ST. JOSEPH’S PROVINCE

The Fathers and Brothers of Saint Joseph’s Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Very Rev. W. A. Marchant on the death of his mother; to the Rev. R. S. McGonagle, Rev. G. B. Stratemeier, and Brother Antoninus Ryan on the death of their fathers; and to the Rev. E. J. Donovan on the death of his brother.

Recently, in a letter from Monsieur Albert Lebrun, President of France, the Rev. F. G. Level, now a member of the faculty of Providence College, was notified that he was to become a Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor. President Lebrun personally made the selection. Père Level, before the outbreak of the War, taught French in Cuba for fourteen years. After the War, in which he served in the ranks, Père Level came to the United States and resumed his teaching office, conducting French courses first at Aquinas College and later at Providence College. The Cross of the Legion was bestowed upon Père Level in a presentation ceremony held early in December in the main auditorium of Providence College.

Two gold medals have been presented in Peru to the Rev. F. N. Georges, professor at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. One was bestowed by the Mayor of Lima and the other by the Caballeros de Fray Martin de Porres. In the procession which took place in Lima in honor of the Centennial Anniversary of the beatification of Blessed Martin, Father Georges carried the relic of the Beatus.

The Very Rev. J. A. McHugh and the Very Rev. C. J. Callan attended the Convention of the Catholic Biblical Association of America, held in conjunction with the meeting of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine at Saint Louis, October 9-12. There were present at the Convention the Apostolic Delegate, nine Archbishops, and thirty-three Bishops, besides hundreds of priests and nuns, and many thousands of lay representatives from coast to coast. Father Callan read a paper before the Catholic Biblical Association on Father Spencer’s translation of the New Testament from the Greek, which had just then appeared in print for the first time. In his paper Father Callan gave first a brief account of the life, character and work of Father Spencer, and then described to his distinguished audience the nature and scope of this new, monumental work. A review of Father Spencer’s The New Testament appears in the Friars’ Bookshelf in this issue of DOMINICANA.


The solemn novena in honor of Blessed Martin, October 27-November 4, was conducted by the Directors of the Blessed Martin Guild at the Blue Chapel of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City, N. J.
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The inauguration of public devotion to Blessed Martin de Porres was held October 24 at Saint Mark's Church, Harlem, New York City. This church for the colored people is under the care of the Holy Ghost Fathers. The Rev. J. C. Kearns conducted a triduum in honor of Blessed Martin at Saint Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, November 3-5.

The Rev. E. L. Hughes conducted an eight-day retreat for the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary at Camp's Hill, Penna., and also for the Dominican Sisters at the Blue Chapel, Union City, N. J.

The Rev. R. E. Vahey conducted a three-day retreat at the Mary Immaculate Convent, Eagle Park, New York.

A solemn Centennial triduum, November 3-5, was conducted by the Rev. H. A. Kelly, associate Director of the Third Order, at the Church of Saint Pius, Chicago. On November 7 at the same church, a Centennial Celebration was held in honor of the Beatus. The Most Rev. E. J. McGuinness, D.D., Bishop-elect of Raleigh, N. C., presided, assisted by the Very Rev. Provincial, T. S. McDermott. The Rev. E. L. Hughes, Director of the Blessed Martin Guild, delivered the sermon.

On the feastday of Blessed Martin, November 5, a solemn celebration was held at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. The Rev. E. L. Hughes preached the sermon before a large number of Dominican nuns and tertiaries.

Catholic Thought Association

The Catholic Thought Association, whose aim is to interest laymen in serious study of Catholic philosophy and theology, is offering this year six courses of lectures. All the New York lectures are held at the National Headquarters of the Association, 34 East 61st Street; the evening lectures begin at 8:30 p. m., and the Sunday afternoon lectures at 4:00.

The first course of twenty lectures “The Fullness of Life” is being given on Friday nights by the Rev. R. W. Farrell, professor of Moral Theology at the House of Studies, Washington. The lectures deal with the theological and moral virtues.

The second course of ten lectures is given on Tuesday evenings by the Rev. J. C. Kearney, professor of Dogmatic Theology at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C. The course, entitled “Art of Thinking,” is a popular presentation of Scholastic Logic.

The Rev. V. C. Donovan, National Director of the Association, is giving three courses of ten lectures each. The course entitled “Catholic Belief—The Foundation of Life,” is given on Wednesday nights and aims to present a popular treatment of fundamental questions arising from the Apostles' Creed. Another course on the Liturgy, entitled “Living With The Church,” is given on Sunday afternoons. The third course, on Thursday nights, entitled “The Law of Life,” considers the Decalogue, conformity to which makes life orderly, beautiful and happy.

Because of requests from members of the legal profession, a series of ten lectures is being offered on “Canon Law.” These are by the Rev. P. A. Skehan, professor of Canon Law at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., and are presented on Monday nights.

In addition to the lectures in New York there will be two courses in Washington given by the Rev. Fathers R. W. Farrell and J. M. Egan; one in Baltimore by the Rev. R. J. Slavin. The courses at the Universities of Wisconsin and Minnesota will be conducted by the Rev. G. C. Reilly.

The Chicago Chapter of the Catholic Thought Association is sponsoring a series of lectures to be delivered by the Rev. J. J. McLarney and the Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien in the Library of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill.
Among the visitors to the House of Studies, Washington, were the Very Rev. J. L. Callahan, Provincial of the Holy Name Province, and the Very Rev. R. D. Goggins, Commissary General and Visitor to the provinces of Argentine and Chile.

On November 1, Warden Woodward of the Ohio State Penitentiary, Judge J. S. McGonagle and Mr. Bert Scallan of New Lexington, Ohio, were guests of the Priory of Saint Joseph, Somerset, Ohio.

Arnold Lunn, well-known English author and lecturer, addressed the students of the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., on current conditions in Spain as he observed them during his recent visit to that country.

The following Fathers have been added to the faculty of the House of Studies in Washington: Rev. J. M. Egan, professor of Dogmatic Theology; Rev. T. A. Joyce, professor of Moral Theology; Rev. P. A. Skehan, professor of Canon Law.

The Rev. J. S. Considine has been assigned to the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill., and the Rev. R. G. Ferris to Saint Joseph’s Priory, Somerset, Ohio.


The students of Saint Joseph’s Priory sang at the Solemn High Mass on the occasion of the Golden Wedding Anniversary of the parents of the Rev. F. A. Gordon; Rev. C. A. Drexelius, Master of Students, delivered the sermon.

The community retreat at Saint Joseph’s Priory was conducted by the Rev. Justin McManus; at the House of Studies in Washington by the Rev. J. H. Foster; and at the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill., by the Rev. D. A. Wynn.

The Rev. J. J. Welsh preached the sermon at the Military Mass on the occasion of the initial appearance of Saint Dominic’s Friar Cadets at Saint Dominic’s Church, Youngstown, Ohio.

The Rev. H. J. Schroeder has been appointed Sub-prior of the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill.


At the invitation of the Right Rev. Msgr. Thomas V. Shannon, a course in the Ethics of Aristotle is being conducted by the Rev. A. M. Driscoll at the auditorium of the Church of Saint Thomas the Apostle, Chicago. The lectures are attended by members of the student body and faculty of the University of Chicago.

Rev. J. S. Considine is preparing a series of lectures on “The Origin of Religion” to be delivered to a select group at the University of Wisconsin.

The Rev. J. I. Bailey is conducting the monthly forum of the Women’s League in Chicago. Father Bailey is also conducting courses on the philo-
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Sophy of Religion for the adult study club at Rosary College, River Forest, Illinois.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney addressed the Kappa Gamma Pi, a sorority of Catholic colleges on "Church and State," at Fenwick auditorium, Oak Park, Ill., and also conducted a retreat at Saint Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, Yonkers, New York.

About twenty members of the Calvert Club of the University of Chicago gathered early in the Fall at Mrs. Frank Lillie's estate near Wheeling, Ill., for a liturgical retreat. The horarium included the recitation of the Divine Office, Round Table discussions, and several short conferences on the spiritual life by the Rev. T. H. Sparks.

The Rev. W. A. Fincel, of the Fenwick faculty, has been appointed principal of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill.

The Rev. F. J. Baezler has been named pastor of Saint Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio.

The Rev. B. B. Myers preached the annual students' retreat at Trinity High School, River Forest, Ill.

The Rev. L. E. Nugent, H. C. Graham, J. A. Murtaugh and C. A. Carosella, in addition to their duties at Fenwick High School, are teaching classes in philosophy at De Paul University, Chicago.

At the annual Illinois State Educational Convention, held at the University of Illinois, November 4-6, Fenwick High School was represented by the Rev. W. A. Fincel, B. B. Myers, E. A. McDermott, R. I. Tucker, G. G. Conway, W. A. Sullivan, and J. A. Simones.

The second meeting of the National Catholic Theatre Conference, under the chairmanship of the Rev. J. J. McLarney, was held at the Blackfriar Institute of Dramatic Arts, Catholic University of America, last August. At the general session on August 7, the Right Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Corrigan, Rector of the University, delivered an address of welcome to the delegates, and the Right Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen, gave the keynote address. On August 8, Solemn High Mass, according to the Dominican rite, was celebrated in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception; the Most Rev. John M. McNamara, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore, presided. At the session which followed the Rev. Urban Nagle, Director of the Blackfriars' Guild, and the Rev. T. F. Carey, instructor in Psychology at the University, were the speakers.

Among the new officers of the Catholic Theatre Conference are: Rev. T. F. Carey, Secretary; Rev. Urban Nagle, member of the Executive committee; Rev. G. V. Hartke, Chairman of the Little Theatre Committee.

On October 24, Mr. Leon E. Dostert, of Georgetown University, addressed the members of the Blackfriars' Guild. His topic was "Henri Gheon and the Catholic Drama in France." The lecture was followed by a presentation of Henri Gheon's one-act play, Old Wang.

Lenox Robinson's latest Irish comedy, The Far-Off Hills, was presented by the Blackfriars on October 31 under the direction of Mr. Dennis Connell of Dublin.

The Rev. G. V. Hartke, head of the Department of Drama at the Catholic University, was the director of the second production of the season on December 12: Aurania Rouverol's Growin' Pains, a play concerning a group of "normal (and therefore insane) youngsters."

A Solemn Novena in honor of Saint Joseph in preparation for the Feast of the Holy Rosary was held at Saint Joseph's Church, Somerset, Ohio, beginning September 25. The Fathers of Saint Joseph's Priory preached the Novena sermons.

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The Rev. E. L. Hughes conducted a one-day retreat for the Dominican Colored Tertiaries of Harlem, New York City, at Saint Mary's Convent October 10 and a three-day retreat for Dominican Tertiaries of the Saint Vincent Ferrer Chapter, New York City, at Mary Immaculate Convent, Eagle Park, New York.

A regional meeting for the Tertiaries in the vicinity of Chicago was held November 7 at Saint Pius Church in Chicago.

A Solemn Novena, October 20-28, in honor of Saint Jude, was conducted by the Rev. H. H. Welsh and the Rev. M. J. Eckert at the Shrine of Saint Jude, Saint Pius Church, Chicago.

About three thousand faithful attended the Solemn Rosary Services and Procession on Rosary Sunday at Saint Pius Church. The Very Rev. Provincial, T. S. McDermott, delivered the sermon and blessed the shrine dedicated to Blessed Martin de Porres.

Brother Vincent Martin made profession of Solemn Vows on August 30; Brother Robert Auth made his Solemn Profession on October 15. Both ceremonies took place at the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill. Among the Laybrothers, Brother Philip O'Daniel made simple profession on October 2 and Brother Simon Foss received the habit on November 3.

Two Novices, Brothers Dominic Caranza and Joseph Gonzales, arrived from South America with the Very Rev. R. D. Goggins to continue their philosophical studies at River Forest. They are members of the Argentinian Province.


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**In Other Lands**

On September 24, the Most Rev. Master General, M. S. Gillet, sailed from Naples to make a visitation of the Dominican missions in the Far East. His itinerary will include Indo-China, the Philippines, and, if the present war does not make it impossible, the Vicariates of Amoy and Foochow in China and the missions of the American, German, and Spanish Dominicans in Fukien. He will travel then to Japan and sail from Tokyo to San Francisco; his journey through the United States will bring him to New Orleans and New York, where he will embark for Rome.

The Catholic weekly, *Sept*, which was published in Paris by the Dominicans, ceased its publication due to financial difficulties. The weekly had a wide influence in the intellectual circles. Among its brilliant contributors was Francois Mauriac, the author of *The Life of Jesus*.

With the approval of the Japanese Foreign Office, the Rev. Juan Calvo, a Dominican, formerly a missionary in Japan, has prepared and published a new Spanish-Japanese dictionary. Father Calvo is now stationed in the Philippines where he holds a professorship in the School of Theology at the University of Santo Tomas, Manila.

Last summer at a meeting of Catholic professors at Trencim, Czechoslovakia, the Rev. S. Braito, O.P., of Prague, announced that the yet uncompleted Czech translation of the *Summa Theologica* of Saint Thomas Aquinas has twenty three hundred subscriptions, while the proposed edition of the *Postilla* of John Huss has been suspended because only fifty persons interested in the book subscribed.

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**St. Mary of the Springs, East Columbus, Ohio**

As a contribution to Catholic Action, a series of lectures has been inaugurated for the present scholastic year in the Little Theatre of Erskine Hall. The list of speakers includes Richard Reid, winner of the Laetare Medal of 1936; Frank Murphy, Governor of Michigan; the Very Rev. J. W. Mcguire, C.S.V., sociologist and noted authority in the field of economics; the Rev. Daniel Lord, S.J., author and lecturer; and Frank J. Sheed, author and publisher of the firm of Sheed and Ward. An open forum will follow each lecture.

**Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn.**

On September 29, the Mass for the opening of the school year was celebrated by the Rev. J. J. Kennedy, O.P., who succeeded Father Joyce as Professor of Philosophy. Other additions to the faculty are Sister Angelita, Dean, and Sister Vincentia in the English department.

Sister Anacletus and Sister Angelita attended the regional conference of the Association of American Colleges at Vassar College on October 22-23. Members of the faculty and representatives of the Social Science Club attended an executive meeting of the New England division of the Association for International Peace at Providence, R. I., on November 7.

The Rev. Urban Nagle, O.P., of Providence College, addressed the Dramatic Club on November 11. He explained the Blackfriars movement and organized a unit at Albertus Magnus.

**St. Catharine’s Motherhouse, St. Catharine, Ky.**

In September a class of twelve postulants was received into the community. Sister M. Ambrose Delpen and Sister Louise Robertson will cele-
brate the golden jubilee of their religious profession at the motherhouse during the month of January.

**Mt. St. Mary, Newburgh, N. Y.**

Sister Mary Marcella Ahern died on September 20 in the forty-fourth year of her religious profession, and on September 30, Mother Mary Amanda departed this life in the sixty-third year of her religious profession. May they rest in peace!

On Columbus Day, the Most Rev. Stephen Donahue, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of New York, blessed the community cemetery in the presence of a distinguished gathering of clergy and friends. His Excellency officiated at Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the Bishop Dunn Memorial and then imparted to the community the special blessing of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI.

The fourth anniversary of the death of the Most Rev. John J. Dunn, D.D., former Ecclesiastical Superior of the community, was observed at the motherhouse with a Solemn Requiem High Mass on August 31.

The Most Rev. James Kearney, D.D., former Bishop of Salt Lake City, visited the Mount on November 3-4, en route to his installation as Bishop of Rochester on November 11.

**St. Cecilia Academy, Nashville, Tenn.**

The spiritual bouquet prepared by Sister Mary Luke and presented by the Diocese of Nashville to the Holy Father on the occasion of the centennial celebration of the diocese on October 4-5, received favorable comment from the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, D.D., Apostolic Delegate. The students of the academy played an important part in the historical pageant commemorating the growth of the diocese.

The Overbrook School, a select kindergarten and elementary school conducted by the Sisters in West Nashville, was named "Banner" school of the city, in a recent contest conducted by the Children's Theater.


**Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Ill.**

Twenty-five delegates from schools in Sangamon and Peoria Counties attended the Third Cathechetical Congress held in St. Louis, Mo., October 9-12.

Sixty Sisters attended a Pontifical High Mass at the new State Armory on October 24, commemorating the hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the Catholic Church in Illinois.

On October 30, seven postulants were received into the community.

**Dominican Convent, Tacoma, Wash.**

Sister Mary Jane and Sister Mary Reginald pronounced their final vows in the Convent Chapel on October 25. Rev. Father Brennan presided as the delegate of His Excellency, the Bishop of Seattle.
On October 23, the community received from the Very Rev. Louis Nolan, O.P., of Rome, a copy of the Constitutions in Latin. It contained the Decree of Praise which our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI recently granted to the Congregation.

**Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, N. Y.**

On the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, nine postulants received the habit of St. Dominic, three novices pronounced their first vows, a number of Sisters renewed their vows and three made their final profession. The Rev. Edward Koch, C.SS.R., who conducted the retreat, presided at the ceremony and preached the sermon. A large number of clergy, relatives and friends were present.

**Mt. St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J.**

The conference for the month was delivered by the Very Rev. J. L. Heagen, O.P., on October 21 at the motherhouse. The Rev. W. J. Scanlon, O.P., gave the annual retreat to the academy students November 1-4.

**St. Catherine's Convent, Fall River, Mass.**

In July, Sister Francois d'Assise, Sister Ann Mildred, Sister Patricia Cecile and Sister Rita Teresa were vested with the habit of St. Dominic. The Rev. Albertus St. Pierre, O.P., preached the preparatory retreat.

The Alumnae Association has recently joined the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.

**Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kan.**

At the General Chapter which convened August 13 under the presidency of the Most Rev. Augustus Schwertner, D.D., Bishop of Wichita, Mother M. Inviolata was reelected Mother General. His Excellency also paid a visit to the community September 5-8.

The Sisters opened a new parochial school at Chase, Kansas, which was dedicated on September 8.

At the Twentieth Annual Hospital Standardization Conference recently held at Chicago, St. Rose Hospital was given an "approved" rating. The capacity for the institution was placed at one hundred and six. St. Catherine's Hospital at Garden City, having a capacity of fifty, was also placed on the approved list.

Doctors' Day was observed at St. Rose Hospital on the feast of St. Luke. The Rev. T. J. Smith, O.P., offered a High Mass for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the doctors. In the evening a banquet was tendered to the medical staff.

**Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas**

After fifty years of devoted service in the religious life, Mother Mary Catherine Kenney, former Prioress General, was called to her reward on October 12. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. E. A. Kelly, V.G., P.A., sang the Solemn High Mass on October 14 and the Most Rev. Christopher Byrne, D.D., Bishop of Galveston, preached the eulogy and gave the final absolution in the presence of hundreds of friends of Mother M. Catherine who came to pay a last tribute. May she rest in peace!

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception, three postulants were clothed in the habit, and on the same day Sister M. Helen Roessler and Sister M. Philip Angenend celebrated the Silver Jubilee of their religious profession.

Sister M. Veronica and Sister Perpetua attended the N.C.C.W. Convention at Waco, Texas, where Sister Perpetua read a paper on "Vocations" at the Youth Sessions.
Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic, Maryknoll, N. Y.

Seven years ago, the Maryknoll Sisters started a day-school in Dairen, Manchuria, particularly for the children of foreign residents. The school, now affiliated with the Catholic University of America, numbers over a hundred and fifty pupils of eleven different nationalities, the majority of whom are from destitute Russian families. A number of conversions have taken place, while through social service work among these exiles the Sisters have saved many from Communism and unbelief.

Corpus Christi Monastery, Menlo Park, Calif.

On October 1, Mother Mary Agnes of Saint Dominic passed to her eternal reward. The Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated on October 4 by the Rev. Thomas J. Brennan, Archdiocesan Director of the community. Many religious and clergy were present. A few days later, His Excellency, the Most Rev. John J. Mitty, D.D., Archbishop of San Francisco, celebrated a Mass of Requiem in the Monastery chapel for the repose of her soul. The community sustained a great loss in her untimely death.

Two weeks later, Sister Mary Rose departed this life in the seventy-seventh year of her age and the forty-eighth year of her religious profession. Both Mother Prioress and Sister Mary Rose came from the Monastery at Hunt's Point, N. Y., when the foundation was made in Menlo Park in 1921. May they rest in peace!

On September 8, Sister Mary Vincent and Sister Mary Virginia made their solemn Profession as lay Sisters into the hands of Mother Mary Agnes. This was the last ceremony at which she presided. On October 28, Sister Mary Raphael was solemnly professed as a lay Sister.

On August 13, a white marble statue of Our Lady of Pellevoisin was installed in the outer garden of the Monastery. Several very remarkable cures have been effected through the use of the scapular of Our Lady of Pellevoisin distributed from Menlo Park. The statue was a gift from Messrs. Dooney of New York in memory of their sister.

Convent of Saint Dominic, Blauvelt, N. Y.

On October 29, Sister Miriam Camillus, Joseph Denise and Catherine Veronica pronounced their first vows. The Rev. Martin Killian, O.P., officiated at the reception ceremony on the same day, after which the Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, D.D., Ecclesiastical Superior of the Sisters, gave Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

All the convents of the Congregation took part in the Novena in preparation for the feast of Blessed Martin de Porres, November 5.

The Most Rev. Thomas A. Emmet, S.J., D.D., Vicar-Apostolic of Jamaica, visited the motherhouse on September 19 and celebrated the community Mass the next morning.

Mission San Jose, Calif.

Mother Bernardina who was recently elected Prioress-General of the Congregation is making the visitation of the houses under her jurisdiction.

On October 24, Mother Seraphina, former Prioress-General, Mother Amanda and Sister Augustina, were guests of honor at a home-coming celebration held by the members of the alumni of Sacred Heart School, Los Angeles, Calif.

After officiating at Confirmation in the Mission San Jose parish church, the Most Rev. John J. Mitty, D.D., Archbishop of San Francisco, paid a visit to the motherhouse.
Dominican Monastery, Catonsville, Md.

The Rosary Sunday devotions were conducted at the open air Shrine of Our Lady. The Rev. John D. Kearney, O.P., preached and blessed the roses. The choir was composed of men from the various city churches and the services concluded with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Saint James Boys' Fife and Drum Corps, under the direction of Brother John, formed a guard of honor for the Blessed Sacrament.

A Solemn Novena was held in preparation for the feast of Christ the King. The Novena closed with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the feast day.

The Rev. Justin McManus, O.P., preached the community retreat from November 29 to December 8.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City, N. J.

On August 31, Mother Margaret Mary of the Sacred Heart was called to her eternal reward, in the thirty-fourth year of her religious profession, she had governed the community as Prioress from 1925 to 1928.

A reception ceremony took place in the Chapel on Nov. 21, at the closing of the annual retreat. The young ladies who received the habit were, Miss Estelle Isbell, Miss Carmela Acinapura and Miss Constance Mary Rowe. The Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., S.T.Lr., was the preacher on this occasion.