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The awards, given for the best works published in the fiction, non-fiction and religious fields, will be presented at a dinner here on Jan. 26. Selection of the year's outstanding works by Catholic writers was made from recommendations of 14 Catholic college and university presidents.

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# Catholic Leaders In Quebec Push Social Action Movement

BY STANLEY MATTHEWS

Montreal, Canada — (RNS) — and industry in the Province of Quebec.

Quietly, in a manner little publicized and little understood throughout Canada, the Roman Catholic Church through its Social Action movement is enlarging its relations between labor

## A DIAMOND JUBILARIAN



The first descendant of Polish colonists in the United States to be raised to the priesthood, Rt. Rev. Mgr. Thomas Moczygemba (right) is congratulated by Archbishop Robert E. Lucey of San Antonio on the diamond jubilee of his ordination. A native of San Antonio, the first Polish colony in the United States, he was ordained in 1850 and since 1912 has been pastor of St. Michael's parish, San Antonio, Tex. (NC Photos)

trialists in the Church's social theories.

**SOCIAL ACTION** in Quebec began a decade ago when the late Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve said "Great changes are coming in this world if the Church does not make the change the Communists wish."

Today there are Church sponsored labor organizations for most Roman Catholic laboring men in Quebec. The principal one is the Canadian Catholic Confederation of Labor with 83,000 members.

Other workers are asked to join the Catholic Labor League until they are ready to become members of the syndicates or international unions. Each syndicate and league has a chaplain, a priest specially trained for the position. They are named for each parish and diocese by the archbishop and bishops.

**FARMERS BELONG** to the Catholic Farmers' Union, which has 33,500 members in addition to its division for young people. Union cooperatives are established in each county.

On the industrial side the Church six years ago organized and sponsored a movement known as the Association of Professional Industrialists. Today it includes representatives of 200 Quebec industries. Each regional industrial group has its own chaplain and each industry represented in the organization has pledged itself to follow the Church's social doctrine.

Students are kept informed about the Church's social theories through the Catholic Youth Student League.

**LEADERS OF THE** various organizations are trained at Laval University, Quebec City and in other Roman Catholic institutions of learning. At Laval their training centers in the social sciences and industrial relations divisions. On graduation they are assigned to a branch of social activity and start at the bottom.

Laymen hold the key offices in all the organizations. Priests act as advisors.

Among the clergy who have most to do with the movement are the Rev. George Henri Levesque 46-year-old dean of social sciences at Laval University and Abbe Gerard Dion, 36 director of Laval's industrial relations department. Father Levesque last year was named a member of the Royal Commission on Arts, Sciences and Letters.

**THE UNDERLYING** principle of the Social Action movement in Quebec as explained by Father Levesque, is this:

"The natural end of economic activity is the full and universal satisfaction of human needs or common prosperity, by contrast the chief objective of capitalism is profit. This essential divergence renders the laissez faire capitalist system fundamentally incapable of assuring by itself social progress of a permanent nature."

But the Church is not against free private enterprise. Its opposition is to that type of capitalism which has little thought for the welfare of the worker. Investment in Quebec of capital from all sources is welcomed.

**SOME 80 ENGLISH** speaking executives recently attended a round table conference at Montmorency Falls, Quebec to obtain information on the Social Action movement. Father Dion, who presided, warned that "those in positions who do not pay salaries equivalent to those paid in other parts of Canada and in the United States are not welcome in Quebec."

Gerard Picard, president of the Canadian Catholic Confederation of Labor said labor generally in Quebec has a fine opinion of Social Action — because it has produced results in their favor.

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**Poland Bars Holy Year Trips**

London — (RNS) — The Communist-dominated government of Poland has issued "strict orders" that no Poles are to be permitted to go to Rome on Holy Year pilgrimages, according to a statement here by Polish Bishop Joseph Gawlina.

By special decree of Pope Pius XII Bishop Gawlina, who resides in London, is "Protector and Spiritual Guardian of all Poles in exile."

**Catholic Sisterhood Marks Centenary**

Quebec — (RNS) — The Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary marked the 100th anniversary of the founding of their order with special centenary services at their motherhouse here.

Founded in a two-room flat in January, 1850, by Mrs. F. X. Roy, a widow who was called by the Archbishop of Quebec to care for women vagrants, the order today operates the huge Hospice of St. Vincent de Paul, which accommodates 700 unwed mothers.

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