

THE CLOISTER CHRONICLE

Province of St. Joseph

We wish to announce a change in the manner of notifying our readers of the expiration of subscription. In the future, notice to this effect will be made, not by postal card, as in the past, but by a slip inserted in the expiration number. We beg our good friends to watch each issue. Postal regulations forbid the continuance of expired subscriptions. We shall gratefully appreciate the renewal and wish that this be done by returning the blank attached to the notice of expiration.

An association to help poor and worthy boys to the priesthood has been formed by the Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., Provincial. The five mysteries of the Rosary are said each day for their benefactors by the Dominican novices and students who are being helped through the association. Deceased persons may also be enrolled as ordinary, special or perpetual members.

During the past few months, Very Rev. Fr. Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., LL. D., Provincial, has been making his canonical visitation of the province.

An instructive course of lectures on preparation for mission work was delivered by Very Rev. Fr. Joseph Ripple, O. P., P. G., superior of the Southern Mission Band, to the novices of this community during the Christmas holidays. We thank Fr. Ripple for his kindness.

The novices also extend sincere thanks to Fr. Thomas a'K. Reilly, O. P., S. T. Lr., S. S. L., of the Collegio Angelico faculty. Fr. Reilly obtained from His Holiness, Pope Benedict, the papal blessing for Dominicana, its editors, contributors, subscribers and friends.

On the evening of Dec. 20, the novices had the pleasure of listening to Lieut. Frank L. Muller, U. S. N., first officer of the U. S. S. Ticonderoga, who was in command at the time it was sunk by a German submarine and who was taken prisoner on the U-boat attacking. His brother, Rev. Bro. Albert Muller, O. P., is a member of our community.

Chaplain Quitman F. Beckley, O. P., J. C. B., U. S. N., visited the community on Feb. 6. Fr. Beckley was with the Marines in the famous Chateau-Thierry fight. His talk to the novices, in the evening, on War and France was striking, vividly realized, and of very deep interest. His visit will not be forgotten.

The House of Studies was honored by having as its guests on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebration of Cardinal Gibbons Most Rev. Henry Moeller, D. D., Archbishop of Cincinnati, Most Rev. J. J. Harty, D. D., Archbishop of Omaha, and Rt. Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., D. D., Bishop of Duluth. Bishop McNicholas paid the Novitiate a cordial visit before leaving Washington. His interest in Dominican students is felt and valued not only by ourselves but also by our brother students in Rome. He will not be forgotten in our prayers.

We recommend to the prayers of our readers the souls of the brother of Bro. Dominic Dolan, O. P., the sister of Rev. Bro. Andrew Pope, O. P., and the mother of Bro. Dalmatius Enright, O. P., who died during the past few months. May their souls rest in peace.

The scholastic exercises in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas were postponed this year on account of the lamented death of Fr. Damian Kennedy, O. P. At the University ceremonies held in the morning, the panegyric was preached by our Very Rev. Regent, Fr. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M. The program of Thursday evening, March 14, was as follows: 1. "Adoro Te," Seventeenth Century Melody by a double quartette, Frs. McDermott, O. P., Connolly, O. P., Thamm, O. P., Reilly, O. P., and Bro. Augustine, O. P., Bro. Joachim, O. P., Bro. Alfred, O. P. and Bro. Ambrose, O. P. 2. Paper, "St. Thomas and Government," by Rev. Bro. Edward Hughes, O. P. 3. Solo by Bro. Augustine Naselli, O. P. 4. Poem, "The Angelic Doctor, by Fr. W. B. Reilly, O. P. 5. "Ave Maria," Arcadelt by the double quartette. 6. Paper, "Utrum Divus Thomas Conceptionem Immaculatam Beatae Mariae Virginis Negaverit," written by Fr. Damian Kennedy, O. P., read by Fr. Justin McManus, O. P. 7. Solo by Fr. V. C. Donovan, O. P. 8. Disputatio Solemnis, "Utrum Angeli Differant Specie," Defender, Rev. Bro. Thomas Gabisch, O. P., Objector, Rev. Bro. Bonaventure Neitzey, O. P. 9. Solo by Fr. W. B. Reilly, O. P. 10. Hymn, "Doctor of Truth," Frs. Chandler, O. P., Donovan, O. P., by the audience.

Bro. Dalmatius Enright, O. P., made his solemn profession in the hands of the Very Rev. Prior Fr. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. Lr., after Compline on January 15.

On January 25, Very Rev. R. P. Cahill, O. P., P. G., and Fr. M. P. O'Sullivan, O. P., celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their ordination to the holy priesthood. The novices offer them their hearty felicitations, and pray that God's blessings may descend upon them.

The annual retreat at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., Dec. 15-24, was given by the Very Rev. Prior, Fr. J. A. Mackin, O. P.

Under the care of Very Rev. Fr. J. A. Mackin, O. P., Prior and Fr. T. J. Treacy, O. P., Procurator, many improvements have been made in the St. Rose farm both in stock and equipment. The outlook this year is most encouraging.

Fr. Thomas McAllister, O. P., has translated from the French the "Vie Spirituale" of St. Vincent Ferrer, O. P., edited with notes in the fourteen century. His translation will be prefaced by Rt. Rev. T. J. Shahan, S. T. D., Rector of the Catholic University. The work is now in press and will be ready for the centenary in April.

A favorable sign of the times is the spread of the Holy Name Society in the great Northwest. On the feast of the Holy Name, January 5, Rt. Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., D. D., Bishop of Duluth, addressed the largest gathering of Holy Name men ever assembled in Chicago. On the same day Fr. Thuente, O. P., began his work in the Omaha diocese with a grand rally in St. Cecilia's Cathedral.

In the near future a diocesan union of the Holy Name Societies of Omaha will be organized by Fr. Thuente. His Holy Name headquarters will be at the residence of His Grace, Most Rev. J. J. Harty, D. D., till June 10.

Fr. J. A. Sheil, O. P., has been assigned to the Eastern Mission Band.

The three missionaries, Frs. Healy, Ripple and Stanton, who gave the last mission in old St. Vincent's Church, New York, preached the first in new St. Vincent's, which began Feb. 2. It

was necessary to have services in the lower church during the single women's mission; four thousand single women made this mission. During the first two weeks twenty-five thousand persons received Holy Communion.

For the Lenten and Paschal missions, the help of other than the regular missionaries is needed, by both the Eastern and Western Band. The Very Rev. Fr. J. A. Mackin, O. P., Prior of St. Rose, will help the Fathers of the Eastern Band.

Fr. Raymond Lawler, O. P., will preach the Lenten course for the Benedictine Fathers in New York.

During Lent the Fathers of the Eastern Band will give retreats for the men in all the parish churches of Portland, Me. After Trinity Sunday, some of the Fathers will give missions in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada.

The mission at Holy Name Church, Steubenville, Ohio, which was interrupted by the State Board of Health last fall on account of the epidemic, will be reopened on March 9 by the Very Rev. Fathers Joseph Ripple, O. P., P. G., and R. P. Cahill, O. P., P. G. The Rev. J. A. Weigand is pastor.

Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

Impressive were the ceremonies during the days of jubilee commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening and blessing of Holy Rosary Church, Portland, Oregon. Beginning on Tuesday, January 28, the celebration closed on Sunday, February 2, when—after five days of devotions, respectively for the men, for the women, for the children, in behalf of the souls of those who died in the parish, also for all friends, relations and benefactors of the Dominican Fathers—a Solemn High Mass was offered up. His Grace, the Most Rev. Archbishop Christie, D.D., and the Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial of the Holy Name Province, were present. Handsome new Stations of the Cross were installed and blessed as a fitting memorial of the event.

Fr. J. B. O'Connor, O. P., P. G., of St. Joseph's Province, gave retreats recently to the Dominican Fathers at St. Dominic's Convent, San Francisco, and at St. Dominic's Convent, Benicia, Cal.

Fr. H. V. Smith, O. P., is zealously working in behalf of the Third Order of St. Dominic in San Francisco. He has compiled a little ritual for the members of this branch.

During January, St. Vincent's Catholic School was again opened as an emergency hospital for the treatment of influenza patients. Naval medical officers and hospital corps from Mare Island were in charge. A letter has been received from Captain Harry George, U. S. N., Ret., stating his warmest approbation of the excellent services of Fr. O'Brien, in placing St. Vincent's school building at the disposal of the Navy Yard Medical staff. He also commends the Dominican Sisters for their excellent and efficient services in nursing the sick. He has written to Secretary Daniels commending the good work. In appreciation of the work the people of Vallejo will present Fr. J. D. O'Brien, O. P., with an automobile for the parish.

A Holy Name retreat, beginning February 2 and ending Feb. 5, was given by Fr. J. B. O'Connor, O. P., to the men of St. Vincent's parish, Vallejo, Cal.

Fr. H. H. Kelly, O. P., of St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco (succeeding the late Fr. Shaw, O. P.), has been appointed pastor of St. Catherine's Church, Martinez, Cal., which includes Concord and Bay Point.

Fr. H. S. Shaw, O. P., died on December 31, 1918. Learned and holy, his learning and holiness was markedly that of a true Dominican, whose founder's spirit he knew and loved so well. R. I. P.

Fr. A. S. Chamberlain, O. P., of the Holy Name Province, has returned from France and is home with the Dominicans in the West.

Fr. F. B. Clyne, O. P., of the Holy Name Province, is said to enjoy the distinction of getting into action with the Yankees in the great St. Mihiel drive and incidentally capturing a German Major and marching eleven captured Germans several miles to the rear of the American lines. He has not only received the Cross-of-War medal from the French Government, but has also been recommended for the Distinguished Service medal and cited for bravery by the American commander in France.

Foreign Provinces

We wish to offer our heartiest welcome to the "Tallaght Record," the magazine of the Irish novices, which made its first appearance in January on the feast of the Holy Name. Further notice has been given this very promising journal with our book reviews.

Fr. Filastre, O. P., chaplain with the French Marines, has written several articles telling of the "Devotion to St. Catherine of Sienna in the French Navy." It seems the French sailors and marines have a special predilection for the seraphic virgin.

Two new chairs have been created in the Collegio Angelico during the past year—the Chair of Ascetical-Mystical Theology of St. Thomas, and the Chair of Philosophy and Theology of Dante Alighieri. The former is intrusted to Fr. Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange, O. P., of the Province of France, and the latter to Fr. Marianus Cordovani, O. P., of the Roman Province.

Père Sertillanges, O. P., professor of Moral Philosophy at the Catholic Institute of Paris, has been elected a member of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences.

Fr. Angelus Tacchi, O. P., professor of Philosophy at the Collegio Angelico, has published a second edition of his Italian translation of Cardinal Gibbons' "Faith of Our Fathers."

Fr. Thomas Pegues, O. P., professor of Moral Theology at the Collegio Angelico, has published his latest work, "A Catechism of the Summa of St. Thomas for the Faithful." The work is being translated from French into Polish, and the Holy Father expressed the hope that it would be translated into other languages.

Fr. Thaddaeus Crofts, O. P., has succeeded Fr. Louis Nolan, O. P., as Prior of San Clemente, the Irish Dominican Convent in Rome, and the titular church of His Eminence Cardinal O'Connell.

The Fathers of the Province of France have been able to return to their House of Studies at Kain, Soulchoir, Belgium. The buildings were found intact, but all such things as doors, windows, etc., had been removed by the invading armies.

Unless something unforeseen happens, Fr. Louis Fanfani, O. P., Postulator General, hopes to have the cause of Bl. Isnard, O. P., finished this year.

Père Lagrange, O. P., returned last November to Jerusalem. Père Abel, O. P., has also returned, and has been appointed one of the members of the commission which has been formed by the Governor of the city to look after the archeological remains of Jerusalem. The other professors of the "Ecole Biblique" are still in the army.

Among the delegates to the Peace Conference from Belgium is Fr. Rutter, O. P., who is on the labor commission connected with the work of the conference. He is a prominent sociologist, has written several works on sociology and is Secretary-General of the Christian Syndicates of Belgium.

Dominican Sisters

In response to the call for volunteers to nurse the poor influenza-stricken miners in the mountainous regions of Kentucky, six Sisters from St. Catharine's joined those from the other Kentucky Communities. At first an object of curiosity, the Sisters had so gained the confidence of the people that, before leaving, many pressing invitations to stay permanently were extended.

Sr. Vincent Nichols, who was the oldest member of the Congregation of St. Catharine of Sienna, Springfield, Ky., departed this life on Dec. 11, in the eighty-ninth year of her age. More than sixty years she spent as a religious. Two weeks later Sr. Hilda Wright died at Hastings, Nebr. Sr. Moneta O'Neil, of the same Congregation, died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha, Nebr., Jan. 29. They were buried in the Convent cemetery, Springfield, Ky. R. I. P.

On Nov. 22, Sr. M. Constantia Leamy died at St. Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wis., in the fifty-first year of her religious life. On the 25th of Nov. Sr. M. Reginald Tully died in the fourteenth year of her religious life. R. I. P.

Founders Day, the annual celebration which bespeaks the deep reverence and sincere gratitude in which the name of Father Samuel Mazzuchelli, O. P., is held by the faculty and students of St. Clara College, Sinsinawa, Wis., was kept this year as usual.

The evening program consisted of well-rendered musical numbers and of tributes in prose and verse to the memory of the heroic missionary, the distinguished educator and the patriotic American citizen.

The Servant of Relief for Incurable Cancer, Congregation of St. Rose of Lima, recently witnessed several conversions and the enrolment of many Catholic patients in the Third Order of St. Dominic. A retreat was given to the Sisters and later a mission of five days to the patients by Fr. J. M. Eckert, O. P.

Despite the earthquakes, the Sisters of the Brooklyn Congregation of the Holy Cross began another mission in Porto Rico. On Dec 26 they opened St. Augustine's Convent at Isabella in a modest little dwelling which the Dominican Fathers had renovated for them. The school already numbers 125 pupils.

The Novitiate at Amityville was recently visited by the Very Rev. Martin Luyckx, O. P., Vice Provincial of Porto Rico, who is en route for Holland to report the damages which the churches, in possession of the Fathers of the Holland Province, suffered during the terrible earthquakes of last year.

Sad, but highly edifying, were the deaths of three novices, Sr. Regina, Sr. Rose Columba and Sr. Bernice, who fell victims to the influenza epidemic. The community also suffered the loss of three older members, Sr. Hildegunda, Sr. Afra and Sr. Edmund, who died after a lingering illness. R. I. P.

The Dominican Sisters of Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Oregon, recently witnessed the clothing of three new members—Miss Rose Duggan (Sr. M. Amata), Miss Helen McGuigan (Sr. M. Cecilia), Miss Mary Larkin (Sr. M. Monica)—in the white habit of St. Dominic. Sr. Mary Imelda was professed; Sr. M. Francis Xavier renewed her vows for three years.

On December 19, the Rt. Rev. Michael J. Gallagher, D. D., Bishop of Detroit, made his first visit to St. Joseph's Academy, Adrian, Michigan. His Lordship urged the pupils not to forget in their prayers the zealous workers that are combatting the evils that menace the Catholic schools.

On January 21, at St. Joseph's Academy, seventeen young ladies were clothed in the Dominican habit.

Sr. M. Edwin, Congregation of St. Mary of the Springs, died of pneumonia on November 29, at Holy Name Convent, Steubenville, Ohio. R. I. P.

During the past months the Dominican Sisters of Sick Poor have been unusually busy owing to the epidemic of influenza and pneumonia. The number of cases visited by them was 4411—1408 of these visits lasted all day, 48 all night, 1315 all forenoon and 736 all afternoon. In several of these cases there were four and five sick in one family and no one to give them any care. In some instances they were in the most neglected condition and so poor that the Sisters had to supply them with medicines, food and bedding.

During the influenza epidemic in California, Centerville Parish Hall was thrown open as a local hospital. Ten Dominican Sisters from Mission San Jose ministered to the patients.

On December 14, the Dominican College, San Rafael, Cal., was honored by a visit from the Abbé Cabanel, chaplain of the famous Blue Devils French Regiment. The introduction was made by the Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M. The Abbé by word and picture brought home most vividly the lessons of courage and sustaining faith evinced by the Christian heroism of his noble soldier boys.

During the influenza epidemic the Sisters of San Rafael, Congregation of the Holy Name, worked arduously and successfully in the Red Cross hospital and among the sick and poor in the town and the outlying districts of San Rafael.

A beautiful and inspiring retreat was given to the pupils at San Rafael by Fr. J. B. O'Connor, O. P., P. G.

In the Congregation of the Holy Name fifteen postulants were received; nine novices made first profession; thirteen novices made final profession.

Sr. M. Philomena celebrated her golden jubilee, January 20, 1919, at St. Catherine's Convent, Benicia, Cal.

The obituary of the year holds the names of: Sr. Alicia Hanneberry, Sr. Vincent Young, Sr. M. Eugenia Layden, and Sr. M. Madaleine Bass. R. I. P.