

THE ANTONIAN

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EARTHQUAKE NUMBER

STUDENTS

ST. ANTHONY'S SEMINARY, YOUR STRICKEN ALMA

MATER, GREETES YOU

SHE THANKS GOD THAT ALL HER SONS ARE SAFE

SHE BEGS YOU TO BE TRUE TO HER IN HER TIME OF

VISITATION

GOD WILLING, SHE WILL RISE AGAIN AND TAKE YOU

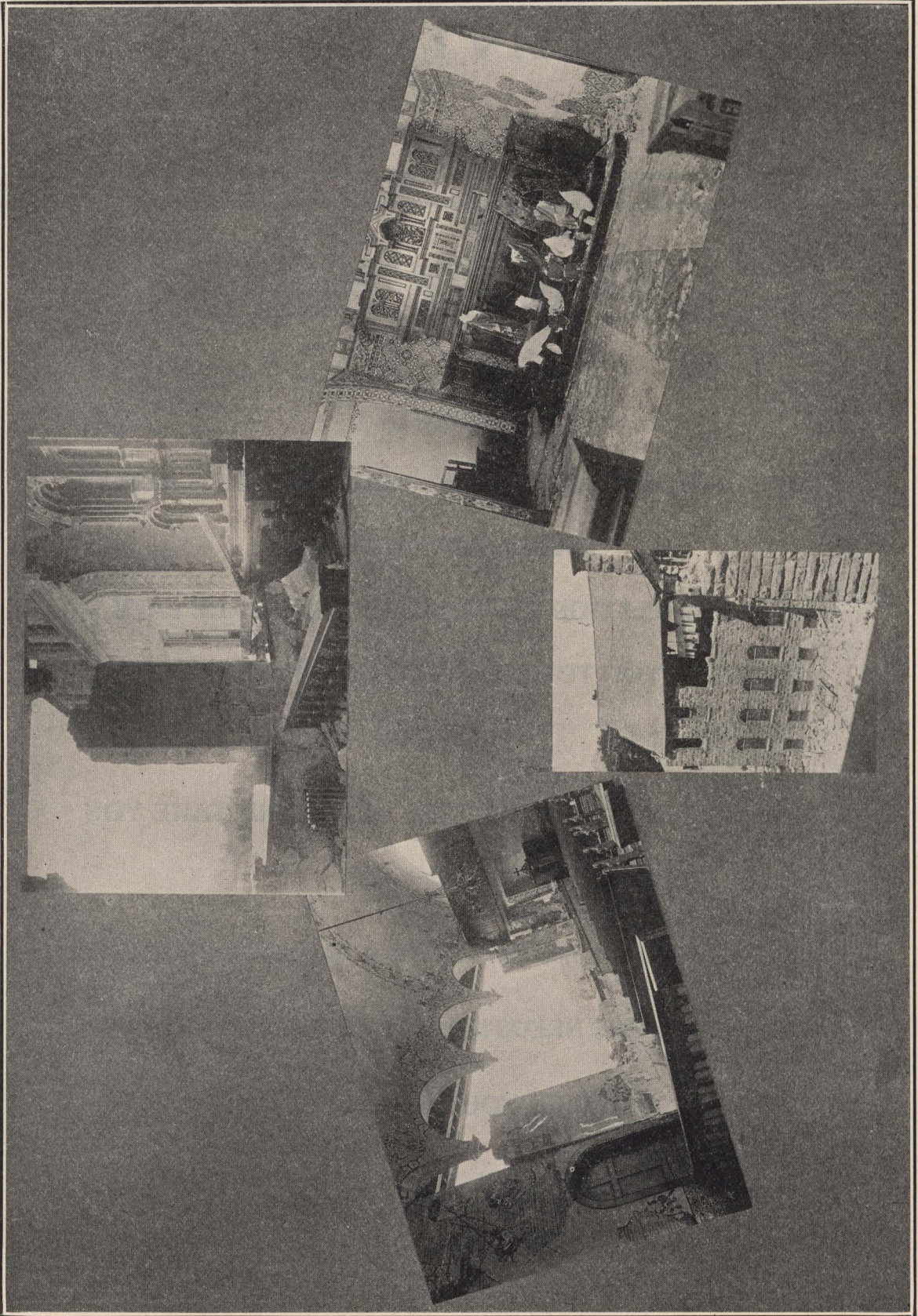
TO HER BOSOM

IN HER TIME OF DISTRESS SHE ASKS YOUR PRAYER

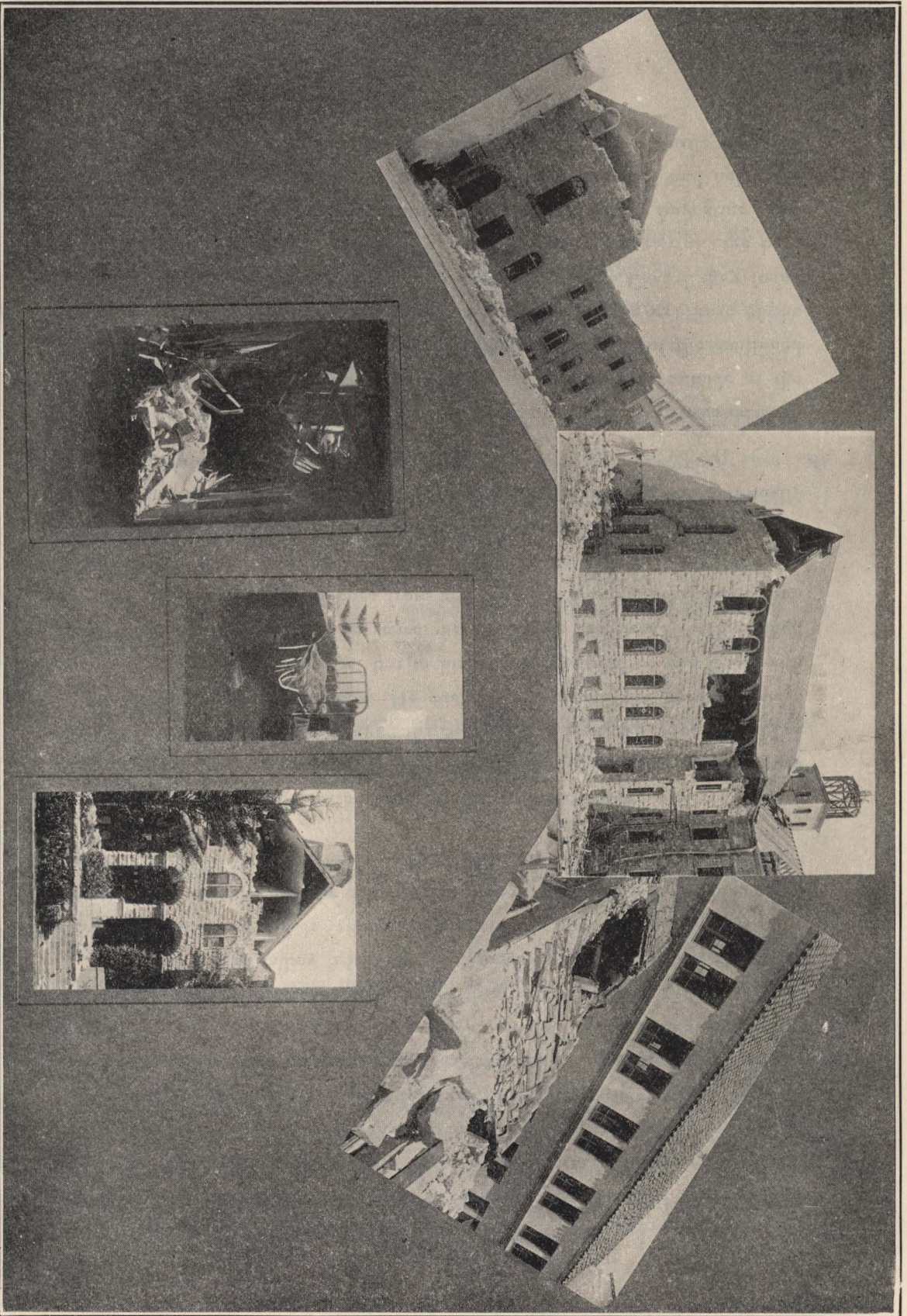
WHAT SHE NEEDS NEXT IS FINANCIAL AID

WILL YOU HELP HER?

SEND THIS NUMBER TO ALL YOUR FRIENDS



UPPER CENTER.—The Chapel looking East. Fortunately no Father was celebrating Mass at this Altar. The statue of the Blessed Virgin fell but did not break.
 LEFT.—The Chapel looking Northwest, at the third bench near the wall Mr. Shea was crushed by falling stone. LOWER CENTER.—An unobstructed view through the Chapel towards the service building. RIGHT.—The main altar and what was left of the statues. The tall statue of St. John, the Evangelist to the left almost struck Fr. Angelus as he was leaving the Altar.



UPPER LEFT.—Rear view of building. Staff were smashed by the fall of the gable. Chapel door was jammed, otherwise boys would have rushed out and fallen into debris below. UPPER CENTER.—A scene of desolation. The roof of the Chapel dropped five feet. UPPER RIGHT.—Roof of passage-way smashed by stone of falling gable. New building in the rear is in almost perfect condition. LOWER LEFT.—Passage-way into which 50 tons of stone crashed. Not a crack was found in the naves of the arches below. LOWER CENTER.—Prefect's room in junior dormitory. Plenty of fresh air. LOWER RIGHT.—St. Anthony in ruins. Under the debris below lies the large statue of St. Anthony.

The two Franciscan establishments of Santa Barbara, the Old Mission and the Seminary, have suffered grievous loss.

The venerable Old Mission known far and wide and visited by thousands annually, is a pile of ruins.

The Seminary that stands in the background of the Mission is down.

The appeal for the Mission is nation-wide and is sure to find response; but the Seminary is in the background.

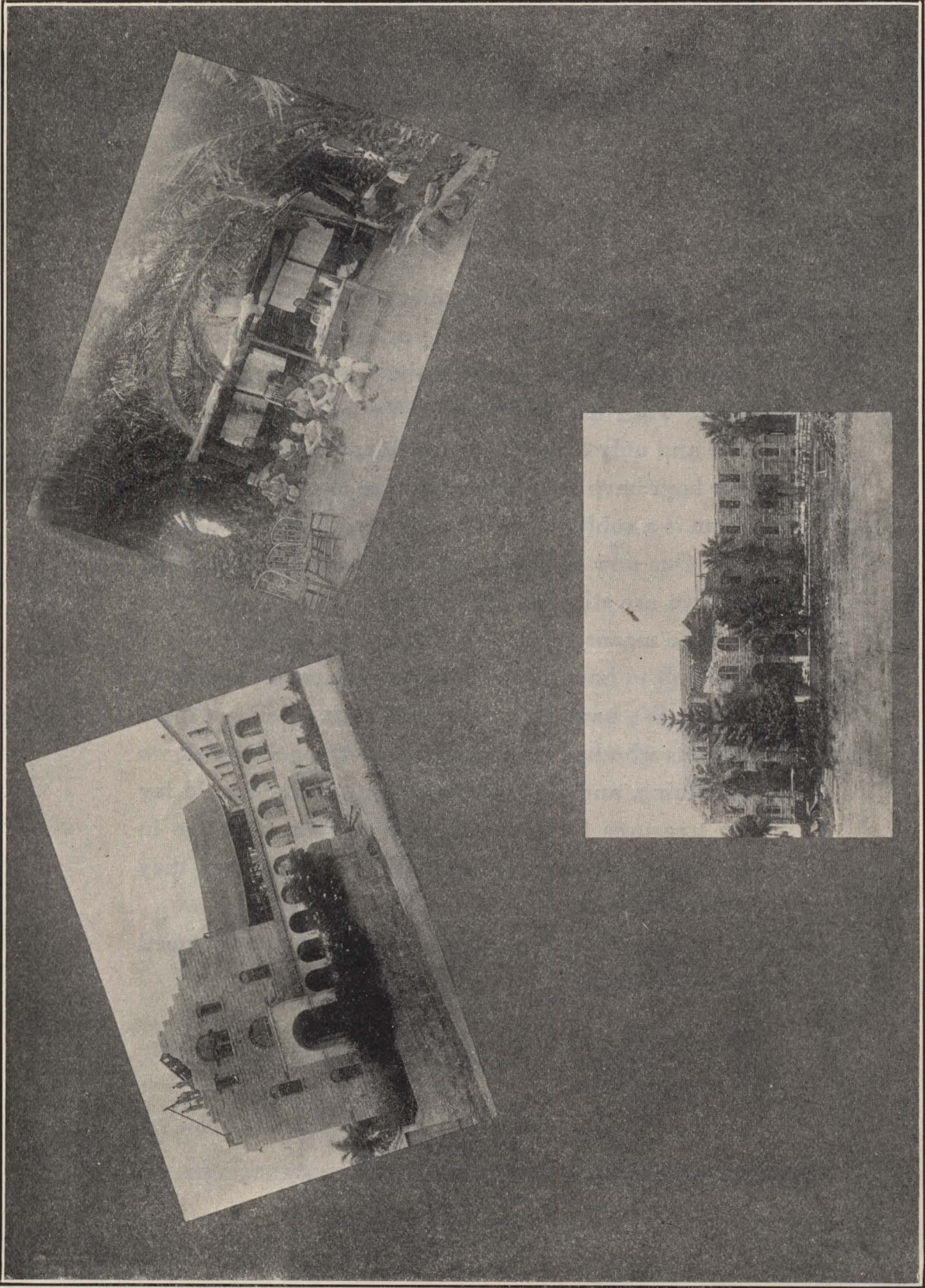
Yet there would be no Padres in the Mission, if there were not that Seminary in the background.

Whilst our fellow-citizens, irrespective of creed are restoring the Mission as a landmark and a monument, may we not expect that our people will not allow the Mission Seminary to remain in the background.

To rear a national monument is patriotic; to build up a House of God is religious; to build up the living temple of God in the souls of young aspirants to the priesthood—is divine, is doing God's own work.



UPPER CENTER.—View of the passage-way. The tower in the background is being taken down for safety. UPPER LEFT. What was once a thing of beauty, our front garden. UPPER RIGHT.—The courtyard. Poor "Lizzie"—a tragic end of a checkered career. LOWER LEFT.—Our temporary dining room. LOWER RIGHT. Corner of the junior dormitory.



CENTER.—Our Alma Mater as she appears at present. Parts declared unsafe are being taken down; in places that means as far as the foundations. LEFT.—New building is intact. The wall of the old building is leaning out eight inches. This wall must come down as far as the foundations. Notice the cracks in the walls. RIGHT.—Camping on the home grounds. The heroes of the earthquake and their out-door dormitory.

The work of the Seminary must continue! The 110 students aspiring to the priesthood in the Franciscan Order must be given the chance to reach their goal. They are promising. We must rebuild. The one and only difficulty is the financial one. Many of our boys have to be educated free of charge. To help them is a sublime work of charity. They are deserving. Our new buildings of 1923 have stood up well; but we are still heavily in debt for them. We have not the means to rebuild. Under the conditions it is difficult to borrow and will be next to impossible to repay. We have nobody to fall back on except loyal friends who know and appreciate the good work we are doing, and generous benefactors who would lay up treasures for themselves in heaven. We are in the hands of our friends! We feel confident they will not fail us!

A conservative estimate puts our present need at \$250,000.00.
