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A PAPAL BLESSING

The finest piece of news for us since the Newsletter last appeared (May 1949) is the Papal Blessing received by the Director of the Library. The letter reads thus:-

Segretaria de Stato
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Sua Santita
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Vatican City

July 5, 1949

His Holiness Has received the copy of the "1949 Booklist of the Marian Library" which you forwarded Him with your letter of April 14, 1949, as a token of your homage on the joint occasion of His Golden Sacerdotal Jubilee and of the Centenary of the University of Dayton.

The Holy Father deeply appreciates this thoughtful presentation by which you have wished to mark the occasion of His Jubilee and your Centenary, and He would have me express to you His cordial gratitude.

It is His earnest prayer that Our Blessed Mother may reward the time and toil expended in the compilation of this Booklist by obtaining copious divine blessings on the manifold apostolic labors of the Marianist Fathers.

In pledge of that heavenly favor and as a token of His paternal participation in the joyous occasion of the Centenary of the University of Dayton, the Pontiff lovingly imparts to you, to the Faculty and students of the University and to your collaborators in the project of the Marian Library, His Apostolic Benediction.

With sentiments of high esteem and cordial regard, I remain,

Very sincerely in Christ,
(signed) J.B. Montini
Subst.

Indeed, we are very grateful and fortunate to have received this commendation & blessing from His Holiness, Pope Pius XII.

FATHER EDMUND BAUMEISTER S.M.

It may not be universally known yet to the friends of the Marian Library that its beloved director, Father Baumeister, has been advanced to a new post in a newly established Catholic university in Puerto Rico. Although the Marian Library regrets sincerely the departure of its indefatigable director, yet his assignment takes him to greater heights. The Marian Library thanks Father Ed most sincerely for the thousands of hours, day and night, which he spent on this project, and it likewise prays for the success and blessing of God upon his new work in Puerto Rico.

Those of you who have followed the Marian Library since its beginning in 1943 know that a BOOKLIST containing about 11,000 titles has been edited. More than 750 libraries of the world have been checked for their Marian accessions. A UNION CATALOGUE has been set up by Father Baumeister which tells exactly where we can find 8000 of these books. We likewise have Marian magazines, Marian pamphlets, and Marian clippings. So the work has been well begun. It is the hope of the director to advance the work and the usefulness of this MARIAN LIBRARY.

PROGRESS

Every day brings some development or some service in the Marian Library. During the summer we have received from Spain 60 more books, from Austria another 60. Fieldworkers are busy especially in France, Belgium and Italy in purchasing books for the Library. We hope to have as fine a collection of the best works on Mary in six languages (English, Spanish, German, Latin, Italian, French) as it is possible to gather. And to keep you posted, we plan to edit, each month, the MARIAN LIBRARY NEWSLETTER. If any of your friends desire this service, just send in the name and address. We want to spread the good work and the services of the Marian Library as far as we can.

The Marian Library has been the recipient of many favors and gifts in the past several months. Let us just name a few. Four large oil paintings of Madonnas came to us from Trinity High School, Sioux City. Two 30 inch statues likewise were given us along with a typewriter, some 40 new books, all again from Trinity. Brother Oscar Arnold S.M; has given us a dozen small shrines of Our Lady, three pictures, and several books. We plan to have the Library painted this month, in preparation for the first part of the Centennial on the campus of the University of Dayton.

Mr. George Yehle Sr. of Dayton, Ohio designed our seal for us.

We plan to have two large world maps made and on display in the Library. The one will show all places that have cooperated with us in this project. The other will mark the famous shrines of Our Lady in the various countries of the world.

If possible, we shall exhibit special Marian Books during the Centenary celebrations of the campus in October '49, and in March and May of '50.

A sincere 'thank you' to all who have contributed in any way to the growth & progress of the Marian Library.

ALWAYS NEEDED

The Marian Library always needs the services of helpers, the world over. We call them fieldworkers. Those we have received help from in the past will continue their fine work in behalf of the Library, we hope and pray. Without the zealous cooperation and collaboration of these clients of Mary we could make no progress.

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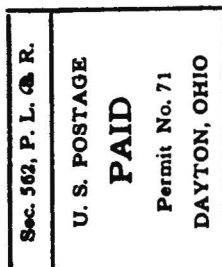
The Library requests those who have volunteered to check certain magazines for Marian materials to continue that same work until January 1950. On this date, a new and more complete system for this checking will be established.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Very Reverend John A. Elbert S.M., superior provincial of the Cincinnati Province of the Society of Mary has appointed as the new director of the Marian Library the Reverend Lawrence W. Monheim S.M.

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