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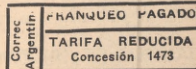
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• • • • • THE latest explanation of the coin crisis is that the disks are being melted down for their nickel content. This metal is not in ordinary times a precious product. Before the war it could be bought locally for \$6.50 per kilo.

But—there always is a but—for six months no nickel has been imported into this country. Our supply came from Canada and nickel has become a first-line war material. It is used for toughening steel, for forging and for eliminating rust. The Canadian output has been entirely switched over to the war factories and will not be available for trade till the end of the conflict.

• • • • • Now, a fair amount of nickel is used locally in steelworks, factories, and nickel plating works. Stocks are exhausted and rather than give up production, manufacturers are prepared to pay fantastic prices for the relatively small quantities of nickel they use. As much as one hundred pesos are being paid for a kilo of the metal.

With nickel at that price, it becomes a profitable operation to render down five and ten-cent coins, and that is where the coins are going—into the clandestine crucibles of occasional merchants.

This being so, nickel coins will soon disappear from the pockets of the citizenry, for it will be impossible to put a stop to the clandestine foundries. We shall have to resort to tokens of some other metal, or to paper currency of low denominations, such as were in use in years gone by.

• • • • • POISONOUS gases on a large scale were first employed in the last World War. The weapon was not particularly successful and resulted in horrible suffering for its unfortunate victims. There are thousands of people alive today whose existence is a misery because they caught a mere whiff of poison gas in Flanders twenty-five years ago.

All the belligerents in this war, excepting Japan, undertook long ago not to employ this savage weapon. Even in total war, such as is being waged today, there are limits set by civilization and poison gas is outside those limits, because it is utterly indiscriminating in its effects. It is even more savage than random aerial bombardment which is generally eschewed by the combatants in the western theatres of war. Both sides claim that their aeroplanes attack exclusively military objectives and in the main we think they keep within their claims, though the reason may be that the wholesale bombing of civilians is now realized to be too expensive for the attacker. But bombardment with bombs filled with poison gas would be a different matter. May it never be commenced on the Eastern Front of Europe!

• • • • • ON another page we give an account of the very grave charges which Cardinal Faulhaber, of Cologne, has made against German National-Socialists. These charges have been made before, partially and at various times, but the fact that Cardinal Faulhaber has found it necessary to gather them together and set on them the seal of his great authority, should call the attention of all Catholics without exception.

It is the fashion amongst certain people airily to dismiss the assertion that there is a religious persecution in Germany as "propaganda". Some of these people are Catholics, though ignorant ones. We call them ignorant because they all seem to be unaware of the Papal Encyclical known as "Mit Brennender Sorge" which Pius XI addressed to the world long before the war, in which document he pointed out that Catholicism in Germany was under attack. If religious conditions had changed in Germany since "Brennender Sorge" was published, the German Bishops would be the first to point out that joyful fact. Instead what have we? The Bishop of Munster, the Bishop of Eichstatt and now the Cardinal Archbishop of Cologne have denounced to the world that there is wholesale persecution in their native land.

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## ON A HILLTOP

By William Thomas Walsh

Long lanes that seek the west at evening  
And find the east at rosy dawn,  
Chequer the wide green world below me  
With field and brake and shadowed lawn,  
Straight roads and twisted roads, be-twinning  
The whole earth in your friendly nets,  
And bring me her whose face is music  
My hearts deep silence never forgets.  
I would have every small lane going

The way her feet would like it best  
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And virgin pines give shade and rest.  
I would have golden bees make honey  
And glossy king to give her milk,  
And a brave thrush to cheer the dusk-time,  
And butterflies to weave her silk.  
Angel of love, of happy meetings,  
Let nothing fright her or dismay,  
Till all the west is filled with laughter,  
And singing floods the gates of day.

## Irish News

TULLAMORE  
ENTREPRISE.—

The new premises erected by Messrs. D. E. Williams, Ltd., in Patrick St. Tullamore, have added to the prestige of this important commercial town, and, incidentally, add another rung to the ladder of progress which the enterprising and popular firm has set out to surmount. Townspeople are proud of the achievement, and businessmen from all parts, and visitors of all walks of life, have been greatly impressed by the magnificence of the structure, its picturesque exterior, and the up-to-date lay-out of the various departments. Modern methods are applied throughout, with furnishings and fittings and arrangements generally that tend to comfort and accommodation of the shopping public, and the members of the different staffs alike. The name and reputation of Messrs D. E. Williams, Ltd., are not a matter of to-day or yesterday, they have spread far and wide, and in Tullamore and the Midlands generally the letters "D. E. W." convey a message of cheer and goodwill, qualities which have established public confidence on a sound and lasting basis. A word of sincere congratulation and good wishes is extended to the directors and management of the firm on this the latest outcome of their enterprise, which has placed in one of the chief business centres of Tullamore a building which would do credit to any city or town, and one which in beauty of structure and design, and all-round utility, is a very welcome adjunct to the commercial life of the town.

NEW  
IRELAND. —

Lessons in geography are plentiful in these times. Names of places never heard of by most people have become familiar to readers of War news. It is like the discovery of new countries. There were few until lately who had ever heard of New Ireland, and yet there is such a place. It is an island in the Pacific Ocean. Like the original or Old Ireland it lies in proximity to another island which is called New Britain. They are both governed by Australia under mandate from the League of Nations, or were until a few weeks ago until they were invaded and at least partially occupied by Japanese forces. More will be

heard of these namesakes of Ireland and Britain before this war is concluded.

SLANE  
TRAGEDY.—

As the result of goring by a bull, Andrew Curtiss, Faganstown, Slane, died at Meath Co. Infirmary, Navan, early in February. The bull, the property of deceased's employer, Mr. Blackburn, Tankardstown, was being ringed, became infuriated and made an attack on deceased. Peter Flood another employee, attracted by the cries of Curtiss, using an iron bar, succeeded in driving the animal from deceased but Curtiss had already received injuries which brought his death on Saturday. Deceased was 53 and was unmarried.

PRESS HOSTILITY  
TO IRELAND.—

Evidently in Great Britain, North Ireland and the United States any propaganda, hostile to Eire, emanates from the meddling journalists regarding whom we have had so often to complain in these pages. Speaking at Navan, Co. Meath recently, Mr. De Valera uttered the following words: . . . "You are not in the war, but you are threatened—your position threatens you—and it is a constant threat," said Mr. De Valera, at a public meeting in Navan, when he gave emphatic denials that there had been any secret bargain or that he had been in any other country recently.

Referring to articles hostile to Ireland in foreign newspapers, Mr. de Valera said that, in accordance with their policy of neutrality, and of keeping down feelings, the Irish people generally had not seen a number of them, but the policy in this aspect might have to be changed. There had not, however, been any attempt by governments to bring pressure to bear on Eire.

Referring to reports of secret bargains and of visits abroad, Mr. de Valera said he often wondered whether rumours were started spontaneously or by some group. Government policy had been adhered to honestly and the people ought to have no doubt about it. "I was supposed," said Mr. de Valera, "to be in another country recently—in fact, in a number of different countries—and at one time was even supposed to have

crossed the Atlantic. I was in my office every day for the past month or more. "Again, there have been rumours about bargains. There is no bargain. "When this war started I said that there was no inch of our national territory for sale, and I hope that will be sufficient for our people.

"Our policy has been just this—that we will defend ourselves from attack from any quarter. Many years ago I said I would not allow this land to be used as a base of attack against Great Britain."

**IRISH INDUSTRIES.—**

Visiting the Permanent Exhibition of Irish Industries after the luncheon of the Federation of Irish Manufacturers in Dublin early last month, An Taoiseach was presented with two rose bowls in Belleek china by Mr. O'Reilly, President, who described the presentation as symbolic by reason of the fact that it was the product of people living on both sides of the border. Mr. de Valera, returning thanks, recalled that on his tours of the United States the article most frequently mentioned by the Irish people was Belleek ware.

**OFFICIAL NEUTRALITY.—**

To the many people, friends and foes, who ask us why Ireland remains neutral we would commend the perusal of the following words recently pronounced by the Bishop of Galway, Most Rev. Dr. Browne:—

"No Catholic can be indifferent to the sufferings caused by this war. We in Ireland have been taunted with indifference because we insist on remaining neutral. But the reproach is unjust.

"The fact that we do not engage in the war does not mean that we are blind or indifferent to the unjust sufferings of other countries.

"We have had experiences ourselves of cruel and sustained injustice; we cried out, it is true, for the sympathy and moral support of other countries; but we did not ask them to go to war for us; and they did not. Why? Presumably because it would have given us little help and done them great harm.

"Today we are not indifferent to the sufferings of lands unjustly despoiled, but we are not bound to go to war for them, for that would involve little help to them and certain ruin for us."

**ABANDONING THE COUNTRYSIDE.—**

The shift of Irish population from rural areas to the big cities, like Dublin, Cork and Limerick in the past six years is mainly due to the greater opportunities for work offered by new industries in the City areas. Nearly every interior County in Ireland, particularly in Connaught, has suffered a loss in population, due to migration to industrial centers.

**MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK REPORT.—**

The report of the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., for the half-year to 31st December, 1941, shows net profits of £53,194, compared with £68,561 twelve months ago, and £53,593 last June. The Directors recommend a dividend of 4½ p. c. tax free, to make 9 p. c. tax free for the year, which compares with 10 p. c. free of tax, paid for the previous twelve months. It is also recommend-

ed that £12,500 be transferred to contingencies account, £5,000 to staff pension fund, and £5,000 in reduction of bank premises, leaving £36,858 to be carried forward, compared with £39,914 brought in to the account. The total assets amount to £30,804,238.

**LORD MIDDLETON.—**

The Earl of Middleton who died recently at his English home, aged 88, was one of the representatives of the Unionist minority who accepted Mr. de Valera's invitation to confer with him before replying to Mr. Lloyd George's offer of a conference in 1921.

Mr. de Valera explained to Lord Middleton and his colleagues the terms on which he proposed to reply to the British Premier. The latter consented to a suspension of hostilities before negotiations only after the intervention of Lord Middleton.

It was he who moved in the British House of Lords, the second reading of the bills implementing the Anglo-Irish Agreement of 1921. He was a member of the 1917 Irish Convention.

His Irish estates include Middleton (Co. Cork), comprising 5,000 acres. His sister, Hon. Albina Brodrick, who lives in Kerry, has long been attached to the Republican movement and gave great service in the industrial revival.

**FR. HAYES IN BELFAST.—**

Twelve hundred people, professional businessmen, industrial and agricultural workers, from all parts of the Six Counties, representatives of all shades of religious and political views, welcomed Rev. J. M. Hayes, C. C., Tipperary, founder of Muintri na Tire (back to the land) to St. Mary's Hall, Belfast, where he lectured on "Whither Ireland?"

Very Rev. Dr. Ryan, Professor, Queen's University, who presided, welcoming Father Hayes, said that he (speaker) had never subscribed to the view that Ireland had been destroyed by the pursuit of pleasure, for he had always made a distinction between wise and unwise pleasures.

What was wrong with their countryside was not that it had too much pleasure but too little. The drabness of country towns and the great collapse of social life was the cause of the flight from the land.

Father Hayes said he was tired of hearing of social and economic systems that should be imported. They should build a social order of their own.

Neither Belfast nor Dublin could answer satisfactorily the question of "Whither Ireland?" but the people could give the answer. From the land came the life-blood of the nation and any policy that ignored its rural people was doomed to failure.

**WHISKEY EXPORT ORDER.—**

An Order by the Minister for Eire Supplies provides that from February last no permit to export whiskey will ordinarily be granted to any person who does not hold a whiskey-exporters' licence.

Only those who, on or before March 31, 1941, were exporting whiskey by way of trade will be entitled to a licence.

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# General News From Home and Abroad.

## CATTLE STEALING IN CORRIENTES.—

The situation in Corrientes as far as cattle rustling is concerned is causing immense anxiety to "estancieros". One of the worst aspects of the situation is the fact that the police authorities appear to be acting in collusion with the thieves. A judge had been sent from Corrientes city to Bella Vista with an armed guard to investigate the charges against the local police authorities, but seemingly the deputy for the district brought influence to bear on the provincial au-

thorities to withdraw the guard, thus compelling the judge to return to Corrientes, as he considered his life in danger in Bella Vista. Hence the investigation has automatically terminated.

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## EXPORTS INCREASE IN VALUE.—

The statistical department under the control of the Ministry of Finance has published details regarding the exportation of goods from Argentina during the first four months of this year. According to these figures exports during said period reached 581 million pesos against 448 millions in the year 1941, showing a favourable balance of 133 million pesos. This increase in favour of 1942 must be attributed to higher prices as in tonnage the exports this year were much less than last. In the first four months of 1941 Argentina exported over two million tons of goods, whilst this year it went down to one million eight hundred thousand.

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## HER 110th BIRTHDAY.—

Mrs. Ann Sheridan Seneca County's oldest resident and one of the oldest in New York State, celebrated her 110th birthday on Wednesday, March 30th. Mrs. Frank Thomas, with whom the aged woman resides, baked a cake and Mrs. Sheridan received a few friends during the day.

## GAMBLING IN THE PROVINCE.—

The governor of the province of Buenos Aires is determined to stamp out gambling in the territory under his control. It is hard to see how this can be effected. For over a period of years spasmodic efforts have been made to cope with this dreadful vice, but they have nearly always ended in failure. Just how the governor of the Province reconciles the official administration of the Casino in Mar del Plata with his present efforts to curb gambling in the rest of the province, we are at a loss to know. It is said that some sixty million pesos passed over the table in Mar del Plata this past summer and the government got their rake off that vast sum. People are asking if gambling is all right for the rich who go to Mar del Plata, but not for the poor, who are unable to make the trip for economic reasons.

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## LACK OF FOOD IN ITALY.—

Mussolini was on the stump lately and made the following statement regarding the food situation in Italy: "The most important internal problem in Italy was that of food."

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## CURTIN OF AUSTRALIA.—

The Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, in a speech broadcasted to Britain recently said that the United Nations would hurl the Japanese back to their islands and turn Hitler's dream of world conquest into a "nightmare of retribution."

He added that the Nazi defeat would release the Italian peoples from their "would-be Caesar."

"The people of Australia," he said, "have no illusions about this struggle. They know that this is a fight for the world itself. From free Australia an Allied offensive can set forth to liberate the Japanese-held lands."

"This purpose," he said, "is to keep the Axis people busy in the west and separated from their eastern partner. It is a blow that will prove the turning point in a total conflict."

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## WERE KILLED BY BOMB.—

A grant of administration intestate to the estate of his sister, Mrs. Nora J. Kerins, who, with her husband, John C. Kerins, was killed when the house in which they were living in London, in September of 1940, was struck by a bomb, was given to John R. Murphy, 217 Whitechapel Road, London, by

Mr. Justice Martin Maguire, in the High Court recently.

Mr. Kerins had also held licensed premises in Dame Street, Dublin, and at Dundrum, Co. Dublin.

Mr. Andreas O'Keefe (instructed by Messrs. James L. Burke and Co.), who made the application said that at the time Mr. and Mrs. Kerins were living at the Portland Arms, 72 Millman Street, Holborn, London.

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## PRICE OF PRIME NECESSITIES.—

Tomorrow afternoon a public meeting is to take place in Palermo with the object of requesting the authorities to bring down the prices of prime necessities. Meat has been soaring lately, but it is difficult to see how retail prices can be reduced if high figures continued to be paid for cattle in Mataderos. A petition was presented during the past week to the Lord Mayor requesting him to allow the Municipal freezing plant to supply the butchers in this city direct, without the intervention of the middle men, who are accused of increasing prices. Dr. Pueyrredon has passed the project on to the "Comision de Vecinos" recommending its prompt approval. No doubt tomorrow we shall hear much regarding the increase of prices, but will somebody suggest a definite remedy.

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## REV. JOHN F. O'HARA.—

The Rev. John F. O'Hara, auxiliary bishop of the Roman Catholic chaplains and men in the United States armed forces, denounced the proposal to "put women in the army" as an attack "on the sanctity of the home." He spoke at the annual communion breakfast of the New York Police Department Holy Name Society.

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## DEEP SEA FISHING ABANDONED.—

Iceland has decided to lay up her entire deep-sea trawler fleet because the owners say the new British price control and import tax render fishing unprofitable.

The decision affects some 40 ships which normally carry their own catches to Britain. Since the occupation, Britain has been Iceland's only market for fish, which is the country's staple export.

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## LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL.—

The lone worker on construction work at Liverpool Cathedral has been called to the colours, and building work has ceased.

Arthur Ronald Brady, 19, started work as an apprentice on the site when he was 14, and when all the other workers were called off the job he went on laying his 500 bricks a day, sometimes cheered by a visit from the Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Rev. Richard Downey.

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THE MISSION OF THE PRESS.—

In a conference delivered last week the eminent American journalist and author, Mr. Waldo Frank, made reference to the sad plight of the modern press, due to the fact that so many people engaged in journalism are prepared to sell their services and write according to dictation, irrespective of the falsity of the doctrines they are compelled to preach. This prostitution of the press is one of the worst results of dictatorial governments. The press is gagged and no man dare publish anything that is not in accordance with the wishes of the dictators. Mr. Frank congratulated the leading Argentine papers on their free stand in juggling with internal and external affairs.

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GERMAN EXPORT BAN.—

All German exports to Norway, Holland, Belgium and Yugoslavia, it is confirmed, have been forbidden since September 1, says the Norwegian Telegraph Agency.

A decree to this effect issued in Germany exempts only goods which are required for the German Defence Forces or the German Administration in the occupied countries named.

Some 150,000 Norwegian workers are

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ARGENTINE COAL.—

On Saturday last at the Plaza Hotel the Liga Naval Argentina held their annual luncheon. The acting President of the Nation was present on the occasion and Admiral Daireaux was in the chair. The principal speech of the day was delivered by the Minister of Marine, who referred in glowing terms to splendid work being achieved by the merchant marine of this country. Admiral Fincati stated that the government was determined to do everything in their power to increase the tonnage under the national flag and he pointed out that many of the inconveniences the country is now suffering would have been readily avoided if the nation had an efficient merchant marine. However, the most important utterance of the Minister was that to the effect that before the end of the present year the greater part of the coal being used in the country would be supplied from Argentine mines. It has taken a world war to induce the powers that be to exploit the natural resources of the nation.

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BISHOP SHEIL IS CONSULTANT.—

Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., has announced that the Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop to the Archbishop of Chicago, has been named a Consultant to the Secretary. The appointment to this "dollar a year" man" position becomes effective immediately.

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INTERVENTOR FOR JUJUY.—

Sr. Francisco R. Galindez is to be appointed Federal interventor in Jujuy, succeeding Dr. González Iramain, who resigned. The latter's last official act prior to his resignation was the closure of the local newspaper "La Opinión" in connection with an allegedly offensive campaign against the intervention authorities.

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THE SHORTAGE OF NICKEL.—

The people of this city, and we presume the inhabitants of the country in general, have suffered an immense amount of inconvenience through the shortage of nickel. Just how the shortage has been created it is difficult to establish. Some say it is due to the fact that people have been hoarding the nickel; others affirm that it is the direct result of speculation. Be the reason what it may the fact remains that the people have suffered much annoyance. If you board a tram and give the conductor a peso to cover your fare you are apt to receive forty-five two cent pieces as change. Some small shops refuse to sell unless you can supply the change. The situation is gradually improving as the Banco Central is delivering to the public considerable quantities of ten and twenty cent coins. As one paper pointed out there must be in circulation at the moment as much nickel as at this period of last year. There was no shortage then. Why the scarcity today?

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## Reviving Gaelic Titles

A well-known author, writing of the impression made upon the mind of an Englishman by the titles of the Scottish chiefs, says that "if a door were suddenly flung open and a voice cried 'Campbell of Argyll,' you would have a much greater thrill than if the same voice announced 'The Duke of—' ". Nor can this be doubted, at least by the Gaelic heart, for in some strange way beyond the fashions of our speech the Gaelic titles gather to themselves the memories of a race.

When we turn from Scotland with her grand old Highland titles of the MacDonald of the Isles, the MacNeill of Barra. . . to Ireland—cradleland of the Scots—we do not find any lack of euphony, dignity or appeal in the Gaelic titles of the land. They leap to our minds in representative company. The O'Donoghue of the Glens, The O'Shea of Kerry, The MacDermod of Coolavin, The MacGillcuddy of the Reeks . . . and many more.

The prefix "The," now almost universally associated with the name and style of a Gaelic Chief, is by no means an essential part of the Gaelic title, nor is it in any way necessary or traditional to it.

The usage is not an ancient one—on the contrary, it is quite a modern innovation. The Right Hon. Charles Owen O'Connor Don, who wrote *The O'Connors of Connaught*, never liked it and did not care to use it. He said: "This title (i.e. O'Connor Don) was borne by the head of one branch of the O'Connors since the close of the 14th century, and up to a late period, without any prefix. The use of the definite article 'The' as a prefix is therefore incorrect and of modern introduction. It does not date back earlier than the present century."

This of course is quite true. "O" and "Mac" give the title. The names in and by themselves are essentially from the Gaelic titles. In the native language the prefix is not used—only the name. At the inauguration of a Chief or Prince of his tribe under the Gaelic order, after the customary and venerable ceremonies of the delivery of the white wand into the Chief's hand, the name alone was pronounced by those present as the final and sealing act of the inauguration—not the Christian name, but the name of the Clan, e. g., O'Neill, MacEgan, O'Donovan . . . And thenceforward the chief or prince was known by the title of his name.

It seems to me, however, that in using the English speech some form of prefix is useful and distinctive, if not altogether necessary. But this is all that may be claimed for the prefix "The." There is one exception, and only one, to my knowledge, at any rate, to the rule of the name alone as title. That exception belongs to the Sionnach O'Kearney, commonly styled "The Fox." In this case the prefix has been in use for some centuries and is not of modern introduction.

But this has not arisen by way of formal title. It is due to the fact that this—one of the most distinguished of our Gaelic houses—gained what we may simply describe as a nickname, and the chiefs were known as The Fox O'Kearneys. In the Annals, An Sionnach, i. e., The Fox, is sometimes used alone, and sometimes O Cathaigh, i. e., O'Kearney, is used; in other instances they are joined. In course of time O'Kearney, the real name, was dropped, and the sobriquet of a chief, i. e., The Fox, used as a surname.

This grand old family of the Foxes (O'Kearneys) of Kilcoursey provide an interesting illustration of an older use of the prefix which the present head of the family and Chief of his name retains . . .

Now concerning the modern style and usage of "Madame" for the wives of Irish Chiefs, it is interesting to consider the present-day custom in the Highlands as well as the ancient Gaelic use. In Gaelic Scotland to-day the wife of the Chief or Laird is styled Lady, even where there is no English title in the family. This, of course, is purely local, and when the Lady MacNeill of Barra, for instance, comes over the border, in English eyes and officially . . . she becomes "Mrs."—the use of the territorial adjunct alone, "of Barra," making identity and status clear.

In correspondence with the editor of *Burke's* he says . . . that "Mrs." is the correct designation, but the Scots Gael is of another mind on this subject. In the annals which remain to us from Gaelic Ireland, the ancient and customary use may be noted. Generally the women, even the great Ladies of the Gael, are referred to simply by their Christian name. There are, of course, some more formal or official references where Banrioghan, Queen, is used; and "Lady," as an English equivalent, occurs for example . . . in the Annals of Clonmacnoise:

"The Lady More, daughter of Morogh O'Madden and wife of MacWilliam Burke . . ."

But usually, and as a general custom, the Lady of the Prince or Chief is known by her Christian name. It may be added that neither "O" nor "Mac" are ever attached to a woman's name in Gaelic. This is a late English and incorrect practice.

A difficulty arose on the Continent when our Gaelic Lords were driven into exile there after the Cromwellian and Williamite over-throw of the ancient native order. A lady might be called, as in Ireland, by her Christian name: that would not be a distinction there, but rather the contrary.

Hence arose the custom of addressing the wives of those Gaelic Chiefs, after the continental fashion, as Madame . . . With their representatives and descendants, this style of address came to Ireland afterwards, and is used by way of title or distinctive prefix even for those whose ancestors were not in exile at the Court of France or elsewhere . . .

The distinctively Milesian "O" does not require any apostrophe . . . The use of the apostrophe is really incorrect.

I shall choose, as representative MacEgan . . . to illustrate restoration in Ireland and from exile respectively.

The MacEgans suffered the fate of most Irish families and, experiencing attainders and proscriptions, saw their patrimony pass into the hands of strangers . . . That world which they represented, and in which they were honoured as Chief Brehons of the Gael, perished beneath the hammer blows of Cromwell and the later persecutions . . .

In the 18th century, however, a MacEgan—described as Darby MacEgan, Esq., barrister-at-law, who was the Chief of his name . . . amassed sufficient money to purchase back part of the confiscated estates in BallymacEgan. A true romance is found in the fact that thus a "Brehon" of the English laws and use restored

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# The Campman's Forum.

—By "CAMP-ROVER"

## THE "EL TRIO" SALE.

The principal event in livestock circles during last week was, undoubtedly, the sale of dual-purpose Short-horn bulls from Mr. Juan C. Campion's "El Trio" herd that took place on Saturday. Incidentally, this was the opening event of the sale season, and it was a very successful one as the 110 animals offered found buyers at an average price of \$1,050 per head.

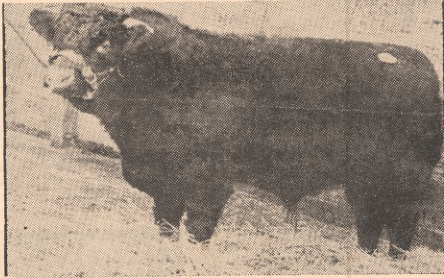
A large crowd of interested cattlemen, some of them coming from long distances, surrounded the ring when Don Arturo Bullrich commenced selling punctually on time. This was not surprising, for the annual sale of this herd's products has become one of the main events on the sales calendar; last year there were present buyers from Uruguay, Chile, and Peru, but this time transport difficulties made this an impossibility.

In spite of this drawback the general average for the bulls—including pedigree, controlled and non-pedigree animals—was higher than last year, which was the best obtained until then. The quality and presentation

of these dual-purpose beasts was such as to fully deserve this result.

The sale started with registered bulls bred from yield-controlled dams and the first offered went to \$2,700, at which figure he was taken by Rosso Hnos., of Córdoba. Another bull in this section made \$2,000, and 74 were disposed of to average \$1,150 each. Best price for pedigree and controlled bulls was \$3,800 paid by Degregory Ltda. for a son of Trio Duke Clarence in a 2,700 milk-yield dam; twenty-two of these were sold to an average of \$1,245 per head. The non-pedigree bulls with yield-controlled dams met with a ready sale and 24 of them were sold at an average of \$668 apiece. Not a single animal remained unsold and the demand was just as keen at the end of the sale as at the beginning.

As already stated, this is a very promising commencement of a sales season, though perhaps not many of them will give, like this one, an aggregate of \$115,750 for 110 animals. Mr. John C. Campion can well be pleased with the result of his annual sale.



**PITTDRIE GRAND KEYSTONE** —Bred by R. Laidlaw Smith. By Aldie Keystone and dam by Pitt-drie Jubilee. First prize at Perth this year and second best price of the sales. He was bought for 1,800 guineas and is coming out for the "La Chacra" herd, if local repo to a re correct.

## Elections In The C. A. P.—

As forecast previously the great majority of livestock men have cast their votes in favour of the candidates presented by the federations of rural societies, and thus supported the policy followed by the Directorate, which has been so hardly attacked in some quarters. The continuation of this policy is now assured.

More than 60 per cent. of the shareholders sent in their votes, as against 30 per cent. cast on the previous occasion.

something of the ancient patrimony of the Chief Brehons of Gaelic Ireland.

This action was to make the way ready for the restoration in our own days of the MacEgan title.

All this was only part of what was to become a wider cultural renaissance, and the inner essential meaning of it is nowhere better expressed than in those lines from W. B. Yeats's *Cathleen Ni Houlihan*:

"Did you see an old woman going down the road?"

"No, but I saw a young girl, and she had the walk of a queen."

The counting of the votes is a very slow job, even more so than the National Elections, but this is due to the strict regulations laid down by the Minister of Agriculture to ensure absolute legality in the count. Not only are all details supervised by representatives of the Ministries of Agriculture and Justice, but there are even expert penmen present to settle any doubts as to signatures or other writing in doubt.

At the time of writing there are still quite a number of districts still to be counted, but the final result is already settled. By winning in ten of eighteen zones into which the Buenos Aires and La Pampa shareholders are divided the candidates of the Confederations are sure of victory in this district, and, in consequence, are secure of obtaining nine of the fifteen seats on the next directorate. Add to this the fact that the Patagonian voters will also support their fellow "confederates," and the win for the supporters of the policy followed by the present directors is doubly assured. Individual figures are even more pleasing to the directors for their actions have been—up to the thirteenth district — approved by

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### Items.

The ex-Minister of Public destruction, Wilde, is going on another trip round the world. He intends to visit Chili, Peru, California, the Sandwich Islands, Japan, China, India and Europe. A pious author has said:

Qui multum vagantur  
Parum santificantur.

Yet we are certain that Wilde will not lose much in point of sanctity by his peregrinations. Who knows but a conversation with the Shah of Persia may not succeed in purging out the old leaven of profanity for which he was remarkable in the days of Juarez? Anyhow, his country will sing:

Fare you well you pompous duffer,  
If for ever, fare you well.

La Nación says that Mr. Thompson, correspondent of the Times will be the Editor of the New English newspaper to be started and that he will have as assistant editors Messrs. Rugeroni and Wilkinson. Mr. Rugeroni however has contradicted the rumour as far as he personally is concerned.

The Senate has not yet been able to form a quorum and some of the honourable gentlemen absent have sent in apologies on the plea of illness, but in reality as it is reported, because they do not wish to vote for General Roca as Chairman and dare not vote against him.

### Marriages.

On the 2nd. inst., in the parish church of Navarro, by the Rev. Patrick O'Grady, James Devereux, to Mary Ellen, second daughter of the late James McDonagh, of Navarro.

On the 6th of May, at Suipacha, Thomas Henry Hurley, to Mariana, eldest daughter of Henry Kay and Bridget Maguire.

### Deaths.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. William Gibney, the only son of our esteemed countryman Mr. William Gibney of Giles.

On the 3rd. of May, at Salto Argentino, Patrick Wallace, native of Coolnahy, County of Westmeath, Ireland.

At her residence in the partido of Pergamino, on the 24th ult. Eliza Cox, beloved wife of John Mulreedy.

### Competitive Examinations.

Like many other South American countries, Argentina has been and is today a slave to the siren of favouritism. It is possible that the candidate for office may be a worthy man and we have all along acknowledged that many of the teachers in the National College are worthy of their position. But their acquirements and suitability are a mere accident and the most incompetent persons might have taken their places if only they

had sufficient influence. The qualifications of the candidate are a matter of minor importance, the great and absorbing consideration has been and is, who recommends him? What assistance can he bring in election times? Is he backed up by the Freemason Society?

We would like to see the competitive system adopted not only in the appointment of teachers but in all the branches of public service. If Minister Balestra and professor Fitzsimons can establish a similar system in this country, even if it were only in the department of education, they will deserve the blessings of future generations.

### The Cost Of Armed Peace.

In Europe today 3,000,000 men, the physical flower of the continent, have been drilling, marching and counter-marching, practising at targets, learning the use of bayonet and sabre and performing as neatly as possible in sham fights the evolutions of actual war. It was so yesterday and last year and all the yesterdays of twenty years.

### Emigration.

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- 284) What Are Synthetic Products?
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**ASOCIACION CATOLICA IRLANDESA.**

**CONVOCATORIA**

Se cita a los señores socios de la Asociación Católica Irlandesa a la Asamblea General Ordinaria que se realizará el sábado 16 de Mayo, a las 15.30 horas, en el Colegio Santa Brígida, calle Gaona 2068, para tratar y resolver el siguiente

**ORDEN DEL DIA:**

- 1°-Designación de Presidente y Secretario de la Asamblea (Estatutos, art. 19).
- 2°-Lectura y consideración de la Memoria y Balance General, correspondientes al ejercicio de 1941.
- 3°-Elección de tres Directores en reemplazo del señor Andrés Rooney y Señoritas María Murphy y Rosa Manny, que terminan su mandato.
- 4°-Designación de dos socios para que, en representación de la Asamblea, aprueben y firmen el acta de la misma.

Buenos Aires, 28 de Abril de 1942.

Juan F. Grehan Patricio Bermingham  
Secretario Presidente

**SAINT PATRICK'S CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION.**

**GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING**

The General Yearly meeting of Saint Patrick's Catholic Association will be held in the Salón San Patricio, Rosario, on Sunday the 31st. inst. at 10 o'clock.

- The Order of the Day will be:
- 1.—The reading and consideration of the Report and Balance sheet for 1941.
  - 2.—Ordinary business.
- By Order.

**HURLING CLUB.**

**ASAMBLEA GENERAL ORDINARIA**

De acuerdo con el Artículo 20 de los Estatutos aprobados por la Inspección General de Justicia con fecha 23 de Enero de 1941, el Consejo Directivo convoca a los señores socios a la Asamblea General Ordinaria que se efectuará el 16 de Mayo próximo, a las 18 horas, en la sede social, calle Santo Tomé 4164, a los efectos de considerar el siguiente

**ORDEN DEL DIA**

- 1) Consideración y aprobación de la Memoria y Balance del ejercicio comprendido entre el 1° de Marzo y el 28 de Febrero de 1942.
- 2) Elección de cinco consejeros titulares, en reemplazo de los Señores Dr. Tomás M. E. Handley, Guillermo P. Ford, Patricio J. Leaden, Luis M. Donnelly y José Lafan, que terminan su mandato, Además cinco consejeros suplentes y tres revisores de cuentas, en reemplazo de los Señores José P. Roman, Juan Kearney y Francisco Horan, que también terminan su mandato. Todos los citados pueden ser reelectos.
- 3) Designación de dos socios para aprobar y firmar el acta de la Asamblea conjuntamente con el Presidente y Secretario.

Tomás E. Duggan Guillermo Fleming  
Secretario Presidente

**SAINT PATRICK'S HOME**

**Suor Socio:**

De acuerdo con lo dispuesto por los estatutos, comunicamos a Ud. que la Tercera Asamblea General tendrá lugar el 30 del mes actual a las 14 horas en la calle Estados Unidos 3180 con la siguiente:

**ORDEN DEL DIA**

- 1° Nominamiento de Presidente y Secretario para actuar en esta Asamblea.
- 2° Lectura y aprobación del Acta de la Asamblea anterior.
- 3° Lectura y consideración de la memoria y balance general é inventario al 31 de Marzo de 1942.
- 4° Proceder a la elección de 4 Consejeros titulares por tres años en reemplazo de los que terminan su mandato, señoras María M. de Bowen, Inés B. de Bown, Lucía H. de Moore y señor Dionisio Duggan.
- 5° Proceder a la elección de 6 Consejeros titulares por tres años en reemplazo de las señoras Adelina M. de Lalor, Luisa M. de Cavanagh, Margarita H. de Brown, señorita Catalina Dogherly, señoras Cecilia L. de Manny y Elena M. de Buchanan.
- 6° Proceder a la elección de la Comisión Revisora de Cuentas, compuesta de tres socios, que no sean Consejeros, por un año, en reemplazo de Monseñor Santiago M. Ussher, y Doctores Juan Duggan y Patricio Walsh.

7° Designación de dos socios para firmar el acta de la Asamblea en unión del Presidente y Secretario.

Rogándole puntual asistencia saludamos a Ud. muy atentamente

p. Hogar San Patricio  
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Secretario Presidenta

**MISSIONS AND STATIONS IN THE WESTERN CAMPS.**

The Passionist Fathers will conduct the annual Missions and Stations in the Western camps in accordance with the following list of dates and places:

Parish Church of Ameghino, May 16 and 17th.  
Parish Church of O'Brien, May 17th.

**MISSION IN VILLA DEVOTO.**

The Passionist Fathers will conduct a five day's Mission in the parish church of Villa Devoto, Avenida Lincoln 3700, beginning on Wednesday night, May 13th, at 20.30 o'clock and ending on May 17.

Every morning there will be Mass at 8.30 o'clock, followed by a sermon; and in the evening, Rosary, sermons and Hymns at 20.30 o'clock.

**MISSIONS IN VILLA DEVOTO AND BELGRANO.**

The Passionist Fathers are giving missions in English this month, as follows:—  
Villa Devoto, May 13 to 17th; Belgrano, parish church (calle Obligado 2150), May 27th to 31st.

**Bear in Mind...**

**MAY 10** 3.30 p.m., General Meeting of the Irish Catholic Association, at St. Brigid's College, Gaona 2068.

**MAY 16** 18 o'clock, General Meeting of the Hurling Club, Santo Tomé 4158.

**MAY 24.** Carmen de Arceo Dance.

**JUNE 7.** Annual Irish Fair at Holy Cross Hall.

**JUNE 11.** At the Casa Suiza, Rodriguez Peña 254, Bridge Tea for St. Patrick's Home.

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## OBITUARIES

### Santiago B. Kehoe, R.I.P.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Santy B. Kehoe, which occurred recently in Egypt, where Mr. Kehoe was serving with the British Royal Air Force.

Eldest son of Mr. John J. Kehoe and Ellen Hogan, Santy Kehoe was born in Pergamino and made his secondary studies at the famous College of the Immaculate Conception in Santa Fe, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in 1932. He later entered the University of La Plata, where he



studied engineering for several years, later entering business life.

In August 1940 Mr. Kehoe sailed for Great Britain, a volunteer in the World War and immediately entered an aviation school there. In January of this year he was promoted Sergeant and was sent to Cairo.

His family continued to hear from him with great regularity, till, on April 28th, a laconic cable message brought the sad news of his death.

The news was received with inexpressible sorrow by his loving parents, brothers and sisters and has provoked deep mourning amongst his large circle of friends. Santy Kehoe will long be missed by his dear ones, to whom warm sympathy has been extended in their days of trial.

May his rest be light, far away from his native land!

### Katie Carey de Moran, R.I.P.

On Wednesday 6th inst., the death occurred at Mercedes (B. A.), of Katie Carey de Moran. Born at Ballybeggan, County Westmeath, Ireland, the deceased came to Argentina when very young where she settled down to a life of industry and well doing. Never specially favoured as regards the possession of this world's goods but possessing a big heart and a spirit of self denial and sympathy she was ever ready to help the good cause. She possessed in a high degree the true spirit of that most admired of the Christian virtues—charity, that virtue which cannot be tested by the magnitude of its gifts but by the feelings that prompt them. She was one of those who "do good by stealth and blush to find it fame".

As a fitting reward to such a life, hers was the ideal christian death. During her recent illness she was frequently attended by the Pallotine Fathers of St. Patrick's, Mercedes, whom she ever regarded as her special friends and the works of whom she ever did her utmost to further by word and deed. The widow's mite in her case was always a very generous gift.

Fully-resigned to God's holy will

and consoled by the rites of our holy religion she closed her eyes to this world.

Her wake and funeral was very well attended by her many friends and admirers.

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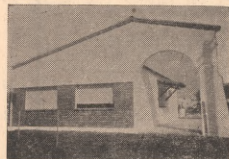
The front and back covers bear a decorative painting by the well-known artist P. A. Fontan, depicting the "madreselva", so typical of Tucumán, and inside are 16 pages of photographs of picturesque spots in the Province of Tucumán.

Those who are considering Winter holidays, should ask for copies of this brochure, which may be obtained free of charge from the Tucumán Tourist Department, at Tucumán, and at the Central Argentine Railway Information Offices, B. Mitre 299, Buenos Aires, and at Rosario, calle Uruguay 1316. At all the foregoing addresses the booklet may be applied for by letter, telephone or personally.

### NEW PARISH IN CASTELAR, F. C. O.

Castelar, that rising township on the Western Railway, now has a resident priest. For several years an active Committee of ladies have been working to this end: a large plot of land was purchased, a church-hall was erected, and latterly, a parochial house. The Pallotine Fathers have been attending the chapel for the services for five years.

On Sunday, May 3rd., the long-standing aspiration of Castelar residents



was realized: the new parochial house was solemnly blessed and the first resident priest took up his abode in Castelar. This is the Rev. Peter Dufau, P.S.M., who has been hitherto attached to St. Patrick's, Buenos Aires.

The dedication ceremony was performed by Archbishop Chimento, in the presence of a large gathering of people. Among the sponsors for the occasion we note the name of Mrs. Bidy Kiernan de Olascoaga.

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# About People

A group of ladies, members of St. Patrick's Home committee, under the presidency of Mrs. Robert E. Halahan, are organising a Bridge and Tea to be held at the Casa Suiza, Rodriguez Peña 254, on the 11th June next, commencing at 3 p.m., in aid of the Home at Villa Elisa. Tables may be booked by telephone to 44-0777. Non-bridge players will be very welcome to come along and have tea in a good cause.

Rev. Fathers Peter Richards and Columba Dillon, C.P., are preaching a mission this week in the parish church of Villa Devoto, Avenida Lincoln 3751, with services morning and night. There will be a General Communion on Sunday at the 9 o'clock Mass.

The many friends of Mrs. Stella Patacios Gahan de Bessette will be glad to hear she is down for a holiday from La Paz, Bolivia, and has taken up her residence in Sucre 1855, this City.

The Misses Cata O'Neill and Anita Farrell, of this city, were amongst recent visitors to Capilla del Señor.

Mr. Patricio C. Savage and family have changed their residence from Perú 390 to Defensa 441, 5th floor, "A", U. T. 33-2199.

Amongst those, who registered at the City Hotel during the week, was Mr. Edmund I. Kirk.

Miss Annie Farrell has returned to this city after placing her two nephews, Lito and Alfonso Farrell, of Rojas, in the Fahy Institute, Capilla del Señor.

After some days, stay in Mar del Plata, Mrs. Susana C. de Rosseter, Mrs. Bridget D. de Keegan and her little son, Bernard, returned to Capilla del Señor.

The Sunday evening dinner dances at the Alvear Palace Hotel are becoming increasingly popular. Amongst those attending last Sunday evening were the following:—Magdalena Balcarce Bengolea, Maria Rodriguez Salas, Elisa Bouquet Roldán, Maria Adelina Lalor and Messrs. Alberto Dode-ro (jun.), Luis O'Farrell, Roberto Hume and Douglas MacDonald.



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We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement, which appears on page 10 of this issue with reference to the Restaurant Paraje, which recently has been completely renovated.

On June 18th, Mr. and Mrs. John Lalor will celebrate the Silver Jubilee of their marriage. In the morning of that day a Mass of thanks will be offered up in gratitude to God and in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Lalor will give a reception to their friends at the Plaza Hotel.

Dr. Alejandro E. Shaw gave a dinner party at his residence in this city on Tuesday last in honour of the famous American publicist, Mr. Waldo Frank. A number of local journalists were present on the occasion.

The death took place last Sunday afternoon at Unquillo in the Hills of Cordoba, of Mr. Cyril T. Conway, who formerly resided in Rosario.

News has been received by Mr. Charles Wylie, of Cabaña Sittyton, Duggan, from the Air Ministry in London informing him that his son, who was a pilot-sergeant in the R.A.F., is reported missing. Mr. and Mrs. Wylie are the recipients of deep sympathy in their anxiety.

The marriage of Miss Maria Rodriguez Salas and Mr. John Lalor (jun.), is announced for the coming August.

Mrs. Nina Fothergill de Steapoolé is amongst the recent arrivals from Europe.

Amongst the recent arrivals by Pagnagra from the United States was the famous Spanish oculist, Dr. Castroviejo, who is treating the president of the Republic, Dr. Ortiz, for the malady of his eyes.

The Argentina Meat Corporation (CAP) announce the early opening of another score of butchers-shops in areas of concentrated working population, in its co-operative campaign to provide cheaper meat. In all these shops meat will be sold at prices averaging less than 20 centavos per kilo.

The Lord Mayor of this city has sent a message to the "Comisión de Vecinos" proposing that what is now known as Avenida Centenario should be changed to Avenida Jose Figueroa Alcorta.

Mr. Robert M. Comber, of Macadam and Co., who left last year for Great Britain on war service, has been gazetted as pilot officer in the Royal Air Force.

Amongst the orators of the Second Congress for Ecclesiastical Vocations in Rosario were: Father Francis Meagher, parish priest of St. Joseph's, Rosario, who spoke on: "The Priest and ecclesiastical vocations"; Mgr. Michael Casey, Vicar-General of Rosario, on: "The nobility and dignity of vocations"; and Mother Mary Baptist Kehoe, Superioress of the Normal School of our Lady of Mercy, on: "Religions and Vocations".

Miss Rose Lennon, of Buenos Aires, is spending some days with her relations in Capilla del Señor.

The Irish Chaplain of Capilla del Señor, will be in Zárate on the 4th Sunday, May 24th.

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## On The Rack

THE Achilles heel of the National Socialist régime in Germany and the occupied countries is its treatment of religion. No mere sporadic outbursts of religious persecution characterize that political system; a settled policy of calculated repression, proceeding from the lesser to the greater, from details to essentials, may be traced in the dealings of the Nazi Party with religion. Not one creed alone is the object of attack: all the forms of Christianity are under fire, and the aim is to utterly destroy them all. The Bishop of Calahorra in Spain quotes from a book widely distributed to German soldiers: "The Cross Front has a strong wing and a weak wing. Catholicism is the strong wing. Its strength is union. Protestantism is the weak wing; its weakness is its dispersion. Our battle, the battle of hearts, is against both. The object of the combat is the German man. That is what we are fighting for today. Not for prebends, not for dogmas, not for churches. In the future there will be no religious confessions; not even a single "German Church"... Let (every-one seek his own road. But no one must seek it in Rome or in Jerusalem. Germany is our Promised Land."

What is here openly proclaimed was latent in the beginning though the leaders of the Nazi Party were careful then to conceal their real intentions. In order to lull suspicion and to secure the dissolution of the famous old Centre Party, the only political force in Germany which they feared, the Nazis went so far as to sign a new Concordat with the Vatican, but they had no intention of binding themselves by their act. The provisions of the new

document have been systematically violated from the beginning and today it means as little or as much as the Nazis want it to mean.

The attention of the whole world to the religious persecution which the Nazis were waging against Catholicism was fixed by the famous Encyclical "Mit Brennender Sorge" (with burning Anxiety) which the late Pope, Pius XI, published on Passion Sunday 1937. It is a calm, clear document which establishes with the clearest evidence what the real aims of Nazism are.

Since Brennender Sorge several other well-known and important pronouncements, whether from the Papacy or the German Episcopate, have been delivered. They dispose effectively of the blythe claim that religious conditions in Germany have altered since 1937.

The latest of these pronouncements emanates from Cardinal Faulhaber, the dauntless Archbishop of Cologne who has stood up to the Nazis from the first day. Cardinal Faulhaber's latest testimony is in the shape of a communication to the Vatican, and its main points have filtered through in spite of Italian censorship. The points are eleven, in the following order:

1. A veritable war is being waged in Germany against Christianity.

2. A complex system of anti-Christian espionage is maintained in the chief religious centres throughout the Reich.
3. Moral compulsion is put into play against the faithful, who are told that they must frequent the churches less if they wish to keep their jobs.
4. People are persuaded to refuse to pay the "blood tribute" to the Church,—i.e. the Church tax.
5. The Church is accused of being a supra national institution and citizens are asked how they reconcile their allegiance to the State with Church membership.
6. Violence and threats are openly employed.
7. Religious instruction in primary and secondary schools is blocked.
8. Religious papers and books have been prohibited under the excuse of the paper shortage, while anti-religious papers and books have increased in size and number.
9. Boys and girls have been forbidden to assist at evening services in the Churches," because they lose their sleep"; but they are forced to assist at Party meetings which often last till after midnight.
10. Religious organizations are forbidden to purchase lands for church buildings.
11. Church bells, sacred vessels and other religious objects of great value have been confiscated without warning and compensation of any kind, "for the welfare of the country and the prosecution of the war."

This document, which bears the authority of Michael Cardinal Faulhaber, is the most recent of its kind. It should serve to convince even the most sceptical that Christianity in the Reich is on the rack.

### DANCE IN CARMEN DE ARECO

Great interest and enthusiasm were shown during the meeting held at St. Paul's Union, Carmen de Areco, about the forthcoming Irish-Argentine dance to take place on Sunday May 24th, prox., in the Union Hall.

A splendid "orchestra" has been already arranged for. Dancing to commence at 21 o'clock.

Entrance fee. Members \$3.-; non-members \$5.-; ladies \$1.-.

A hearty welcome is here extended to all Irish and Irish-Argentines who wish to enjoy a good night on May 24th. in Carmen de Areco.

The Secretary,  
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### HURLING CLUB.

#### RUGBY.

A friendly match has been arranged between our team and one representing Lomas A. C., which will take place next Sunday, 17th. inst., at 15.15 o'clock. Hurling Club players are recommended that on Saturday, there shall be a brief practice.

#### HOCKEY.

Previous to the rugger game, there will be a hockey match among members of the Club. The teams will be called Old and New girls, but players will be eyed, as many of the New girls, are n-w in the game. They are requested to turn up in white blouses, and after the match, which will commence at 14 sharp, the New Girls will elect their captain. The following is a list of the girls who are expected to play for the third division team: Misses Celina and Esther Norton, Edith Dillon, Eileen Farrell, Mary Casey, Doreen Fleming, Lily Fox, Vera Huxley, C. and L. Carmody and B. Fox. Other girls wishing to join in will be given a game.

A men's hockey team is in formation process. Prospective players are invited to get in touch with Mr. Alec P. Ballesty.

#### BOCHAS.

The annual championship will commence on Saturday, 23rd. inst. The organising committee, viz: Messrs. Jim Rush, Joe Ronan and Jack Dowling will receive inscriptions until next Sunday, when the draw will take place. The rules are the following: single-handed, knock-out competition, the best of three 12-point-games.

### HOLY CROSS ALTAR SOCIETY'S ANNUAL IRISH FAIR,

SUNDAY, June 7th.

When General San Martin was fitting out his heroic army to cross the Andes and liberate our Chilean neighbours, the men, and particularly the ladies, of this country contributed their gold and silver ornaments and even their wedding-rings to help defray the cost.

Once a year, HOLY CROSS ALTAR SOCIETY appeals to the generosity of our Community to donate something in cash or kind towards the ANNUAL IRISH FAIR—taking place this year Sunday June 7th. prox. We do not ask you to sacrifice your gold and silver objects, but we do appeal to your Catholic charity to help a deserving cause to the best of your means.

Gifts of lambs, beef, mutton; farm and dairy produce; homemade jams and confectionery; knitted and embroidered articles; new or used books; spirits, wines, beers, liquors and mineral waters will be much appreciated. Kindly send your gift early.

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**W**HILE on a pleasant holiday at Estancia "El Porvenir", of Las Saladas, where I had the honour of being the guest of Mr. Agustine Fitzsimons, I had the good fortune to be present when the people of Las Saladas and Moll districts welcomed his Lordship the Bishop of the Diocese of Mercedes, Right Rev. Monsignor Anunciado Serafini, for it happened that the last days of my outing luckily coincided with the visit of his Lordship to St. Joseph's Church of Las Saladas. This enchanting little Church stands in the heart of the camp; the nearest village, Villa Moll, being about two leagues distant. Notwithstanding this, all the functions in it are attended by large and devout gatherings, mainly formed by the Irish-Argentine families of the district.

The Church was erected in the year 1899 by the Irish Argentine Community of the district, which was very numerous at that time, and built on the land of the late Mr. James Connaughton. It was solemnly blessed on the 4th of February 1899 by his Lordship Monsignor Espinosa, at that time Bishop of La Plata, the sponsors being Mr. and Mrs. James Connaughton. The Bishop was accompanied on that occasion by Fr. Gaffier, Fr. Mendivil and Fr. Isidore of the Passionist Order and Frs. Patrick O'Grady and Henry Weber, P.S.M., from St. Patrick's College Mercedes (details taken from *The Southern Cross* of February 10th 1899). Since then St. Joseph's

## Reflections On A Bishop's Visit To "Las Saladas"

(By "MAC")

above), was one of the priests who accompanied Bishop Espinosa in the year 1899), and Mr. Agustine Fitzsimons. Shortly after leaving Suipacha the party was joined by a caravan of motor cars which accompanied them to the Chapel, where they arrived about sunset and were received by a large and enthusiastic gathering. His Lordship, preceded by Fr. Weber, solemnly entered the Chapel which was beautifully decorated and illuminated for the occasion and it looked more enchanting than ever. Before leaving he addressed the congregation and expressed how pleasantly surprised he



The Asado

was to find such a large gathering in a little chapel standing out in the lonely camp, at such an hour, all of which was a proof of the piety and goodwill of the people of Las Saladas. Later he left for Mr. Agustine Fitzsimons's Estancia where he passed the night.

On Thursday morning his Lordship offered a general Communion Mass at 9.30 o'clock; the chapel was filled to its capacity, a very large percentage of those present approaching the railings to receive Holy Communion. During Mass Monsignor preached a sermon and mentioned again how impressed he was to see such a large gathering and assured them that if he had imagined that there would be such a crowd present, he would have arranged a longer visit and a more extensive programme. After Mass he confirmed over one hundred children.

At 1 o'clock p.m. luncheon was served in his honour at Mr. A. Fitzsimons's establishment, which was attended by more than one hundred and fifty people. A magnificent "menú" was served to all and at coffee time Fr. Weber rose to the occasion and thanked Monsignor for having accepted his invitation to visit Las Saladas and also thanked the people of the district for having turned up in such strength. His Lordship thanked Fr. Weber for his courteous words and once more expressed his admiration for the spirit shown by the Irish-Argentines of Las Saladas, and said that the Pallotine Fathers, who have been attending the Church ever since it was built, could feel proud to have such a magnificent and exemplary group of the Community attending. He also had very kind words for the Pallotine Fathers for having attended the place for so many years, notwithstanding the difficulties they had to meet, years ago, in travelling such a long distance; their sacrifices, he said, have been well rewarded and were not in vain, as the

Irish Argentine Community is as strong as ever in Las Saladas and continues true to the faith of their forefathers. His Lordship's address was interrupted several times with loud and prolonged applause. Late in the evening he left for Suipacha putting an end to his short visit to Las Saladas, which will be pleasantly remembered for a long time by all those who were present. Before leaving he expressed his hopes of being able to pay another visit to such an enchanting place before long and assured that he would do his utmost to return for some special occasion when his engagements would allow.

It was a long time since I had been present at any special function at St. Joseph's chapel of Las Saladas, where I attended Mass in the days of my childhood; I have been deeply impressed to see the unity, goodwill and hardworking spirit prevailing in the Irish-Argentine Community of the district, and to witness how much they do to keep up the faith and their efforts to attract new people to the church.

Mr. Agustine Fitzsimons looks after the chapel. A couple of years ago he made many improvements in the structure, in memory of his deceased uncle, Mr. James Connaughton. He feels a great devotion for whatever concerns it and carefully files all information, writings, etc., regarding the little chapel. Seeing me so impressed by the activity displaced to receive his



Some of those present

Lordship, he willingly shewed me a lot of interesting articles and publications regarding different events which took place in St. Joseph's chapel, most of them published in different numbers of *The Southern Cross* of old dates. From report on the blessing of the Church I take the following paragraph of the issue of the 10th February 1899: "NOT ONLY THE PRIEST BUT ALL WHO WERE STRANGERS IN THE LOCALITY WERE RECEIVED WITH OPEN ARMS AND MADE TO FEEL IN REAL EARN. EST WARM, KINDLY HOSPITALITY, WHICH CHARACTERIZES THE IRISH PEOPLE AND THEIR DESCENDANTS IN EVERY LAND. IF THE MISSION WAS SUCCESSFUL FROM A RELIGIOUS POINT OF VIEW, IT WAS EQUALLY SO IN ITS SOCIAL CHARACTER. IT SHOWED OUT IN BOLD RELIEF THE WEIGHT AND WORTH OF A PORTION OF THE IRISH ARGENTINE COMMUNITY. THE PEOPLE WERE AS CULTURED AND

RESPECTABLE AS ONE WOULD EXPECT TO MEET ON A SIMILAR OCCASION IN A LARGE CITY." I can assure readers that the same spirit still exists amongst the Irish-Argentines of Las Saladas, and any one who wants to see a really united, hardworking and exemplary portion of our Community, can just do so by following the advice given by Fr. Weber, to Mons. Serafini when he spoke at the mid-day lunch; that is; attend St. Joseph's day's festivities in Las Saladas, which take place on the feast of the Patron each year.

As was hoped at its foundation, the



The Bishop with the young folk

little Church continues to be a source of great consolation to the people of the district, and the sublime emblem with which it is crowned, continues to be a constant reminder of the historic words IN HOC SIGNO VINCES.

"MAC"

### SAINT PAUL'S CLUB.

Doubtless, most members and their friends are beginning to concentrate their thoughts on our Annual Ball. The Managing Committee have not been idle, and we are pleased to state that preliminary arrangements are already under way. In the very near future we shall announce when and where the traditional event will be held. Our last dance was a great success, so we are looking forward to the full cooperation of all our members and friends in order that this Annual Ball will go down in the history of St. Paul's Club as the "Best Ever".

Therefore, watch out for further details; in the meantime make your own arrangements and commence organizing already your parties for the Ball.

Finally, we are very pleased to announce the following list of new Club members enrolled during the past month and which amount to no less than thirty one, namely:—

Teresa Harrington de Finn, Rosa Quinn, Maria Francisca Quinn, Inés Quinn, Celina Norton, Stella Norton, Nelly F. de Norton, Lucy K. de Carmody, Edith Dillon, Peggy Wright, Anne L. Fox, Kathleen Fox, Lizzie Fox, Maggie Quinn de Rush, Julia Rooney de Ramirez, Aggie Boggan, Anne Boggan, Richard Joseph McAdden, Osvaldo Jáuregui Dillon, John Norton, Andrew J. Quinn, John J. Sills, Diego T. Boxer, Francis J. Fallon, Albert J. Walsh, Mario Ramirez Moran, Santy Rush Woolsey, Edward Cormack, William Bohan, Albert Manney and John J. Boggan.

The Secretary.

### ST. PATRICK'S HOME.

BAZAAR.

The Bazaar in aid of St. Patrick's Home, Villa Elisa, will be held this year at the Casa Suiza" hall, Rodriguez Peña N° 254, on the 25th and 26th July next. The committee appeal once again to the community for help and support in making this undertaking the success it deserves to be, for the sake of our aged poor.



His Excellency Bishop Serafini

Chapel was never visited by a Bishop and consequently it was obvious that nothing should be left undone in order to give Mons. Serafini, the second Bishop to visit the Chapel after a lapse of 43 years, a worthy and enthusiastic welcome, a proof that the faith, devotion and piety of the Irish Community which built the Chapel 43 years ago, still continues reigning in the hearts of the survivors, and in the hearts of all their descendants.

A committee formed mainly by members of the Irish Argentine Community and some other prominent neighbours, arranged the reception to his Lordship, who travelled by motor car from Suipacha on the evening of Wednesday, April 29th accompanied by Rev. Fr. H. Weber, P.S.M., Parish Priest of Suipacha (who, as was noted

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ny constitutes a lengthy spell. The Irish are supposed to be volatile and inclined to be rolling stones, but Mr. Mulvihill supplies a direct negative to that assumption by his quarter of a century of faithful service to a single company. In our complacency we are apt to forget what a godsend for this country the San Martin Cement Company has been. In these days when the question of shipping freight is so difficult, how would Argentina have re-



mained were she dependent for her cement supplies on importation? The situation would have been tragic. Cement for buildings, roads, camp materials would have been unattainable with all the consequent evils; unemployment, dearth of houses and impassable roads.

We feel sure if there is anything that can add to Mr. Mulvihill's deserved contentment on the occasion of his silver jubilee it is to be found in the fact that, as a good Argentine, he will rejoice he has given of his best

in the service of a company that has done so much for his native land. Mr. Mulvihill is still a young man, the sun of his life is still far out in the west and we join his legion of friends in wishing him many more years of service with the San Martin cement

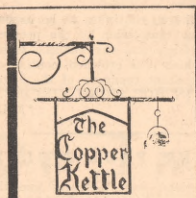
company. Men of his calibre constitute an honour to our community and "The Southern Cross" takes pride in congratulating him on this memorable occasion and at the same time extends its congratulations to his worthy companions, Messrs. Carey, Hillegas and Sciamarella. Floreant.

## Wedding Bells.

**Cummins—McLoughlin.**

The wedding of Miss Rita Cummins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cummins to Mr. Victor McLoughlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. McLoughlin, of Villa Devoto, congregated

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a very large number of people at Holy Cross Church on Saturday. The great edifice was tastefully decorated for the ceremony, during which the bride, decked out in white taffeta with full skirt and moulded bodice, carrying a bouquet of sweet peas, walked to the altar leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Joseph Cummins, who gave her away. The other sponsor was Miss Eileen McLoughlin, sister of the groom.

The ceremony was performed by Father Alphonsus Rooney, C.P., who spoke a few words of fatherly exhortation and congratulation to the happy young couple. During the sacred rite, Gounod's Ave Maria was sung by Miss Elsa Henestrosa.

The honeymoon is being spent in Córdoba. Gifts of a gold bracelet and a solid silver cigarette case were exchanged between bride and groom.

### SEMINARY WEEK IN SUIPACHA.

Friday, 1st. May, labour-day, found Mons. Serafini back again in Suipacha after having completed his pastoral visit in the surrounding districts. At 9 o'clock a special Mass for workers was celebrated after which Mons. gave a discourse on the christian worker.

In the afternoon, a delightful programme of entertainment was given in the local theatre and was repeated again in the evening.

The celebrations of the week culminated on Sunday with a general communion Mass at 8.30, and the Pontifical High Mass, celebrated for the first time in the history of the town. Amongst the clergy assisting the Bishop were Mons. Guerra, Vicar-General of the diocese; Frs. P. Jacob, B. Muller, M. Kraus, A. Leadon, V. Cancellari, R. Carboni, S. Histon. The Students from the Seminary in Mercedes were also assisting at the altar. Frs. H. Weber and V. Palermo presided with the authorities of the town, Frs. L. Brady and T. O'Reilly came later in the evening for the exposition of Vestments.

The Church beautifully and artistically decorated for the occasion was filled to capacity and the worshippers witnessed the grand splendour and

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magnificence of the solemn ceremonies of the church. After the Pontifical Mass, the Bishop preached a very touching sermon.

At mid-day a grand lunch was served in the parochial hall in honour of the Bishop at which a great number of persons were present.

At 4 o'clock in the salon "Madre Leonor", the first diocesan exposition of sacred vestments and vessels used in the various offices of the church was inaugurated. During the course of the exposition, the Bishop gave a very interesting lecture on the church and its ceremonies, explaining the use of

sacred objects and their significance. Monday last was the first anniversary of the death of Fr. Thomas Maher, P.S.M., and a solemn funeral Mass was celebrated in the Parish Church, Suipacha, the scene of his priestly work for many a year. The number of people that attended the Mass, both from the town and camp bore eloquent testimony to the esteem in which he was held by those among whom he worked so zealously. The celebrant of the Mass was Fr. S. Hinton, deacons Frs. C. Gaynor and T. O'Reilly, Frs. H. Weber and J. Boyle were also in attendance.

and are a veritable fury, the coast abounds with rocks and hidden reefs, the charts are not at all certain of the position of some of the islands and headlands that abound. One has to be a sailor to navigate these shores with success. And they are sailors, the Argentines I met. Men whose forefathers like Colon and Pinzon, sailed from Genoa and Seville, nor do they forget that Admiral Brown, a famous Irishman, was the first Argentine to navigate from the River Plate to Valparaiso and the Peruvian port of Lima! It was Chief Engineer Paganí of the *Río Atuel* who pointed that out to me, but I imagine that Chief Officer Zulianes knows his Magallanes and his history best. Captain Doderó of the *Río Mendoza* when I met him told me some part of the story, and Captain Leporace of the *Río Gallegos* who succeeded us for pilotage in the River Plate itself, invited me to make a voyage to New York with him.

But there is one more outstanding fact with regard to Argentina's return to the sea, so far as I have been able to gather the threads of the story, and that is, the religious interest! From the Bahía de San Matías on the Atlantic coast, to Santa Cruz, around Cabo Virgenes, past the Island of Santa María, past San Isidro and San Antonio, Isla Madre de Dios and along the Chilean coast past San Pedro and San Tomas, the religious interest, the religious culture of the ancient navigators who set out with little but the prospects of starvation, thirst and death perhaps by massacre, stands out a mile. They sailed with God and the stars for a guide, and were very short of instruments, of food and they had little by way of hope. Their descendants, the captains,

the officers and men of Argentina's merchant ships, are also for the most part Catholics. At any rate, I did not meet one among forty-five members of the crew who was of any other persuasion! I will go farther, and say that I found a very good Christian comradeship existing among them all! One could quite imagine them, either singly or in a body, observing at peril of life and limb all the traditions of the sea. They are good sailors and it seemed to me, good living men. They are overcoming many difficulties with success. The ships they took over had long been at anchor, they had gone to

## Argentina's Merchant Marine

By MARVIN SUTTON.

An interest I began to take in the Argentine Flota Mercante del Estado some months ago when the question of the requisition of refugee merchant ships first arose, has resulted in my having made a voyage in the *Río Atuel* from Bahía Blanca to Valparaiso and Antofagasta by way of the Straits of Magallanes.

Authorized by His Excellency Admiral Fincati, the Minister of Marine, and arranged by Admiral Francisco Stewart, Chief of the Flota Mercante, the voyage was at the same time a pleasure and an enlightenment, and I imagine there are some matters of observation that will interest readers of *The Southern Cross*. At least, that was the opinion of Father Stephen, Rector of Santa Cruz, when I met him the other day.

The passage through the Straits of Magallanes, for example is still an adventure, and the navigation of the Chilean coast is still not without more than an element of danger. The Straits through which Hernando Magallanes and his faithful captains passed more than four hundred years ago are now-a-days well defined, but around and about them are thousands of square miles of little-known territory, of gulfs, inlets, creeks and channels yet unexplored. The home of the seal and of a variety of fish and wildfowl, from Crooked Reach to the far reaches of Otway Water and Skyring have been the haunts of free-lancing fishermen for generations since Captain Fitz-Roy and his officers and men in H. M. S. *Beagle* spent four years in these parts a hundred years ago.

It was among these islands and in the maze of this web of channels that the German cruiser *Dresden* sought refuge in the course of the last world war, and with the help of a seal fisherman of German origin, escaped from the pursuit ships of the British navy. And it is openly said in Valparaiso and other Chilean ports that German interest in the Straits of Magallanes has been maintained! That is a matter beyond the scope of an un-official writer, however well introduced he may be, yet the fact stands out a mile that the Straits of Magallanes is the link between Argentina and her neighbouring republic of Chile, and indeed of all the Pacific coast. And the defence of these

vertical channels, apart from their possibilities as a base for submarines, is one of the outstanding naval problems of modern times. They are vast, they are intricate, they are dangerous. Many are the warnings, many have been the wrecks. I myself saw on the Straggler's Island group at the mouth of Smyth's Channel, no fewer than five hulls of ships wrecked on hidden reefs in recent years, one with a loss of seventy lives, in spite of the fact that an experienced pilot had taken charge! And Smyth's Channel, one might add, is just one of a thousand waterways never indicated on an ordinary map, however good it may be. There are, besides, Crooked Reach, Paso del Indio, and Chasm Reach, all in the fairway used by vessels every day, and then a hundred creeks and channels reaching to little out-of-the-way centres where are occasional estancias, even a coalmine!

These are being navigated by Argentine sailors now, in the *Río Atuel*, and in addition, the *Río Blanco* and the *Río Bermejo*, and we were actually unloading in Valparaiso when the *Río Dulce* called for a pilot from the passage from Cabo Rapar to Punta Arenas, and it can be said for Captain Reigada of the *Río Atuel*, as well as for the officers and men of the other vessels engaged in the Chilean trade, that they are attending a school of navigation without equal in this world. Off Cabo Pilar, in the shadow of Isla Madre de Dios, where Desolation ends, the storms are frequent,



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rust, were abandoned, and the engines in some cases have required any amount of hard work to bring up to scratch. That the ships are now spick and span speaks volumes for the devotion to duty of both officers and men. It was a joy to watch the crew of the *Rio Atuel* go ashore in a body at Valparaiso, so smart, clean and respectable. Yet one thing I thought lacking, and which is in the power of Argentines to afford. One would like to have found one cabin, one room in which sailors or firemen live, with a crucifix! A reminder of the destiny of man. And I am not sentimental in expressing that wish, nor do I say that none existed. But I didn't see one, though the reminders of the faith of our fathers were all about us. We had jazz, we had news that should have shocked, but which didn't shock, any more than the jazz was amusing. I don't think either Candido or Pedro or José del Rio were worried overmuch about jazz music, but I really think they would be overjoyed if Argentina found fit to endow every State ship with a crucifix. I would not like to hear of such a precious object being issued by Government decree, as though it belonged to the scale of rations and equipment, yet in a ship sailing by way of Isla Santa Ines and Madre de Dios, named by navigators of the school of Magallanes, Colon and Fitz-Roy a crucifix would be fulfilling its role.

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BIRTHS

RUBILLO.—On May the 6th, in the British Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Attilio Rubillo, (nee) Ana María Ward, a son. 1491—m.15

ENGAGEMENTS

DUGGAN—SWALE.

The engagement is announced between Miss Clissie Duggan and Mr. William Swale, both of this city. 1485—m.15

MARRIAGES

Thompson Murray—Arboleya de Miguel

On the 29th of April, at the Basílica del Espíritu Santo, this city, the marriage was blessed of Miss Katie Agnes Thompson Murray, daughter of the late Simon and Cristina Murray de Thompson, of San Andrés de Gileas, of Engineer Homero Arboleya de Miguel, son of Francis and the late Luisa de Miguel de Arboleya, of this city. 1489—m.15

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The marriage of Miss Bridget Mary Flynn (Clissie) to Mr. Gerald Joseph Dougherty will take place at Holy Cross Church on May 23rd. 1493—m.15

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MASSSES

† CATALINA GANLY DE KENNY, R. I. P.—Solemn Requiem Mass (Month's Mind) will be celebrated in St. Patrick's, Mercedes, B. A. on Wednesday, May the 20th at 10.30, for the repose of the soul of the late Catalina Ganly de Kenny. Friends and relatives are kindly invited to assist. 1472—m.8-15

† MARIA HEALY DE YORK, R. I. P.—A Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Maria Healy de York, will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church, on May the 18th, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. 1471—m.8-15

CATALINA WHEELER DE KELLY, R. I. P.—On Wednesday, May 20th, at 10 o'clock, Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Church of Carmen de Areco, for the repose of the soul of the late Catalina Wheeler de Kelly. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1494—m.15

† MARIA HEALY DE YORK, R.I.P.—The Children of Mary of Holy Cross and Salguero 550 are having a Mass celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late Mrs. York, in Holy Cross Church, on Sunday the 17th, May, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1490—m.15

† MARIA O'L. DE REDDY, R.I.P.—A Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Maria O'L. de Reddy will be celebrated in San José Church of Arrecifes, on May the 17th, at 10.30 o'clock. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to assist. This Mass is offered by the Irish Society of Arrecifes. 1492—m.15

† CATHLEEN GANLY DE KENNY, R.I.P.—A Novena of Masses for the eternal repose of the soul of the late Cathleen G. de Kenny, commenced in Holy Cross Church on Saturday, May 9th, at 6.30 o'clock. Last day of Novena, Sunday, May 17th, Mass at 11 o'clock. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. 1488—m.15

† KATIE K. DE KEEGAN, R.I.P.—On May 12th, a Novena of Masses commenced in the Fahy Institute of Capilla del Señor for the repose of the soul of the late Katie K. de Keegan. 1486—m.15

† On May 20th, in the Fahy Institute of Capilla del Señor, Gregorian Masses, for the souls in Purgatory will be said for Miss Rose Lennon's intention. 1482—m.15

† MARGARET PIERCE DE HOWLIN, R.I.P.—There will be an Anniversary Mass offered up on the 21st, at 9 a.m., in Holy Cross Church, for the repose of the late Margaret P. de Howlin. All relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. 1482—m.15

† FANNY AND PADDY FEARNE, R. I.P.—A Solemn High Mass will be offered up for the repose of the soul of the late Fanny and Paddy Fearné in the Parish Church of Carmen de Areco, on Tuesday 19th, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. 1483—m.15

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**THE CAMPMAN'S FORUM.—**

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7,294 shareholders as against 4,149 who favoured the opposition. One pleasing feature of the counting operations is that complete harmony and fairness has prevailed all through. There have been practically no discussions and the results have been accepted in every case without hesitation. Let it be hoped that this is an indication that the new leaders of the entity will receive the united support of the members, and that this little family squabble will be forgotten. In unity there lies strength.



**Land For Indians.—**

It is pleasing to see that the Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Daniel Amadeo y Videla, has meted out justice to the Indians living in the Southern Territories, who have been granted remission of all monies still due on the lands occupied by them and definite titledeeds making them owners thereof.

The loss to the public exchequer is really not so serious, the total amount written off is only \$154,300, but it turns 765 persons from being homeless nomads into a fixed population in a section of the country that badly requires population. It is one of the best acts of the several good things done by the present Minister.



**Aberdeen-Angus Show Postponed.**

The recent outbreak of "aftosa," one of the most violent suffered by Argentina during many years' has caused the suspension of many of the livestock events down for this month, making June and July very heavy in this respect.

Another of the events postponed is the Autumn Show of pedigree cattle and sale of non-pedigree females, organised by the Corporation of Aberdeen-Angus Breeders, that was to be held in San Justo on May 16. This will now be held early in July.



**Show At Mackenna.—**

The second livestock show organised by the Asociación de Fomento Rural de Pueblo Torres (Mackenna, F. C. P.) is to be inaugurated on Sunday next with the usual festivities presided over by the Governor of Cordoba. Mr. George Gordon Davis will judge the cattle; Señor Cipriano D. Newton the sheep, and Don Hugo Bruzone the sheep; these experts will start their labours on Saturday morning.

As a result of the changes in the Pacific Railway time-table the sales will not commence until Tuesday for cattle, but poultry, pigs, and sheep will be staged on Sunday afternoon and on Monday.

Entries include 111 Shorthorn and Aberdeen-Angus bulls from various herds, 87 sheep and 33 pigs, besides a good number of poultry exhibits.



**"Business As Usual".—**

Commenting on the fact that war risks have not succeeded in frightening away from the British livestock markets the men who buy bulls for

export, a prominent British agricultural publication says:

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The average prices were the best for over twenty years. But think of the result if there were no export demand. Some plucky home breeders put up a stiff fight against some of the long-pursed exporters for possession of a few of the bulls.

It was pleasing to see the best of the English bulls which were forward for the first time at Perth doing well for their owners. This new departure, if encouraged in the right way, might do a lot of good to the Scottish type of Shorthorn. England could do with many of the quality Shorthorn bulls bred in Scotland.

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# Art And The Bronco

(By O. HENRY.)

OUT of the wilderness had come a painter. Genius, whose coronations alone are democratic, had woven a chaplet of chaparral for the brow of Lonny Briscoe. Art, whose divine woven expression flows impartially from the fingertips of a cowboy or a dilettante emperor, had chosen for a medium the Boy Artist of the San Saba. The outcome, seven feet by twelve of besmeared canvas, stood, gilt-framed, in the lobby of the Capitol.

The legislature was in session; the capital city of that great Western state was enjoying the season of activity and profit that the congregation of the solons bestowed. The boarding houses were coralling the easy dollars of the gamesome lawmakers. The greatest state in the West, an empire in area and resources, had arisen and repudiated the old libel or barbarism, lawbreaking, and bloodshed. Order reigned within her borders. Life and property were as safe there, sir, as anywhere among the corrupt cities of the effete East. Pillow-shams, churches, strawberry feasts and *habes corpus* flourished. With impunity might the tenderfoot ventilate his "stovepipe" or his theories of culture. The arts and sciences receive nurture and subsidy. And, therefore, it behooved the legislature of this great state to make appropriation for the purchase of Lonny Briscoe's immortal painting.

Rarely has the San Saba country contributed to the spread of the fine arts. Its sons have excelled in the soldier graces, in the throw of the lariat, the manipulation of the esteemed .45, the intrepidity of the one-card draw, and the nocturnal stimulation of towns from undue lethargy; but, hitherto, it had not been famed as a stronghold of esthetics. Lonny Briscoe's brush had removed that disability. Here, among the limestone rocks,

the succulent cactus, and the drought-parched grass of that arid valley, had been born the Boy Artist. Why he came to woo art is beyond postulation. Beyond doubt, some spore of the affluence must have sprung up within him in spite of the desert soil of San Saba. The tricky spirit of creation must have incited him to attempted expression and then have sat hilarious among the whitest sands of the valley, watching its mischievous work. For Lonny's picture, viewed as a thing of art, was something to have driven away dull care from the bosoms of the critics.

The painting—one might almost say panorama—was designed to portray a typical Western scene, interest culminating in a central animal figure, that of a stampeding steer, life-size, wild-eyed, fiery, breaking away in a mad rush from the herd that, close-riden by a typical cowpuncher, occupied a position somewhat in the right background of the picture. The landscape presented fitting and faithful accessories. Chaparral, mesquite, and pear were distributed in just proportions. A Spanish dagger-plant, with its waxen blossoms in a creamy aggregation as large as a water-bucket, contributed floral beauty and variety. The distance was undulating prairie, bisected by stretches of the intermittent streams peculiar to the region lined with the rich green of live-oak and water-elm. A richly mottled rattlesnake lay coiled beneath a pale green clump of prickly pear in the foreground. A third of the canvas was ultramarine and lake white—the typical Western sky and the flying clouds, rainless and feathery.

Between two plastered pillars in the commodious hallway near the door of the chamber of representatives stood the painting. Citizens and lawmakers passed there by twos and groups and sometimes crowds to gaze upon it. Many—perhaps a majority of them—had lived the prairie life and recalled easily the familiar scene. Old cattlemen stood, reminiscent and candidly pleased, chatting with brothers of former camps and trails of the days it brought back to mind. Art critics were few in the town, and there was heard none of that jargon of color, perspective, and feeling such as the East loves to use as a curb and a rod to the pretensions of the artist. 'Twas a great picture, most of them agreed, admiring the gilt frame—larger than any they had ever seen.

Senator Kinney was the picture's champion and sponsor. It was he who so often stepped forward and asserted, with the voice of a broncho buster, that it would be a lasting blot, sir, upon the name of this great state if it should decline to recognize in a proper manner the genius that had so brilliantly transferred to imperishable canvas a scene so typical of the great sources of our state's wealth and prosperity, land—and—*or*—live-stock.

Senator Kinney in the extreme West—100 miles from the San Saba country—but the true lover of art is not limited by metes and bounds. Nor was Senator Mullens, representing the San Saba county, lukewarm in his belief that the state should purchase the painting of his constituent. He was advised that the San Saba country was unanimous in its admiration of the great painting by one of its own denizens. Hundreds of connoisseurs had straddled their broncos and ridden miles to view it before its removal to the capital. Senator Mullens desired reelection, and he knew the importance of the San Saba vote. He also knew that with the help of Senator Kinney—who was a power in the legislature—the thing could be put through. Now, Senator Kinney had an irrigation bill that he wanted passed for the benefit of his own section, and he knew Senator Mullens could render him valuable aid and information, the San Saba country already enjoying the benefits of similar legislation. With these interests happily dovetailed, wonder at the sudden interest in art at the state capital must, necessarily, be small. Few artists have uncovered their first picture to the world under happier auspices than did Lonny Briscoe.

Senators Kinney and Mullens came to an understanding in the matter of irrigation and art while partaking of long drinks in the café of the Empire Hotel.

"H'm!" said Senator Kinney, "I don't know. I'm no art critic, but it seems to me the thing won't work. It looks like the worst kind of a chromo to me. I don't want to cast any reflections upon the artistic talent of your constituent, Senator, but I, myself, wouldn't give six bits for the picture—without the frame. How are you going to cram a picture like that down the throat of a legislature that kicks about a little item in the expense bill of six hundred and eighty-one dollars for rubber erasers for only one term? It's wasting time. I'd like to help you, Mullens, but they'd laugh us out of the Senate chamber if we were to try it."

"But you don't get the point," said Senator Mullens, in his deliberate to-

nes, tapping Kinney's glass with his long forefinger. "I have my own doubts as to what the picture is intended to represent, a bullfight or a Japanese allegory, but I want this legislature to make an appropriation to purchase. Of course, the subject of the picture should have been in the state historical line, but it's too late to have the paint scraped off and changed. The state won't miss the money and the picture can be stowed away in a lumber-room where it won't annoy any one. Now, here's the point to work on, leaving art to look after itself—the chap that painted the picture is the grandson of Lucien Briscoe."

"Say it again," said Kinney, leaning his head thoughtfully. "Of the old, original, Lucien Briscoe?"

"Of him. The man who you know. The man who carved the state out of wilderness. The man who settled the Indians. The man who cleaned out the horse thieves. The man who refused the crown. The state's favorite son. Do you see the point now?"

"Wrap up the picture," said Kinney. "It's as good as sold. Why didn't you say that at first, instead of phlandering along about art. I'll resign my seat in the Senate and go back to chain-carrying for the county surveyor the day I can't make this state buy a picture calcimined by a grandson of Lucien Briscoe. Did you ever hear of a special appropriation for the purchase of a home for the daughter of One-Eyed Smothers? Well, that went through like a motion to adjourn, and old One-Eyed never killed half as many Indians as Briscoe did. About what figure had you and the calciminer agreed upon to sandbag the treasury for?"

"I thought," said Mullens, "that maybe five hundred—"

"Five hundred!" interrupted Kinney, as he hammered on his glass for a lead pencil and looked around for a waiter. "Only five hundred for a red steer on the hoof delivered by a grandson of Lucien Briscoe! Where's your state pride, man? Two thousand is what it'll be. Also, I'll introduce the bill and get up on the floor of the Senate and wave the scalp of every Indian old Lucien ever murdered. Let's see, there was something else proud and foolish he did, wasn't there? Oh, yes; he declined all emoluments and benefits he was entitled to. Refused his head-right and veteran donation certificates. Could have been governor, but wouldn't. Declined a pension. Now's the state's chance to pay up. It'll have to take the picture, but then it deserves some punishment for keeping the Briscoe family waiting so long. We'll bring this thing up about the middle of the month, after the tax bill is settled. Now, Mullens, you send over, as soon as you can, and get me the figures on the cost of those irrigation ditches and the statistics about the increased production per acre. I'm going to need you when that bill of mine comes up. I reckon we'll be able to pull along pretty well together this session and maybe others to come, eh, Senator?"

Thus did fortune elect to smile upon the Boy Artist of the San Saba. Fate had already done her share when she arranged his atoms in the cosmogony of ceration as the grandson of Lucien Briscoe.

The original Briscoe had been a pioneer both as to territorial occupation and in certain acts prompted by a great and simple heart. He had been one of the first settlers and crusaders against the wild forces of nature, the savage and the shallow politician. His name and memory were revered equally with any upon the list comprising Houston, Boone, Crockett, Clark, and Green. He had

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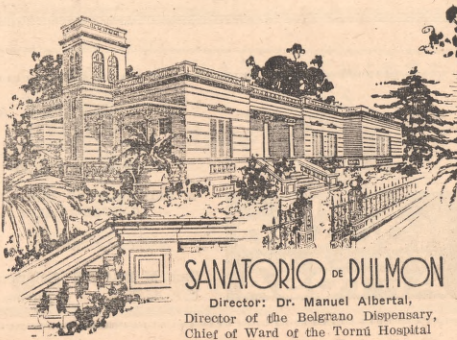
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lived simply, independently, and unweaved by ambition. Even a less shrewd man than Senator Kinney could have prophesied that his state would hasten to honor and reward his grandson, come out of the chaparral at even so late a day.

And so, before the great picture by the door of the chamber of representatives at frequent times for many days could be found the breezy, robust form of Senator Kinney and he heard his clarion voice reciting the past deeds of Lucien Briscoe in connection with the handi-work of his grandson, Senator Mullens' work was more subdued in sight and sound, but directed along identical lines.

Then, as the day for the introduction of the bill for appropriation draws nigh, up from the San Saba country rides Lonny Briscoe and a loyal lobby of cowpunchers, bronco-back, to boost the cause of art and glorify the name of friendship, for Lonny is one of them, a knight of stirrup and chaparreras, as handy with the lariat and .45 as he is with brush and palette.

On a March afternoon the lobby dashed with a whoop, into town. The cowpunchers had adjusted their garb suitable from that prescribed for the range to the more conventional requirements of town. They had conceded their leather chaparreras and transferred their six-shooters and belts from their persons to the horns of their saddles. Among them rode Lonny, a youth of twenty-three, brown, solem-faced, ingenious, bow-legged, reticent, bestriding Hot Tamales, the most sagacious cow pony west of the Mississippi. Senator Mullens had informed him of the bright prospects of the situation; had even mentioned—so great was his confidence in the capable Kinney—the price that the state would, in all likelihood, pay. It seemed to Lonny that fame and fortune were in his hands. Certainly, a spark of the divine fire was in the little brown centaur's breast, for he was counting the two thousand dollars as but a means to future development of his talent. Some day he would paint a picture even greater than this—one, say, twelve feet by twenty, full of scope and atmosphere and action.

During the three days that yet intervened before the coming of the date fixed for the introduction of the bill, the centaur lobby did valiant service. Costless, spurred, weather-tanned, full of enthusiasm expressed in bizarre terms, they loafed in front of the painting with tireless zeal. Reasoning not unshrewdly, they estimated that their comments upon its fidelity to nature would be received as expert evidence. Loudly they praised the skill of the painter whenever there were ears near to which such evidence might be profitably addressed. Lem Perry, the leader of the clique, had a somewhat set speech, being uninventive in the construction of new phrases.

"Look at the two-year-old, now," he would say, waving a cinnamon-brown hand toward the salient point of the picture. "Why, dang my hide, the critter's alive! I can jest hear him 'lumpety-lump,' a-cuttin' away from the herd, pretendin' he's skered. He's a mean scamp, that there steer. Look at his eyes a-wallin' and his tail a-wavin'. He's true and natural to life. He's jest hankerin' for a cow pony to round him up and send him scootin' back to the bunch. Dang my hide! jest look at that tail of his'n a-wavin'. Never knowed a steer to wave his tail any other way, dang my hide of I did."

Jud Shelby, while admitting the excellence of the steer, resolutely confined himself to open admiration of the landscape, to the end that the entire picture receive its meed of praise.

"That piece of range," he declared, "is a dead ringer for Dead Hoss Valley. Same grass, same lay of the land, same old Whipper-will Creek skally-hootin' in and out of them motts of timber. Them buzzards on the left is circlin' 'round over Sam Kildrake's old paint hoss that killed hisself over-drinkin' on a hot day. You can't see the hoss for that mott of ellums on the creek, but he's there. Anybody that was goin' to look for Dead Hoss Valley and come across this picture, why, he'd jest light off'n his bronco and hunt a place to camp."

Skinny Rogers, wedded to comedy, conceived a complimentary little piece of acting that never failed to make an impression. Edging quite near to the picture, he would suddenly, at favorable moments, emit a piercing and awful "Yi-yi!" leap high and away, coming down with a great stamp of heels and whirring of rowels upon the stone-flagged floor.

"Jeamin' Christopher!"—so ran his lines—"thought that rattler was a gin-u-line one. Ding baste my skin if I didn't. Seemed to me I heard him rattle. Look at the blamed, unconverted insect a-layin' under that pear. Little more, and somebody would a-been snake-bit."

With these artful dodges, contributed by Lonny's faithful coterie, with the sonorous Kinney perpetually sounding the picture's merits, and with the solvent prestige of the pioneer Briscoe covering it like a precious varnish, it seemed that the San Saba country could not fail to add a reputation as an art centre to its well-known superiority in steer-roping contests and achievements with the precarious busted flush. Thus was created for the picture an atmosphere, due rather to external than to the artist's brush, but through it the people seemed to gaze with more of admiration. There was a magic in the name of Briscoe that counted high against faulty technique and crude coloring. The old Indian fighter and wolf slayer would have smiled grimly in his happy hunting grounds had he known that his diletante ghost was thus figuring as an art patron two generations after his uninspired existence.

Came the day when the Senate was expected to pass the bill of Senator Mullens appropriating two thousand dollars for the purchase of the picture. The gallery of the Senate chamber was early pre-empted by Lonny and the San Saba lobby. In the front row of chairs they sat, wild-haired, self-conscious, jingling, creaking, and rattling, subdued by the majesty of the council hall.

The bill was introduced, went to the second reading, and then Senator Mullens spoke for it dryly, tediously, and at length. Senator Kinney then arose, and the walkin' seized the bell-rope reparatory to ringing. Oratory was at that time a living thing; the world had not quite come to measure its questions by geometry and the multiplication table. It was the day of the silver tongue, the sweeping gesture, the decorative apostrophe, the moving peroration.

The Senator spoke. The San Saba contingent sat, breathing hard, in the gallery, its disordered hair hanging down to its eyes, its sixteen-ounce hats shifted restlessly from knee to knee. Below, the distinguished Senators either lounged at their desks

with the abandon of proven statesmanship or maintained correct attitudes indicative of a first term.

Senator Kinney spoke for an hour. History was his theme—history mitigated by patriotism and sentiment. He referred casually to the picture in the outer hall—it was unnecessary, he said, to dilate upon its merits—the Senators had seen for themselves. The painter of the picture was the grandson of Lucien Briscoe. Then came the word-pictures of Briscoe's life set forth in thrilling colors. His rude and venturesome life, his simple-minded love for the commonwealth he helped to upbuild, his contempt for rewards and praise, his extreme and sturdy independence, and the great services he had rendered the state. The subject of the oration was Lucien Briscoe; the painting stood in the background serving simply as a means, now happily brought forward, through which the state might bestow a tardy recompense upon the descendant of its favorite son. Frequent enthusiastic applause from the Senators testified to the well reception of the sentiment.

The bill passed without an opposing vote. To-morrow it would be taken up by the House. Already was it fixed to glide through that body on rubber tires, Blandford, Grayson, and Plummer, all wheel-horses and orators, and proceeded with plentiful memoranda concerning the deeds of pioneer Briscoe, had agreed to furnish the motive power.

The San Saba lobby and its protégé stumbled awkwardly down the stairs and out into the Capitol yard. Then they herded closely and gave one yell of triumph. But one of them—Buck-Kneed Summers it was—hit the key with the thoughtful remark:

"She cut the mustard," he said, "all right. I reckon they're goin' to buy Lon's steer. I ain't right much on the parliamentary but I gather that's what the signs added up. But she seems to me, Lonny, the argument ran principal to grandfather, instead of paint. It's reasonable calculatin' that you want to be glad you got the Briscoe brand on you, my son."

That remark clinched in Lonny's mind an unpleasant, vague suspicion to the same effect. His reticence increased, and he gathered grass from the ground, chewing it pensively. The picture as a picture had been humilatingly absent from the Senator's arguments. The painter had been held up as a grandson, pure and simple. While this was gratifying on certain lines, it made art look little and slab-sided. The Boy Artist was thinking.

The hotel Lonny stopped at was near the Capitol. It was near to the one o'clock dinner hour when the appropriation had been passed by the Senate. The hotel clerk told Lonny that a famous artist from New York had arrived in town that day and was in the hotel. He was on his way westward to New Mexico to study the effect of sunlight upon the ancient walls of the Zuñis. Modern stone reflects light. Those ancient building materials absorb it. The artist wanted this effect in a picture he was painting and was travelling two thousand miles to get it.

Lonny sought this man out after dinner and told his story. The artist was an unhealthy man, kept alive by genius and indifference to life. He went with Lonny to the Capitol and stood there before the picture. The artist pulled his beard and looked un-

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### LAYING A FIRE

It is not every housewife who can start a fire in the grate with the certainty that the setting will not have to be done all over again. As a matter of fact, starting a fire is nowadays something of a lost art, for our grandmothers could teach most of us just how it really ought to be done.

Here is one quick and more or less reliable way of making a bright warm fire which burns up readily.—Pour some paraffin oil into an old tin and let one large cinder and several small ones (cold, of course) soak in it overnight. In the morning wrap the cinder in paper and place it in the centre of the grate. Press the crushed paper round it and a little wood. On top eight or nine lumps of coal will be sufficient at first. Very little wood is required by this method, and there are few annoying failures.

### BUYING BLANKETS.

Most women are on the lookout for blanket bargains at this time of the year, for they will be needed in a few short weeks.

If a blanket in the shop is described as "wool" or "woolen," you can be sure that it is made of this material, for manufacturers are not allowed to label it so if it contains more than two per cent of other matters. But see the description on the blanket. It is not enough if the shop assistant merely says the blanket is all wool.

A "union" blanket is made of wool and cotton—usually with a cotton warp and a wool weft. There is no such thing as a "wool Union" blanket. Such a blanket may be called "cotton and wool union" or "wool and cotton union," according to which material predominates in its manufacture, but it is always composed of the two materials. Some union blankets are marked with the percentage of wool they contain—a very satisfactory arrangement from the housewife's point of view.

Whenever a description such as "Witney" is used on a blanket it is, of course, only an indication of where the blanket was made, and is not necessarily an indication of quality.

Pastel-tinted blankets are most fashionable to-day, wrought in a shade to match the damask which covers the mattress, the curtains or the walls of the bedroom, according to choice.

When buying blankets, hold the item to the light. A good blanket is finely and closely woven.

Though all-wool blankets are desirable from the point of view of warmth, a good union blanket is often to be preferred to a cheap wool blanket, if the price is the same or more tempting.

A heavy blanket is not necessarily a good one. The ideal blanket is light but closely-woven.

If a fine all-wool blanket is placed next to the top sheet on a bed, the next blanket may be of union quality. This is a good but economical way of

planning bed coverings for the colder months.

### INEXPENSIVE DISHES.

It is surprising how variety can be obtained for the table at little cost. Boiled meat pudding is an appetising and inexpensive dish, for instance. Make a nice stout crust of half a pound of flour, a quarter of a pound of finely chopped suet, half a teaspoonful of baking powder, a pinch of salt, and a little cold water to mix them into a soft paste. Roll the crust as for a jam roll-polly and spread over it beefsteak, pork or mutton cut up into thin slices, and sprinkle with finely chopped onion. Season with pepper and roll up after damping the edges well and pressing down firmly. Dip a pudding cloth into boiling water and flour it well, before putting the pudding in, and when it has been rolled up tie each end firmly with string. Boil for two hours in fast boiling.

## Recipes

### BAKED APPLES.

Wash apples and polish well. Core but do not peel. Cut a shallow gash around the center of the apples. Place in a baking dish. For each large apple allow four tablespoons light brown sugar and one-half tablespoon butter. Mix together and fill into the center of each apple. Add a little water to the pan, cover and bake for about 20 minutes in a hot oven. Remove cover and continue to bake, more slowly, until apples are tender. Cool and serve plain or with cream. It may be well for you to baste the apples from time to time so the skins will brown well.

### STRAWBERRY TARTLES.

Half pint fruit, a little liqueur or fruit syrup, half pound sugar, half gill water, one dozen tartlet cases.

Put the sugar and water in a saucepan and boil them to a syrup, but do not let them colour. Add a little liqueur or some fruit syrup or essence to flavour. Pour this syrup over the fruit and stand it in a warm place for half an hour; then lift out the fruit, carefully place it in the cooked tartlet cases and pour one or two teaspoonfuls of the syrup over. Serve either hot or cold. Just before serving put a few teaspoonfuls of whipped cream on top of each tartlet.

### CREME DE FROMAGE.

Take two tablespoonfuls of grated Parmesan cheese, not quite two tablespoonfuls of cream, a dash of cayenne pepper and salt. Mix into a smooth paste, and then spread on some thin puff paste which has been cut into rounds by a cutter; double it over, press the edges together, egg and vermicelli them, and try in boiling lard. Serve very hot.



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Fish should simmer briskly. If it boils fast, the outside will be broken before the inside is cooked. The average time allowed for boiling fish is 10 minutes to the lb., but if the fish is very thick, as salmon or cod, nearly twice this time may be needed.

No fish is cooked enough unless the flesh separates easily from the bones.

that it irritates a sensitive skin. In this case it is best to wear a woven silk garment under the woolen one. Artificial silk is not good in winter, because it does not absorb the perspiration in the same way as wool and the body gets chilled. A mixture of this material with wool, however, is quite satisfactory.

An excellent thing for underwear is one of the new cellular weaves, either in silk, wool or cotton, etc. This allows free circulation of air round the body. It keeps the temperature of the body normal—warm in winter and cool in summer. It is easy to wash and comfortable to wear. Garments knitted with a loose stitch come into this category, but care must be taken in the washing, as wool that has "felted" or matted together is a common source of colds.

With regard to corsets and belts, the old whalebone atrocities have vanished, we hope, for ever, and their place has been taken by elastic woven belts and corselets and rubber ones. The trouble with the latter type of belt is that it holds the sweat and chills the body, and should, therefore, not be worn next to the skin.

Coming to the outer, garments tightness should at all costs be avoided. Men are the offenders where collars are concerned, possibly not realizing that these impede the free flow of blood between the head and the heart. Women should avoid tight elastic round the waist, and tight garters, which cause varicose veins. Men, again, are offenders by wearing tight bowler hats, which destroy the hair.

Make your ideal a maximum of warmth with a minimum of weight and bulk and you will not go far wrong. Do not stick slavishly to thick clothes if the day is mild, or shiver in thin ones if you get a chilly day. Use common sense and respect your circulatory system.

Three layers of clothing should be enough for anyone, and the looser and lighter they can be worn the better. Increasing the thickness of one of the layers is more satisfactory than adding another.

**Health Talks.**

(By A Physician.)

**ABOUT CLOTHING.**

Clothes play a very large part in the life of most women and constitute a never-failing topic of conversation. This article, however, does not attempt to consider clothing in relation to fashion, but only as far as it affects the health of the individual.

For the Eskimo and for the South Sea Islander there is no problem to be faced, but for us in the "temperate" zones the question of what to wear is more involved. We are faced by sudden changes from mild to bitterly cold in autumn and winter, and from mild again to very hot days in summer. It is impossible, therefore, to lay down hard and fast rules as to what should be worn—and when—and the subject must necessarily be considered on common sense lines and broad principles.

We cannot touch on the psychology of clothing here, beyond noting that well-made, well-fitting and becoming clothes have a stimulating effect on men, women and children. Put a child into an ugly frock or coat that has, perhaps, been handed down from an older sister or brother without regard to suitability, and an inferiority complex will result. Children are cruel little creatures and will not fail to ridicule or, at least, comment unfavourably on such of their fellows who differ from the herd. If the clothes must be passed on, at least they should be adapted to the right size.

Now as to texture. Most doctors will say that underclothing in winter should be "wool next to the skin." Let us consider why this is recommended so universally for the healthy as well as those suffering from or with tendencies to rheumatism, bronchial or kindred complaints.

Wool has the advantage of absorbing sweat and body secretions more readily than any other material. It is soft and comfortable and allows of free movement.

A few unfortunate people are not able to wear wool owing to the fact

**Hints**

A pinch of carbonate of soda mixed in with the moist sugar you use for making fruit tarts will enhance the sweetness of the fruit.

Lengthen the life of your silk stockings by washing them in water to which a little salt has been added before wearing.

Rub tired or aching feet well with olive oil, after first bathing them in hot water. This is wonderfully soothing.

Mudstains can be removed from mackintoshes by brushing when dry, wiping any remaining mark with a sponge dipped in soft water.

Olive oil applied to a glass stopper which is stuck fast, will loosen it if the bottle is left in a warm place.

Pillows belonging to the spare bedroom, slipped into cushion covers, make fine cushions, and this keeps them aired.

A mixture of one teaspoonful corn flour and one teaspoonful castor sugar used to coat the cake tin after greasing gives a good crust to a cake.

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### Oldest Picture of St. Patrick.—

The oldest existing portrait of St. Patrick, a 300-year-old oil painting, is believed to be one of two rare pictures found in a Dublin art shop by Dr. George Little, brother of the Eire Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. P. J. Little.

The picture shows the saint with women in Elizabethan costume and men in the Irish dress of the period. The background of the picture clearly shows Croagh Patrick. A tower and chapel beside it are identified as Glendalough.

### In France.—

A number of Irish priests have responded to the call for service in France of the Most Rev. Patrick Flynn, Bishop of the diocese of Nevers in Occupied France. Bishop Flynn is the French-born son of Irish parents, one from the North of Ireland, the other from the South. Both their sons—their only children—became priests. The second, the late Monsignor Henry Flynn, was rector of the famous Church of the Madeleine in Paris.

### In Japan.—

Missionaries in Japan are still being allowed "full liberty," announces the Apostolic Delegate from Tokyo.

French-Canadian Franciscans there are continuing their work with full freedom, headquarters in Canada report. They include Mgr. Ambrose

# Catholic News

Leblanc, former Prefect Apostolic of Urawa, and some 25 priests and brothers.

The Quebec Foreign Mission Society has also received word that their priests in Japan are safe.

The Japanese authorities in Korea have interned 30 members of St. Columban's Foreign Mission Society, it is learnt from the society's centre in Nebraska, U. S. A.

This may mean only that their spiritual ministrations have been limited it is stated, or that the priests are compelled to remain within their mission stations.

### The Vatican and the Rio Conference.—

Archbishop Ciecognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, has issued a statement on the reports that the Vatican attempted, through the Apostolic Delegates in South America to influence the proceedings at the Rio Conference. He says: "I have been directed by His Eminence the Cardinal Secretary of State to declare publicly that the assertions contained in these Press releases are purely fictitious. The Holy See, however desirous of international peace and harmony, made no pronouncement whatsoever, either through diplomatic channels or confidentially, before, during, or after the Conference at Rio. The fact is that the Holy Father never received the Spanish Am-

bassador together with South American or other diplomats. When the Spanish Ambassador was recently received in audience, His Holiness appropriately expressed the hope that Spain would always remain faithful to her Catholic traditions.

"It is known, furthermore, that foreign radio stations have been making use of the name of the Holy See in propaganda campaigns in South America. Naturally the Holy See cannot assume any responsibility whatsoever for broadcasts of this kind."

The Germans and the Japanese have said that the Apostolic Delegates in Latin America warned the Latin American Governments before the Rio Conference that if they broke off diplomatic relations with the Axis, it would be difficult for the Holy See to maintain diplomatic relations in Latin America. This was denied at the Vatican on February 2nd.

### Lepers under Trial.—

The 6,000 Catholic lepers on Culion Island in the Philippines are threatened with death by starvation unless the Japanese blockade of the colony is lifted, says Fr. Hugh McNulty, S. J., former chaplain at Culion now living in Brooklyn, U. S. A.

Culion Island's entire supply will be exhausted within three months, he said. The island is volcanic, unable to produce its own food. It depends on food sent by the Philippines Government from Manila, 180 miles away.

Two French Sisters of St. Paul of Chartres and 14 native sisters work on the island. With them is Fr. Anthony Gamp, S. J., from Buffalo, and Fr. Agavelli, a native secular priest, himself a leper.

### Famous Priest-Scientist Recalled.—

The discovery of a process for the manufacture of rubber from crude oil and natural gas by the late Rev. Dr. Julius A. Nieuwland, former Professor of Chemistry at Notre Dame University, U. S. A., will free the States from dependence on the natural rubber plantations of the East Indies.

Processes developed from Father Nieuwland's researches and discoveries in the field of acetylene chemistry will be the chief ones used in producing 400,000 tons of artificial rubber annually, according to proposals under the recently announced \$400,000,000 emergency plant-financing programme of the U. S. Government.

Father Nieuwland, who was born in Belgium, came to the United States as a child, and graduated from Notre Dame University in 1899. He was ordained in the Congregation of the Holy Cross in 1903, and after completing graduate work at the Catholic University of America, he returned to Notre Dame, where he taught until his death in 1936.

He was a botanist of distinction, and one of the most brilliant chemists of his time. For years before his discovery chemists and rubber manufacturers sought in vain for an artificial rubber process that would be comparatively cheap and at the same time yield a product comparable in

resistance, durability and elasticity to natural rubber.

Early in his scientific career Father Nieuwland chose the field of acetylene chemistry for his life work. This field had been shunned by most investigators because of the danger of explosion, and the young priest undertook his work literally at the risk of his own life, working until he controlled acetylene reactions, so that they could be studied in general laboratory work with comparative safety.

A notable factor of the discovery is that the rubber produced is of such quality as to encourage peace-time production on a modest scale, thus preparing the ground-work for the extensive emergency production on which the nation is now embarking.

While more costly than natural rubber and somewhat inferior in durability, synthetic rubber is more resistant than natural rubber to oils, heat, oxidation and ozone, and sunlight deterioration. For this reason there are many industrial and art uses for which it serves much better than the natural product.

Father Nieuwland was responsible for another chemical discovery that was later to achieve popular fame. In his doctorate thesis at the Catholic University of America he described a reaction in which a highly toxic gas, later to be known as Lewisite, was produced. Evidently not desiring to develop a substance that might be used in destroying human life, Father Nieuwland did not attempt to identify it.

During the World War he mentioned the substance to W. Lee Lewis at a scientific meeting. Lewis identified the gas as divinyl-chlorarsine and perfected its production, but fortunately the war was over before it reached the front-line trenches.

### Irish Priests In British Forces.—

Of the 384 Catholic chaplains serving with the British Army, 165 are Irish. Ninety-four were born in Ireland and 71 in Britain.

### Mission Encyclopedia.—

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It has not yet been decided what the size and title of the work will be—whether it shall be called a small encyclopaedia or a large dictionary—but it is certain, however, that there will be more than one volume, useful not only to the experts but interesting to every Catholic.

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**ART AND THE BRONCO.**

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happy.

"Should like to have your sentiments," said Lonny, "just as they run out of the pen."

"It's the way they'll come," said the painter man. "I took three different kinds of medicine before dinner—by the table-spoonful. The taste still lingers. I am primed for telling the truth. You want to know if the picture is, or if it isn't?"

"Right," said Lonny. "Is it wool or cotton? Should I paint some more or cut it out and ride herd a-plenty?"

"I heard a rumor during pie," said the artist, "that the state is about to pay you two thousand dollars for this picture."

"It's passed the Senate," said Lonny, "and the House rounds it up tomorrow."

"That's lucky," said the pale man. "Do you carry a rabbit's foot?"

"No," said Lonny, "but it seems I had a grandfather. He's considerable mixed up in the color scheme. It took me a year to paint that picture. Is she entirely awful or not? Some says, now, that that steer's tail ain't badly drawn. They think it's proportioned nice. Tell me."

The artist glanced at Lonny's wiry figure and nut-brown skin. Something stirred him to a passing irritation.

"For Art's sake, son," he said fractiously, "don't spend any more money for paint. It isn't a picture at all. It's a gun. You hold up the state with it, if you like, and get your two thousand, but don't get in front of any more canvas. Live under it. Buy a couple of hundred ponies with the money—I'm told they're that cheap—and ride, ride, ride. Fill your lungs and eat and sleep and be happy. No more pictures. You look healthy. That's genius. Cultivate it." He looked at his watch. "Twenty minutes to three. Four capsules and one tablet at three. That's all you wanted to know, isn't it?"

At three o'clock the cowpunchers rode up for Lonny, bringing Hot Tamales, saddled. Traditions must be observed. To celebrate the passage of the bill by the Senate the gang must ride wildly through the town, creating uproar and excitement. Liquor must be partaken of the suburbs shot up, and the glory of the San Saba country vociferously proclaimed. A part of the programme had been carried out in the saloons on the way up.

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Lonny mounted Hot Tamales, the accomplished little beast prancing with fire and intelligence. He was glad to feel Lonny's bow-legged grip against his ribs again. Lonny was his friend, and he was willing to do things for him.

"Come on, boys," said Lonny, urging Hot Tamales into a gallop with his knees. With a whoop, the inspired lobby tore after him through the dust. Lonny led his cohorts straight for the Capitol. With a wild yell, the gang indorsed his now evident intention of riding into it. Hooray for San Saba!

Up the six broad, limestone steps clattered the broncos of the cowpunchers. Into the resounding hallway they pattered, scattering in dismay those passing on foot. Lonny, in the head, shoved Hot Tamales direct for the great picture. At that hour a downpouring, soft light from the second-story windows bathed the big canvas. Against the darker background of the hall the painting stood out with valuable effect. In spite of the defects of the art you could almost fancy that you gazed out upon a landscape. You might well flinch a step from the convincing figure of the life-sized steer stampeding across the grass. Perhaps it thus seemed to Hot Tamales. The scene was in his line. Perhaps he only obeyed the will of his rider. His ears pricked up; he snorted. Lonny leaned forward in the saddle and elevated his elbows, wing-like. Thus signals the cowpuncher to his steed to launch himself full speed ahead. Did Hot Tamales fancy he saw a steer, red and cavorting, that should be headed off and driven back to herd? There was a fierce clatter of hoofs, a rush, a gathering of steely flank muscles, a leap to the jerk of the bridle rein, and Hot Tamales, with Lonny hanging low in the saddle to dodge the top of the frame, ripped through the great canvas like a shell from a mortar, leaving the cloth hanging in ragged shreds about a monstrous hole.

Quickly Lonny pulled up his pony, and rounded the pillars. Spectators came running, too astounded to add speech to the commotion. The sergeant-at-arms of the House came forth, frowned, looked ominous, and then grinned. Many of the legislators crowded out to observe the tumult. Lonny's cowpunchers were stricken to silent horror by his mad deed.

Senator Kinney happened to be among the earliest to emerge. Before he could speak Lonny leaned in his saddle as Hot Tamales pranced, pointed his quirt at the Senator, and said, calmly:

"That was a fine speech you made to-day, mister, but you might as well let up on that 'propriation business. I ain't askin' the state to give me nothin'. I thought I had a picture to sell to it, but it wasn't one. You said a heap of things about Grandfather Briscoe that makes me kind of proud I'm his grandson. Well, the Briscoes ain't takin' presents from the state yet. Anybody can have the frame that wants it. Hit her up, boys."

Away scuttled the San Saba delegation out of the hall, down the steps, along the dusty street.

Halfway to the San Saba country they camped that night. At bed-time Lonny stole away from the campfire and sought Hot Tamales, placidly eating grass at the end of his stake rope. Lonny hung upon his neck, and his art aspirations went forth forever in one long, regretful sigh. But as he thus made renunciation his breath formed a word or two.

"You was the only one, Tamales, what seen anything in it. It did look like a steer, didn't it, old hoss?"

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The Judge asked a negro witness how many shots had been fired. "Well," said the old nigger, "he only fired one shot, but ah heard it twice—once when it passed me, and once when ah passed it."

"Hullo! Fred," said Harry. What's everybody crowding out of the drawing-room for? Have refreshments been announced?"

Fred: "No, but Aunt Matilda is getting ready to sing."

He: "There are two men I always really admire."

She: "Who's the other?"

One day after a fall of snow, a clergyman was walking along a country road with one of his parishioners.

His comparison suddenly stepped upon a hidden slide and came down with a thud.

Looking gravely down at him, the pastor solemnly said: "Ah, my friend, sinners stand on slippery places."

"Yes, I see they do, but I can't," was the indignant rejoinder of the fallen member of his flock.

Blather: "Oh, yes, we had a wonderful day at old Newriche's place in the country. They had a marvellous picture gallery—five Constables and a couple of Sargents."

Friend: "Sure it wasn't a police station you stayed at?"

A slightly hilarious guest at party embraced a woman by mistake. He apologised and said: "Excuse me, but I thought you were my wife."

"You're a nice sort of husband to have, you clumsy brute," said the woman.

"There!" said the convivial one. "You talk like her, too."

Grandfather: Well, Peter, what would you like for a present?"

Peter: "Oh, grandpa, buy me a telephone, so that I can answer teacher's questions without having to go to school."

"However do you know so much about the Johnson's private affairs?" "We looked after their parrot during their summer holidays."

### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE 8.

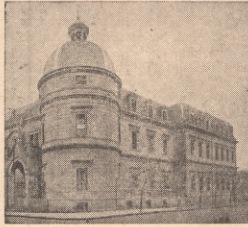
(284) Artificially-produced substitutes for, or imitations of, natural products or articles made from natural products. For example, resin is now manufactured synthetically, and one transparent variety is used in place of glass in the cockpits of many Royal Air Force aeroplanes. In Italy a weavable thread has been made from a mixture the basis of which is milk, in Germany wood is transformed into sugar and textiles.

(285) Until comparatively modern times most dyes were made from natural vegetable substances. Among the more important of these were madder, a perennial plant from the root of which reds were obtained; logwood, a Central America tree whose wood gave black, green, lilac, violet, purple, blue and red; and indigo, which gave dark blue. Among animal organisms that provided dyes the sea-shell known as murex, which gave the Phoenicians their famous Tyrian purple, and the Mexican cochineal insect, productive of scarlet and crimson, were extensively used for centuries. Chrome yellow, prussian blue and manganese brown have

mineral origins. The great majority of the innumerable dyes used to-day are synthetic products derived from coal-tar. The principle of the process was discovered in 1856 by the English chemist, Sir William Henry Perkin (1838-1907), who at the age of eighteen, while trying to make artificial quinine, obtained "aniline purple" or "mauve" (as he called it, coining a new word) by oxidizing impure aniline with potassium bichromate. The boy promptly patented his discovery, and set up in business near Harrow to produce "mauve" on a commercial scale, thus founding the aniline dye industry.

(286) A synthetic resin discovered by Dr. Leo Hendrik Baekeland (b. 1863), a Belgian chemist resident in the United States, in 1909, after researches which he began in 1906. It is produced by the chemical action of phenol or cresol upon an aldehyde, usually formaldehyde. Bakelite is a hard, impermeable and almost unbreakable substance, taking a high polish and capable of being coloured, moulded and machined. It is used for electrical insulation, electrical and radio accessories, aeroplane propellers, domestic fittings and utensils, ornaments, imitation jewellery and as a component of many other products.

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