something less than friendly.

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Home Front The loyal, generous Mission Clubs in parishes, schools and colleges, making their lend-lease to God through stringless gifts to hero missionaries in the Near East, are a strong home front.

Let Together in Ireland

LONDON. — (RNS-Wireless) — News toward reconciliation of Catholics and Protestants is being in Ireland, according to the Herald here.

Dr. Phair, pleading for a friendlier spirit between nation and nation, church and church, and individual and individual, Dr. Phair expressed the desire of his coreligionists to share in the rural regeneration for which the Catholic group works, the Herald said.

BOOKS ON TRIAL



By John C. Tully

I was about to write what I hoped would be a glowing account of Margaret Brent: Adventurer (\$2.50), which is Catholic historical fiction of a very high order, but I now learn that publication is delayed until October 13th—and books are not supposed to be reviewed in advance.

I can tell you, however, that the book deals with the Catholic settlers of Colonial Maryland. Its author, Dorothy Fremont Grant, has in the past been referred to as John Moody's niece. This book raises her to a stature which this column feels will hereafter entitle us to refer to Mr. Moody as Dorothy Grant's uncle.

In What Other Answer?, Mrs. Grant related certain of her own personal adventures on entering the Church. Her new book is entirely different, but again adventure is its core.

It is a pleasure to report that Zundel's Splendour of the Liturgy (\$3.00) has been reprinted and is again available. Its popularity will continue.

Another book that everyone should read is Secrets of the Saints by Henri Ghéon—who became an atheist at 16, and later a doctor. During four years of service in the first world war he found his way back to God.

Choosing the Saints as a subject, he wrote more than a score of plays which show the dramatic power of a truly living faith. Frank Sheed and Donald Attwater have done a great service in translating into highly readable and attractive English, his stories of The Cure d'Arz, The Little Flower, St. Margaret Mary and St. John Bosco, which have previously been published separately but are now combined in this new volume Secrets of the Saints, \$3.00, which is undoubtedly a "must" for informed Catholics from Senior High School upwards.

Evelyn Waugh, another Catholic novelist, is noted for his savage satire, and A Handful of Dust (\$2.50) exemplifies his talents in a manner that is nothing less than murderous in its depiction of the suicide of superficially well-mannered British society—where politeness is the keynote and refined depravity no longer shocking.

This is a reissue—the book was originally published in 1934. Major Waugh will have a new novel later this fall.

"How's George doing in the Army?" "Oh, he's fine. He just got an AWOL degree and now they are going to make him a court martial."

Instead of herds of oxen, endeavor to assemble flocks of friends about your home.—Ibid.

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We have told you often of Bishop Mark Khouzam of Egypt, and you may have wondered. But when a poor Bishop has only eighty priests trying to convert nine hundred thousand separated Christians, we just won't give up talking for him.

Egypt is a most fertile field for non-Catholic missionaries. They build schools, churches, hospitals. The rest is, unfortunately, easy. And we? We do as much as we can, and the record, under God, is very good. But please do not forget this work. You have already been wonderful.

This month we want to send five hundred dollars to Bishop Khouzam's seminary at Tahta, near Cairo. We must give him more priests, and the only obstacle is money. Please do help, for the need is more than urgent.

OUR OWN

The feast of the Stigmata of St. Francis on September 17 reminds us that he was a near East missionary, going there in 1219 to convert the Mohammedans. We need many members of the STUDENT SUPPORT CLUB to send more missionaries into the vineyard. One dollar a month does much towards making up the hundred a year needed for each student.

PIOUS BRIBE

A remembrance of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association in your will—this already prepares for the last journey through Masses and prayers of grateful missionaries.

LIQUID

The blood of the martyr St. Januarius, patron of Naples, honored on September 19, becomes liquid. We need many antimensia, or linen corporals, containing relics of martyrs, and costing five dollars. Near East priests rest the chalice on them during Mass.

PILGRIM

Will you walk in spirit with your pilgrim from the confessional to altar rail? For eighty dollars you can give both altar and confessional to a poor mission chapel.

LONG TIME

It is a long time since we asked you to help the Daughters of Charity in Iran. With their two orphanages and their poverty, it would grieve us if they were neglected.

DON'T FORGET

The devotion of September is to the Seven Sorrows of Mary, and we are still anxious for gifts towards the Memorial Chapel now being built in the Holy Land for fallen soldier boys.

ONLY ONCE

Soon we send out our only appeal for members. Your membership makes you a partner with our missionaries. One dollar a year, five for the family. One hundred dollars enrolls the family, living and dead, forever. You share in 15,000 Masses yearly and gain many indulgences.

BROTHER'S KEEPER

It was only when his brother became too ill to go, that the youthful Father Damien was allowed to sail off for his leper colony. Our missionaries are their poor leper brothers' keepers, and we beg a mite for our DAMIEN LEPER FUND to keep these poor outcasts.

ALWAYS

We can always use offerings for chapels. Seven hundred and fifty dollars will build one, but we shall add any amount to our chapel fund. Right now, a five hundred dollar gift will complete the fund.

NO TIES

Your stringless gift to our neediest causes solves many a problem. And your name will be known where it counts most.

YOUR OWN

To say that everything in the chapel sanctuary is your own, a memorial to your living and dead, is surely a proud boast. For ninety-two dollars you can give an altar, tabernacle, crucifix and candlesticks, Mass book and linens.

ANYWHERE

"Lay this body anywhere. This only I ask, that you will remember me at the Lord's altar, wherever you be." St. Monica said to her son, St. Augustine, and that is why we have a MONICA GUILD, whose members send one dollar a month to furnish vestments for needy missionaries. Have you joined?

"INCLUDING"

Time was that a book translated into everything, "including the Scandinavian," about ran the gamut, but now we hear that Uncle Tom's Cabin is in Armenian. Do not forget our beloved Gregory Peter, chief Bishop of the Armenians, who pleads for his poor exiles in Beirut, Syria.

IF YOU KNEW

If you knew what a problem the sisters of the Near East have in caring for hopeless children, you would most certainly make even a monthly sacrifice. Five dollars a month will take care of one.

INTERESTED?

We shall gladly send a list of articles needed in the Near East missions to all interested.

Send all communications to

Catholic Near East Welfare Association 450 Lexington Ave. at 46th St. New York 17, N. Y.