

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

NEVER merely give anything to the Holy Father's Missions, for if you give, the missions have only a gift. "The gift without the giver is bare." Make a sacrifice. A sacrifice is a gift with part of our own flesh and blood united with the sacrifice of the Cross. . . . In Kenya Colony, when the first missionaries arrived in 1894, the people were so primitive they did not know about the wheel. Today there are thriving farm projects and public buildings in this part of East Africa—but many mission churches are still the crude mud huts in which Mass was first said 60 years ago. Want to give up cigarettes, movies or your second yacht to help them? . . . GOD LOVE YOU to M. T. I. who prayed that her "baby" brother weighing 215 pounds would make touchdowns and kick goals during the football season and in gratitude sent \$36 to help the Holy Father's Missions. . . . The Blessed Mother at Fatima appeared in a town named after the daughter of Mohammed! May the 374 million Moslems who venerate her name, one day come to her Divine Son.

Wells that are drawn from flow the better; left unused they go foul. So money kept standing still is useless. The Holy Father's Missions can move it faster and do more with it than any bank in the world. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to L. T. who enclosed a dollar. "Here is my weekend money for the movies. It now goes to the Holy Father's Missions." . . . GOD LOVE YOU to little P. O'H. who sent \$5 from her gift money as a sacrifice for the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to Mrs. J. K. and family who have given up cookies for a month to help some children in the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. who sent 10% of their overtime pay for \$16.47 for the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to J. E. H. who described himself as a "three pack man" but who gave up cigarettes entirely to help the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to D. and A. S. who celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary by a \$25 gift to what the Holy Father describes as the greatest of all charities. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to A. C. who sent \$15 to the Holy Father's Missions, earned by caring for an 83-year old lady in a wheel chair.

OUR LORD said, the "world will hate you". But He also said, "Pray for them who persecute you." The best way to do this is by praying for the world on the World Mission Rosary, two of those decades, the White and the Yellow, are said for the persecuting continents. For a \$2 offering and a request, we will send you a World Mission Rosary blessed by us. . . . An Order of native Hindu nuns are forbidden tables, chairs and shoes by their Rule. They sleep and pray on mats, squat to eat and work and always go barefoot. Such poverty—unknown even to Sisters in America—makes your smallest sacrifice seem like riches when it arrives. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to Mr. and Mrs. E. P. who sent \$5 they would have spent on the movies, but who now spend that time in prayer for the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to L. J. S. "For fifteen years I have been stopping in at a tavern on my way home from the office each night to have a drink or two of whiskey or beer." He now makes that sacrifice and sends \$16 to the Holy Father's Missions.

To give to the Holy Father's Missions is good. To add a prayer for the Missions to your gift is better. To care the money that you send the missions by some sacrifice is best of all. Year out this column, pin our sacrifice and send it the Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 109 E. 38th St., New York 18, New York or your Diocesan Director, Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, New York.

India Bound



Sister M. Richard of Baltimore, Md., who is en route to Poona, India, where she will join the staff of the new Indian Novitiate, founded by Mother Anna Dengel, M.D., of the Medical Mission Sisters. Sister Richard studied Journalism at Marquette University, Milwaukee, and was assistant editor of the Medical Missionary magazine. She will continue her writings from the mission field. (NC Photos)

'Holy Childhood Day' Designated Throughout U. S.

"Holy Childhood Day" for the first time in this country, will be observed on Saturday, Feb. 2, according to the Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood announced through its national director, the Very Rev. Richard Ackerman, C.S.S., vice-president of the Association's Superior Council.

Complying with a directive of His Holiness Pope Pius XII who is the personal protector of this international society organized in 1843 to benefit the children of pagan lands, the American branch with a membership of two million Catholic school children has selected the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady, Feb. 2, as the most suitable date on which to commemorate the Holy Childhood.

On that day throughout the nation, there will be special ceremonies at which the children will renew their pledges to offer prayers and alms to aid abandoned and helpless children in pagan lands. New members of the Association will be enrolled at these ceremonies.

Special prayers will be offered for the children of China, whose orphanages, long beneficiaries of the Holy Childhood Association, have been closed by the Chinese Communists and the missionary Sisters and priests dispersed, imprisoned and murdered.

The Association in the Diocese of Rochester is under the direction of the Very Rev. John S. Randall, diocesan director, Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

91 Hospital Aides To Be Rewarded

Ninety-one aides will receive awards for serving required number of hours in their respective services at the Annual Volunteer Aides Tea to be given by the Sisters of Charity of St. Mary's Hospital, Saturday, Jan. 26 at 8:30 p.m. in the Nurses' Auditorium.

Mrs. Gordon Reitz, chairman of the Women's Board will preside at a meeting preceding the tea. Awards will be given to aides who served in the Flower, Library, Mail, Clinic, Office, Hostess, Control and Admitting Services.

Dr. John F. Remington, member of the Attending Staff and Educational Director will be guest speaker.

Chairmen distributing awards will be: Mrs. Edward Hanover, Evening Aides; Mrs. James Stafford, Saturday and Sunday afternoon Aides; Miss Eleanor Gleason, Literary Aides; Mrs. Fred Moser, Hostess, Office and Admitting Aides; Mrs. Alexander Hone, Mail Aides and Mrs. John Gleason, Flower Aides.

A total of 14,475 hours were aggregated by the winners of the awards and 1,654 hours were served in the canteen during the past year. Five aides have been associated with the hospital for more than 15 years.

St. Bernard's Grad Paid Final Tribute

Final tribute to a graduate of St. Bernard's Seminary, the Rev. James T. Cronin, was paid by Catholic educators, faculty and alumni members of Fordham University and clergy of the Diocese of Albany at funeral services Jan. 17.

Solemn Requiem Mass for Father Cronin, a priest of the Albany diocese and for the past 20 years a member of the Graduate School at Fordham University, was offered in Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Albany.

Father Cronin died Jan. 14, 1951, in St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, after an extended illness. He was a member of the 1924 class at St. Bernard's.

Theology Course For Laity Attracts 157 To Canisius

Canisius College in Buffalo is simplifying theology for lay people in an effort to make religion more effective in American life, according to the Religious News Service.

For the first time, the college is offering a course in Theology for Lay People. The Very Rev. Raymond Schouten, S.J., president of the Jesuit institution, said the course is a departure from the educational field and is intended to be extremely "practical" to meet the needs of lay persons.

"IT IS A study for leaders and a study for the thinkers and the doers in all community life who would make America other than an anteroom for Moscow and would keep it a nation devoted to decency and God," he explained.

The Rev. Robert F. Grewen, S.J., professor of theology, is the instructor. He said objectives are to "present Catholic truth in such a way that those studying it will deepen their understanding" so as to serve intelligently as church people and American citizens.

The course emphasizes the life of Christ as the basis of the theology and then explains doctrines that grow out of such an understanding.

A total of 157 men and women, including teachers, business people, nurses, plant workers and lawyers, are taking the course.

St. Thomas Sodality To Hear Talk On FBI

The Sodality of St. Thomas Church will hear Steve Herbert, formerly with the F.B.I., following the talk movies will be shown and refreshments served.

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Hospital Unit Lists Annual Card Party

Annual winter card party of the Perpetual Help Society of St. Mary's Hospital will be held Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m. in the nurses' lounge. The public is invited.

Mrs. Frankline Eagle, president, has appointed the following committee: Mrs. Augustine Hall, chairman; Mrs. J. V. Mayer, co-chairman; Mrs. Josephine Eddy, Mrs. Joseph Voelck and Mrs. Fred Grell.

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