

EUCARISTIC MEETING WILL OPEN IN JUNE

Dublin Maps Plans for
Huge Gathering of
Catholics.

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LONDON, May 20.—Beginning on June 20 in Dublin with the opening of the thirty-first Eucharistic congress, Ireland will see the greatest gathering of Roman Catholics ever witnessed on the historic island.

While the complete figures are not yet in, it is expected that the congress will be attended by at least eleven cardinals, between 400 and 500 archbishops and bishops and no fewer than 5,000 priests.

All the American cardinals are coming, as well as dozens of bishops. From Canada are coming the archbishop of Quebec, with many of the Canadian hierarchy. It is estimated that, in addition to the priestly delegations, there will be over 200,000 visiting laymen.

Plan Tent City

It will be a tremendous job for a city of 400,000 to take care of them. Not only will all the hotels, boarding houses and thousands of private residences be pressed into service, but all the school buildings and public halls will be converted into dormitories. Other guests will be quartered in cities and towns for fifty miles around.

Many delegations will be accommodated on the ships on which they travel to Ireland. It is expected that no fewer than twenty-four ocean liners will be anchored in Dublin bay and Scutts bay, serving as home and restaurant to their passengers.

In addition, a canvas city of 2,000 bell tents will be put up, sheltering 6,000 people. Officers of the Free State army will be in control of this canvas city, which will have its mayor, medical officer, recreation park and band.

The question of feeding this multitude is going to be a very big one. To this end cattle raisers have been asked to see to it that there is an abundance of meat; fishing companies have been asked to redouble their efforts to make big catches of sea food, and the garden farmers have been urged to raise special crops of fresh vegetables and fruit.

Arrange Huge Parade

The Dublin city authorities, in conjunction with the Irish Free State government, intend to make Dublin a picture of loveliness. Fifteen thousand pounds will be spent in flood lighting all the notable buildings, having all the principal streets afame with lights, triumphal arches and millions of fresh cut flowers.

At night all business houses will be illuminated and every resident has been asked to light his home with electric lights or candles.

One of the features of the week will be a parade about ten miles long. At one meeting there will be 100,000 white-robed children at prayer.

The grand climax of the week will be the mass to be celebrated on Sunday, June 26, by the papal legate in Phoenix Park, one of the biggest parks in Europe. The park is the seat of the former residence of the British governor-general whose usages used to be the law for Ireland. It is expected that the mass will be attended by 4,000,000 people—200,000 visitors and 300,000 drawn from all over Ireland.

To Provide Protection

To preserve order and protect the vast crowd from itself, not only will forces of the Irish Free State army and the Dublin police be employed, but there will also be 20,000 stewards.

So that everybody may hear every word that is said and sung, the Irish Free State postoffice department is arranging for the most elaborate local broadcasting system ever put up anywhere in the world. It is estimated that in this way eighty-two acres of people will be able to take an intelligent part in the proceedings.

TAX ON COMPENSATION FACED BY VETERANS

Senate Approves Plan to Stop Present Exemption.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, May 20.—War veterans who are income-tax payers and who receive pensions or compensation may have to pay income tax on their government aid hereafter.

The senate has approved the recommendation of its finance committee to eliminate the present exemption for such payments. The bill, as passed by the house, continued this exemption, however, and the final decision will be made by the conference committee after the senate passes the bill. The finance committee said of this change,

"Your committee sees no valid reason for continuing the exemption in case of pensions and World war compensation payments granted by existing law, since it is believed that the credits for personal exemption and dependents are adequate to take care of virtually all cases and that such amounts, if and to the extent they constitute income, should bear their amount of the tax."

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JERSEY BREEDERS TO ASSEMBLE IN MUNCIE

Picnic on June 8 Will Precede Four-
Day Show, June 9-12.
By Times Special
MUNCIE, Ind., May 20.—Wednesday, June 8, will be Jersey day in

eastern Indiana, with Jersey cattle breeders and their friends invited to McCullough park here for a mammoth picnic.

The picnic will bring together breeders from twenty eastern and east-central counties at the park, which is well equipped with horse-

shoe courts, base ball diamonds, croquet courts, swings and slides.

The Eastern Indiana Jersey Parish Association is almost five years old. The first parish show was held in Muncie, in 1928. Muncie will again entertain the show, Aug. 9 to 12, the picnic being a preliminary.

DE VALERA IS VICTOR

Dail Passes Bill to End
Oath; Now to Senate.

By United Press
DUBLIN, May 20.—The republicans' bill for abolition of the oath of

allegiance to the British crown was sent to the senate today after approval by the dail, 77 votes to 69.

Members of the Cosgrave opposition party expected that the senate would not approve the measure and that Eamon de Valera would be forced to go to the country in a new general election.

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