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Province of St. Joseph

By the ordination to the priesthood, chronicled in this department, the ranks of our staff have been greatly depleted and Dominicana has lost the faithful services of five members who for the past two years have spent themselves unreservedly in the task of building well the foundation of the novitiate quarterly.

That they have been eminently successful is attested by the high commendation lately received from the provincials of four provinces, not to speak of letters of praise and encouragement that have come to us from Fathers, Sisters and Tertiaries of the Old and New World provinces and from several of the foremost Catholic publishing houses in this country.

The splendid progress that has been made in the very infancy of Dominicana is in a very large measure due to their ceaseless labors to make this little instrument of literary perfection a representative Dominican publication. And we would certainly be remiss both in our gratitude and our appreciation of their painstaking toil, were we to neglect this opportunity of extending our sincere thanks for the aid they have rendered Dominicana.

Frs. Benedict Allen, Justin McManus, Theodore Finnegan, Humbert M. Palmer, Bartholomew Reilly, we offer you our most cordial felicitations on your reception of the sublime dignity of the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May the zeal and loyalty ever manifested in days of novitiate endeavor grip and inspire your years in the sacred ministry! May the blessing of God be ever with you and on your priestly labors!

We announce the following appointments to the staff vacancies: Rev. Bro. Bonaventure Neitzey, O. P., associate editor, to the editorship of “Within the Cloister”; Bro. Xavier Dolan, O. P., to be business manager, and Bro. Martin McDermott, O. P., to the editorship of “The Friar’s Book Shelf.”
Within the Cloister

We ask all members of the Dominican family to lend their earnest cooperation to the Editor of this department, which is a special feature of our quarterly. We want to give in each issue a comprehensive report of Dominican activities the world over, and as there are many interesting events which are not recorded in the newspapers, we shall be most grateful to any one who forwards to us items of Dominican interest coming to his notice.

Your assistance is also requested in the work of getting new subscribers. We have no agents and lean wholly on you for support.—[Ed.

The Province of St. Joseph has given to the Army eight commissioned and twelve volunteer chaplains, and to the Navy one, Lieutenant Beckley, O. P.

Fr. Stephen McDermott, until recently one of the faculty at the Immaculate Conception College, has been assigned to the aviation camp at Waco, Texas; Fr. Aquinas Byrnes, of Aquinas College, to the Coast Artillery, Portsmouth, N. H.; Fr. Raymond Bonniwell to Fort Meyer, Va.; Frs. Leo Cull and Gabriel Moore, to Linda Vista, Cal. The former is assigned to the One Hundred Fifty-eighth Infantry and the latter to the camp Base Hospital. Fr. Beckley, of the Marine Corps and Fr. Georges Carpentier are now in France.

Dominican Fathers from the House of Studies are caring for ten camps near Washington. The Marine Training Station at Quantico, is attended by Fr. Louis Pastorelli, O. P.; the camp at Belvoir, Va., by Fr. Bertrand Gorman, O. P.; Fort Washington, by Fr. Matthew Mulvey, O. P.; Washington Barracks, by Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald, O. P.; Potomac Park, by Fr. Louis Farrell, O. P.; Acotink, Va., by Fr. Fidelis Conlon, O. P.; Camp Humphries, Va., by Fr. Pius Johanssen, O. P.; and Walter Reed Hospital, by Fr. Bernard Farley, O. P.

Fr. Augustine Gaffney, O. P., has charge of the Columbus Barracks, Columbus, Ohio.

Lieutenant G. W. McIntyre, O. P., of the Regular Army, is chaplain at the Soldiers' Home, Johnson City, Tenn. The Home in Washington is attended by Frs. Leo Whalen, O. P., and Gregory Cummins, O. P.

Fr. E. A. Baxter, O. P., has passed his examination and is awaiting his commission.

The Rev. Henry Healy, O. P., head of the Eastern mission band, offered the services of the Fathers to the chaplain of the Fifty-second U. S. Infantry, in training at Camp Forest, Chickamagua Park, Tenn. The offer being gratefully accepted, Frs. Lawler and O'Hearn opened the mission Sunday, January 3rd. Fr. Healy later relieved Fr. Lawler, who left for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to open a mission for the soldiers stationed there. No small amount of inconvenience and hardship had to be undergone by the men in order to attend the exercises, yet despite this fact the number of confessions and of daily Communicants was surprisingly large. The entire mission was an unqualified success. When taking leave of the camp the missionaries were cheered to the echo by the men. Among those who attended were Brigadier-General Gordon, Lieutenant-Colonel Harvey, commanding officer of the Fifty-second U. S. Infantry; and Major Hunter, Captain Rigsby and Lieutenant Harrop of the English Army.
The following changes have recently been made by the V. Rev. R. Meagher, O. P., Provincial of the Eastern Province: Frs. Joseph O'Toole and Daniel Newman, upon completion of their studies at the University, have been assigned to Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio. Fr. Francis Fox also goes to Aquinas from St. Vincent's, N. Y. C. Fr. Jordan has been transferred from Aquinas College to Providence, where he is teaching at La Salle Academy. Fr. F. F. Feely, formerly of Most Holy Rosary Church, Minneapolis, Minn., has been appointed Procurator of the Province and has taken up his duties as secretary to the Provincial at St. Vincent's, N. Y. C. Frs. R. A. La Plante and John B. Kelly, formerly of Holy Rosary Church are now attached to St. Vincent's, N. Y. C.; their places at Houston are filled by Fr. E. J. Farmer, of St. Dominic's, Washington, D. C., and Fr. E. J. Cummings, formerly chaplain of the camp at Belvoir, Va. Fr. M. J. Kennedy, formerly subprior of St. Catherine of Sienna Convent, N. Y. C., has been transferred to St. Dominic's Church, Denver, Colo., to take the place of Fr. Raymond Bonniwell, who has been appointed a chaplain in the National Army. Fr. Thomas McAllister has been assigned to St. Dominic's, Washington, D. C. Fr. Leonard Phillips is now assigned to St. Vincent Ferrer's, N. Y. C.

The Dominican missionaries are continuing to give a practical demonstration of their patriotism by doing all in their power to make our boys true soldiers of Christ, that they may all the better defend home and country.

Fr. Francis B. Gorman, O. P., of the Dominican House of Studies, has been appointed K. of C. chaplain at Belvoir, Va. Fr. Gorman goes to his work full of zeal and enthusiasm for it, and this fact, combined with his genial personality, gives promise that he will be eminently successful with the men at Belvoir.

In response to an invitation from the Rt. Rev. Michael J. Curley, D. D., Bishop of St. Augustine, Fla., Frs. Cahill, Lawler, Logan and Maher opened a mission February 3rd at Camp Johnston, Jacksonville, Fla. As the K. of C. building was inadequate to accommodate the large number in attendance, the exercises were held in the open air. Yet notwithstanding this it was necessary to repeat each service. Over 7,000 boys made the mission. Fr. Cahill preached the opening sermon to a congregation of more than two thousand soldiers—all eager to hear the word of God and profit by it. Lieutenant-Colonel Munson gave orders that all Catholic soldiers be relieved of all duty while the mission exercises were going on—a favor appreciated both by missionaries and men. An unusually large number of confessions were heard, a remarkable proof of the faith of the boys. Fr. Logan gave the Papal blessing and Fr. Lawler closed the mission with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Other missions were given by the Fathers for the soldiers at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., to a stupendous gathering of 14,000 men, March 24-30; at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., April 8-13, to about 1,000 men, and at Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark., March 30 to April 5. Everywhere the Fathers were edified by the wonderful faith of the soldiers who are preparing themselves for the great fight for democracy.

At the annual Catholic service for the members of the police force of Brooklyn and Queens, held in St. Joseph's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., the Rev. J. H. Healy, O. P., delivered the sermon.
Several bishops throughout the country, among them the Cardinal Archbishop of New York, have ordered a novena in all the churches of their dioceses to St. Rose of Lima, the flower of sanctity of the New World and the first American saint.

The Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, O. P., the Universal Patron of all Catholic schools and universities, was kept with due solemnity at the Catholic University of America. The Solemn High Mass was celebrated by the V. Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., prior of the House of Studies, with Fr. Cyprian McDonnell, O. P., as deacon and Fr. Benedict Allen, O. P., as subdeacon. The sermon was preached by Dr. Wm. Kirby, D. D.

The annual ordination ceremonies took place in the chapel of the House of Studies on May 9, 10 and 11. The ordaining prelate was the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, S. T. D., Rector of the Catholic University, assisted by Fathers of our community. On May 9, tonsure and minor orders and on May 10, subdeacons, were conferred on: Rev. Bros. Charles Kelley, O. P., New York City, and Anthony O'Connell, O. P., Marinette, Wis., both of the Province of St. Joseph: also Bros. Andrew Pope, O. P., San Francisco, Cal., Albert Muller, East Oakland, Cal., and Aquinas McDonnell, O. P., Portland, Ore., of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus of the Pacific Coast.


The first Solemn Mass of Fr. V. Ferrer Kienberger, O. P., was sung at the Franciscan Monastery, Brookland, D. C., on Sunday, May 12. The ministers were: Rt. Msgr. C. F. Thomas, J. C. D., pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C., patrinus; Rev. Bernard McKenna, Catholic University, deacon, and V. Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., Regent of Studies of our community, subdeacon. The sermon was preached by V. Rev. Peter J. O'Callaghan, C. S. P., superior of the Apostolic Mission House, of this city.

We learn from Fr. M. J. Ripple, O. P., head of the Southern mission band, that recently missions were preached throughout the State of Florida, seven missionaries being employed for five weeks.

Other missions were conducted at St. Anthony's Church, New Orleans, by Frs. Cahill and Maher, March 10-24; at the Church of St. Francis de Sales, Newark, Ohio, by Frs. Ripple and Cahill; at St. Paul's Church, Florence, and St. Cecilia's Church, Independence, Ky., by Fr. J. L. Finnerty, April 4; also at Houston, Texas; Hammond, Ponchatoula, Kentwood and Amite, La.; Hot Springs, Ark.; Canton, Cleveland, Berea, Sandusky and Youngstown, Ohio, and Indianapolis, Ind.


A very touching tribute was paid the Rev. Fr. E. A. Baxter, O. P., at a reception tendered him by the parishioners of St. Louis Bertrand's Church upon his departure to take up his duties as chaplain in the National Army. St. Louis Bertrand's was Fr. Baxter's first mission and he endeared himself to the congregation by his indefatigable labors in their behalf. As a token of the esteem in which he is held the new chaplain was presented with a purse with which to purchase his outfit.

It was indeed fitting that on March 22, a service flag be raised by the philosophers of the House of Studies to honor the memory of their professor, the Rev. Fr. T. S. McDermott, O. P. An entertainment was also given at which several members of the class delivered touching addresses expressing their heartfelt gratitude to their revered teacher and deep feelings of regret at parting from him.

For two and one half years Fr. McDermott had been the professor of philosophy, and during that period by his untiring zeal had merited the love and esteem of every novice-pupil. Hence the parting was, as it truly seemed, a farewell to a brother. The Brothers, too, of whom Fr. McDermott was the valued counsellor while sub-novicemaster, join with the philosophers in extending heartiest congratulations to him. Long and zealously may he be permitted to labor in the cause of justice and of truth, leading many souls in the footsteps of Mary and Dominic to the Blessed Christ.

St. Rose Priory was recently honored by a visit from the Rt. Rev. Denis O'Donaghue, the Ordinary of the Louisville Diocese.

On the Sunday within the octave of the Feast of the Angelic Doctor, the children of St. Rose parish were enrolled in the Sodality of the Angelic Warfare. The Rev. Hyacinth Foster, O. P., is acting as Director.
The funeral services of Mrs. Catherine Scanlon, mother of Fr. Walter Scanlon, O. P., pastor of St. Peter’s Church, Memphis, Tenn., were held in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Waterbury, Conn. The Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Fr. Scanlon, with Fr. Joseph Heffernan, O. P., prior of St. Vincent Ferrer’s, N. Y. C., as deacon and Fr. Eugene Cryene as subdeacon. In the sanctuary were Frs. G. R. Scholz, O. P., of Philadelphia; J. A. Byrnes, O. P. and J. R. Caien, O. P., of New York.

We are indebted to the V. Rev. E. A. Langlais, O. P., S. T. Lr., Provincial of the Province of St. Dominic, Canada, for a collection of “La Revue Dominicaine” 1912-17 inclusive, for the novitiate library. “La Revue” is now on our exchange lists. All the information contained in this and other issues concerning the war activities of the French Dominicans has been kindly furnished us by Fr. Langlais. We are very thankful for his extreme kindness in supplying us with many items of interesting news, for the catalogus of his province and the collection of “La Revue.” We shall print in a subsequent issue an article on the foundation and work of the Canadian Province.

Before leaving Kentucky to assume the duties of chaplain in the U. S. Army, Fr. Antoninus Baxter, O. P., kindly sent a box of very useful books to the novitiate at Springfield. This is not the first time Fr. Baxter has shown his thoughtfulness towards the novices.

Through the kindness of the superiors of St. Rose Convent, the novices enjoyed an ever-to-be-remembered trip to the Cistercian Abbey of Gethsemani. The novices assisted at Solemn High Mass and Divine Office, after which they were permitted to visit the different parts of the Abbey. All were deeply edified by the piety and industry of the sons of St. Benedict. While en route, a visit was paid to the historic pro-cathedral of St. Joseph, at Bardstown, Ky.

Through the thoughtfulness of the Rev. T. L. Crowley, O. P., pastor of St. Patrick’s Church, Columbus, Ohio, the novices of St. Rose were the fortunate recipients of baseball paraphernalia. Fr. Crowley was formerly professor of rhetoric at Aquinas College and enjoys the reputation of being a versifier of no mean rank.

The V. Rev. Bede Jarret, O. P., Provincial of the English Dominicans, delivered the Lenten course of sermons in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, New York City. The distinguished and eloquent preacher is a worthy successor to Monsignor Hugh Benson and Fr. Maturin, who frequently occupied the pulpit of Our Lady of Lourdes. Fr. Jarret during his stay in this country lectured at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Elmhurst; to the Sisters of Charity at Mt. St. Vincent’s; at Manhattanville and to the Dominican Sisters at Hunts Point, N. Y., the theme of his lecture here being “Social Work of the Catholic Ladies in England.” On March 7 he lectured at Dunwoodie Seminary on the “Origin of Dominican Theology.” On March 30 he preached in the Cathedral of Baltimore. He is now on his way to the West Indies to visit the foreign missions under the care of the Fathers of his Province.

St. Dominic’s Church, Denver, Colo., was recently the scene of a patriotic celebration, when a service flag was blessed by the Rev. P. B. Doyle, O. P., pastor of the church. The Rev. J. M. Stanton, O. P., preached a splendid sermon on Catholic Patriotism on the occasion.
The Lenten course at the Sacred Heart Church, Washington, D. C., was delivered by Fr. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., prior of the House of Studies.

It has been announced by the War Department that the training camp, at San Juan, Porto Rico, for men called to the colors under the selective draft will be designated Camp Las Casas, in honor of Bartolome de Las Casas, the Spanish Dominican friar, famous defender of the Indians against their Spanish oppressors.

The following data have lately come to our notice regarding the Very Rev. Filippo Caterini, O. P., the new Procurator General of the Order. He was born in 1881. His father is Count Caterini of Onano, Italy. At an early age he entered the Order of Preachers. He studied at the College of St. Thomas Aquinas, where he received the Doctorate in Canon Law. In 1910 he was elected to the priorship of Santa Maria Novella, Florence; and in 1914, to that of the Minerva, Rome.

During the week beginning on March 17th, the Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., conducted a retreat for non-Catholics at the Cathedral, in Boston.

At the celebration held in honor of Ireland's Apostle, at St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio, Bishop Hartley delivered an address. On this occasion, the Rev. T. L. Crowley, O. P., preached the panegyric on St. Patrick.

The Very Rev. L. F. Kearney, O. P., preached the Lenten course in the Cathedral at Philadelphia. His sermons were printed in full in the Catholic Standard and Times of that city.

The Rev. J. D. Wildenburg, O. P., preached at the Three Hours' Service on Good Friday at the temporary Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, New York. The exhortations were read by the Very Rev. J. R. Heffernan, O. P.

Missions were conducted recently by the Dominican Fathers as follows: In Holy Cross Church, Kansas City, Mo., by Fathers Stanton and Cleary; in the Cathedral, Philadelphia, by Father Healy and three other Fathers; in the Church of the Visitation, Philadelphia, Pa.; in St. Joseph's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., by Fathers Lawler, Eckert and Baxter; and in the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Brooklyn, N. Y., by Fathers Healy, Murray and Duggan.

After several years of study at Rome and the Catholic University of Fribourg, Fr. Andrew Goetz, O. P., arrived in New York on the Spanish liner "Montevideo," which had rather an adventurous trip, being stopped by a submarine and forced to return to port. Fr. Goetz succeeds Fr. McDermott in the chair of philosophy at the House of Studies.

We are very happy to report that the Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., Provincial of the Eastern Province, has fully recovered from a severe illness.

Fr. Raymond Volz, O. P., Regent of Studies in the Studium at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., after several months spent in the hospital at Louisville, has returned to St. Rose and taken up his duties as professor.

Fr. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., delivered a Lenten course in Baltimore, Md.
The special features of the Scholastic Exercises in honor of Saint Thomas, held March 7th by the novices, consisted of an essay entitled "St. Thomas and the Blessed Sacrament" by Fr. Cornelius McCarthy, O. P.; a Specimen of Scholastic Argumentation in the Summa Theologica, by Bro. Sylvester Considine, O. P., and a disputation, "Utrum beatitudo hominis sit in visione divinae essentiae," in which Bro. Bartholomew Reilly, O. P., was the defendant and Bro. Sebastian Bohan, O. P., the objector.

On April 7 the House of Studies was honored by a visit from the Cardinal Archbishop of Boston, who was accompanied by the Rt. Rev. Abbot of Caldey. Again, on the 10th of the month, the Cardinal was the guest of the community. Later in the evening, accompanied by his secretary, the Rev. Fr. Haberlin, the V. Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., Provincial, and the V. Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., Prior, His Eminence visited the novitiate, where he was entertained by the novices. In an informal but intensely interesting and personal discourse the Cardinal paid a glowing tribute to the old Dominican missionaries, with whom he came in contact during the early days of his priesthood.

The House of Studies was recently visited by Frs. Francis Sassen, O. P., and Angelus ten Brink, O. P., who are en route to Trinidad, where they will take up their duties as missionaries. With Frs. Sassen and ten Brink were Frs. Vincent Smith, O. P., who is assigned to St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, Cal.; Servatius Verwiljst, O. P., John Bernstein, O. P., John Herkes, O. P., who are on their way to Porto Rico; Antoninus Zocmulder, O. P., Marcolinus Köstert, O. P., Dalmatius Reisch, O. P., Irenaeus de Bruyn, O. P., who are to act in the capacity of missionaries at Caracao. Fr. ten Brink has been employed on the missions of Caracao for seven years. All belong to the Holland Province.

The Province of St. Joseph lost a generous benefactor at the death of Mr. William Snider. He was buried from Holy Trinity Church, Somerset, Ohio, May 2. The Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Fr. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., with Frs. Kircher, O. P., and McGinnis, O. P., as deacon and subdeacon. Many prominent men of all walks of life attended the funeral. The Somerset Press said: "Father Kennedy's sermon was highly laudatory, but not beyond the truth, nor beyond what was merited by Mr. Snider."


Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

On April 14th a large service flag containing more than a hundred stars—two of which are crowned with gold in memory of those who have already sacrificed their lives—was blessed and unfurled in St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, Cal., as a fitting tribute to the members of the parish now in the Army and Navy. Fr. W. T. Lewis, O. P., preached a thrilling sermon on "Patriotism and Catholicism."

The Very Rev. E. S. Olsen, O. P., spiritual director of the Diocesan Union of the Holy Name Society, is very actively engaged in establishing and building up the Holy Name Societies throughout his diocese.
The Three Hours' Discourse at St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, Cal., Good Friday, was delivered by the Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., Provincial of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus.

The Very Rev. E. S. Olsen, O. P., prior of Holy Rosary Convent, Portland, Oregon, recently blessed a service flag containing a star for each member of the church now in the war. The banner is draped above the altar of the Blessed Virgin and each week the Holy Hour service is offered for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the boys.

Service flags were also blessed at St. Dominic's Church, Benicia, Cal., eighty stars, and at Martinez, Cal.

Frs. W. D. Noon, O. P., and R. A. Lewis, O. P., conducted missions in the Church of the Vincentian Fathers, and at St. Thomas Church, Los Angeles, Cal.

Fr. Clyne, O. P., was very successful as a booster of the Third Liberty Loan, lecturing throughout Contra Costa County, Cal.

Fr. Smith, one of the Dutch Dominicans who recently arrived in this country, has been assigned to St. Dominic's Convent, San Francisco.

Very successful and fruitful retreats to the girls of St. Rose Academy and of the Dominican College, San Rafael, were conducted by Fr. Gerard McMullen, O. P.

"Camouflage" was the title of a clever comedy recently given by the Dominican club of St. Dominic's, San Francisco, for the benefit of the building fund.

The work of collecting funds for the rebuilding of St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, has been assigned to Fr. Hunt, O. P., who is eminently capable of shouldering this onerous task.

Foreign Provinces


Three of the simple novices are now in arms, Bros. M. W. Revill, A. A. Silversides and A. J. Farrell.

Forty-nine old students of the Hawkesyard Apostolic School conducted by the Fathers have seen service. Three have fallen in battle.

The simple novitiate has been transferred to Hawkesyard. The move was adopted as a war measure in order to release more of the Fathers to act as chaplains.
Fourteen priests of the English Province are now in active service as Army and Navy chaplains. They are: Captain Sebastian Gates, naval, Gibraltar; Major Felix Couturier, Egypt. Fr. Couturier has won the Military Cross. Lieutenant Colonel Gilbert Tigar, France; Captain Maurice Watson; Captain Theodore Bull, France; Captain Augustine Hogg; France; Captain Bertrand Pike. Fr. Pike is a prisoner of war at Karlsruhe, having been captured during the Cambrai reverse. Because of the scarcity and poorness of the food at his army camp, eatables are sent him each week from England. Captain Ethelbert Rigby, Hospital Ship; Captain Albert Knapp, Hospital Ship. Both Fr. Rigby and Fr. Knapp have had thrilling experiences, their ships having been torpedoed while on errands of mercy. Capt. Dustan Sargent, Saloniki. Fr. Sargent it was, who covered himself with glory when the “Laconia” was torpedoed early last year. Captain Raymond Devas, France. Fr. Devas is well known to Dominicans by his book, “The Dominican Revival of the Nineteenth Century.” Captain Bernard Delaney, France; Captain George Naylor, Hospital Ship and Captain Paul Weeks, France.

The Irish Dominicans have six Fathers serving at the front as chaplains to the Irish troops. We hope to have some news of their activities for our next issue.

The eleventh volume of the English translation of the “Summa Theologica” has appeared. It comprises the first forty-six questions of the “Secunda Secundae” which treats of virtues and vices in particular. There are several more volumes to come out before the “colossal undertaking” of transferring the Angelic Doctor’s masterpiece is complete.

In December, 1917, Père A. D. Sertillanges, O. P., professor at the Catholic Institute of Paris, preached at a religious and patriotic ceremony which was presided over by His Eminence the Cardinal-Archbishop of Paris. “La Paix Francaise” was the subject of the discourse. Represented were l’Eglise, l’Etat, la pensee, l’action, l’armee, la magistrature, la finance, les affaires, etc. The chief object of the discourse, which is now published in booklet form, was to further a French loan drive. It is reported that the discourse is the finest oratorical display since the days of the eloquent Père Lacordaire.

The feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, O. P., was observed with all due majesty and splendor in the Eternal City at the Church of Santa Maria sopra Minerva, the titular Church of the Cardinal-Archbishop of New York. Cardinal Frühwirth, O. P., pontificated. The edifice was crowded with the clergy and laity of Rome.

Fr. Austin Barker, O. P., has succeeded Fr. Vincent McNabb, O. P., as prior of Hawkesyard, the House of Studies of the English Province.

Fr. Albert Lepidi, O. P., Master of the the Sacred Palace, and Theologian to the Pope, recently celebrated his eightieth birthday. He was personally congratulated by the Holy Father.

The degree of Master of Sacred Theology has been conferred on Frs. Humbert Everest, O. P., ex-Provincial of the English Province, and Vincent McNabb, O. P. The Masterate is the highest degree attainable by the sons of St. Dominic and is given only after a period of thirteen years spent in the class-room.
December 17th, the anniversary of the death of the Most Rev. Hyacinth M. Cormier, ex-Master General of the Order, was commemorated by a Solemn Requiem Mass at the Angelico, Rome.

Lectures on the prima secundae of the “Summa” of St. Thomas are being continued at Casston Hall, London, by Fr. Alfred Whiteacre, O. P.

We are happy to announce the resumption of the publication of “Revue Thomiste,” which will appear quarterly hereafter, the first issue in March. The editors residence is Rue Velane 17 Toulouse.


The Hawkesyard Review, the quarterly published by the English novices, which was forced by war conditions to discontinue in the summer of 1916, made its reappearance on St. Thomas Aquinas Day. As noted in a previous issue, the novices acquired, last year, through the kindness of their V. Rev. Provincial, Fr. Bede Jarrett, O. P., S. T. Lr., and friends, a hand-printing plant. Two of their number, Brother Rupert and Hilary, learned the art of printing and run the first issue off the Aquinas Press.

The issue is a very creditable piece of work and much praise is due the printers and editors. It is printed in old Caslon type (45 pages) and on a very fine quality of hand-made paper. The articles, as usual, are a high order.

The new Review is a splendid tribute to the energy, courage and zeal of the late and present editors, Fr. John-Baptist Reeves, O. P., and Bro. Ferdinand Valentine, O. P. We extend our heartiest congratulations to them and their brethren on this big achievement. A long life to the Aquinas Press.

The French Dominicans, priests, novices and lay-brothers, have proved themselves sturdy fighters and courageous champions of their country’s cause. Many of them have been with the Tricolor since August, 1914, some as chaplains, others as stretcher-bearers, but the majority in the ranks of soldiers. From the meager information that has come to us, we learn that twenty-five have been cited for bravery in action. A number have won the war cross and Legion of Honor. The list we have is incomplete, but by our next issue we hope to have more detailed information concerning the war activities of our French brethren.

Two publications reporting the news of French Dominicans in the Army, are; “Le Trait d’Union,” a bulletin of the Province of France, which is circulated among the religious in the Army, and “La Couronne de Marie” published by the Lyonese Province.

The Canadian Province has one chaplain at the front, Fr. Constant Doyon, captain-chaplain of the 22nd Canadian-French Battalion. The Legion of Honor has been awarded him by President Poincare for daring rescue work.

R. Père Jaquin, O. P., formerly editor of “Revue de Sciences Philosophique et Theologique,” has succeeded R. Père Mandonnet, O. P., in the chair of Church History at the Catholic University of Ribourg.
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Fr. Peredes, O. P., ex-Provincial of the Philippines, has returned to Madrid and is superior of a new foundation in that city.

P. Fr. Gerard, O. P., has recently given very successful series of conferences to the Social Workers of Valentia.

Fr. Dominic Pouel, O. P., who has been employed in the Catano Mission for the past twelve years, died at Porto Rico, January 30th. R. I. P.

Fr. Edward Hugon, O. P., and Fr. G. Galland, O. P., have been recently appointed as consultors to the Sacred Congregation for Oriental Affairs.

The Holy Father has conceded to the Angelico the faculty of conferring the degree of Doctor of Canon Law.

The V. Rev. Bede Jarrett, O. P., S. T. Lr., Provincial of the English Province, has just recently succeeded in acquiring a site of land at the University of Oxford, where a building will be erected as soon as it is possible. Upon completion of the institution the House of Studies of the Province will be removed from Hawkesyard to the famous educational center.


The Rt. Rev. Vincent M. Moreira, O. P., has just been appointed Bishop of National Port, Brazil.

The V. Rev. Aegidium Guinassi, O. P., S. T. M., ex-Provincial of the Province of Lambardy, has been elected prior of the Minerva in Rome to succeed the V. Rev. Philipp Caterini, O. P., who was recently appointed Procurator General of the Order.

The quadragesimal course of sermons in the Basilica of the Vatican was delivered by the V. Rev. Marian Cordovani, O. P.

For the third successive time the V. Rev. Fr. Manser, O. P., has been elected to the office of rector of the University of Fribourg.

The V. Rev. Fr. Louis Becherimi, O. P., of the Congregation of St. Mark, has recently celebrated the diamond anniversary of his sacerdotal ordination.

The introduction of the cause for the confirmation of the cult of Dominic Spatafora, O. P., has been confirmed by the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

Dominican Sisters

The Sisters of St. Dominic, San Rafael College, Cal., have just completed the purchase of Meadowlands, an extensive and highly cultivated piece of property adjacent to the convent grounds. The addition of this estate to the College was necessitated by the growth of the Junior Department, established in 1915. With the increased advantages afforded by the acquisition of the new property the faculty expects to add the final two years to the present accredited Junior college course.
Interior of the New St. Vincent Ferrer Church, New York City
Mother M. Catherine, O. S. D., of St. Catherine's Congregation, Ontario, Ore., accompanied by Sr. M. Thomas, O. S. D., recently visited the House of Studies, en route to Philadelphia to meet relatives of her postulants and novices and to secure new vocations.

The Sisters in charge of St. Vincent Ferrer's School, New York City, are deservedly proud of the record made by the children under their care. Incomplete returns showed that the pupils had sold over $25,000 worth of the Third Liberty Bond issue.

At the closing exercises of the Sisters' College, Catholic University, Washington, D. C., the degree of Master of Arts was awarded to Sr. M. Aileen, O. S. D., Sinsinawa, Wis., Sr. M. Raymond, O S. D., Caldwell, N. J., and Sr. Vincent Ferrer, O. S. D., Sinsinawa, Wis.; the degree of Bachelor of Arts to Sisters M. Benedicta, O. S. D., Grand Rapids, Mich., M. Bernadina, O. S. D., Mission San Jose, Cal., M. Estelle, O. S. D., Grand Rapids, Mich., and M. Servatia, O. S. D., Caldwell, N. J. Since the opening of the College two degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, six of Master of Arts and ten of Bachelor of Arts have been conferred on Dominican Sisters besides those granted this year.

On February 27, Sr. M. Alexius Duffy, O. S. D., departed this life at St. Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wis., in the forty-ninth year of her religious profession. R. I. P.

On March 7, the feast of the Angelic Doctor, fourteen novices pronounced first vows and seven young ladies were clothed in the white habit of St. Dominic, at St. Catherine of Sienna Convent, St. Catherine, Kentucky. The ceremony was presided over by Rt. Rev. Denis O'Donoghue, Bishop of Louisville. He was assisted by Rev. Fr. Wildenberg, O. P., chaplain, and Rev. D. A. Driscoll, secretary to the Bishop. Fathers Dempsey, Foster, Kennedy, Dawkins and Damiani of St. Rose's Priory were present in the sanctuary.

Death has claimed several members of this community during the past few months. Sr. M. Aquin Holleran and Sr. Vincent Ferrer Thompson, both of whom at one time governed the community for two successive terms, have passed to their reward. Besides these, the remains of Sr. Clara Gass and Sr. Bernadine Medley, the former of whom died at St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, Tenn., and the latter, at Hasting, Neb., have been laid to rest in the convent cemetery at St. Catherine's. R. I. P.

Preparations are being made for summer school work at St. Catherine's and in the mission houses. The Sisters engaged in the missions in and around Boston will assemble at Sacred Heart Academy, Watertown, where competent instructors, some of whom are members of the community and others outside talent, have been engaged for the work. At Hastings, courses in philosophy and English literature will be given by a professor from Loyola University, Chicago. This will enable the Sisters who have been working for degrees at Creighton University to continue their work at home during the summer months and will make it possible for a larger number to share the advantages offered.

On March 21, Sr. M. Clement McKee died at St. Mary's of the Springs. Sr. M. Sybillina McHugh also went to her reward April 6th. R. I. P.
On July 8, 1918, St. Mary's of the Springs will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of its establishment at Shepard, Ohio. We hope to have full details for our next issue.

On May 16, the following young ladies received the habit at St. Mary's of the Springs, Shepard, Ohio: Miss Mary Jones, Braddock, Pa., to be known in religion as Sr. M. Samuel; Miss Kathryn Cavanagh, Braddock, Pa., as Sr. M. Jean; Miss Margaret Maynagh, New York City, as Sr. M. James; Miss Anna Dunleavey, New York City, as Sr. M. Casimir; Miss Marie Weiss, New Haven, Conn., as Sr. Hedwig; Miss Margaret Dougherty, New Haven, Conn., as Sr. Blandina; Miss Lillian Carey, New Haven, Conn., as Sr. Andrea; Miss Rose Butler, New Haven, Conn., as Sr. Aimo; Miss Lena Lang, Zanesville, O., as Sr. Juliana; Miss Helen Boylan, Columbus, O., as Sr. M. Ann.

On April 13, Mother M. Catherine Herbert, O. S. D., Superioress of Mary Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica, L. I., celebrated the golden jubilee of her profession at the Mother House of the Congregation, Montrose and Graham Avenues, Brooklyn. After a Solemn High Mass attended by many monsignori, priests and Sisters, a reception was held in the convent where the venerable jubilarian was congratulated by the Bishop of Brooklyn and a host of her friends.

At a ceremony held in the chapel of Mt. St. Dominic's, Caldwell, N. J., six postulants were clothed with the white wool of St. Dominic, and ten Sisters made their profession. The Very Rev. J. A. Hinch, O. P., officiated and the Very Rev. H. I. Smith, O. P., preached.

At a similar ceremony held at the convent of the Dominican Sisters at San Rafael, Cal., two postulants received the white veil, five novices were admitted to first profession and four Sisters pronounced their final vows.

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