

## THE CLOISTER CHRONICLE

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### Province of St. Joseph

The Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., for twenty-four years our esteemed Regent of Studies, has resigned that office, and has been succeeded by the Very Rev. Augustine Waldron, O. P., S. T. M. The Very Rev. V. F. O'Daniel, O. P., S. T. M., is Baccalaureus, and the Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. B., Master of Studies.

The Very Rev. V. F. O'Daniel, O. P., S. T. M., Historiographer of the Province, has been elected to succeed the Rt. Rev. Bishop Turner, D. D., as Associate Editor of the Catholic Historical Review.

On the 27th, 28th and 29th of September Rt. Rev. Bishop McNicholas, D. D., conferred Tonsure and Minor Orders on Brothers Celestine Daly, Innocent Smith, Athanasius Burke, Boniface Stratemeir, Ceslaus McEniry, Dominic Dolan, Martin McDermott, Edmund Rogers, Raphael Burke, Dalmatius Enright, Urban Cahill, and Chrysostom Kearns.

During the Bishops' Conference at the Catholic University the House of Studies was honored by having as guests Their Graces Archbishops Moeller and Harty; and the Rt. Rev. Bishops Hartley, Chartrand, and McNicholas.

Father Walsh, superior of Maryknoll Foreign Missionary Seminary, came up to the Novitiate on the evening of September 23d, and gave the Novices an interesting and instructive talk that will long be remembered and for which we are very grateful.

The Thanksgiving Day Pan-American Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C., was sung by the Very Rev. Fr. Prior E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., assisted by Frs. F. D. McShane, O. P., Augustine Waldron, O. P., and the Novices from the House of Studies.

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception Very Rev. Fr. Prior received the Solemn profession of Fr. C. I. Cappellino, O. P., S. T. D., J. U. B., Bro. Urban Cahill, O. P., and Bro. Chrysostom Kearns, O. P.

During the October Missions given by the Fathers of the Eastern Mission Band there were 11,000 communions at St. John's Church, Peabody, Mass., 26,000 at St. Monica's, Philadelphia, 26,000 at the Augustinian Church, Lawrence, Mass.

Three missions were recently given at the Passionist Church, W. Hoboken, one in German by Fr. Thuente; one in English by Fr. Murray; and another to non-Catholics by Fr. Foley.

The Very Rev. Priors of our two venerable convents, St. Rose and St. Joseph, Frs. J. A. Mackin, O. P., and J. B. Connolly, O. P., have given invaluable aid to the Fathers of the Eastern Mission Band. In all twenty-one Fathers were engaged during the first weeks of November.

Ten Fathers have been offered to Bishop Walsh for missions in the thinly populated sections of Maine to be given during June. This is the fifth consecutive year the Dominican Fathers have conducted the Novena of the Immaculate Conception in the Cathedral of Portland.

Fr. J. C. Timony, O. P., has been assigned to the Western Missions; and Fr. J. B. Logan, O. P., has been transferred from the Southern to the Western Missions.

The Fathers of the Western Band have recently given six missions in Chicago. The fall schedule included missions in the archdioceses of Chicago, St. Paul, Milwaukee and Dubuque; and in the dioceses of Peoria, Duluth, St. Joseph, Kansas City, La Crosse, Sioux Falls, Grand Island, Fargo, Omaha, and Superior.

Fr. C. M. Thuente is engaged until Christmas establishing the Holy Name Society in the diocese of Grand Island, Neb.

Brother John Butler, O. P., one of our venerable lay-brothers, finished a career of long and faithful service in the Order of St. Dominic when he passed away last month at New Haven. He was in his seventy-sixth year and the twenty-eighth of his religious profession. R. I. P.

Fr. E. J. Cummings, O. P., has been appointed Chaplain of the United States Soldiers' Home, Washington, D. C., to succeed Fr. W. L. Whalen, O. P., who has been assigned to Holy Rosary Church, Houston, Texas.

The Association to Help Poor and Deserving Boys to the Priesthood, founded by our Very Rev. Fr. Provincial, is meeting with gratifying success. Many of the Fathers in the Province are doing creditable work in collecting funds for this noble cause.

The parish of the Sacred Heart, Jersey City, N. J., has been confided to our Fathers by Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Connor of Newark. Fr. M. T. McNicholas, O. P., has been appointed pastor.

We take pleasure in calling our readers' attention to an organization for furthering the expression of Catholic ideals, "The Lecture Guild," with headquarters at 7 East 42d St., New York City. Information will be given by the Secretary, Miss Blanche Mary Dillon, at the above address. One of our Fathers, the Rev. T. M. Schwertner, O. P., Editor of The Rosary Magazine, is a member of the Advisory Board.

### **Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus**

On Columbus Day, Oct. 12th, 400 men of the Holy Name, Knights of Columbus, and Young Mens' Institute conjoined, received Holy Communion at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, Vallejo, California. The Mass celebrated by the pastor Fr. J. D. O'Brien, O. P., was in thanksgiving for the safe return from war of so many members of the parish. After the Mass the service banners of the three organizations were furled to give place to a new banner, with four gold stars, in memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice. Fr. O'Brien spoke feelingly on the occasion.

The bazaar held in St. Vincent's auditorium, Vallejo, from Sept. 24th, to Oct. 11th, was a great success. Together with the entertainments commenced last May and the weekly card parties the net proceeds for the benefit of the church amounted to about \$24,000. Praise is due both to the pastor and to the men and women of the parish.

### **Foreign Provinces**

On the 31st of August in the private chapel of the Master General the Very Rev. Philip Caterini, O. P., Procurator General conferred the degree of Master of Sacred Theology on the Very Rev. James Aldridge, O. P., Provincial of Lithuania and Socius to the Master General. We heartily extend Father Aldridge our sincere congratulations.

Fr. John M. O'Mullan, O. P., who as a Novice at San Clemente, Rome, rendered invaluable assistance to the editors of *Dominicana* by supplying Roman news items, was ordained to the holy priesthood, August 10th. The Novices of St. Joseph's Province warmly congratulate him and wish him many fruitful years to the Church and the Order of St. Dominic.

Fr. Whiteacre, O. P., of the English Province and Fr. Suermondt (Jr.), of the Dutch Province, have been appointed to assist Frs. Peter Mackey, O. P., Constantius Suermondt, O. P., and Gabriel Horn, O. P., in editing the Leonine Edition of St. Thomas' works.

Two members of the Province of France have been recently made Masters in Sacred Theology, the Very Rev. Fr. Lemonnier, O. P., Regent of Studies at Saul-choir, and the Very Rev. Fr. Garrigou-Lagrange, Professor of Apologetics at the Collegio Angelico.

The Very Rev. Bede Jarrett, O. P., Provincial of England is preaching the course of Advent sermons at San Sylvestro, Rome.

The Dominicans of the Lombardy Province have returned to their convent of Bergamo whence they had been expelled during the French Revolution.

The translation of the new code of canon law has been entrusted to Rt. Rev. Bishop Esser, O. P., for the German edition, and the English edition to Fr. Louis Nolan, O. P.

His Eminence Cardinal Frühwirth, O. P., has been appointed by the Holy Father Protector of the Sisters of St. Agnes, Fond du Lac, Wis., U. S. A.

Fr. Albert Colunga, O. P., has recently been chosen by the Master-General Spiritual Director at the Collegio Angelico.

Fr. Rhoner, O. P., and Häfele, O. P., have been transferred to the University of Friburg, the latter succeeding Fr. Albert Weiss, O. P., who has retired from teaching on account of his advanced age.

The French Fathers are publishing a new periodical, "The Spiritual Life," dealing with ascetical and mystical theology. The first issue appeared October 10th.

Fr. De Groot, O. P., the distinguished apologist, celebrated the silver jubilee of his professorship at the University of Amsterdam on October 1st. He is the first and only Catholic priest professor at this University.

The Fathers of the Province of Peru are also publishing a new periodical, "The Dominican Missions of Peru," devoted to the work of the missions.

October 16th, Fr. Janvier, O. P., preached at the consecration of the National Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Montmartre (the Basilica of the National Vow). At the cornerstone-laying of this same edifice the discourse was delivered by his predecessor as Conferencier at Notre Dame, Paris, Fr. Monsabré, O. P.

Since the close of the war forty novices have been received at Saulchoir, Belgium, the Novitiate of the Province of Paris.

The Third Order of St. Dominic is making great progress in Tonquin. There are more than 20,000 secular Tertiaries and almost 1,000 living community life.

Two members of Holy Rosary Province, Frs. John Laborador, O. P., and Sylvester Sancho, O. P., who spent their last year of novitiate at our House of Studies, Washington, D. C., were ordained to the holy priesthood in Manila during the month of September. The Novices sincerely congratulate them, wishing them every blessing in their labors for souls in the Far East.

The Dominican University of St. Thomas, Manila, with a faculty of 83 professors last year graduated 17 in theology, 131 in civil law, 44 in civil engineering, 32 in pharmacy and 469 in medicine.

### **Dominican Sisters**

#### **Saint Catherine's Community**

Twenty-four postulants entered at St. Catherine's Convent, Springfield, Ky., on Sept. 6th, to begin their period of probation before assuming the responsibilities of Dominican life. The annual retreats for the Congregation of St. Catherine of Sienna were conducted, at St. Catherine's Academy by Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, S. T. M., of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C.; at Sacred Heart Academy, Watertown, Mass., by



Rev. Charles Murray, O. P.; for the community of Charlestown, Mass., by Rev. R. Higgins, O. P.; for the community of Hastings, Neb., by Rev. R. Lawler, O. P. One new mission school was recently opened at Red Oak, Iowa. The St. Catherine of Sienna Normal School, Springfield, Ky., has the largest attendance it has had in many years. Several new courses have been added to the curriculum, notably a special course for training young ladies for teaching in the public schools. Mr. George Colvin, State Superintendent of Schools, recently visited St. Catherine's Convent, and we may be assured he was convinced of the success of the Sisters as teachers. The first of a series of concerts by famous artists was given in St. Catherine's hall on Nov. 11th, by Miss Anna Louise Week, one of the distinguished contralto singers in this country.

#### **Saint Rose's Community**

At Rosary Hill Home, the novitiate of the Congregation of St. Rose of Lima, on Sept. 14th, two novices were professed and two postulants were clothed with the habit of St. Dominic. The retreat this year was given by Rev. R. Higgins, O. P. On the same occasion a Sister made her Perpetual vows. Rev. J. B. O'Connor, O. P., P. G., officiated. A Christian Brothers' choir of twenty-five young men and boys sang beautifully the Gregorian music. Fr. C. M. Thuente recently gave a beautiful discourse to the Sisters. St. Rose Free Home for cancerous poor has always as many as seventy-five patients. Conversions are frequent.

#### **Saint Catherine's Community (Portugese)**

On the 23d of Oct. the Sisters of Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Ore., sustained the first loss in their little community upon the death of one of their postulants. This Sister's beautiful death was instrumental in bringing about the conversion of one of the nurses. R. I. P. On the 8th of Dec. three Sisters were professed and one received the holy habit. A St. Catherine's Memorial Hospital will be opened at Kenosha, Wis.

#### **Saint Mary's Community**

On the eve of the feast of Bl. Albert the Great, in the Mother-house of the Dominican Sisters of New Orleans, the soul of Ven. Sr. M. Xavier Gaynor was called to its eternal reward. The community, in her death, suffered the loss of their last sur-

living foundress. Having come to New Orleans in 1860, from the Isle of Saints, in company with four other Sisters, Sr. M. Xavier laid the foundations of the present communities of Louisiana Dominicans. At the time of her death she was in the eighty-seventh year of her age, and the fifty-eighth year of her Religious Profession. On the 9th of Sept. Sr. M. Dolores Goodwin died in the thirty-first year of her age. R. I. P. The five schools in Louisiana, conducted by the Dominican Sisters are in flourishing conditions. St. Mary's Dominican College and Diocesan Normal School is the only Catholic College for women approved by the State of Louisiana.

### **Sacred Heart Community**

On Nov. 18, the members of Mt. St. Dominic Chapter of Dominican Tertiaries were addressed by Rev. M. A. Murray, O. P., in the Convent Chapel at Caldwell, N. J. After explaining the purpose and duties of the Third Order, Father Murray received eleven new members into the Chapter. On Thursday evening, Nov. 20, Dr. John G. Coyle, K. S. G., of New York City, gave a stirring address to the faculty, friends and pupils of Mt. St. Dominic Academy, Caldwell, N. J., on "Catholics and the Flag." On Nov. 22 a vocal and musical recital was given by the pupils of Mt. St. Dominic Academy, Caldwell, N. J., assisted by the following artists: Miss Anna Welch, harpist of New York City; Miss Mabel Stone of Verona, violinist; and Mr. Charles Gillease of Jersey City, tenor. The parents of the Academy pupils were enthusiastic in their appreciation of the work done in elocution. A reading from Matthew Arnold's "Sohrab and Rustum" and a cutting from Wilson Barrett's novel "The Sign of the Cross" were ably interpreted by respective descriptive readers and character delineators, while an impersonation of a little Boarding School Miss in the recitation "At Boarding School" elicited most enthusiastic applause.