

WITHIN THE CLOISTER

On September 8 twenty-one postulants entered upon their six months' probation previous to receiving the habit on March 7.

The Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of St. Mary's of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio, have also opened a new school in St. William's parish, Pittsburgh, Pa.

St. Dominic's feast also witnessed a profession and reception ceremony at Perpetual Rosary Convent, Buffalo, N. Y. The Rt. Rev. D. J. Dougherty presided at the ceremonies.

The Sisters from St. Catherine have also, at the request of Bishop Tihen, an esteemed friend of the community, taken charge of a mission in the parish of Havelock, Nebraska, of which the Rev. M. J. O'Connor is the pastor.

The Dominican community of Woodchester, England, has erected near its convent a wayside cross. Father Pope, O. P., tells us that the erection of such a symbol in pre-war times would have provoked a storm of indignant protest, but that the much-needed lessons driven home by the terrible conflict, have changed this spirit of fierce antagonism.

On the Feast of St. Dominic (August 4), at St. Catherine of Siena Convent, St. Catherine, Ky., ten novices pronounced their first vows, two made final profession, while fourteen young ladies were invested with the Dominican habit. Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Donoghue, of Louisville, officiated, assisted by his secretary, Rev. Daniel Driscoll, and Very Rev. C. F. Christmas, O. P., Prior of St. Rose Convent. Rt. Rev. Bishop Brossart, of Covington, as well as many members of the clergy were present on this occasion.

On July 30 Worcester, England, witnessed the first ordination ceremony held there since the so-called Reformation. Among the three candidates ordained by the Archbishop of Birmingham, was a Dominican, Father Gregory Rupert, O. P.

The annual retreat for the community of the House of Studies was conducted this year by the Rev. Bonaventure O'Connor, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band; that at Saint Joseph's Novitiate in Ohio, by the Very Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., S. T. Lr.

In response to the invitation of Bishop Dowling, of Des Moines, Iowa, six Sisters from St. Catherine's opened a new school in the diocese at Missouri Valley, Iowa. Father M. P. Nolan, the pastor, has erected a fine new convent for the religious which was ready for occupancy in September.

The simple novitiate at Somerset, Ohio, is filled to overflowing this year with young men from the Provinces of Saint Joseph and the Most Holy Name of Jesus. A number of novices will pronounce their simple vows this month, among them the Rev. Ignatius Cappellino, formerly connected with St. Anthony's Church, Rochester, N. Y.

On August 17 the Order lost in the death of the Very Rev. Maurus Kaiser, O. P., P. G., one of its most prominent and beloved brethren. Father Kaiser was the Postulator of the Order in its causes of canonization and beatification, Consultor of the Chancery Apostolic, Examiner of the Roman Clergy and a member of the Commission for the codification of Canon Law. His death occurred in Ilanz, Switzerland, in the sixty-fifth year of his age and the thirty-first of his religious profession. "In pace requiescat."

Father Hyacinth Foster, O. P., S. T. Lr., professor at the House of Studies for the past two years, departed early in October to take up new work at Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, Pa. His classes in Fundamental Theology will be continued by the Rev. Ambrose Dempsey, O. P., S. T. Lr.

A holy and a peaceful death took place on October 3, at Columbus, Ohio, when Miss Elizabeth A. Rogers passed from this life, fortified by the last sacraments of Holy Church. Deceased was a sister of Brother Edmund Rogers, O. P., of the House of Studies, to whom *Dominicana* now extends its heartfelt sympathy. May she rest in peace.

The students of St. Mary's Dominican College, New Orleans, La., entertained in honor of the Rev. Mother Prioreess on Tuesday evening, October 10, by rendering with splendid success a patriotic drama, "For the Blue or the Grey." That this college is esteemed very highly by the educational authorities of the Crescent City, is evidenced from the fact that graduates of St. Mary's are exempt from all examinations to obtain a first-class teacher's certificate in the State of Louisiana.

On October 2 Ven. Mother M. Catherine, O. S. D., first Superioress of the Dominican Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Caldwell, N. J., died suddenly from arterial trouble, with which she had been ill for three years. Mother M. Catherine was born in Bavaria sixty-nine years ago, and at the time of her death was in the forty-ninth year of religious profession. Through her efforts the academies of Mt. St. Dominic, Caldwell, and St. Dominic, Jersey City, were established. The Ven. Mother's extraordinary spirit of prayer and zeal for religious observance were among the virtues which characterized her life as a daughter of St. Dominic. May her soul rest in peace.

Rev. Fr. L. U. Cull, O. P., of the House of Studies has been assigned to St. Dominic's Church, Denver, Col.

The Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. Lr., Prior of the House of Studies, was the preacher at the golden jubilee celebration in the Franciscan church of St. Anthony of Padua, Sullivan Street, New York City, which took place on October 4.

The feast of the Most Holy Rosary was observed with great solemnity at St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, Cal., this year. The solemn blessing and distribution of roses took place before the High Mass, at which an eloquent sermon was delivered by the Very Rev. Reginald Newell, O. P., S. T. Lr. Following the Mass, the Rosary was recited in procession around the church block.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Bernard, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, in a Pastoral Letter issued on October 8, concerning the third centenary of the of the establishment of the Faith in Canada, gave much consideration to the commemoration of the Order's Centenary. He paid the Order a high tribute, spoke in glowing terms of Saint Dominic and thanked and congratulated the Fathers of that Province for the splendid work that has been accomplished in Canada.

Rosary Sunday was the occasion for the solemn profession of fifteen members of our community. The Brothers who pronounced their final vows were: Robert Carroll, Paul Curran, Damian M. Kennedy, Justin McManus, Philip Thamm, Theodore Finnegan, Vincent Ferrer Kienberger, Sylvester Considine and Basil Saylor of the Province of St. Joseph, and Benedict M. Allen, Sebastian Bohan, Stephen Connolly, Bartholomew Reilly, William M. McClory and Stanislaus M. McDermott of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus on the Pacific Coast.

On Sunday afternoon, October 22, His Grace, Archbishop Hanna, of San Francisco, laid the corner-stone of the new boys' school connected with St. Vincent Ferrer's parish, Vallejo, Cal., of which the Rev. Damian O'Brien, O. P., is pastor.

Aquinas College, Columbus Ohio, in charge of the Dominican Fathers, opened in September with a record-breaking attendance. Many improvements have been made on buildings and equipment so that the institution promises to become one of the most important Catholic colleges of the Middle West.

At the recent chapter of the English Dominican Province, the Very Rev. Bede Jarrett, O. P., S. T. Lr., was elected to the office of Prior Provincial. Father Jarrett although only thirty-three years of age, has already won an enviable reputation among his brethren not only for profound theological learning, but also for his remarkable executive ability.

The new mission recently acquired by our Fathers in Tennessee extends over thirteen counties, covering an area of 4604 square miles. Headquarters are located at Johnson City, where one of the religious acts as chaplain of the soldiers' home. Fathers Raphael Brockbank, O. P., Peter McIntyre, O. P., and Gabriel Moore, O. P., are in charge of this vast new field of labor.

On the morning of October 12, fire broke out in the rear of St. Dominic's parish hall, San Francisco, Cal., damaging the building to the extent of \$5000. Three alarms were responded to by fourteen engine companies whose quick assistance saved a large portion of the building as well as surrounding property. The wooden structure erected in 1873 was formerly used as a church and is one of the landmarks of San Francisco.

The vacancy left in the faculty of the House of Studies by Father Smith's departure, will be filled by the Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., the well-known editor of the Rosary.

Two publications of interest to Dominicans and friends of the Order have recently appeared. One, by the ex-Master General, Father Cormier, is a novel and very original brochure in which he asks the question: "Is it opportune to celebrate the seventh centenary of the approbation of the Order of Friars Preachers by Pope Honorius III in the year 1216?" Father Cormier responds in the affirmative, and proceeds to answer a series of objections presented in scholastic form. The other publication, "A Synoptic History of the Confirmation of the Order of Preachers," by the Rev. Albert Grech, O. P., of the Maltese Province, clears up many contested points concerning the early history of the Order. Both books are written in Latin.

The Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language has given to the world what has been described as a "grand Irish literary find." It is the volume of poems by Father Patrick Hackett, O. P., the excellence of which has won for the author the title to greatness in the ranks of Irish poets. Born about 1600 in Tipperary, Fr. Hackett when in his twenty-fifth year entered the Order of Preachers at Cashel. Sent to Louvain in 1628 to pursue his ecclesiastical studies, he was there ordained in 1632. From 1633 to 1651 he resided in Cashel Priory, at one time being its superior. During the Cromwellian persecutions he returned to Louvain, where he died in 1654. Father Patrick's work totals about two thousand lines, the subjects of which were various, grave and gay, felicitous, pious, patriotic, etc. The language of the friar-bard is most scholarly.

Lawrence Smith, a member of St. Louis Bertrand's (Dominican) parish, Louisville, Ky., won the prize recently offered by a daily paper of that city for the best record in church attendance. Mr. Smith missed Mass only once in sixty-four years, and that was while at sea en route to Nova Scotia.

Dominicana wishes to express its debt of gratitude for the courtesy of the editor of the Catholic Columbian, Columbus, Ohio, who kindly lent us the cut of the late Fr. Keelty, O. P., and to the editor of the Morning Star, New Orleans, La., for a picture of the late Fr. Lorente, O. P., as well as much information concerning his work and the establishment of the Spanish Dominicans in Louisiana.

We also call the attention of our readers (especially Tertiaries) to a new monthly publication, "The Torch," edited by Father Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., National Director of the Third Order, and which is devoted to the interests of Dominican Tertiaries. No subscription price has been established, but Father Smith will be grateful for any cash donations interested persons may feel able to give. Such financial aid is absolutely necessary for keeping up this interesting and useful organ of the Third Order.

On Sunday afternoon, October 22, His Eminence Cardinal Farley in the presence of almost twenty thousand people, including many prominent members of the secular and religious clergy, laid the corner-stone of the magnificent new church of St. Vincent Ferrer, New York City. The sermon on the occasion was delivered by Rt. Rev. P. J. Hayes, D. D., Auxiliary Bishop of New York. This fine new structure, which when completed will be second in size and grandeur only to St. Patrick's Cathedral, is surely destined to become a fitting memorial of

the seventh centenary of the Friars Preachers. Of Gothic architecture, a style ever made use of in Dominican churches, this new temple erected for the worship of Almighty God and dedicated to the great St. Vincent Ferrer, will not only be a credit to the American sons of St. Dominic, but also an edifice that New York City may well be proud of.

Beginning on December 8, the Fathers of Holy Name Province will celebrate with fitting solemnity the seventh centenary of the Order's confirmation. The ceremonies will take place at St. Dominic's Priory, San Francisco, Cal., and continue for several days.

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception Most Rev. Hyacinth M. Cormier, O. P., ex-Master General of the Order celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday. May God grant us the inspiration of his solid religious piety, holy zeal and staunch loyalty to the ideals of our Holy Father St. Dominic for many years to come.

Our readers will regret to learn that the Very Rev. Augustine Waldron, O. P., S. T. M., late Prior of the House of Studies, has for some time been very seriously ill at Georgetown Hospital. At present, however, the Rev. Father is much improved and we hope it will not be long before he will again resume his classes in Theology.

Dominicana, in the name of the novices, bids welcome to our new neighbors, the professors and clerics of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, who have just taken possession of their fine new college which adjoins the House of Studies. It may be of interest to note that the first community Mass of the Oblates, upon their arrival in Washington, was celebrated (November 10) in our chapel of the Immaculate Conception, the altar in the new building not yet being completed.

The Irish Province also has a new Provincial in the person of Very Rev. Peter Dowling, O. P., who was recently elected at St. Savior's Priory, Dublin to succeed the Very Rev. Louis Ryan whose term has just expired.

In October the novices were honored with a visit from the Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial of Holy Name Province, who spent a few days in Washington on his way home from the General Chapter in Switzerland.

The Very Rev. Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., was the preacher on the occasion of the golden jubilee of the Jesuit church of St. Ignatius Loyola, New York City, which was celebrated on November 26.

An interesting event took place at the novices' summer house, Ocean City, Maryland, on August 15, when Father Gerard McMullen, O. P., blessed, according to the beautiful Dominican ritual, the new pleasure boats so kindly given us by the Province.

Scarcely a year ago the Sisters of St. Dominic from Columbus, Ohio opened a new school at Eagle Park, Ossining-on-Hudson, N. Y. To-day the academy is in most flourishing condition and is but another monument to the zeal and efficiency of those worthy and capable Daughters of St. Dominic.

That loyalty to Church and State is not a contradiction, has again been attested by the Italian Government. Once again has United Italy, noted for its anti-clerical tendencies, recognized the services rendered by the friar-mariner, Padre Alberto Guglielmotti, O. P., by naming one of the latest naval units of Italy after this celebrated religious, who has been publicly proclaimed "Father of the Italian Navy and Greatest of Italy's Sailors."

Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald, O. P., has been transferred from St. Dominic's Convent, Washington, D. C., and Fr. H. P. Cunningham, O. P., from the Holy Name Church, Philadelphia to the House of Studies. They are specializing at the University.

The Fathers of the Provinces of the United States, Canada, Peru, Chile and other South American countries in attendance at the general elective chapter of the Order held in Fribourg, Switzerland were accorded on August 28th an audience with the Holy Father.

Dominicana announces with pleasure the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Ignatius Smith, O. P., professor of Psychology and Sociology at the House of Studies, as successor to the Very Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., in the editorship of the Holy Name Journal. Father Smith carries with him to his new field of labor the best wishes of the novices.

The Very Rev. Stanislaus Olsen, O. P., S. T. Lr., Prior of Holy Rosary Convent, Portland, Ore., on October 27 delightfully entertained the members of Lacordaire Council 429 K. of C. with an account of his recent European trip. Father Olsen who is an ardent worker among Catholic laymen has done much towards establishing the Holy Name Confraternity in the Northwest.

At a recent meeting of the parishioners of St. Dominic's parish, San Francisco, Cal., plans were set on foot for the erection of a splendid new church to replace the structure destroyed in 1906. The present temporary building of wood is becoming all inadequate for the growing needs of the parish. At the meeting over \$33,000 was subscribed, and it is hoped that the amount will reach the \$100,000 mark before Christmas. The Very Rev. Stephen Rice, O. P., S. T. Lr., is Prior of St. Dominic's.