

THE CLOISTER CHRONICLE

ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

The feast of St. Dominic was fittingly commemorated by the Novices at Ocean City, Md. The Solemn Mass was celebrated by Rev. F. D. McShane, O. P., S. T. L., assisted by Bros. Vitalis and Dalmatius. In the evening after Benediction, an enjoyable entertainment was given by Professor Koehler and the Novices, at which a number of visitors were present.

On the feast of Our Lady of the Snows, August 5th, Bros. Bertrand Johannsen, Matthew O'Connor, Mannes Delevingne, Gregory Herold, and Bernard Walsh made solemn profession in the chapel at the Novices Summer Home at Ocean City, Md. The Master of Novices was delegated by the Very Rev. Provincial to receive the professions.

At the beginning of its third year, St. Dominic's Lyceum is in a flourishing condition. An election of officers for the ensuing term took place on August 2nd, and on August 6th, at a regular meeting, the following papers were read: "The Death of St. Dominic,"—Bro. Lawrence; "The Last Will and Testament of St. Dominic,"—Brother Constant; "St. Dominic After Death,"—Bro. Antoninus. This was but a part of the delightful and varied program which had been arranged in honor of the seventh centenary.

For the seventh consecutive summer, Mr. Charlemagne Koehler, M. A., is conducting classes in Sacred Eloquence for the Novices at Ocean City, Md. In the fall, Mr. Koehler will not return to Detroit University, where he has been Professor of Oratory for a number of years, but is going to St. Louis University, where he will hold the newly erected chair of Oratory.

During the first part of the present mission season the Fathers of the Southern Mission Band will be engaged in West Virginia, Ohio and Mississippi.

The annual retreat of the Missionaries was held August 23rd to September 1st at the House of Studies. Fr. Provincial was in charge. The conferences were given by Fr. Healy.

The retreat for members and friends of the Third Order, held at the Academy of Our Lady, Chicago, Ill., was preached by Rev. V. F. Kienberger, O. P.

Rev. C. C. McGonagle, O. P., has been appointed Chaplain of the Soldiers Home, Washington, D. C.

St. Dominic's Day, at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., was marked by a splendid celebration; and the fraternal ties which have ever bound the twin Orders of St. Francis and St. Dominic were strengthened. The Solemn Mass was sung by Fr. Fidelis, O. F. M., assisted by Fr. Joseph, O. F. M., as Deacon, and Fr. Anthony, O. F. M., as Subdeacon. Following dinner, the Antiphon "Seraphicus Pater" was sung by Franciscans and Dominicans, alternately. Both Chapel and Refectory were decorated.

The Provincial Chapter of St. Joseph's Province will assemble at the Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., in October.

The Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. B., Prior of the House of Studies, preached two retreats to laymen and one to the clergy, in Seattle, Washington.

The Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., gave three retreats during the latter part of June,—two to the Augustinians at Villanova, Pa., one to the Franciscans at Loretto, Pa., and two others during the first part of August—one to the Dominican Sisters at Caldwell, N. J., and one to the Sisters attending Catholic University Summer School, Washington, D. C.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Shahan, Rector of the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., visited our Convent at Springfield, Ky., early in July. He was accompanied by Col. Callahan of Louisville.

The consecration of Bishop Schwertner at Toledo, Ohio, on June 8th, was attended by Very Rev. Father Provincial and many other Fathers from this Province. Fathers Schwertner and Lawler, O. P., accompanied the newly consecrated prelate to his Cathedral at Wichita, Kansas, and were present at his installation.

During the past year the Fathers of the Western Mission Band have given 156 Missions, Retreats, Novenas, Tridua and Forty Hour Devotions. At these various devotions there was a general attendance of 60,000, and 148,629 Communion were distributed.

Father Healy conducted the Teachers' Institute for the nuns teaching in the parochial schools of the Providence diocese. His subjects were, "The Spoken Word," Spoken English," "Composition," "Story Telling," "Formal Grammar," "Noun and Pronoun," "Verb and Verbal," "Analysis and Parsing," "Syntax," "How to Encourage Reading and What Kind of Reading to Advise." More than four hundred Sisters attended and upwards of fifty lay teachers.

Members of the Eastern Band will open the Mission season of 1921-1922 in the Cathedral at Chatham, N. B., where they will be engaged from September 4th, to the 18th.

During the summer months three retreats for laymen were held at St. Vincent's College, Beatty, Pa. They were conducted by the Rev. H. I. Smith, O. P., S. T. L.

A retreat for the priests of the London, Ontario Diocese was given by Fr. J. H. Healy, O. P., P. G., June 21st, to the 26th.

Father J. S. Wilburn, O. P., has been installed as Prior of St. Rose Convent, Springfield, Ky. Previous to his election, he was stationed at St. Vincent Ferrer's, New York, N. Y.

During June, July and early August, Fr. Thomas a'K. Reilly, O. P., S. T. L., gave retreats in Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio, Eagle Park, N. Y., Chicago, Ill., and Newark, N. J.

The Rev. L. E. Hughes, O. P., successfully passed the examination for the Lectorate at the Collegio Angelico, Rome, on July 4th. He has returned to the United States.

During his visit to Europe, Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., was accorded the privilege of a private audience with the Holy Father, who, upon learning the nature of Father Thuente's work, not only encouraged him, but also gave him a message for the numerous priests and religious with whom he comes in contact. Since his return to this country, Father Thuente has been occupied with retreat work in the Middle West.

The grounds at Providence College, Providence, R. I., have been greatly improved. Among other things, they now include an athletic field with all up-to-date appurtenances. The cost of the work is estimated at \$50,000.

A strictly modern school building, conforming to all State requirements, is being erected in St. Thomas Parish, Zanesville, Ohio. After having been delayed in various ways, it is now going up rapidly and will be ready for occupancy early in 1922. It will supply a long felt need. The Very Rev. L. F. Kearney, O. P., S. T. M., Pastor of St. Thomas Church, is also having the Sisters' House renovated.

PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME

Through the kindness of Bishop J. J. Cantwell, a new parish has been entrusted to the Dominicans. It is located at Eagle Rock, near Los Angeles. The new church will be called "St. Dominic's."

The corner stone of the new St. Dominic's Church in San Francisco will be laid this fall. The work has been delayed considerably by prevailing strikes.

During the month of September, the new preparatory college and future novitiate will be opened at Ross, Marin County. Two excellent buildings are on the grounds, one of which will serve as the college and the other as the Fathers house, the latter to be established as a regular convent very soon.

Commemorating the seventh hundredth anniversary of St. Dominic's death, a new convent of Second Order Nuns was opened August 6th at Eddy and Gough Streets, San Francisco, by Archbishop Hanna upon whose invitation the Sisters came from Hunt's Point, N. Y. The property and house were donated by Mrs. Berthe L. Welch. The house was formally cloistered and perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begun on August 6th.

Father Thomas Gabisch, O. P., successfully completed his studies at Rome on July 4th and the title of Lector in Sacred Theology was conferred upon him. He is to make further studies at Louvain, Belgium, during the coming year.

The Annual Clergy and Lay Retreats for the Diocese of Seattle were held during the month of August at St. Martin's College, Lacey, Washington. The Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. B., Prior of the House of Studies at Washington, D. C., gave the conferences.

Father W. B. Reilly, O. P., conducted classes in chant at the Dominican College, San Rafael during the month of August.

The drive to pay off the Blessed Sacrament Parish debt, Seattle, which was launched in July, was a success. \$35,000 was raised.

The Provincial Chapter will convene September 8th at St. Dominic's Priory, San Francisco.

FOREIGN PROVINCES

The Dominican Provincials of Spain have organized a pilgrimage to Bologna and Rome. The travelers left Madrid on August 31st and, en route, will visit Lourdes, Toulouse, Carcassone, Barcelona, Valencia, as well as other places rich in memories and dear to the heart of every Dominican. The blessing of the Holy Father was obtained for all those making the pilgrimage and, while in Rome, they will be granted an audience. Returning by way of Genoa and Nice, they will reach Madrid on September 30th.

Many of the students at the English College, Lisbon, have been received into the Third Order.

The Cross of the Legion of Honor has been bestowed on Fathers Vuillermet and Périnelle, French Dominicans.

Marshal Petain has been made Honorary President of the Alumni Association at Arcueil and Lacordaire Colleges.

Msgr. Lecomte, Vicar General of Lille and a devout Dominican Tertiary, was recently raised to the Episcopacy.

His Holiness, Pope Benedict XV, has granted permission for all Dominican priests to say the votive Mass of St. Dominic on each Tuesday between August 4th, 1921 and the same date in 1922.

The canonical process for the beatification of Fr. Louis Calco, O. P., an Italian Dominican of the early eighteenth century, has been introduced.

Fr. Leca, O. P., Socius of the Most Rev. Master General, has been made a Consultor of the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

On September 14th, the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, will occur the sixth centenary of the death of the "Immortal Dante," whose most famous work has been called, and not inaptly, "St. Thomas in verse."

An Italian Congress of the Third Order is to meet at Bologna on the 15, 16 and 17th of September. There is also to be a Congress of Tertiaries at Oviedo, Spain.

An International Society has been founded in Sienna for the study of the life of St. Catherine of Sienna. One of its aims is the establishment of a library which will contain not only all the works of St. Catherine herself, but also all those which in any way refer to her.

Fr. P. J. Wilms, O. P., recently published "A History of the Dominicans in Germany, 1216-1916."

The Rev. William Arrowsmith, rector of St. Giles Church (Anglican) at Cambridge, was received into the Church by the Dominicans of Hawkesyard Priory.

Fr. Aida Elrington, O. P., Sc. D., who spent the past year in the United States, has been made Rector of the Dominican house very recently established at Oxford.

An exhaustive work entitled "The Past and Present of the Order of St. Dominic" has been published at Budapest, Hungary, by Alexander Horvath, who collaborated with the Dominican Fathers in preparing the volume.

The Dominican Fathers in Sibari, Hungary, were expelled from their Convent for refusing to apostatize and join the Communist party. Fortunately, the Communistic government did not long endure and with its downfall the Fathers regained possession of their property.

The villa of St. Hyacinth at Fribourg, Switzerland, has been purchased for the Dominican professors and students attending the University. Regular observance, heretofore impossible for them, has thus been established.

DOMINICAN SISTERS

Congregation of St. Catherine of Sienna (Kentucky)

The annual conventual retreat was conducted by the Rev. Q. F. Beckley, O. P., of Aquinas College, closing on July 31st.

August 3rd, six postulants received the habit from the hands of the Very Rev. J. S. Wilburn, O. P., Prior of St. Rose. On the 4th, ten Sisters made their first or renewed their temporary vows.

Summer schools were conducted at the Motherhouse and at the centers in the East and West. A number of the Sisters followed courses at Creighton and Loyola Universities and at the University of Nebraska.

Sister Gonzaga Edelen, O. S. D., departed this life on the evening of July 17th.

The retreat at Hastings, Nebraska, August 6th to 16th, was given by the Rev. A. B. Saylor, O. P., S. T. L., Professor of Philosophy of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C.

Father L. F. Kienberger, O. P., of Providence College gave the conferences at the annual retreat at Spaulding Academy, Nebraska.

Congregation of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

The golden jubilee of Mother M. Borgia Campbell's profession was observed on July 9th. A Pontifical Mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. J. M. Laval, D. D., Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans. His Grace, Most Rev. J. W. Shaw, D. D., Archbishop of New Orleans delivered the address of congratulation to the venerable jubilarian.

The Normal Department of the Summer School of the Archdiocese was held in St. Mary's. Sister Magdalen, O. S. D., B. A., was the lecturer on "Psychology of Education."

Marking the seventh centenary of St. Dominic's death, the Dominican Fathers of Independence, La., entrusted to the care of this Congregation the new mission school at that place. At the opening in July, one hundred pupils were enrolled. The parochial school of St. Matthew's, New Orleans, has also been placed under the care of the Congregation.

On the feast of St. Dominic, Sisters Agatha Doussan, Angela Mulhern, and Genevieve Montz made their solemn profession. August 5th, four postulants entered the convent.

Immaculate Conception Convent (Kansas)

The new St. Rose Hospital at Great Bend will be opened during the month.

At the ceremonies of reception and profession, nine were clothed with the white habit of St. Dominic and six pronounced their vows. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Schmichausen conducted the ceremonies.

Congregation of the Holy Cross (Brooklyn)

A Pontifical Mass in the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, was celebrated on September 5th in honor of the golden jubilee of the Prioress-General, Mother M. Augustine Fleck.

The last of a series of retreats was closed on August 2nd at the House of Novitiate, Amityville. They were preached by Fathers Baxter, Cahill, Burnell and Stabl.

On June 9th, twenty-four postulants were received into the Novitiate and fifteen novices professed.

About one hundred and twenty Sisters attended the Summer School courses at St. Joseph's, Sullivan County. Post-graduate work was pursued by a number of the Sisters at Fordham University.

Sinsinawa Community

The conferences at the annual retreat were given by the Very Rev. J. P. Aldridge, O. P., S. T. M., Prior of Holy Rosary Convent, Minneapolis. Among the large number of young ladies to receive the habit at the close of the retreat, August 4th, was Miss Louise Goetz, sister of the late Father W. A. Goetz, O. P., S. T. L.

St. Cecilia's Community, Tennessee

June 17th, the soul of Mother Frances Walsh, the last survivor of the original group from St. Mary of the Springs in 1860, received the final summons.

Many of the Sisters attended Summer School at Peabody University, Nashville and at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Special work was pursued in Chicago.

The annual retreat was preached by Father Clark of the Louisville band. It closed on August 15th with the ceremonies of reception and profession.

Corpus Christi House (Duluth, Minn.)

Mother Mary Ellerker, O. S. D., has returned from a visitation of the houses in England and Trinidad. Eight postulants for the Duluth house accompanied her from Europe.

Sister Mercedes Chapman, O. S. D., made her profession on July 16th into the hands of the Right Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., D. D., Bishop of Duluth. Sister Mercedes is one of the three English women who came over last year.

On the feast of St. Dominic, Bishop McNicholas celebrated Mass at the Corpus Christi House and invested Sister Mary Andrew, the first American woman to enter the Duluth House, with the holy habit of St. Dominic.

The "Corpus Christi Chronicle" is the name of the new publication being edited by the Sisters. Volume 1, No. 1 appeared in June, containing a summary of work being done, the number of houses established, a short sketch of their history in America and a sketch of the manner in which the day is spent in their houses.

Mount St. Dominic Community

The Summer School conducted by the Sisters at Caldwell, N. J., was closed on August 3rd. The Faculty was composed of Sisters holding degrees from the Catholic University, of Fordham, the Rev. J. C. McClary of Seton Hall College, Mr. W. V. Singer of the Newark State Normal School, Miss Chapell of the Trenton State Normal School and Miss Meynard, formerly Physical Training Teacher in the Harvard Summer School. Besides the Dominican Sisters, the Franciscan Sisters from Glen Riddle, Pa., were in attendance.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary

A beautiful new stone statue of Our Lady of the Rosary was unveiled and blessed on Sunday, August 14th at the convent chapel at Traphagen and West Streets, West Hoboken, N. J. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Father Caton, O. P., of St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City. The statue is a gift of a pious benefactress and the pedestal was built gratis by Mr. C. W. Cranwell in memory of his daughter, Bernadette.

