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My dear Monsognore:

May 1. 1925.

A man with your sense of humor is α good fortune for such an office as you are creditably filling; in fact you will do for a Bishop.

I thank you for your Check of \$3203.34 covering the collections taken up in this diocese last year by Father Hueffer. This entire amount you give back to the diocese for distribution, without deducting collector's expenses which is a gracious and generous deed. Suppose I send Father Marcellus three years portion of salary \$2250.00 and give the balance to the Thetine Fathers, who, as you know, have been attending San Ignacio. They have not received any money from the Bureau in the past. I take for granted, if they have, set me right. If you think that the division be different feel free to tell me so. I shall await your answer.

Cordially yours,

Bishop of Denver.

Copy to Fr. Marcellan,

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May 4, 1925.

Rt. Rev. J. Henry Tihen, D.D., 1536 Logan Street, Denver, Colo.

Dear Bishop Tihen:

I have your letter of May 1. The disposition of the money is most satisfactory to me.

You state that you will send \$2250 to Father Marcellus as your portion of his salary for three years. That in agree—able to me. The Bureau will continue to send \$250 a year to Father Marcellus. As long as the Lord spares her, Mother Matherine, I am confident, will send \$550 a year. As poor Father Marcellus will find it extremely difficult to hold your \$1500 for 1926 and 1927 while so many demands stars him in the face, I will arrange it so that he can spend the \$1500 as he sees fit. It probably will be in part for a catechist-interpretor. I will engage to pay him for the second and third years \$750 a year in addition to the Bureau promise of \$250. This makes \$1500 of your \$2250 immediately expendable.

With regard to the Theatine Fathers, I have been under the strong impression that they were working exclusively for Mexicans. Understand, dear Bishop, that I have the greatest sympathy for the Mexicans. Soon after my ordination, I went to Mexico for six months to get Spanish. I get it so that I preached in Spanish for two years. So I know and love the Mexican character. Furthermore, as early as 1903, I tried to prevail on Father Ketcham to take over the care of the Mexicans who were then so terribly neglected.

The Bureau records show that nothing buch has been done for the Theatines. In 1965 they received only \$82; in 1909, \$200. From 1914 to 1918 the Mass intentions were furnished than which were requested.

I would be pleased to know if they are doing any work among the Utes or Navajos. I will write Father Marcellus. I understand that the Theatine Fathers do not know English well enough to attend to the instruction of the children in the Government bearding school at Ignacio. The priest giving instruction in a Covernment school should speak English perfectly.

I am perfectly satisfied with your siggisment to the Theating Fathers of the portion you name of the collection.

Yours faithfully,

Rt. Rev. Mugr. William Hughes, Director.

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THEATINE FATHERS Conejos, Colo.

July 12, 1925.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Hughes,

Very dear Father:

Through our dear Bishop Tihen I received today the amount of \$953.34 sent to him to be delivered to the Theatine Fathers of Indian missions of Ignacio, Colo.

I take great pleasure in sending to you the ackn wledgment of this. I thank you very much for that, and pray to our Lord for the success of your work among the Indians.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Rev. John Bonet, C.R.T.

Copied by L.G.