

APPRECIATION THE EFFORTS OF CATHOLIC MISSIONERS PRAISED

Appreciation of the great religious and educational work which the Catholic missionaries of Arizona are doing and have been performing for many years is contained in a dispatch which the El Paso Herald publishes this week.

The dispatch published by the Herald is as follows: "Phoenix, Ariz., May 9.—At St. John's mission, 17 miles southwest of Phoenix, is centered one of the most important of the missionary efforts of the Catholic Church in America, for from this mission are controlled no less than 14 day schools and 86 chapels in Pima and Papago settlements in Arizona and northern Sonora.

The necessary work is in the hands of young and energetic Franciscan friars, who have dedicated their lives to the welfare of the Indian.

"A number of them are in the field constantly, visiting the scattered Papago people, who all are of the faith, their conversion dating back before 1700, when the great Jesuit, Kino, devoted his life to them.

"Even greater was the work, around 1776, of the Franciscan Gares, who was martyred by the Yumas a few years later.

BAND WILL TOUR

"St. John's mission dates from about 1896, soon after the Franciscans returned to take over the work of their church in this field. A brush fire in 1902 gave way to an adobe church and that to a stately church, lately rebuilt after a fire that destroyed all save the walls. Around it are 18 buildings, in which are housed, schooled and trained about 600 young Indians, mainly of the Pima and Papago tribes.

"There is inclusion of a brass band of remarkably excellent sort, one that is about to start on a concert tour of eastern cities to raise money needed for extension of the work at home.

"This band was one of the main features at a late celebration, to which hundreds of Phoenix residents gathered. There was presentation of Apache and Pima war dances, elaborately staged and costumed. There even had been construction of a typical Pima village of older sort, needed for contrast, for the Pima of today usually is found in a comfortable adobe home well furnished in the white man's fashion."

GREATER DEMAND FORCES PRICES UP

The increased consumption of tea in 1921, during which year, by agreement, the tea growers of Ceylon and India had curtailed production) forced the price of tea steadily upwards to the present abnormally high level. The lowering of the duty in England will mean still greater demand, and authorities on tea tell us that still higher prices may be expected.

WORSHIP RESUMED IN 630 FRENCH PARISHES IN DEVASTATED AREA

Paris, May 18.—The annual assembly of the Committee for Help for the Devastated Churches has just been held in Paris under the presidency of Cardinal Lucon, Archbishop of Rheims. Cardinal Dubois, Msgr. Cerretti, Apostolic Nuncio, seven bishops and Marshal Foch also were present.

The report of the General Secretary showed that worship was resumed last year in 630 new parishes in the devastated regions. Two million francs collected by the Committee in 1921 brought the total amount distributed to date to 14,000,000 francs. The committee congratulated itself upon the result of the loan for the permanent reconstruction of the churches. Two hundred million francs were asked of the French public alone for the beginning of the work. This sum was raised in five days by the subscriptions of a public which already is burdened with new charges and charitable obligations and which is, in great part, deprived of its income through the destruction of the large industries in the North and East. Everyone made heroic efforts on behalf of the churches. Mayors of towns and prefects of departments worked with architects and priests. The banks waived the issue fees connected with the loan.

In his brief address Marshal Foch said: "We have other victories to win. Following the military victory we must win moral victories. We shall win them under the benediction of our rebuilt church towers."

Cardinal Lucon, in moving terms, said that the joy he found in the haste of the people to rebuild the ruined churches was a corollation for the sufferings he had endured during the War when he saw the Houses of God, one by one, fall around him.

POPE SENDS APPROVAL TO CATHOLIC SCOUTS

Paris, France.—Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, has sent to Canon Cornette, founder and chaplain-general of the National Catholic Federation of Scouts, a letter which definitely accredits this organization.

Cardinal Gasparri writes: "The paternal solicitude of the Holy Father extends most particularly to the training of disciplined youth on whom the most optimistic hopes are founded. His Holiness therefore sends you his august encouragement, and expresses the wish that your association, under the patronage of the bishops of France, may extend more and more its fruitful action and thus contribute singularly toward the realization of your valiant country, in the future as in the past, of the noble motto of your ancestors: 'Gesta Dei per Francos.'"

798,000 COMMUNIONS AT LOURDES IN 1921

Paris, France.—The latest figures show that in 1921 over 798,000 Communions were distributed in the basilica and in the grotto of Lourdes, not counting the number of communicants in the parish church and numerous chapels of religious communities. About forty-three thousand Masses were celebrated during the same period.

The pilgrims included a hundred archbishops and bishops and seven cardinals, namely, Cardinals Ratti, Laconi, Gasquet, Andrieu, de Cabrières, Dubois and Maurin. Three hundred and ninety physicians of every nationality and religion took part in the work of the Medical Bureau and fifteen extraordinary cures were reported.

OBITUARY

THOMAS O'FARRELL

One of Normanby's highly respected citizens was called to his eternal reward on Saturday, May 13th, in the person of Thomas P. O'Farrell.

Deceased was born in Puslinch, Wellington Co., and as a wee boy came with his parents to Normanby. Forty years ago he married Catherine Horrigan who shared with him all sorrows and happiness of life.

Deceased was of a hard working and thrifty disposition, and resided on lot 19, con 8, where with his good wife and help mate, he reared and provided for a family of four sons and four daughters, viz., Joseph of Niagara Falls, N. Y., Andrew at home, Ignatius of Niagara Falls, and Frank Brother T. Martin of the De La Salle College, Aurora; Mrs. J. Dowling (Maggie) of Niagara, N. Y.; Mrs. P. J. Lynch (Tessie) of the 12th con, Normanby; Mrs. Simmons (Nellie) of Niagara Falls, N. Y. and Blanche at home. He was sixty-seven years and six months of age, and leaves, besides his widow and family, one brother, Jas. of Mt. Forest, a sister, Mrs. Green of Teeswater to mourn his departure. R. I. P.

DIED

MALEY.—At Chelmsford, Ont., May 14th, 1922, Mr. Michael Maley, aged eighty-one years. May his soul rest in peace.

MCGINNIS.—At Malone, N. Y., on May 15, 1922, Mr. Daniel McGinnis, son of the late Hugh McGinnis of Athelstan, Huntingdon Co., Quebec. May his soul rest in peace.

HANAVAN.—At Berkeley, San Francisco, California, on May 16, 1922, J. J. Grattan Hanavan, aged fifty-five years. May his soul rest in peace.

CONNOLLY.—At her late residence, 844 Madison Avenue, Montreal, on Saturday, May 13, Mary Sarah Farrell, widow of the late Thomas Connolly. May her soul rest in peace.

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There are other reasons in addition to this "fondness for having a reputation, no matter what that reputation may be," according to Father Cashin, and important among them are the desire for luxury, poor upbringing, lack of religious influence, and bad surroundings.

"Lack of religious training in school," declared Father Cashin, "undoubtedly is contributory to the turning out of the youthful law-breaker. I do not think of any one religion in particular when I say this. Out of the total number of prisoners in Sing Sing, of all shades of religious beliefs, there are not more than three out of every one hundred who ever had anything like proper moral training in their youth. Of the Catholic population up there, to cite an example, not more than five per cent. have been students in parochial schools.

"I don't agree with those who write and talk on the theory that criminals are mentally deficient. The criminals may be deficient in the sense that they have not had the proper moral training. But they most certainly are not mentally deficient. They are, as a rule, well 'brained,' but their intelligence never was given an opportunity to expand, to move along right courses.

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