
On Tuesday morning, December 7, the Golden Cross of the Legion of Honor of France was presented to the Rev. F. G. Level at Providence College, Providence, R. I., by M. Jacques Lepoutre, K.S.G., acting as the personal representative of the President of France. This decoration is the highest the French Government can bestow. The speakers on this occasion included the Rev. J. J. Dillon, President of the College, Mr. J. Howard McGrath, United States District Attorney, who represented the Federal Government, Hon. Robert E. Quinn, Governor of Rhode Island, and Mayor James E. Dunne of Providence.

The Rev. Fathers C. J. Callan and J. A. McHugh, attended a meeting of the Editorial Board of the Catholic Biblical Association of America, which was held at the Sulpician Seminary, Washington, D. C., January 22-24. The Most Rev. Edwin V. O'Hara, D.D., Bishop of Great Falls, Mont., presided at the meetings. The report disclosed that practically all the preliminary work on the revision of the Douay New Testament has been completed and the work is now in the hands of the editors. The Gospel according to St. John, is to be printed first, not for general circulation, but to test the reaction of critics as a guide for the rest of the work. It was also decided that the members should convene again after Easter for the purpose of allotting the books of the Old Testament for revision to scholars in this country and the British Isles.


On January 14, Mr. Thomas Cullem, a member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, addressed the Students of the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill.

The Rev. E. R. Brennan of Providence College spoke to the Students of the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., concerning increased public interest in the works of St. Thomas Aquinas, on December 19.
A series of lectures will be conducted at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City beginning February 20. The lectures, six in all, will deal with the Encyclicals of the Popes and will be conducted by the Professors of Providence College. The series is being sponsored by the Women's Chapter of the Third Order in St. Vincent Ferrer's Church.

The Rev. J. A. Driscoll has been appointed Director of the Third Order Chapter at St. Thomas Church, Chicago, Ill., and the Rev. J. S. Considine, Director of the Third Order Chapter in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Rev. J. B. Affleck has been appointed pastor of Saint Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I.

The first solemn novena of the year was held at St. Pius, Church, Chicago, Ill., beginning January 24. The Very Rev. W. R. Burke, Vicar-Provincial of St. Albert's Vicariate, and the Very Rev. W. R. Lawler were the preachers.

On Sunday, January 10, the Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, spoke to the Holy Name Societies of the country over the nationwide hookup of the Columbia Broadcasting System on "The Holy Name Society."

The Rev. Ignatius Smith, dean of the School of Philosophy at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., was elected president of the American Catholic Philosophical Association at the closing of the Association's thirteenth annual meeting in New York City.

The Rev. F. J. Barth, formerly of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., has been appointed Secretary to the Very Rev. Father Provincial to succeed the Very Rev. J. A. Nowlen, who is now Prior of St. Vincent Ferrer's in New York City.

At the annual observance of the Church Unity Octave held in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., the Rev. L. M. O'Leary delivered a sermon on "The Conversion of the Jews," January 24.

The Rev. L. C. McCarthy, professor of Philosophy at the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill., is serving on the Convocation Committee of the Medieval Academy of America.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney, Professor of Philosophy at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., delivered the address to the Graduates of De Paul University, Chicago, Ill., at the Mid-Year Convocation, held on February 4.

The Rev. D. G. O'Connor, Chaplain at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., spoke at the Annual Convocation of the American Legion.

As part of the new educational program instituted at Saint John's College, Annapolis, Md., a series of theological lectures is being offered to the faculty during February and March. Doctor Scott Buchanan, dean of the College, invited the following Fathers from the House of Studies in Washington to deliver lectures based on the Summa Theologica of Saint Thomas: Rev. R. W. Farrell, "Law;" J. M. Egan, "Grace;" R. J. Slavin, "The Trinity" and "The Incarnation."

The annual meeting of the New England Catholic Student Peace Confederation was held at Providence College, February 26. The Rev. P. P. Reilly, of the Providence College faculty, national Vice President of the Confederation, was the celebrant of the Solemn High Mass which opened the meeting. The Rev. R. J. Slavin spoke to the group on "Saint Thomas and Peace."
The Rev. J. J. Welsh, of Saint Joseph's Priory, preached at the Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated at Saint Francis de Sales Church, Newark, Ohio, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of that church.

The Very Rev. P. R. O'Brien was re-elected Prior of the House of Studies at River Forest, Ill., on December 28.

Missions and Retreat Bands

A resumé of the activities of the Mission and Retreat Bands will be given in the next issue of the Cloister Chronicle.

In Our Schools

Speaking before a gathering of over one hundred business men representing the entire State of Rhode Island, the Rev. J. J. Dillon, President of Providence College, inaugurated recently a campaign for the purpose of raising funds for constructing additional buildings at the College.

The Rev. E. C. Meehan of the Department of Business Administration at Providence College has been named by Gov. Robert E. Quinn of Rhode Island to serve on the State Commission to determine maximum hours and minimum wages.

Since his assignment to Providence College, the Rev. T. M. McGlynn has devoted his time to sculpture. His latest work is a representation of Christ as a young man at work in the carpenter shop; in striking contrast to the more familiar figure, the Saviour is portrayed as a stalwart youth in full and virile possession of a perfect, robust body. Father McGlynn is now contemplating the creation of a life size statue of St. Thomas Aquinas for the campus.

The Rev. E. C. LaMore and the Rev. G. Q. Friel were present as Catholic representatives at the Intercollegiate Religious Conference held recently at Brown University, Providence, R. I.

On March 7, Fenwick High School of Oak Park, Ill., held its annual celebration in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas. All Catholic high schools in the Chicago area participated. The Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, presided.

February 22, Fenwick High School was host to Cisca, the Chicago Inter-Student Catholic Action, which is the official religious association of the high schools, colleges and universities of the Chicago Archdiocese.

Catholic Thought Association

The Chicago Chapter of the Catholic Thought Association is sponsoring the Third Annual Winter Lecture Series on Psychology to be given by the Rev. L. A. Arnoult and the Rev. J. J. McLarney in the Library of Fenwick High School, January 21-April 8. These lectures have been arranged by Mr. Homer J. Buckley and the Committee.

Six lectures by the Rev. R. J. Slavin, delivered at the Cadoa in Baltimore, will be concluded on March 22. The series was conducted under the auspices of the Maryland Chapter, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, by arrangement with the Catholic Thought Association.

The Philippines

Last November, the Most Rev. Master General, M. S. Gillet, received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, honoris causa, at the University of Santo Tomás, Manila, oldest institution of higher learning under the American flag. The investiture was attended by hundreds of alumni, faculty members, students of the University and notable Manilans: The Rev. E. Jordan, O.P., the acting dean of the faculty of Philosophy and Letters, made the address of
petition, which was followed by the speech of the Very Rev. Silvestre Sancho, O.P., Rector Magnificus of the University. After the investiture the Master General delivered an address in French. Later a banquet was given in honor of Father Gillet by the French Colony. The banquet was attended by the Most Rev. Michael J. O'Doherty, Archbishop of Manila, M. C. Willoquet, French Consul in the Philippines, and other high dignitaries. M. Willoquet said that Father Gillet, "has in all phases of his activities displayed the eminent qualities which led him to the pinnacle of the Dominican Order. This brilliant elevation is for France a subject of legitimate pride." The Master General will be the guest of the Province of St. Joseph during the early part of this year.

Belgium

The Rev. Finn Thorn, Norway's first Dominican priest since the Reformation, is finishing his Theological studies at Saulchoir, Belgium, in preparation for missionary work in his native country.

Peru

The Most Rev. Saba Sarasola, D.D., the Dominican Vicar Apostolic of Urubamba, has officially confirmed the report that the Rev. José Arnaldo, a Dominican missionary, was martyred by the savage Inapari tribe of Indians, whom he had been trying to convert to the Faith. Part of his body was found in the Madre de Dios River. Father Arnaldo began his missionary labors among the Indians of the Vicariate in 1932.

England

Last December the Fathers of the English Province established a residence in Cambridge where the Dominicans founded their first house in 1238. The original was suppressed during the Reformation in 1538. The new convent will accommodate six religious and is dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

St. Catharine Academy, St. Catharine, Ky.

Sister M. Reginald Murphy, a native of Ireland, departed this life on December 27 in the fifty-first year of her religious profession. Forty-five years of her life were devoted to teaching in the various parts of the country. May she rest in peace!

The Rev. B. C. Murray, O.P., has replaced the Rev. E. C. Andres, O.P., as chaplain.

Sister Catherine Francis Galvin was recently awarded the Doctorate in Philosophy by the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and has been assigned to St. Agnes College, Memphis, Tenn. Six other Sisters are still in attendance at the University.

St. Mary of the Springs College, Columbus, Ohio

A series of plays, planned and staged in conformity with the principles of the Catholic Theatre Conference, are being presented during this scholastic year. It is hoped that, by a discriminating selection of plays carefully produced, the college will thereby contribute considerably to Catholic Action in the field of dramatic entertainment.

Sister M. Cyprian Fallon was called to her eternal reward on February 2 in the thirty-fourth year of her religious profession. May she rest in peace!
Convent of St. Dominic, Blauvelt, N. Y.

Sisters Boniface, Gregory, Raphael, Michael, Aquinas, Camilla and Agatha commemorated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their religious profession on the feast of the Holy Innocents. A solemn high Mass was sung for the occasion at which a number of the clergy were present.

On December 13, Sister Theresa Carmel Brogan died in the fifteenth year of her religious profession. On January 29, Sister M. Pascal Sipolt departed this life in the twenty-fifth year of her religious profession. May they rest in peace!

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

The Most Rev. Paul Yu Pin, D.D., Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, China, addressed the community, January 16, on the work and obstacles that confront him in his war-torn vicariate. The following day, after offering the community Mass, the Bishop delivered an informal lecture to the students in their assembly.

Mother Mary de Lourdes and Sister M. de Chantal attended the episcopal consecration of the Most Rev. Eugene McGuinness, D.D., in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia, on December 21. In January, Sister Jean Marie accompanied Mother M. de Lourdes to the installation of Bishop McGuinness as the second Bishop of Raleigh.

In December, the Very Rev. J. Fernandez, O.P., Provincial of the Dominicans in Spain, addressed the Sisters and the students of the academy on the lamentable conditions in Spain and asked for prayers for his suffering land.

Sister Francis de Sales Italiano passed to her eternal reward on December 23 in the twelfth year of her religious profession. May she rest in peace!

St. Cecilia Academy, Nashville, Tenn.

As a result of the success of the annual mission bazaar in December, the St. Cecilia Sodality was able to send one hundred dollars to the Bishop of Nashville for the Tennessee missions, and fifty dollars to the Rev. Edward Hughes, O.P., for the Dominican missions in China.

On March 6, two postulants received the habit, and on the following day Sister M. Ambrose Williams and Sister M. Philip Penny pronounced their first vows. The Most Rev. William Adrian, D.D., Bishop of Nashville, presided at both occasions.

Sister Miriam, General Supervisor of Schools for the congregation, attended the meeting of diocesan supervisors, held in Memphis, January 25 under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. George Flanigan, diocesan superintendent of schools.

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

The Blessed Martin Choral Group, composed of a mixed choir of colored Catholics, made its first appearance of the year on February 8 in the Blue Chapel. The Rev. J. C. Kearns, O.P., preached at the religious exercises.

Since the New Year, two postulants have entered the community.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

The Sisters and pupils of the academy, parochial school and Cathedral school attended the Pontifical Requiem Mass on January 21, the twentieth anniversary of the death of the Most Rev. N. A. Gallagher, D.D., former Bishop of Galveston.

On her feast day the students of the academy honored the prioress,
Sister Mary Agnes, by the presentation of an open air concert on the academy lawn.

The Most Rev. Christopher Byrne, D.D., Bishop of Galveston, attended the Chapter of the Dominican Alumnae on February 8 when the senior class of the academy were welcomed as new members.

Mother M. Angela, Prioress-General, accompanied by Sister M. Sebastian, Prioress of St. Agnes Academy, Houston, is making a visitation of the houses under her jurisdiction in California.

**Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic, Maryknoll, N. Y.**

On the feast of the Epiphany, sixteen postulants were clothed with the habit, seventeen novices pronounced their first vows and four Sisters made their final profession at the motherhouse. Four others made their final vows in each of the four scattered missions in Seattle, Hawaii, Manila and Hong Kong. Among the newly professed are Sister Marie Corazon, M.D., of Manila, a graduate of the Medical College of the University of the Philippines, and Sister Antonia Maria, M.D., of Stockbridge, Mass., a graduate of the Marquette College of Medicine.

The Most Rev. Martin S. Gillet, O.P., Master General of the Dominican Order, during his recent visitation in the Orient, paid a visit to the Maryknoll Sisers in Baguio, P. I., and bestowed upon them the blessing of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI.

**St. Catherine’s Hospital, Kenosha, Wis.**

The double ceremony of first and final profession took place on February 2 at the conclusion of a retreat preached by the Very Rev. Clement Thuente, O.P.

This year the entire congregation scattered in three continents will celebrate the hundreth anniversary of the birth of its foundress, Mother M. Theresa Catherine de Saldanha. The centennial commenced with a Solemn Pontifical Mass offered in Lisbon, Portugal, by Bishop Fortuoso, O.P. Archbishop John Vidal, who is writing the life of the foundress, preached the sermon.

**Congregation of St. Thomas Aquinas, Tacoma, Wash**

During the Christmas holidays, the Most Rev. Joseph McGrath, D.D., Bishop of Baker City, visited Marymount and celebrated Mass for the living and deceased members of the community.

A large number of religious gathered at the motherhouse on December 30 to honor Sister M. Ita and Sister M. Martina on the silver jubilee of their religious profession.

On January 29, representatives from the various parochial schools of the city met at Aquinas Academy to establish a local library unit which would standardize the grade school libraries and equip them with Catholic literature for boys and girls.

**Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.**

Among the recent guests of the community were the Most Rev. D. F. Desmond, D.D., Bishop of Alexandria, and the Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Provincial of the Dominicans.

The Rev. Leo Shea, O.P., has been added to the staff of St. Mary’s College and has been appointed the resident chaplain at the motherhouse.

Sister M. Michael has been named Associate Dean of the Department of Education, Loyola University, New Orleans; Sister M. Augustin is instructor of languages in the same institution.
The Most Rev. J. F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, presided
at the opening of the third annual session of the Diocesan Catechetical
School which was held at St. Mary's College.

In November, Dorothy Day, editor of The Catholic Worker addressed
the faculty and student body on "The Apostolate of the Laity" and " Hospi-
tality." In December, David Goldstein, the campaigner for Christ, and his
associate, Marius Riley, gave an open air talk on the campus.

The poem "Hail Christ our King," by Sister M. Moore, won second
prize in the contest sponsored by the archdiocese to determine the official
hymn of the Eighth National Eucharistic Congress to be held in New
Orleans, October, 1938.

January 11 marked the silver jubilee of religious profession for Sister
M. Bertrand Doyle.

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

The members of the philosophy class of the Queen of the Holy Rosary
College, under the direction of the Rev. P. K. Meagher, O.P., conducted a
seminar on November 13, the feast of the Patronage of St. Thomas. The
topic for discussion was the practical problem facing educators today:
"Religion, its Place in Modern Higher Education."

The professed novices presented a play to the community in the col-
lege auditorium on November 22 commemorating the fifteenth anniversary
of the final approbation of the Constitutions of the Congregation. The
play, written by one of the novices, was a review of the life of the found-
ress, Mother Pia.

The simple novices have received a packet of rose petals gathered in
the garden of Blessed Martin de Porres and sent by the Rev. Norbert
Georges, O.P., from Peru.

Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart,
Marywood, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Word has been received that Sister M. Bertrand LaLonde, head of the
department of Modern Languages at Catholic Junior College, Grand Rapids,
has been awarded a gold medal by the French Academy for her book
Maurice Barres, which was written as her dissertation for the degree of
doctor of philosophy, in the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, in 1935.

Seven postulants were vested in the habit and one novice was admitted
to profession on February 16. On March 10, one postulant was received
and six novices made their first profession.

On January 10, Sister M. Honorata Evans died in the forty-seventh
year of her age and the thirteenth year since her final profession. May
she rest in peace!

Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor, New York, N. Y.

On November 21, Sister M. Vincent, Sister M. Aquinas and Sister M.
Augustine celebrated the silver jubilee of their religious profession.

Miss Concetta Cappiello was clothed with the habit on the feast of
the Immaculate Conception, at the same time receiving the name of Sister
Mary Dolorata. The Rev. Eugene Wilson, O.P., presided at the ceremony.

Convent of St. Catherine, Racine, Wis.

Miss Helen C. White, authoress and professor of English at the Uni-
versity of Wisconsin, lectured on January 5 under the auspices of the
Catholic Rental Library, a branch of the Convent Library. On February
25, Dr. Mortimer Adler gave an address on "Christianity and Communism."
Dr. Paul Mundi, on March 18, lectured on “Our Changing Government.” Miss Ruth Fox is scheduled to give an address on April 29.

St. Albertus College, connected with the motherhouse, has recently sent to the press a book entitled “Saint Albertus Magnus,” a series of essays on St. Albert’s consecration of himself to God and his dedication of self to man.

The community recently received a first class relic of St. Augustine donated by the Rev. Francis Roth, O.S.A., and a like relic of St. Conrad of Parzham given by the Rev. Philip Steffes, O.M.Cap.

St. Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wis.

Sister Mary Catherine Wall, a noted artist, died on January 17 after a short illness in the forty-fifth year of her religious profession. Sister Mary Irenaea Nolan departed this life December 28, in the thirty-eighth year of her religious profession. May they rest in peace!

On the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, nineteen postulants received the habit and on the following day, sixteen novices made their temporary profession.

Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Ill.

At the conclusion of the retreat on January 3, three postulants were clothed with the habit, ten novices were admitted to temporary profession and eighteen Sisters pronounced their final vows.

Sister Marie, former Mother General, passed to her reward on January 26, after a long, exemplary religious life. The Most Rev. James A. Griffin, D.D., Bishop of Springfield, pontificated at the funeral services in the presence of a large number of clergy and religious gathered in the convent chapel.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J.

The regular monthly conference was delivered on February 3 by the Very Rev. J. L. Heagen, O.P.

On February 6 the Mt. St. Dominic Guild sponsored a debate between Seton Hall College and Irvington A.E.S. on the topic: “That the President’s plan for increasing our armaments be adopted.”