

American Priest Has Charge of Church in Vicinity of Paris

In a hilly little French village, within a stone's throw of the capital, an American priest presides over the quaint parish of Fourqueux, and is incidentally mistaken for a Frenchman by everyone who happens to pass this way.

Father Beaudreau, who is of Canadian ancestry, hails from Spencer, Massachusetts, but studied at La Salette college in Hartford and then went to Rome where he was ordained in 1913. Later he was sent to Switzerland and became head of Freiburg university. In 1922, he was

transferred to Paris where he worked in the poorer quarters of Bellevue and Meillmontant.

Since 1925 he has been at the little church of Fourqueux, which once belonged to Bouvarde, the vassal of Louis XIII. The great farm lands which were a present from the king, have now become golf links where the smart set from Paris come to play. One rarely leaves without paying a visit to the little parish where, according to the American priest, Joan of Arc paused to pray and Victor Hugo spent his holidays and one of his daughters received her first communion.

About half our people fail to vote, but none of them forget to draw their pay.

Crippled Father Saves Child in Burning Tent

Hopping on one leg into a burning tent at Third lake, where he has been living for the past three months with his family, Joseph Schwartz, West Nineteenth street, North Chicago, one day this week picked up his three-month-old baby, David, and carried him to safety.

Schwartz, whose left leg was broken over a year ago and has never fully healed, was badly burned about the arms, but managed to reach the sleeping child, who was in the farthest corner of the tent, and bring him to the open air before the rapidly spreading flames reached his body.

SOARING AUTO SALES BUSINESS FEATURE

In July Record in Illinois; Increase in Savings Shown, Report Says

Automobile sales soaring up to a new height of 29,813 new car sales and savings deposits amounting to \$420,039,272 on July 1 were the features of the month's business report in Illinois as compiled by the Research Department of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce. The fifty Illinois banks reporting for July showed a 1.5 increase in savings deposits as compared with June, 1929. The per cent change in average accounts from June 1, 1929 to July 1, 1929, was an increase of 1.4 per cent.

The production of electric power decreased during June as compared with the preceding month. Coal production running to 3,420,000 net tons, above the June average of a year ago, but 430,000 net tons short of May, 1929. July figures give for the week ending July 13, 856,000 net tons, for July 20, 843,000 net tons and for the week ending July 27, 900,000 net tons.

Oil Production Less

Illinois oil wells produced 515,000 barrels of crude petroleum in June, 35,000 barrels less than the May production. For the six months period from January to June the total production of crude petroleum for the State was 3,082,000 barrels as compared with 3,253,000 barrels over the same period in 1928.

Nineteen furnaces in blast in Illinois on the last of July produced 385,559 tons of pig iron as compared with an output of 394,220 tons from the same number of furnaces on the last day of June.

New building and engineering work contracted in July slumped to \$44,074,100 from \$83,881,500 in June. The public works and utilities class, did, however, show an increase of \$5,704,300.

The report of the State Chamber concludes with the statement that the decreased total acreage of crops due to late wet spring conditions in some areas has been slightly offset by an increased acreage in other areas where the 1928 acreage had been curtailed by adverse conditions. Growers in Illinois are busily engaged in marketing a good peach crop, with the peaches this year of unusually good quality.

This District Leads in "Ironside" Fund

Admiral Andrews, chairman of the National Save "Old Ironsides" committee, reports the comparative standings of the three leading districts in the matter of funds raised for the restoration of the U. S. Frigate Constitution.

On November 1, 1928, the Chicago district, and this includes all Illinois and the neighboring states, led in the grand total with over \$60,400. New York was second with approximately \$49,500 and Boston was third with \$45,900. However, the admiral's latest report is disconcerting. Chicago has fallen to third place for New York now leads with over \$75,000, Boston is second with approximately \$70,000, while Chicago, is contributing only approximately \$68,000.

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