



CLOISTER † CHRONICLE



ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

On September 30 the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, D. D., rector of the Catholic University, raised to the diaconate Rev. Bros. Thomas Garcia and Joseph Ortea of the province of the Holy Rosary, Rev. Bros. Bernardine Myers, John Dominic Walsh, Cyril Therres, Bertrand Johannsen, Matthew O'Connor, Mannes Delavigne, Bernard Walsh, Clement Nowlen, and Jordan Baeszler of St. Joseph's province, and Rev. Bro. Louis Clark of the Holy Name province.

Rev. Ambrose Smith, O. P., who was ordained in June, sailed from New York on Oct. 13th, for Louvain, Belgium, where he is to complete his theological studies at the Convent of the Immaculate Conception.

The number of students preparing this year for the work of the Order in St. Joseph's province is the largest in the history of the province. At the House of Studies in Washington there are sixty-eight novices; in St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., fifty-seven, and in St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, forty. There are in addition one hundred aspirants to the Order in Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio, and fifty-six at Providence College, Providence, R. I.

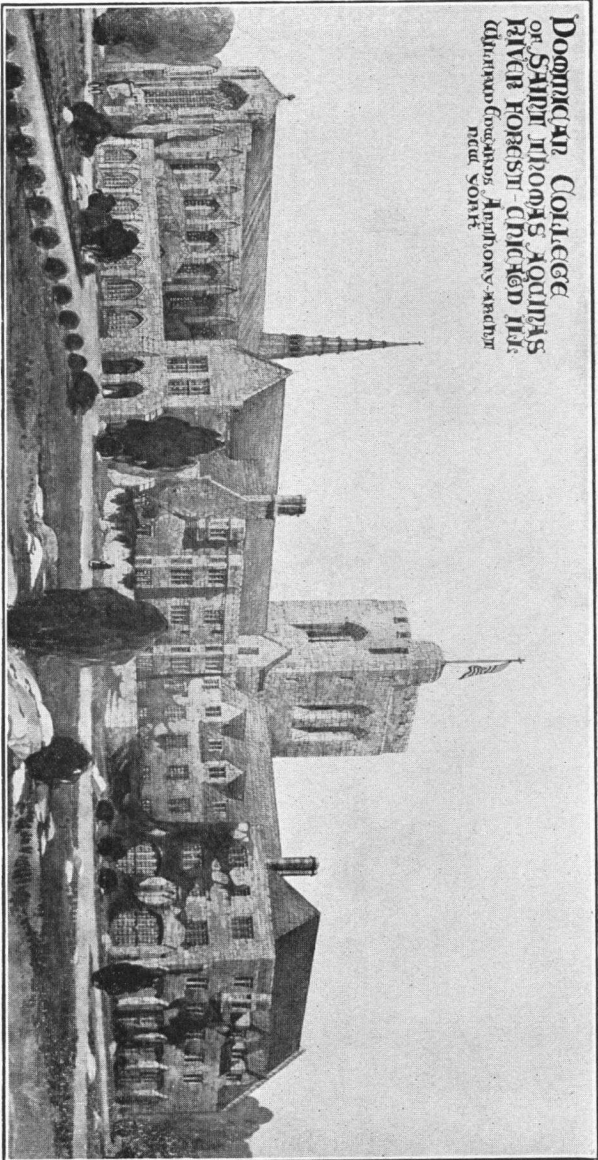
Bro. Henry Barthelemy, O. P., pronounced his solemn vows into the hands of the Very Reverend Prior of the House of Studies on Sept. 30, and on Nov. 14 Fr. Smith received the profession of Bro. Sebastian Gillespie, O. P.

For the eighth time in succession, the Rt. Rev. Louis Walsh, D. D., Bishop of Portland, Maine, has invited the Fathers of the Eastern Mission Band to conduct the novena for the feast of the Immaculate Conception in the Cathedral of Portland.

On Thanksgiving Day was celebrated the silver jubilee of St. Rose's Settlement, New York City, the pioneer Catholic settlement house in America. It was founded in October, 1898, through the efforts of the Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., assisted by a devoted band of Catholic ladies and gentlemen of New York, notable among whom were Mrs. William Arnold, Mrs. Henry Heggarty, Miss Marion F. Guerney, and Mr. Peter Lalor. Through the instrumentality of St. Rose Settlement two hundred and fifty baptisms have been administered, over fourteen hundred confirmations, and twenty-one hundred First Communions made. Under the inspiration and example of St. Rose's, several other Catholic settlement houses have been opened in New York.

The closing sermon of a solemn triduum held in honor of "The Little Flower" in the Carmelite monastery, Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 28-30, was delivered by the Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr. Also assisting at the services of the triduum were the Revs. M. A. Waldron, O. P., S. T. M., Vincent Donovan, O. P., and Edward L. Phillips, O. P.

Dominican College
of Saint Thomas Aquinas
River Forest - Chicago Ill.
Marian Convent, Hawthorn - near
New York



The services of fourteen members of the Eastern Mission Band have been offered to Archbishop Curley of Baltimore for work in the poorest parishes of the archdiocese from January 6th to March 2nd, 1924.

Rev. E. C. McEniry, O. P., has been appointed chaplain of the Mt. Carmel Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, to succeed the Rev. P. P. Heasley, O. P., who has occupied the post for the past six years.

A course of doctrinal sermons is being delivered by Dominican Fathers of St. Joseph's province in the Philadelphia Cathedral every Sunday evening from October till Easter. This course is an annual institution in Philadelphia attracts large crowds every week. The preachers are Very Rev. Gregory Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M.; Very Rev. Joseph Ripple, O. P., P. G.; Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr.; Rev. Basil Saylor, O. P., S. T. Lr., and Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr.

The new church of the Blessed Sacrament, Madison, Wis., of which the Rev. J. R. Clark, O. P., is pastor, was dedicated recently by the Most Rev. Sebastian Messmer, D. D., Archbishop of Milwaukee.

A most successful week-end retreat to the Holy Name Society of the parish of St. John the Evangelist, Columbus, Ohio, was preached by the Rev. Matthew Mulvey, O. P., of the faculty of Aquinas College, Columbus, October 24-26.

The Fall and Winter schedule of the Western Mission Band has been completely filled for missions, retreats and Forty Hours' Devotions.

The Revs. J. R. Dooley, O. P., and Quitman F. Beckley, O. P., have been assigned to the Western Mission Band. Rev. William A. Sullivan, O. P., of St. Antoninus' Convent, Newark, N. J., has been named as pastor of St. Mary's Church, Johnson City, Tenn., to succeed Fr. Beckley.

The Aquinas College Glee Club, under the direction of the Rev. Vincent Donovan, O. P., and the Aquinas Orchestra, directed by the Rev. Gabriel Moore, O. P., made their first public appearance of the year at the Knights of Columbus Auditorium, Columbus, on Oct. 11, and assisted in making the celebration of Columbus Day a well-deserved success. Col. Frank A. Hunter, Grand Knight of Columbus Council 400, K. of C., delivered an inspiring address to the students of Aquinas on that occasion.

Rev. Dominic Dolan, O. P., S. T. Lr., has been transferred from St. Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I., to Aquinas College to replace Rev. D. A. Newman, O. P., who has been assigned to Holy Rosary Convent, Minneapolis, Minn.

The "Patrician," published by the students of Aquinas College, is now under the direction of the Rev. E. C. McEniry, O. P., and will henceforth appear monthly instead of quarterly. An added feature of the publication will be an alumni column, to which all graduates of Aquinas are invited to send their contributions.

Rev. John B. Logan, O. P., recently preached the novena to St. Rita for the Augustinian Fathers in Omaha, Nebraska.

Very Rev. J. A. Heenan, O. P., has been unanimously reelected Prior of St. Louis Bertrand's Convent, Louisville, Ky.

Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., editor of The Rosary Magazine, gave a week-end retreat at the Cenacle, Newport, R. I., Oct. 12-15.

Rev. Thomas Gabisch, O. P., S. T. Lr., of the province of the Holy Name, is attached to the philosophy faculty of St. Rose Priory for the present year.

Rev. P. A. Maher, O. P., of the Southern Mission Band has been appointed pastor of St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, to succeed the Rev. Chas. A. Haverty, O. P., whose resignation was made imperative by ill-health. Under Fr. Maher's direction work is soon to be begun on a combination church and school in this new parish.

On Oct. 2 Bros. Jordan Warnock, O. P., and Henry Barry, O. P., after completing their year of novitiate as lay-brothers made their simple profession into the hands of the Very Rev. Prior of the House of Studies.

So great has been the demands on the Eastern Mission Band that it has been necessary to call upon Revs. Edward Hughes, O. P., S. T. Lr., and Robert Carroll, O. P., to assist in the work.

For the first time in Washington, D. C., it was necessary to hold double services during women's week of a mission at the mission given by the Revs. J. H. Healy, O. P., P. G., and Francis Feeley, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band at the Sacred Heart Church, Oct. 28-Nov. 8th.

Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., Prior of the House of Studies preached the sermon at the Pan-American Mass celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C., on Thanksgiving Day.

Rev. Hyacinth Chandler, O. P., has been appointed assistant chaplain at the Dominican Sisters' Convent, Eagle Park, N. Y.

Rev. Patrick P. Heasley, O. P., has been appointed Vice-president of Aquinas College.

The Novices of the House of Studies have formed a unit of the Catholic Students' Missions Crusade. At a meeting held at the Catholic University November 12th, to form a unit among the students the Dominican unit took a conspicuous part. The leading address of the evening was delivered by the Very Reverend Prior of the House of Studies.

Rev. Bonaventure Neitzey, O. P., has been given charge of the dormitory students at Aquinas College.

FOREIGN PROVINCES

Rev. James Ramirez, O. P., S. T. Lr., of the province of Spain, professor at the convent of St. Stephen, Salamanca, has been named professor of moral theology at the University of Fribourg to succeed the Rev. Jordan Langen-Wendels, O. P., S. T. M. Fr. Langen-Wendels has been appointed to the theology faculty of the recently founded Catholic University of Holland.

Rt. Rev. Sabas Sarasola, O. P., D. D., of the province of Spain, named vicar-apostolic of Urumba, Peru, was consecrated recently in the Church of St. James at Pampeluna by the Archbishop of Seville.

Very Rev. Albert Janvier, O. P., S. T. M., of the province of France has received from Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, a letter of congratulation on the publication of his latest volume of "Conferences" delivered at the Church of Notre Dame, Paris, during Lent of this year.

Rev. Xavier Faucher, O. P., S. T. Lr., of the province of Lyons, recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his reception to the habit of St. Dominic.

At the close of the process concerning the virtues and miracles of the venerable servant of God, Fr. Louis Calco, O. P., who died in 1709, the body of the Venerable, which has been exhumed for the past two years in a remarkable state of preservation was reinterred in the convent of St. Dominic at Troia, Italy, in the presence of several bishops and superiors of religious communities.

A course of twenty-five lectures on the Summa Theologica of St. Thomas is being given in the Westminster Cathedral, London, during the months of November to May, by the Very Rev. Vincent McNabb, O. P., S. T. M., of the English province as Extension Lectures of the University of London.

The theology faculty of the Catholic University opened this year at Nymegen, Holland, is composed entirely of Dominican professors.

Very Revs. H. D. Noble, O. P., and M. J. Gillet, O. P., of the province of France, recently promoted to the dignity of Master in Sacred Theology, received the insignia of their office on Oct. 17, in the convent of studies of the province, at Saulchoir, Belgium.

A new Dominican review has been begun by the Fathers of the Spanish provinces on the Mexican missions. It will be called the "Apostolado Dominicado," and has for its purpose the extension of the apostolate of the Dominican missionaries in Mexico.

The fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of the Dominican Fathers in Canada was celebrated on Rosary Sunday with great solemnity at the Convent of St. Hyacinth, St. Hyacinth, P. Q. Rt. Rev. Felix Couturier, O. P., D. D., bishop of Alexandria, Ont., celebrated a solemn Pontifical Mass and the Very Rev. Gonzalez Proulx, O. P., S. T. Lr., provincial of Canada, in an eloquent sermon portrayed the history of the province during the fifty years of its existence.

Very Rev. Thomas Pegues, O. P., S. T. M., of the province of Toulouse, has recently received from Cardinal Bisleti, prefect of the Congregation of Studies a comendatory letter for his constant efforts in behalf of Thomistic teaching and in particular for his latest work, "L'Initiation Thomiste."

DOMINICAN SISTERS

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Catonsville, Md.)

On the feast of the Most Holy Rosary, the ceremony of the blessing of roses and the Rosary, sermon and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament took place at the Perpetual Rosary Shrine, the Rev. Father Hyacinth Sullivan, O. P., officiating. _____

Requiem High Mass was celebrated on October 17th by the Rev. Father Superior for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Joseph of the Blessed Sacrament. _____

The annual community retreat was preached by the Very Rev. Clement M. Thuyente, O. P., November 18th to 27th. _____

On December 2nd, the first Sunday of Advent, a professed novice pronounced her perpetual vows to the Very Rev. Mother. _____

The celebration of the silver jubilee of the Baltimore foundation of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary will be held February 15th, 1924. _____

Seven Sisters from West Hoboken, N. J., opened for the first time in Maryland a small house on Druid Hill Avenue, in the parish of the Immaculate Conception. From there they moved to Irvington, and then to Catonsville. This little community has grown rapidly and now numbers thirty-five. In October, 1922, seven Sisters from this community opened a house in Springfield, Mass., with the sanction of the Rt. Rev. Thomas O'Leary, Bishop of Springfield. _____

Convent of the Queen of the Rosary (Amityville, N. Y.)

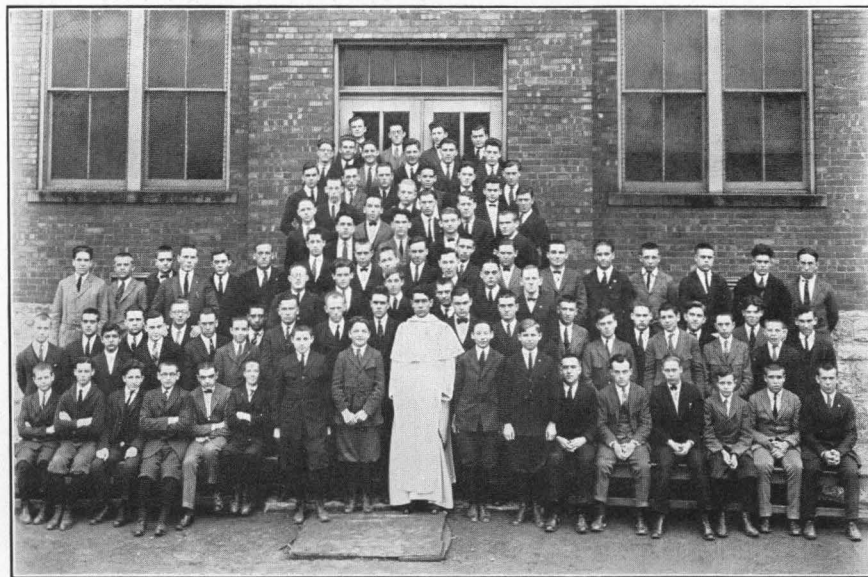
The fifty schools directed by the Sisters of this congregation showed such remarkable increase in registration this year, that more teachers than counted on were required. The opening of two new elementary schools and the taking over of two of the five diocesan high schools has drained the supply of teaching Sisters so completely, that two schools had to be refused. _____

In Porto Rico, where there are now thirty teachers engaged, education is rapidly progressing, and high school departments are demanded. At Bayamon and Yauco the first two years are already well attended. _____

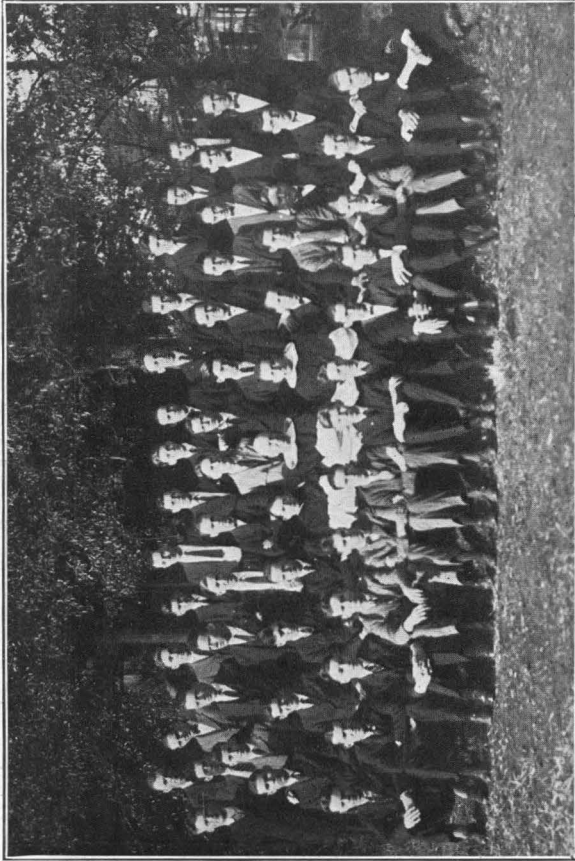
On August 19th the novitiate was honored by a visit from the Most Rev. G. W. Mundelein, D. D., of Chicago. His Grace addressed the novices on "Catholic Education." _____

In October the Rt. Rev. George Caruana, D. D., Bishop of Porto Rico, visited both the motherhouse and the novitiate. After Benediction he addressed both the Sisters and the novices, pointing out the need of more priests and Sisters in his diocese. _____

The new feast of St. Thomas, Patron of Schools, was solemnly celebrated at the novitiate and Normal School, on November 13th. The preacher on the occasion was the Rev. Thomas J. O'Brien, former superintendent of schools. _____



High School Students at Aquinas College who are Preparing for the Order



Aspirants for the Order who are Doing their College Work at Providence College

The weekly spiritual conferences, inaugurated in the novitiate chapel last year, are being continued by Rev. J. R. McLaughlin, with great profit to the entire novitiate.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Murphy of St. Agnes' Church, Brooklyn, has been added to the faculty of the Normal School, as professor of Educational Psychology.

Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic (Maryknoll, N. Y.)

On the feast of St. Theresa the third group of Sisters from Maryknoll arrived in Hongkong. Together with three Maryknoll Fathers, a Brother, and Mother Mary Joseph, the first Mother General of the Maryknoll Sisters, they sailed from Seattle on September 23rd.

Already one Maryknoll Sister, Sr. Mary Gertrude, has received her reward in a pagan land and has sown the seed of greater fruitfulness for her zealous Sisters. Her place was immediately filled by another nurse, Sr. Mary Richard, so that the personnel of the Maryknoll Sisters now in China numbers eighteen.

Mother Mary Joseph and her newest missionaries were enthusiastically welcomed by their Sisters established at Kowloon, and by the Maryknoll Fathers of the China Procure. The next place eagerly awaiting the advent of Mother Mary Joseph in Youngkong, where the sisters are conducting a school, an orphanage, an old folks' home, and a dispensary. There are, at present, six well established Maryknoll Mission centers.

Before returning to the United States in the early part of 1924, Mother Mary Joseph will also travel to Korea, where Father Patrick J. Byrne and two other Maryknoll priests are evangelizing a large section north of Seoul. Sisters will probably be sent to this latest Maryknoll field in the near future.

Convent of St. Dominic (Blauvelt, N. Y.)

At the first meeting of the Council, immediately following the general elections held on October 20th, Mother M. Joseph was chosen Prioress. The Rt. Rev. John P. Chidwick, Spiritual Father of the community, presided and delivered an inspiring exhortation to the Sisters.

As soon as vacation was over, Normal School classes were resumed at the Scholasticate. Extension courses were begun on October 6th for members of the community on duty in New York City. Many working for academic degrees are continuing their studies at Fordham University.

On October 13th, Sister Mary Anthony was called to her eternal reward. The Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered by the Rt. Rev. John P. Chidwick, D. D., assisted by Rev. L. M. Cusack and Rev. A. Blaznick. Among those present within the sanctuary were: Rev. Anselm Murray, O. P., Rev. Hugh McManus, O. P., and Rev. Leo Whalen, O. P.

The Sisters of this community have taken charge of the new parochial school opened by the Benedictine Fathers, in the parish of St. Benedict, New York City. The Sisters meet old friends in the sons of St. Benedict, since for many years they have conducted St. Anselm's school in the Bronx, where efficient teaching has made this school prominent in the upper part of New York City.

Mt. St. Mary-on-the-Hudson (Newburgh, N. Y.)

On October 25 the community celebrated the Golden Jubilee of Sister Mary Euphemia, when Mass was celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Rosary by the Rev. Father Charles, chaplain of the convent. Many Sisters from the various mission houses returned to the Mount to honor the occasion.

The Forty Hours' devotion was held at Mt. St. Mary on the fourth, fifth and sixth of November. The students of the high school department had the honor of forming the processions.

The annual bazaar and sale of Christmas gifts was held during the month of November. The proceeds of this bazaar are applied to the Building Fund.

A reception of twenty young ladies, students of Mt. St. Mary, into the Sodality of the Children of Mary, was held with all due solemnity on the feast of the Immaculate Conception. The reception marked the close of the students' retreat which opened on the fifth of December.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (West Hoboken, N. J.)

On September 9th, the beautiful chapel of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary was the scene of the Golden Jubilee celebration of the Rev. Father Adam Eichhorn. At the Solemn Mass the venerable jubilarian was assisted by his nephew, Rev. Father Ephrem Snyder, O. F. M., and his grand-nephew, Mr. Joseph Fritz, who will be ordained next year. After the Jubilee Mass, Father Ephrem Snyder, O. F. M., preached an inspiring and practical sermon on the Priesthood.

On September 12th, feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary, a solemn ceremony of vestition and profession was held. The Very Rev. Father Moran, O. P., Prior of St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City, assisted by the Rev. Cyril Coudeyre, O. P., presided on this occasion. A fitting sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Barrett, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Newark, N. J.

The feast of the Most Holy Rosary, celebrated on October 7th, far exceeded the celebrations of all previous years. The chapel was filled to overflowing and many pious worshippers had to content themselves with remaining on the convent grounds. After Benediction blessed roses were distributed to all.

St. Catherine Academy (St. Catherine, Kentucky)

On November 6th, the faculty and students of the Academy were entertained by the distinguished writer and lecturer, Doctor J. J. Walsh of New York City. The six hundredth anniversary of the canonization of St. Thomas Aquinas coming this year, Dr. Walsh chose the work of this great Dominican doctor as the subject of his discourse.

Reverend Mother Francesca was welcomed home on November 10th, from a visitation of the western houses of the Congregation.

Jan Chiapusso, the Dutch pianist who is touring America under the Culbertson management, gave a concert to an interested audience on December 10th.

A few days before Christmas, the students of the Academy presented a novelty Christmas program in pantomime, entitled "The Seven Gifts."

Sacred Heart College and Academy (Grand Rapids, Michigan)

The new home of the Dominican Sisters at Marywood, Grand Rapids, Michigan, under the guidance of the Sacred Heart, is affording the Sisters the quiet and beauty of a veritable sylvan retreat.

On the morning of August 29th, nineteen Sisters were professed in the presence of the Rt. Rev. Bishop E. D. Kelly; and in the late afternoon His Lordship blessed the bell, which was the appreciable gift of one of the clergy of the diocese. The bell was tolled that evening for the first time, as the remains of Sister Mary Leona, who died in Saginaw, were brought home for interment.

Fourteen postulants were admitted to the novitiate early in September, and three previous entrants received the habit on October 20th.

In all events of interest, the work of the Sisters is being facilitated by the active participation of the ladies of the Marywood Guild.

Convent of St. Catherine (Racine, Wisconsin)

On July 10th twelve novices pronounced their first vows, and on August 16th thirteen young ladies received the holy habit of the Order from the hands of His Grace, the Most Rev. S. G. Messmer, D. D.

August 1st marked the fiftieth anniversary of the religious profession of Sisters Mary Thomasina and Mary Benedicta.

Father Cyril Wahle, O. P., who is in this country soliciting funds for the novices of the German Dominicans, is making his headquarters at this convent. Since 1913, the Fathers of his province have been in charge of a portion of the country of Fukien, China.

Corpus Christi House (Duluth, Minn.)

The daily catechetical classes were resumed in September at the Italian settlement, as also were the Americanization classes for women. A group of young girls desirous of teaching catechism attend weekly classes for the study of Doctor Roderick MacEachen's course in Religion, under the direction of a Sister.

Catechism classes were likewise resumed at Corpus Christi and Good Shepherd Churches.

Nine Sisters in Duluth are now training for Girl Scout work.

Sister Mary Hilda and Sister Mary Philip arrived from England in September to complete their training and professed novitiate in Duluth.

Three Sisters were requested to speak at a Conference on the delinquent girl problem, held at Superior, Wisconsin, under the authorization of the State Board of Health.

A printing department is the latest addition to the House.

Four girls, proved by an Intelligence Test to be of superior intelligence, are taking a complete business course and have shown their worth by obtaining very high grades in all subjects.

St. Rose Hospital (Great Bend, Kansas)

The Rt. Rev. A. J. Schwertner, D. D., Bishop of Wichita, made his canonical visitation at St. Rose's on August 18th.

The Rev. Thomas Crotty, O. P., from Rome, visited the Kansas community, shortly before his return to Rome, on November 7th.

Holy Rosary Hospital (Ontario, Oregon)

Reverend Mother Catherine Roth, late superior of St. Catherine's Hospital, Kenosha, Wisconsin, was transferred to Holy Rosary Hospital in August. Reverend Mother Agnes has been transferred from Holy Rosary Hospital, and is now superior of Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, California.

The Rev. Father Stanislaus McDermott, O. P., gave a thoroughly dominican retreat which ended on St. Rose's Day, to the Sisters of Holy Rosary Hospital.

Sisters M. Martha, M. John, and M. Evangelista renewed their vows, on All Saints' Day, in the Hospital Chapel.

New equipment is being installed in the X-ray Room of the Hospital.

A Hospital Auxiliary has been formed, and the Sewing Circle meets twice every month to do the Hospital sewing.

Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary (Mission San Jose, Calif.)

On the feast of St. Theresa, the solemn distribution of the copies of the finally approved Constitutions took place in the convent chapel, the ceremony being conducted by the Very Rev. Father A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, assisted by the Rev. Father W. T. Lewis, O. P., S. T. Lr.

Following a sermon by the Very Rev. Father Provincial, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given, and the solemn ceremony was ended with the singing of the "Te Deum."

During the course of the fall semester, the Rev. Fathers Albert Muller, O. P., and Aquinas McDonnell, O. P., lectured at the Immaculate Conception Academy, San Francisco. Father Muller spoke on: "Ideals in Education" and "St. Theresa, Mistress of Literature." Father McDonnell's topics were: "St. Thomas, Patron of Schools" and "St. Catherine of Sienna."

In the latter part of September, five Sisters of the Congregation took possession of the ancient convent at Altenhohenau, Bavaria, which was founded in 1219. This convent was confiscated, in 1803, by the government, and then given over to private ownership until its recent purchase by the Sisters. The church connected with the convent contains precious relics, besides the graves of two nuns who died in the odor of sanctity.