

THE COLLEGE OF PROPAGANDA

CALL ISSUED TO ALL FORMER STUDENTS BY ALMA MATER

Rome, May 2.—The newspapers connected with the National Catholic Welfare Council News Service have been requested by the Rector of the famous Missionary College of Propaganda, Rome, to lend their assistance to a world-wide effort to put every living graduate or student of the Propaganda in touch with his Alma Mater.

A schedule containing as complete a list as is available of the names and addresses of former students of Propaganda has been forwarded to all of the latter whose addresses are on the lists in Rome.

Those whom the form or schedule have not yet reached are requested to get in touch with the "capi-gruppi" (or representatives) that Alma Mater will establish in every country, so it is hoped that no Propagandist will remain whose name will not have been ascertained and enrolled.

THE ORIGIN OF PROPAGANDA
The history of the College of Propaganda begins in the seventeenth century. The necessity of communicating with new countries then recently discovered, and of carrying on and directing Catholic work in such countries was a principal reason for its founding.

It is to the Discalced Carmelites, a religious order mainly devoted to cloistered prayer and mystical contemplation, but which through its Friars was also devoted to missionary labors, that Propaganda owes a debt for its establishment.

The present congregation grew out of the commission of Cardinals who from the time of Gregory XIII., (1572-85) to 1622 exercised the functions which in 1622 came into the hands of the Congregation of Propaganda properly so-called, which was founded by Gregory XV.

acquaintances and relations which would be helpful in later life.

WORLD-WIDE WORK OF COLLEGE

The territory of Propaganda, itself, the spiritual cultivation of which during the years since 1627 has been the chief task of the students of the College, was, as a general rule, understood to be coterminous with those countries that were non-Catholic in government. There have always been exceptions to this rule.

One of the most curious and interesting customs of Rome is the annual *accademia polyglotta*, held at the College of Propaganda, and from it to all parts of the world, for three centuries, has radiated the life and spirit of the Church of Christ.

AMERICA'S DEBT TO HIERARCHY

TIMELY TESTIMONY AT THE CONSECRATION OF RIGHT REV. BISHOP PINTEN

On the occasion of the consecration of the Right Rev. Joseph Gabriel Pinten as Bishop of Superior, an eloquent tribute to the labors of the American hierarchy was paid by Archbishop Dowling, the preacher of the occasion.

"The outstanding fact of our short history," he said, "has been the vigor and the courage and the daring of our bishops. Had they not faced conditions in a new way, had they, as a body, persisted in regarding their tasks with the outlook of any old world bishop, no matter how saintly, no matter how learned, they would have proved themselves recreant to their charge, and but poorly served the Church.

NO STATE CHURCH HERE

"There are none but the bishops of the land to do this work. They cannot hope, as the bishops of the other lands once were permitted to do, that the whole machinery of government will be put at their service. Even were such a consummation conceivable, they do not desire it, for well they know the fickleness of majorities, the instability of a public opinion which is based on no fixed principles.

"Still harder to bear is the thought that many within the fold, hured into the comfortable inertia of those whose lot is cast in easy circumstances, neither see the dangers ahead of them, nor have patience with those who do. As if the French revolution had not been given for our instruction! What bishops of France ever dreamt before 1790 that the eldest daughter of the Church could get on without their councils or their ministrations!

be recalled. In exile and in poverty, they waited long years in vain—princes and prelates in whose veins ran the proudest blood of France. Yet, France rejected them and even under the Concordat declined to receive them back in their own terms. Had they but known in 1760, yea, even in 1776, the storm that was gathering against them, how differently might not the history of the Church have been written!

BISHOPS OF THIS COUNTRY ALERT

"In a country like ours, swayed by the surges of passionate sentiment, what justification has any man to feel himself secure? With a shout and a cry and a slogan, the old order which was but of yesterday is swept away, and we begin to build all things new. Our national indifference to principles, as if they savored of dogmas, makes every new policy advocated more summary in its finality and increases the dangers of those, who like ourselves, conceive of life and death as a whole and center our universe on the Living God.

GREATER TEA CONSUMPTION IN GREAT BRITAIN

The reduction of the English duty on tea by four pence a pound will undoubtedly result in greater consumption on the part of the public of Great Britain, which is now by far the largest tea consuming country in the world.

OIL PORTRAIT OF CARDINAL XIMENEZ GIVEN TO C. U.

Washington, May 16.—A contemporary oil portrait of Cardinal Ximenez de Cisneros, chancellor of Castile, confessor to Queen Isabella and one of the most famous churchmen of the Middle Ages, is among recent gifts to the Catholic University.

The portrait, although four hundred years old, is perfectly preserved and is probably the only one of its kind in the new world. Cardinal Ximenez had a particular interest in America during his life and was one of the first prelates to organize a band of missionaries for its evangelization.

So highly did Ferdinand and Isabella regard his services that he was appointed chancellor of Castile in 1495 and on the death of Ferdinand he was made regent of Spain, and of the most famous kingdom of Guadaloupe to Madrid, a choice confirmed by subsequent rulers.

EDUCATION

Millions of dollars are being raised by the Catholics of Illinois for Catholic educational purposes, in several State-wide campaigns to which the people are responding loyally. A number of educational institutions are the beneficiaries. Among these religious-educational movements are the following:

Fund of \$1,000,000 being raised for the Catholic Foundation of the University of Illinois, originated by the Knights of Columbus and in which the Knights, the Catholic Knights of America, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the Catholic Order of Foresters, are mobilized.

Fund of \$500,000 for the University of Notre Dame in which alumni of the South Bend institution in Chicago and Illinois are taking a leading part.

Fund of \$500,000 for St. Victor College, near Kankakee, Illinois, which a committee of Chicagoans are directing.

Fund of several hundred thousand dollars for the Catholic University of St. Mary of the Lake near Chicago, founded by Archbishop Mundelein, and which he asked the State Council of the Knights of Columbus meeting during the week to support.

Catholic Charities close to fifty per cent. of which goes to the institutions which are educational as well as charitable in their nature.

The radio has been brought into play in two of those appeals, Rev. Father Burns, opening the Notre Dame drive Monday evening in an appeal by radio arranged by the Chicago correspondent of the N. C. W. C. News Service, and broadcast from Westinghouse station K Y W to an estimated number of two hundred thousand radio patrons within five hundred miles of Chicago.

The campaign for the Catholic Foundation at the University of Illinois is just being started. A corps of more than a hundred speakers was gathered at a dinner at the Hamilton Club last night by former Judge John P. McGorty, general chairman, and former Judge Michael P. Girten, chairman of publicity, and organized to tell the story of the Catholic Foundation before meetings of the fraternal bodies all over the State between now and June 25.

Already Champaign County, in which the University is situated, a county with scarcely 1,000 Catholic families, has initiated its campaign with subscriptions of more than a \$100,000. University students, many of whom are working their way through school, averaged in contributions \$75 each.

DUBLIN MAN RECALLS HIS EXPERIENCES IN ARMY FIGHTING FOR PIUS IX.

Paul Kelly, a Dublin shipwright, one of the remaining three or four survivors of the Papal Brigade which left Ireland in 1860, recently gave an account of his experiences. He told how, despite Dublin Castle proclamations, about 1,500 men got away to fight in the Pope's army. The contingent with which he went travelled by Antwerp, through the German States to Berlin, thence to Vienna and Ancona.

In Vienna they were met by Marshal Nugent of the Austrian Army who discoursed in the Irish tongue with them. The Irish soldiers fought bravely and one of their commanders, Major O'Reilly, was highly complimented by the enemy. The Irishmen taken prisoner were released after three weeks. Their people at home chartered a ship to bring them back. In Cork and Dublin they were on their return accorded a public reception by the citizens.

LABOR PARTY HELPING TO CLEAR ATMOSPHERE IN IRISH POLITICS

The political outlook in Ireland is somewhat brighter. There is less danger of an armed clash than there had been. The Civil population and all organized bodies such as labor, farmers, ratepayers, teachers, chambers of commerce have professed against militarism and urged the strict maintenance of peace and order. The action of the National Executive of the Irish Labor Party in bringing about a general stoppage of work for one day as a protest against the present situation, has had a wonderful effect.

"In the name of the workers of Ireland we have protested against the growth of the idea that the military forces may take command of the civil life of the nation with; out responsibility to the people; that military men may commit acts of violence against civilians and be immune from prosecution or punishment; that the possession of arms is the sole title to political authority."

To enable the people of Ireland to demonstrate in the most effective and peaceful manner they ordered a general stoppage of work for one day.

The Labor Party is made up, with very few exceptions of Catholic workers. It favors stable government and amelioration of labor conditions. There is an extreme left wing, numerically small and without influence in the councils of the Party. On the day of the strike a proclamation was posted in Dublin declaring that a Workers' Republic had been established and calling upon the workers to form Soviets in every town and village. This proclamation was promptly repudiated by the executive of the Labor Party.

YOU AND YOUR BOY

"I can do nothing with that boy," a father was overheard to say the other day. "He won't listen to me, and does just as he pleases."

This man's experience is not uncommon, but very likely, he brought on his own troubles and cares. Perhaps if he had cultivated a companionship with his son when the little fellow's character could have been moulded rightly, the boy would now be more inclined to follow the father's advice.

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