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United State's Convert-Makers Active

When converts to the Catholic Church in the United States. Alaska and the Hawaiian islands reached a total of 115,214, as they did in 1947, it is clear that something is happening. Last year's total was an all-time high, an increase of 14,586 over 1946.

Occasionally a noted name comes into the news, another well-known person seeks admission and is received, but the mounting figures are made up of men is that "it taking instruction at the Boston, Mass, centre. Twice weekly groups from Harvard University and Radcliffe College participate in round table discussions.

The Guild of St. Paul, an organization of converts in Lexington, Kentucky, is distributing a booklet that outlines a workable plan for gathering converts into active apostolic groups. The theme

mounting figures are made up of men and women who never come into the headlines of newspapers, who live and die without appearing in Who's Who.

They help to swell the U.S. Catholic They help to swell the U.S. Catholic population—now 26,075,697 (an increase of 807,524 over 1946)—and they help to testify to the amazing vitality of Catholicism in what is supposed to be an age of unbelief.

What the converts do is to reveal the zeal and prayers of men and women already within the Church. For converts come in as the result of Catholic activity.

In Brooklyn, New York, for example, when the Diocesan Apostolate for the Instruction of Non Catholics can celebrate its tenth year with a total of 5,800 adults brought into the Church during the period of its activities, it is evident that a great deal of thought, brayer and work house the catholic services of the catholic services and the catholic services are serviced to the catholic services are services as a service services are services as a service service services are services as a service service service services are services as a service services are services as a service service service services are services as a service service service services are services as a service service service service services are services as a service service service service services are services as a service service service service services are services as a service service service service services are services as a service service service service services are services as a service service service service service service services are services as a service service service service service service services and services are services a

work have achieved that result.

This Brooklyn Diocesan Apostolate opened its tenth year with courses in 50 parish centres throughout the diocese.

That is where systematic organization counts. The primary purpose of the Apostolate, the Rev. James J. McGowan, diocesan director, has explained, is "to afford interested non-Catholics the opportunity to obtain a better under-standing of the Cathelic Church."

INFORMATION CENTRES

The Convert Makers of America are active. They hold meetings addressed by converts, with a priest in attendance to answer technical questions. Centres are springing up all over the country. In Chicago a Convert Makers' information centre opened in a grocery store; in Detroit in a beauty parlour. There are flourishing centres in Cincinnati and Cleveland, Ohio; Lexington, Kentucky.

Cleveland, Ohio; Lexington, Kentucky; Alexandria, Louisiana; Waynesville, Cleveland, Ohio; Lexington, Kentucky; Alexandria, Louisiana; Waynesville, North Carolina; Pelham, New York; Green Bay, Wiscousin; New Orleans, Louisiana; Niagara Falls, New York; New York City, and other cities where the interest of non-Catholics can be

The Guld of St. Paul, an organiza-tion of converts in Lexington, Kentucky, is distributing a booklet that outlines a workable plan for gathering converts into active apostolic groups. The theme is that "it takes a convert to make a convert," a thesis demonstrated by the work of the guild, which has grown from a charter membership of 53 in 1937 to a total of several hundred to-day.

Convert Clare Boothe Luce, playwright and former Congresswoman writ-

ing in Techniques for Concert-Makers, published by the Paulist League in New York City, says that no non-Catholic is ever led into the Church by mere brain-work.
"It is true," s

"It is true," she states, "that I accepted Catholic reasoning concerning the nature and destiny of man in a matter of weeks. It seemed to me incon-trovertible as well as sublime. But it was still a matter of months before I became a Catholic."

The transcendant argument, she be-lieves, is love. "Love is the word that begets grace and grace alone illumines and lifts the intellect."

To stimulate interest in the Church, the Knights of Columbus launched an advertising campaign in national secular advertising campaign in national security publications. By these advertisements the Catholic Faith is brought to the catholic faith is brought to the catholic faith is brought to the catholic faith is properly to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic faith in the catholic faith is security to the catholic faith in the catholic fa advertisements offer a pamphlet free on request.

RADIO GROUP

In Boston was started a new group, the Catholic Broadcasters' Association, the Catholic Broadcasters' Association, of which the Rev. Francis X. Sallaway, Boston archdiocesan director of radio activities, is president. This group, organized this summer at a meeting attended by more than 290 of the clergy and laity from throughout the United States, aims "to promote truth through radio and television, to promote services to members by facilitating co operation among Catholic broadcasters; and to aid in the promotion and increase of Catholic broadcasts." olic broadcasts."

Converts are won by radio broadcast-ing; and in this the Catholic Broad-casters' Association will help.

sw York City, and other cities where a interest of non-Catholics can be oused by providing the means to ceive information.

More than 145 non-Catholics are

8 CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN RUSSIAN ZONE

More proof that large numbers of

He lists the camps as: Sachsenhau-sen, Hohenschonhausen, near Berlin, Funfeichen, Muhlbergen, on the Elbe, Frankfurt on Oder, Torgau, Bautsen and Buchenwald.

There is conclusive proof, he says More proof that large numbers of Germans are being kept in concentration camps in the Russian zone has been revealed by an American priest just returned from Germany.

In an article written for the Catholic Telegraph Register, of Cincinatti, the priest says that bundreds of thousands of children.

The chief purpose of this mass slavery, the lists the camps as: Sachsenhau-

the article asserted, is to provide the Soviet authorities with a large labour force; the internees are held in the concentration camps only temporarily and then shipped "to the East,"

Act of Consecration

hrase by phrase.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Refuge of the Human Race, Victress in all God's battles, we humbly prostrate our selves before thy throne, confident that scives before thy throne, confident that we shall receive mercy, grace and boun-tiful assistance and protection in the present calamity, not through our own inadequate merits, but solely through the great goodness of thy Maternal

Heart.
To Thee, to thy Immaculase Heart in this humanity's tragic hour, we consign and consecrate ourselves in union not only with the Mystical Body of thy Son, Holy Mother the Church, now in such suffering and agony in so many places and sorely tried in so many ways, but also with the entire world, forn by flerce strife, consumed in a fire of hate, victim of its own wickedness.

May the sight of the widespread material and moral destruction, of the sor-rows and anguish of countless fathers and mothers, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, and innocent children, and of the tortured and agonized souls in danger of being lost eternally, move thee to compassion.

O Mother of Mercy, obtain peace for us from God and above all procure for us those graces which prepare, establish

and assure that peace!

Queen of Peace, pray for us and give to the world the peace for which all peoples are longing, peace in the truth, justice and charity of Christ.

Give peace to the natious and to the souls of men that is the truth.

souls of men, that in the tranquillity of gratitude order the Kingdom of God may prevail.

Extend thy protection to the infidels Universe.

Cardinal Griffin read this Act of onsecration at Walsingham, the death; give them peace and grant that on them, too, may shine the sun of truth, that they may unite with us in proclaiming before the one and only Saviour of the world "glory to God in the highest and peace to men of good will."

will."

Give peace to the peoples separated by error or by discord, and especially to those who profess such singular devotion to thee and in whose homes an honoured place was ever accorded thy venerated image (to-day perhaps often kept hidden to await better days); bring them back to the fold of Christ under the one true shepherd.

Obtain peace and complete freedom.

the one true shepherd.

Obtain peace and complete freedom for the Holy Church of God; stay the spreading flood of modern paganism; enkindle in the faithful the love of purity, the practice of the Christian life, and an apostolic zeal, so that the servants of God may increase in merit and in number. in number.

Lastly, as the Church and the entire Lastly, as the Church and the entire human race were consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so that in reposing all hope in Him, He might become for them the sign and pledge of victory and salvation; so we in like manner consecrate ourselves forever also to thee and to thy Immaculate Heart, Our Mother and Queen, that thy love and patronage may hasten the triumph of the Kingdom of God and that all nations, at peace with one another and with God, may proclaim thee blessed and with thee may raise their voices to resound from may raise their voices to resound from pole to pole in the chant of the everlasting Magnificat of glory, love and gratitude to the Heart of Jesus where alone they can find truth and peace,-

THE CHURCH'S VITALITY

The priest found no evidence of deliberate torture, although because of ill treatment and long hours of labour the death rate among the prisoners is high. Because he has reason to fear repri-

sals against his informants, the author of the article did not disclose their

names or his own identity.
"There is only one Catholic priest in the concentration camps at the pre-sent time," he wrote, "He is Fr. Gross of Wittenberg in Mecklenberg. A number of Catholic priests arrested and detained by the Russians have since been released.

released.
"In spite of the Potsdam agreement there is no freedom of religion in the concentration camps in the Russian zone," he continued.
"Catholic services are not permitted and last Easter an Evangelical Church was also forbidden to hold services in the two camps in which they had previously been permitted to hold them,
"The efforts, over a three-year period, of the Christian Churches and the non-Communist political parties in favour

Communist political parties in favour of the civilian interness in the camps of the Soviet zone have not had the slightest effect."

Half a million people are expected in Cologne tomorrow for the centenary celebrations. In Rome next month there will be half a million young people, from fifty four nations, for a far, far larger Congress of Youth than any secularist auspices have been able to thousand young French Catholics listnot with Government subsidies as official delegations but paying for their own travel as well as for their own lodging when they arrive. In Lyons last month there were well over two thousand young French Catholics listening to long and serious lectures on colonial problems. The September pilgrimages to Czestochowa, in Poland, have since the war been attracting about colonial problems. The September pilgrimages to Czestochowa, in Poland, have since the war been attracting about a million pilgrims each time, and will do so again next month. Unprecedented numbers were present last month at the annual Austrian pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady at Maria-Zell; and numerous reports from Hungary say that there also the crowds at outdoor processions, pilgrimages, and so on are five and six times what they were before the war. Frenchmen are going to Lourdes this month for their National Pilgrimage, in their hundreds of thousands; Fatima and Santiago tell the same story; in these islands unprecedented numbers have been present in the last few weeks at Walsingham and Carfin. Not for generations have the statistical proofs of zeal and vitality in the Church been so great. Nor can any political party show statistics to begin to compare with those. If figures provide the tests by which history is justified, then the Catholic Church must be the dominating influence in shaping the Europe of tomorrow.—

The Tablet, August 14th '48.

Church Calendar

SEPTEMBER 1948

THURS....16 S. Cyprian M.
FRI.17 Stig. St. Francis.
SAT. ...18 S. Joseph Cup.
SUN. ...19 18 P.—S. Januarius.
MON. ...20 S. Eustachius.
TUES. ...21 S. Marthew. MON. ...20 S. Easter TUES. ...21 S. Matthew. WED. ...22 S. Thomas V. THURS....23 S. Linus.

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A ROLAND FOR AN OLIVER

Sir Oliver Goonetilleke has had an excellent Press for his recent work at Geneva: while he has been generous in his tribute to the work of his predecessor, Mr. Corea, the lion's share of the credit still goes to himself.

We should be only too happy

to add our quota of praise for Sir Oliver as we are second to none in our appreciation of his outstanding ability, particularly in the way he can get things started or done where others seem to dither. If we are not joining in the chorus, it is from inability to see in what the greatness of his recent achievement consists.

Reduced to essentials, his job at Geneva was a straightforward one; we do not say an easy one. It was to get as much trade con-cessions and facilities for Ceylon as possible while Ceylon should retain the recently imposed tariffs which to the layman seemed and still seem prohibitive, not merely as affecting the buyer within the country but especially in their effects upon the exporting countries. It was the latter with whom Sir Oliver had to deal at

What kind of a bargain did Sir Oliver strike? He got a unanimous decision in favour of increased trade with Ceylon. For that he must be awarded full marks. The snag is that the exporting countries also get full marks as, according to the press accounts, Ceylon has to revise and effect cuts in the recently imposed tariffs. The deadline was given as April 1949. Ceylon, in other words, could not

have it both ways.

We have not been slow in implementing our side of the bargain. This week we have had published what is presumably the first list of cuts. It is not a small list and its all-over effect might be summarized as a reduction from the recently imposed average 45% tax ad valorem to 17½% which is roughly the rate that obtained prior to the clamping on of the new duties.

Thus stripped of all integu-ments, Sir Oliver's diplomacy does not seem to leave us much better off.

It does and it does not. benefits immediately the Ceylon consumer who can now buy in a cheaper market. It does not benefit the revenue of the country which must suffer a big drop.

almost inevitably be by some of recently for avoiding, such as an increase of the income tax. matter how the matter be regarded, we shall have to pay the piper for the tunes imposed on us. Ours not to choose or reason why. We shall have to grin and take it when Sir Oliver and his compeers 'ask for more.'

The Four September Feasts of Our Lady

On the 8th, we celebrated the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, on the 12th the feast of her most Holy Name, on the 15th her seven Dolonrs and on 15th her seven Dolours and on the 24th will come off the feast of her mercy and compas-sion. Of her Nativity we have already written. Of her Holy Name St. Bernard says: "Let the name of Mary be ever on our lips, let it be indelibly engraven on our heart. If we are under her protection, we have nothing to fear"; and St. Anselm of Canterbury composed the following prayer to her Holy Name: Mary, by the name of thy beloved Son grant us ever to keep the memory of thy own sweetest name; may it be the delicious food of our souls; may it be with us in danger; may it be with us in anguish; may it be to us the the beginning of all joy."

The wonderful and miraculous victories won by prayer and through the intercession of Our Lady make the 12th of September a glorious day in the annals of the Church. It is the invocation of the name of Mary that destroyed the Albigensian heresy which undermined the very foun-dation of moral and social life. It was on this day in the year 1213 that the Albigensian army was routed and destroyed at Muret, while St. Dominic and several Bishops and Priests were reciting the Rosary for Our Lady's help. Five centuries later, all Christendom was threatened by the Turks and Pope Innocent XI confided to Mary the protection of the Catholic nations. From then on, the Turks suffered a series of defeats, which saved Christendom. The feast of the Holy Name of Mary was placed on the Calendar of the Church as an act of homage and gratitude to the Mother of

The feast of the seven Dolours is celebrated twice in the year, the first time, on Friday after Passion Sunday, and the second on the 15th of this month. This This feast had its origin in Cologne, when the Hussites profaned and burned the pictures of Christ and His Blessed Mother. The seven swords signify the various Dolours which Mary endured in her life. They are the Prophecy of Simeon, the Flight into Egypt, the Loss of the Child Jesus, her meeting Jesus carrying His Cross,

Christians held in captivity by the the forms of taxation the Min-Saracens. Let us in this month ister took such credit to himself place our entire confidence in Our Heavenly Mother and invoke No her protection in our corporal and spiritual necessities. Let us offer our daily Rosaries for the redemption of those in bondage in the chains of error, that they may know the truth which makes us free. O Mother Mary, Our Lady of Dolours, Our Lady of Mercy, Compassion and Ransom

C.W.M. SERIES.

Equality

By M. J. A. JEYANATHAN.

Liberty, Equality and Fraternity were the ideals the French Revolutionaries claimed they fought for. The history of the world since their time has been largely influenced by these ideals. The sad spectacle of the world today, however, testifies that men's ideals. The sad spectacle of the world today, however, testifies that men's efforts have been in vain. Why?

Men have failed, because they went about working for them in the wrong way. The French Revolution paved the way for unrestrained liberty among men. Men glorified Liberty which they interpreted as the freedom to do what "Each man'for himself, and God for us all," these were the words of a statesman of this period, and they reveal truly the temper of the age. With religion not allowed to interfere in one's affairs, man began to look upon one's analis, man began to look upon his neighbour, not as his brother in Christ, and co-heir to the Kingdom of Heaven, but as his rival in the com-petition for the wealth that the Industrial Revolution had opened out to him.

The fittest not merely survived, but amassed a great deal of wealth, while the majority of men sank to the lowest depths of poverty and degradation. equality became more honoured among men, and each man became a wolf in his neighbour's eyes. When society in general valued the "price" of earthly goods more than it valued poor, wretch-ed human beings, for whose souls an Infinite "Price" had been paid, is it any wonder man lost his innate dignity?

wonder man lost his innate dignity?

To undo the evil wrought by the Liberals and Capitalists, the Communists come forward. Their watchword is not liberty. It is equality. They seek to establish a society in which all are equal. To achieve this they advocate steamroller methods. According to them all existing institutions must go, Hence their cry, Down with Capitalism, Down with the Bourgeoisie, Down with Religion etc, They wish to build instead a social order in which men will be allowed to live and work for the benefit of the State and the State alone. Man will be but a cog in the Machine, Man will be but a cog in the Machine, which is the State. "He will be the stick tossed into the collective bonfire, viz., the State, to keep it blazing." In such a society it is not equal rights that men will enjoy but equal slavery. Ut-terly dehumanized, their rights and liberties surrendered to the dictator, men will be taught to hate one another. Is this the system, which is destinated Is this the system which is destined to replace the existing Social order? Strange indeed, but many of the "intelligentia" in this country say "yes," But God forbid it should ever be so.

To a world which has experienced bitterly the evils of selfish Capitalism, the Church preaches the Messages of on, the Flight into Egypt, the Loss of the Child Jesus, her meeting Jesus carrying His Cross, her standing beneath the Cross, her receiving on her lap the Body large it means two alternatives obviously. Either some if not most of the grandiose schemes inaugurated or adumbrated will have to be jettisoned or revenue on, the Flight into Egypt, the Loss of the Child Jesus, her meeting Jesus carrying His Cross, her standing beneath the Cross, her receiving on her lap the Body of Jesus, and her witnessing the burial.

St. Peter Nolasco, St. Raymond of Pennafort and King James of Arragon founded the James of Arragon founded the Still put it: "If we consider that all the Church preaches the Messages of Fraternity of selfish Capitalism, the Church preaches the Messages of Fraternity on Fraternity. Fraternity, based on the Fundamental Truths of Christianity, viz., that men are all children of the same Heavenly Father, brothers of Jesus Christ who shed His Blood to save all, all destined for the Same-Kingdom of Heaven. As Leo XIII put it: "If we consider that all to the schoolmaster, anxious to do his bit, will be the Church preaches the Messages of Fraternity, be have to establish a new social order founded on Fraternity. Fraternity, viz., that men are all children of the same Heavenly Father, brothers of Jesus Christ who shed His Blood to save all, all destined for the Same-Kingdom of Heaven. As Leo XIII put it: "If we consider that all to the schoolmaster, anxious to do his bit, will be the Church preaches the Messages of Fraternity, be have to establish a new social order founded on Fraternity. Fraternity, viz., that men are all children of the same Heavenly Father, brothers of Jesus Christ who shed His Blood to save all, all destined for the Same-Kingdom of Heaven. As Leo XIII put it: "If we consider that all to the Schoolmaster, anxious to do his bit, will be church preaches the Church preaches the Messages of Fraternity. The Church preaches the Church preaches the Church preaches the Church preaches the Church prea

will have to be found in some Order of Our Lady of Ransom men are of the same human race and of the same nature and they are all destined for the same ultimate end, and that they have been redeemed by Jesus Christ—and if one considers the duties Christ—and if one considers the duties and rights which flow from this oneness of origin and destiny—then all men are equal." It is only when men are imbued with the spirit of Charity that they will share among themselves the good things with which God has embellished the earth for the use of men, equally. It is only when men begin to live these sublime truths, that they will experience the True Liberty of the Sons experience the True Liberty of the Sons of God. "The Truth will make you

So steeped in civilization is enaterialpray for our dear country and ism, that men treat with cold indifference the solution the Church offers for their ills. But the time will soon come, if it has not come already, when men will find that their only hope of survival lies in their obeying that great but sim-ple precept. "Love Thy neighbour as ple precept. "Love Thy neighbour as thyself." It is because men have failed to do so, that mankind finds itself today on the brink of destruction. Unbridled Capitalism taught men to suspect one Capitalism taught men to suspect one another. Such phrases as, "To steal a march on one's neighbour "doubledealing," "diplomacy" found their way into our vocabulary. Communism teaches men to hate one another. It preaches violence, class batred, and revolution. The Catholic Church teaches men to love one another. She calls for justice, charity and a spirit of self sacrifice and service among men. More than ever hefore, those who guide the destinies of service among men. More than ever before, those who guide the destinies of these virtues. It is not the best solu-tion, it is the only solution for the world's ills.

CCB Camp all-Ceylonese but the Flag was not there

The first impression that struck me at the CCB camp at Diyatalawa was that it was purely Ceylonese from the Commandant down to the Instructors.
That is a matter for legitimate satisfaction and pride, as the camp had a very crowded programme and was run most

efficiently.

I liked the stress on the officers'

rany reasons. Round ex-

I liked the stress on the officers' training for many reasons. Round excadets the territorial forces will, on any rational scheme, be built.

The country does not want and cannot afford to pay for a big standing army. And the quality of the ex-cadets will be precisely that of the officers who will have trained them. Any extra effort spent on their training will payrich dividends. rich dividends.

Many factors condition the work and importance of the cadet officer. He represents a double tradition—that of his school (all the big schools of the Island are represented)—and that of the batta-tion. The basic tradition of the corps has been fixed by Col. L. Mc D. Robi-son; any tampering with that would be

son; any tampering with that would be catastrophic.

But any vital tradition must be precisely vital, i.e., constantly finding new expression. One feels, in this context that too much attention cannot be paid to "esprit de corps", which on thalysis, will presumably be found to be an amalgam of the best in the schools tradition plus the insistence on discipline.

Every school at its best giving of

Every school at its best, giving of its best and yet being receptive to what is best in others—that, one feels, is what the Cadet Battalion should aim at.

It will, at the very lowest, mean a system of what one can only call "taboos", things that are "not done", and at its highest will fire the imagination of every boy with the normal decent impulse to do something for his country. In all this the guiding touch of the officer is indispensable.

A feature that has come to stay is the "treasure hunt", a blend of what is best in cross-country sprints, intelligence tests and map-reading. Other factors fit in—compass reading and bearing, for example.

One would have liked, without any leaning to jingoism, to see a little more of what one may be pardoned, for call-ing "flag-waving." Ceylonese nationhood ing nag-waving. Ceytonese nationnood is a fact; it may have been achieved almost too painlessly, but no one can find fault with insistence on the fact of it, its implications and, above all its responsibilities.

For all these the flag, albeit a provisional one, is the symbol. Yet no trace of that eymbol was apparent in the

camp.

It was significant that at the camp concert the items most appreciated were the songs, dances and dramas based on or associated with the life of the people. Here is a fertile field to till, and in the development of national music, national art and the national theatre the influ-ence of the camp concert will be incal-culable. Here we are back again to culable. Here we are back again to schoolmaster officer. - Times, Aug. 31.

LOCAL & GENERAL

The Jaffna Diocesan Union. -A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Jaffna Diocesan Union will be held at the Catholic Club on Sunday the 19th inst. at 5 30 p.m.

Change of Parish Priests.—
The Rev. Father S. Vanderkone, O.M.L., has been transferred to Sillalai and the Rev. Father B. Wm. Jesu Thasan from Kayts succeeds him at Our Lady of Refuse 1860a. Refuge, Jaffna.

Refuge, Jatina.

Though Father Vanderkone was at Our Lady of Refuge, Jatina for only a brief period of three years yet he has achieved much. The old school building has been replaced by a fine stone building that gives plenty of elbo room to the increased numbers. He has just taken in hand very urgent rehas just taken in hand very urgent re-pairs in the Church to leave it as his legacy to the new parish priest. On the spiritual side Father Vanderkone has put on a new footing the Asso-ciation of the Ladies of Charity, found-ed the St. Mary's Youth Movement, St. Theresa's Confraternity for little chil-dren and other nious associations.

dren and other pious associations.

He carried with him the warm wishes of his parishioners who were not too pleased to part with him. Not a few broke into tears at the numerous fare-wells accorded to him by the school children, the parishioners, members of charity and other pious associations. Sil-lalai, the little Rome of Jaffna gains what Adaihala-Matha bas lost.

what Adaikald-Matha bas lost.

In addition to his parochial duties Fr.,
JesuThasan is also the Director of the
Catholic Club, Jaffna, besides already
being the Director of Catholic Writers
Movement. Under his guidance it is
hoped that the Catholic Club will become a hive of Catholic activity and of
the Lay Apostolate.

7,000 Tons of Rice from Burma Coming.—The loading of 7,000 tons of rice for Ceylon from a Burmese port egan on the 10th inst. according to the information received by the Food Authorities. This shipment is expected to reach the Island within a fortnight.

According to a cable received from Burma the rice port of Bassein is under Government control and will be reopened for shipments abroad for the first time since British residents evacuated it in early August, when Communicated it in early August, when Communicated its property of the communication of t

mist disturbances broke out.

Kundasale Reaps Another

Bumper Harvest.—A yield of 115
bushels per acre of paddy has been obtained by the Department of Agriculture at Kundasale in the area se for the Girls' Farm School. Although record of 140 bushels per acre on the same paddy field, it is still the second highest record in the Island. The reduced yield this year is attributed to the return t the rather severe drought experienced

during the year.

The extent of the field is about 1‡ acres, and is in the area set apart for the newly established Girls' Farm. the newly School.

from floods.
(3) Providing hydro-electric power

borne water supply.

borne water supply.

Personal.—It is with great pleasure that we learn that Mr. Victor Tambinayagam, one of the Senior Lawyers of Nuwara Eliya has been appointed Crown Proctor of Nuwara Eliya as from the 8th September, 1948. He is the first Tamil to become Crown Proct or of the place. He has been a regular contributor to our paper in a series of articles which appear weekly, and we wish him all success and congratulate him on his appointment. him on his appointment.

-Mr. Joseph St. George, the recent ly returned Barrister-at-Law took his oaths as an Advoocate of the Supreme Court before Mr. Justice Canakaretne and Mr. Justice Dias, Mr. St. George is an old boy of St. Patrick's College, Jaffna and a grand-nephew of the Rev. Father B. A. John, O.M.I., Vice Rector

M.P. for Kayts Unseated .- Mr. Justice Basanayake delivered judge-ment on Monday holding that the elec-tion of Mr. A. L. Thambiayah to the Kayts Seat in the House of Representatives was void on the ground held a contract with the Government.

Ceylon Teachers can Take up alcutta Examinations as External Students. - Information is to hand that the Registrar of the Calcutta University in a communication to the Registrar, Ceylon University, has stated that "in modification of previous orders, Ceylon Teachers will be permitted to offer themselves at Examinations of the Calcutta University as non-Collegiate students on the usual conditions."

Three MPs Start Off.-The Ce lon delegation to the Empire Parlianentary Conference to be held in Lon-don next month, left for the United Kingdom on Sept. 8th in the "Orion", which is also carrying the Australian and New Zealand delegates to the same conference.

The members of the Ceylon delega-tion, which is led by Mr.A.F.Molamure, Speaker of the House of Representa tives, are Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam, the newly-elected Minister for Industries, Industrial Research and Fisheries, and Mr. A. E. Goonesinha, Minister With-out Portfolio and Chief Government Whip. Whip.

Mr. Molamure was accompanied by

Mr. R. St. P. Deraniyagala, Clerk to the House of Representatives and Se-

cretary to the delegation.

Mr. Ponnambalam followed later. He was accompanied to the jetty by his wife and children and Mr. K. Kanagaratnam, Parliamentary Secretary to Ministry of Education.

Prisoner's Attempt to Hoax M.P.—The claim of a convicted prisoner to have seen in jail the very man for whose murder he is undergoing a sentence of twenty years' imprisonment has proved, according to a communique issued by the Ministry of Justice, to be an attempt at deception by the prisoner, H. Mendis. Mr. W. Dahanayake, M.P. (Galle) to

whom the disclosure was made seems to maintain that the inquiry into this matter has not been a thorough one.

All Pakistan in Mourning .- Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah, the architect and Governor General of Pakistan died suddenly of heart failure on Saturday 11th inst. His remains were laid to rest in Karachi, his birth-place and the capital of the Pakistan. Messages of condolence were sent to Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Premier of Pakistan, and to Miss Fatima Jinnah from all over the result.

Mr. Jinnah was born on December 25, 1876 and practised his profession as a Barrister both in India and in England before the Privy Council. As a patriot he ranked very high and holds a place among the political immortals such as Ghandi or Masaryk. His pasing away is an irreparable loss to the infant Dominion.

Mr. Nazimuddin, the Premier of East Bengal succeeds Mr. Jinnah as acting Governor-General.

Ova project envisages four objectives:

(1) Rendering an extra 94,000 acres per year cultivable.

Liquidation of hyderabad?—
Consequent on the Nizam of Hyderabad American Army chaplain who because bad's refusal to accommodate the troops of the Indian Dominion, the Liquidation of Hyderabad?

Gold Bars Vanish at Bangkok Airport.—A case of gold bars valued at 800,000 ticals (about £13,000) disappeared on Sept. 6. from an aircraft at Bangkok airport, Siamese customs offi-

The gold was a part of a shipment of 32 cases from Amsterdam to Saigon,

chief port in Indo-China.

A later message states that the missing gold was recovered at Cairo and forwarded to Bangkok.

Roman Palace. - One of Rome's

most famous palaces, the Palazzo Barberini, has changed hands.
Built by Pope Urban VIII, this rambling but majestic pile dates back to the seventeenth century. The Palace is now divided into flats, the Barberini family escreption. family occupying the top-floor apart-ment. Another distinguished tenant was the former American Ambassador Rome, Mr. Alexander Kirk.

The name of the purchaser is not disclosed but the price paid is believed to be over £250,000. A clause in the deed of sale provides that the new owner will not make any alterations in the mansion which is classified as a national monument

Points for Christians .-Mahatma Gandhi appreciated the beauty of Christianity, and often gave it as his belief that Christianity could play an important role in the uplifting of India. He also made some pointed suggestions for Christians which would make their work more easy, and we think they could very well be taken as the basis for an examination of conscience by all

concerned:
"First, I would suggest that all y Christians-missionaries and allbegin to live more like Jesus Christ.

Second, I would suggest that you

practice your religion without adulterating it or toning it down.

Third, you should make love central in your lives, for love is central in Christianity.

Fourth, you should study the non-Christian religions more sympathetically to find out the good that is in them in order to have a more sympathetic approach to the people."

Cardinal Sibilia Dies at 87 Cardinal Storia Section of Sabina, died on Wednesday Aug. 4 in his native town of Anagni, 50 miles south of Rome. He was 87.

The news was immediately conveyed to the Holy Father at Gastel Gandolfo. His Holiness had repeatedly sent his blessing to the Cardinal during his illness

gressive paralysis at the end of February and retired to Anagni.

Cardinal Sibilia's death leaves the Sacred College with 59 members only two years and six months after the Holy Father brought it to its full strength of 70 in February, 1946.

Arrests Hold up Catholic Action in Hungary,—Catholic Action headquarters in Budapest have been completely disorganised through the Hungarian Red regime's action against Mgr. Mihailovitch, national president, and Bro. Odon Lenard, cultural secre-tary, and the ransacking of the central office.

Most of the desks in the large offices are vacant.

Large numbers of people queue in vain before the headquarters seeking relief or to register their children for holidays abroad.

Catholic Action has been the distributing agency for the thousands of tons of food, clothing and medical supplies sent to Hungary by American Catholics.

120 Masses at Canadian Shrine. -More than 120 Bishops and priests celebrated Mass on St. Anne's Day this year in the Basilica of St. Anne de Beaupre, Quebec, during the annual pilgrimage, in which 35,000 people took part.

One of the celebrants was a former

(2) Protection of those areas menaced om floods.

(3) Providing hydro-electric power deviated (4) Affording to 20,000 people a piperorne water supply.

Personal.—It is with great pleasure lat we learn that Mr. Victor Tambina. at we learn that Mr. Victor Tambina. agam, one of the Senior Lawyers of senior seriors.

Gold Refer Vanish at Randlah of Bandlah (5) Paradlah (6) Paradlah (7) Paradlah (congratulated them on their films, "Song of Bernadette" and Key of Paradise" and the new film, "Behind the Iron Curtain." Mr. Zanuck presented the Holy Father with a portable altar and the Pope gave his visitors medals in memory of their visit.

Rishop to Ask for 116 Canonizations.—Bishop Gannon of Eric is going to Rome this month to ask the Holy Father to beatify and canonize all the 116 early American missionary mar-

tyrs.

He will make the request 700th anniversary celebrations at Cologne Cathedral, which he will attend as the representative of the American Hierarchy.

In Cologne he will consult Cardinal Micara, who will be presiding as Papal Legate. Cardinal Micara is Prefect of the S. Congregation of Rites, which vestigates and arranges all beatification and canonisation causes.

For nine years Bishop Gannon has been chairman of the Commission for the Cause of the Martyrs of the United

Precedents for mass beatificat were the ceremonies in 1900 when Pope Leo XIII beatified 77 missionaries of China and Indo-China and in 1929, when Pope Pius XI beatified 136 Engmartyrs.

The American list is composed of 74 Franciscans, 15 Jesuits, seven Domini-cans, four secular priests, one Capuchin, one Sulpician, one Archbishop, six Indians and seven French officers.

Jesuit University to Admit Women.—Gonzaga (Jesuit) University at Spokane, U.S., has after 61 year opened its doors to women students.

An arrangement has also been made with the Holy Name College for women for an exchange of students and courses. Gonzaga University has admitted a limited number of women students in the past 20 years.

Ex-Governor's Son Ordained. —Son of a former Governor of Bombay, Fr. F. Lobo, S.J., was ordained at Mill-town Park, Dublin. His father, mother and two sisters travelled from Karachi to see the ceremony.

THANKSGIVING

My grateful thanks to St. Genevieve and Blessed Sister Mary Assunta for the recovery of my daughter from an operation for tonsils.—Candappa, Am-

TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUC-TION OF AGRICULTURAL ROADS

The Chairman, Tender Board, Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Colombo, will receive tenders up to 12 noon on Tuesday, October 5, 1948, for the construction of the following Roads within the Karac Jaffna District: Karachchi Irrigation area,

(a) Road via road reservations in lots (a) Road via road reservations in lots Nos. 51 A, 56, etc. in supplement 1 of I.S.P.P. 4 with a bridge over Nai Arn. (b) Road via road reservations in lots Nos. 45 (E), 47 (1), 129 etc. in I.S.P.P.

(3) Road via road reservations in lots Nos. 38 (L & M), 81, 81A, 81 (E) etc. in I.S.P.P. 5 in R.B. 4 of D 3 with a

(d) Road via road reservations in lots Nos. 171, 172, etc. in 1.S.P.P. 3 with

culverts.

2. Tenders for each of the above four roads should be made on distinctly separate tender forms obtainable from the Assistant Government Agent (E), Jaffna, at whose office plans and specifications can be seen and further particulars obtained,

3. Tender forms, will be invented.

culars obtained,
3. Tender forms will be issued upto 12 noon on Thursday, September 30,
1948 only on production of a receipt
for Rs, 25 deposited for each form at the Jaffna Kachcheri.

E. J. RAJARATNAM, A.G.A. (E), Jaffna. The Kachcheri (Emergency), Jaffna, 13-9-48.

There is fear that the present world situation will lead to a third conflict. That is widely believed despite Stalin's reassurance. The American and British public haven't the slightest idea of the virulence with which they are attacked by Soviet radio and press. If every newspaper of Britain and America devoted one full-page per week (without comment) to a summary of what the Soviet radio itself says, the public would be appalled. The attack is persistently violent.... Many elements of disintegration remain; but all the forces necessary to create a world crisis exist. Russia is fast approaching the time when she will have the power to strike heavy blows with great preliminary success. That was not the case 36 months ago when she staggered exhausted, and almost prostrate, into Berlin while the Anglo-Saxon allies were in the plenitude of their power.

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Its (Russia's) tactics are to keep the rest of the world in a state of tension by an aggressive and blustering foreign policy and to strengthen the Communist Parties in foreign countries. This can be done the more easily because the Comintern was, of course, never dissolved. So, if war does come, Russia's hope is that civil war in each or some of the countries united against her, will of the countries united against her, will delay and frustrate operations directed against herself. A civil war in France or Germany, for example, would cut into allied lines of communication and delay the best alignment of troops against Russia. Meanwhile she is trying to get the atomic bomb.

A recent visitor to Moscow-friendly A recent visitor to Moscow—friendly to the Soviets—was given some news about atomic researches in Russia. A secret report of this man's talks came into the possession of one of our observers in a Balkan country. This is what was said in Moscow: The secret is now known to Russian scientists. The first experimental bomb was ready by March or April 1947. The progress made in American research is well known and covered by first class espionmade in American research is well-known and covered by first class espionage. The American secrets leak one by one at top speed to Moscow.... That is what was said—whether propaganda or not we cannot yet say for certain; there is some truth in it. The April date for the first experimental bomb is probably in any case propagandist—but the rest is not all to be laughed at, we fear. we fear.

The facts about Russia's efforts at research into atomic energy are broadly as follows: The work is carried out by two or three independent groups. One is following the Anglo-American—Canadian procedure as closely as possible, using all available information obtainable from publications and espionage. The second group is working more inde-pendently along lines of its own. One of the Soviet scientists in this team is convinced that they are on the verge of discovering secrets far in advance of those known in the western world. In the new Five Year Plan immense funds have been provided for all this research work. There are those in high efficial work There are those in high official quarters who optimistically shrug their shoulders, and believe that Russians are far behind us in scientific research.

That may be true now; it will not be true soon. Moreover, the Russians are going to have a large number of Germans to work for them.—Review of Ward Affairs. mans to work for World Affairs.

Students Clean the Slums

Working in four groups, 40 male students of the Jesuit Loyola College in Madras have been providing social service in the city slums by washing children, tending the sick and buying soap for the poor.

Equipped with brooms, the students cleaned out hovels and the surround-

Some sick people were carried to

The students also arranged for supplies, of water to some of the dwellings,

They gave toys to the children and taught them games and songs.

was also inaugurated.

MINISTERS APPROVE

Madras Ministers and distinguished visitors, including Lady Nye, wife of the Governor, approved the campaign. The students' drive for sanitary, recreational and educational improvement in the slums is under the direction of the College principal, Fr. Jerome D'Souza, M.A., S.J.

NOTICE OF SALE

One Indian draught bull will be sold by public auction on Friday the 17th-instant at-11 a.m. at the New State Farm, Kilinochchi.

- The highest bidder should provisionally deposit one fourth of the pur-chase price on the day of auction. The balance should be paid within 7 days of the sale and the bull removed, provided the sale is approved by the undersigned.
- 3. If the highest bid is accepted by the undersigned and the highest bidder fails to deposit the balance purchase price within 7 days of the auction, the initial deposit will be forefeited and the bull resold at the risk of the original
- The bull can be inspected on any day between 8 a.m. and 4-30 p.m. at the New State Farm, Kilinochchi.

E. J. RAJARATNAM, Asst. Govt. Agent (E), Jaffna. September 7, 1948.

A NOTE OF WARNING TO PLANTERS

It has been said that malaria is a wily foe, ever ready to exploit a new situation. Famine, flood, drought and migration, with their associated disturbance of the intricate balance of man's environment, have time and again provided the sombre background of devas-

This is still true to-day and especially so in tropical and subtropical countries, where the malaria mosquito, carrying the exotic but deadly parasite, finds the most suitable breeding-places. Malaria causes the death of millions of lives and brings in its train untold misery and distress.

A planter should be aware that the clearance of jungle may create condi-tions favourable to the increase of mations favourable to the uncrease of ma-laria-carrying mosquitoes and that the settling of large number of labourers in unfamiliar surroundings, the constant interchange of parasites, as infected labourers drift from one plantation to another, conspire to create situations of of which the malarial parasite was never slow to take advantage. A whole-sale disturbance, of soil, the unrouting sale disturbance of soil, the uprooting of trees, the digging of holes for new plantings and the construction of siltpits and terraces may tilt the balance of nature in favour of the malaria-carrying

Medical or expert advice on the situa-tion is not available to every planter confronted with a malaria outbreak on confronted with a malaria-outbreak on his estate. Therefore it cannot be repeated often enough that the isolated planter should never hesitate in applying under such circumstances that powerful weapon against malaria: quininization. On page 124 of its Fourth General Report (English edition), issued in 1938, the Malaria Commission of the League of Nations stresses the fact that the harmlessness of quinine makes it a suitable drug for administration by subordinate personnel without constant medical supervision. This same Malaria Commission recommends for treating an attack of malaria a dose of 15 grains to 20 grains of quinine per day during 5 to 7 days. As a preventive during the fever season a daily dose of 6 grains of quinine is advisable.

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Russian Preparation
for World War III

For the grown-ups there were adult education classes. School requisites were supplied free.
Young men's associations were formed and reading rooms opened.
People were given talks on thrift and temperance to help improve their economic position. A food production drive was also inaugurated.

That is widely believed despite

THANKSGIVING

My grateful thanks to St. Rita for the success of my son in the examina-tion and for the recovery from his recent illness.

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TENDER NOTICE

CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAILWAY

The Chairman, Way & Works Head Office Tender Beard, will receive, at the Chief Engineer's Office, C.G.R., Mc Callum Road, Maradana, tenders up to 12 noon on Friday October 1st, 1948 for the construction of a bungalow for the Railway Station Master at Valaicheberai

For further particulars, please see the Government Gazette of 10th September,

Sgd. W. A. SHAW, Chief Engineer, C.G.R., Chief Engineer's Office, Way & Works, C.G.R., P.O. Box No. 370, Colombo.

TENDER NOTICE CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAPLWAY

The Chairman, Way & Works Head Office Tender Board, will receive, at the Chief Engineer's Office, C.G.R., Mc Callum Road, Maradana, tenders up to 12 noon on Friday, 1st October, 1948 for the construction of five Bungalows for Clerks on Railway Land at Anuradbapura.

For further particulars, please see the Government Gazette of 10th September,

Sgd. W. A. SHAW,
Chief Engineer, C.G.R.
Chief Engineer's Office,
Way & Works, C.G.R.,
P.O. Box No. 370, Colombo.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA'

In the matter of the Estate of the late Parasathy wife of Sittampalam Subramaniam of Puttur.

Deceased.

Testamentary No. 913

Sittampalam Subramaniam of Puttur.

Minor 1. Subramaniam Sri Kantha

2. "Purushouthaman
Mathisouthan
4. Sittampalam Nadarajab
5. Chithambaram alias Sinnachchipillai widow of Sittampalam
6. Sivasambu Sittampalam
7. Puttur.

Respondents.

Respondents.

This action coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esq., District Judge, Jaffna on the 28th day of July 1948 in the presence of Mr. P. Casipillai, Proctor on the part of the pettitioner and the affidavit of the above-named petitioner dated 23rd July 1848 having been read:

ing been read:

It is ordered that the abovenamed 4th respondent be appointed as guardian-ad-litem over the minors the 1st to 3rd respondents and that the petitioner is entitled to have letters of administration over the estate of the abovenamed deceased and the same be issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or any others shall on or before the 30th day of August 1948 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the resilience do

It is further ordered that the pelitioner do produce the minor respondents in Court of the said date. The 28th day of July 1948.

Sgd. L. W. DE SILVA, District Judge,

Time to show cause is extended to 20th September 1948, Sgd. L. W. DE SILVA, District Judge.

TENDER NOTICE

CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAILWAY

The Chairman, Way & Works Head Office Tender Board, will receive, at the Chief Engineer's Office, C.G.R., MacCallum Road, Maradana tenders up to 12 noon on Friday 24th September, 1948 for the construction of:—

(a) Seven Sets of Workmen's Dwellings
(b) Five Sets of Workmen's Dwellings
(c) Six Sets of Workmen's Dwellings on Railway land at Nawalapitiya.

For further particulars, please see the Government Gazette, of Friday, 3rd September 1948.

Sgd. W. A. SHAW, Chief Engineer, C.G.R.

Way & Works Office, C.G.R., Mac Callum Road. P.O. Box No. 370, Colombo.

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