

Diocesans To Unite In Rosary Peace Prayer

APPOINTMENTS OF THE CLERGY

Appointment of a Diocesan Consultor, a Catholic chaplain for Cornell University and principal of a Catholic High School by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, was announced today by the Chancellor, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William F. Bergan, Chancellor of the Diocese of Rochester, was appointed a Diocesan Consultor. The Rev. William Bergan was appointed principal of Elmira Catholic High School. Monsignor Bergan's appointment is an addition to the Diocesan Board of Consultors. He will serve with the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William F. Bergan, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. John P. Brophy, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. George V. Burns, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Joseph E. Cameron and the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Charles E. Shay, the other members of the Board.

Members of the Board of Consultors serve as official advisers of the Bishop in matters of diocesan administration.

The new Diocesan Consultor was elevated to the rank of Domestic Prelate in the Papal Household by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, in June of 1937.

A native of Auburn, Monsignor Bergan was graduated from St. Bernard's Seminary and ordained on June 9, 1917.

Following 14 years as a member of St. Andrew's Seminary faculty, he was appointed chaplain at Auburn on July 1, 1931.

On February 3, 1935, Archbishop Mooney appointed Father Bergan as vice-chancellor of the Diocese and on January 28, 1936, he was appointed Chancellor of the Diocese by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. John P. Brophy.

Father Bergan has been Chaplain at Cornell and in charge of Newman Clubs, since June 1936, during which time he also served as assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ithaca. (See story reviewing Father Bergan's work at Cornell on Page 5.)

Father Bergan, a native of Elmira, had been assisting the Rev. William J. Brennan, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, in the work of conducting Elmira Catholic High School. He was graduated from St. Bernard's Seminary and ordained in June, 1933.



Rev. William F. Bergan



Rev. Donald M. Cleary

Around the World

NEW ORDERS IN CZECH
Prague.—Despite all the trouble which is besetting Czechoslovakia, the Prague government is about to create three new orders of merit. One is to be called "Order of the White Lion" and is to be awarded to those who have merited the national patron saint and martyr, St. Venceslaus the evangelist of the Czechs.

The so-called crown of gold, set with pearls, dating from the fourteenth century, is kept in the treasury of St. Vitus' Cathedral in Prague. It was named for the beloved saint by Charles IV, Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire.

Up to this time, Czechoslovakia had but one order of merit, the Order of the White Lion. This was conferred upon foreigners who distinguished themselves in the service of the Republic. The other two orders are to be awarded to the Order of the Czechoslovak Star and the Order of Liberty.

BISHOP SALUTED
London.—A eleven gun salute was fired by the Royal Artillery in honor of the Most Rev. J. Barrett, Bishop of Plymouth, when he sailed upon the Admiral. The ship flew the flag of the Bishop as "Piper" on board.

During the stay three hundred Italian sailors attended Mass at the cathedral. The Bishop addressed the men in Italian, referring to the great bond of the Catholic faith which united them all.

DEMENT PRESS PRAISED
Manila, P. I.—There is a crusade in the Philippines to "clean up the press." The censor is now in full force and receives the hearty support and praise of one of the largest magazine distributing companies in the islands.

In honoring the principle of the Dement Press, the Rev. J. D. Bennett, a vice-president of the

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CZECH CATHOLICS FLOCK TO CHURCH TO SEEK Bl. Mother's Intercession

PRAGUE (NC).—As the people of this region have done through the ages in time of calamity, thousands of Catholics of Czechoslovakia visited Prague during the last week to see the intercession of the blessed Virgin, praying before her miraculous image, the famed "Palladium of Bohemia."

The Palladium is a gold relief picture of the Blessed Virgin with the Divine Child, dates from 1400 and has witnessed many great wars that were waged on Bohemia's territory. The Madonna's image has been the object of reverence on the part of Czech, Slovak, Polish and other Slavic Catholics for many centuries.

Once Taken To Germany
In medieval times the Palladium was kept in Mary's Church at Stara Boleslav near Prague. In the Thirty Years War it was taken to Leipzig, Germany, by Saxon invaders as a war trophy and just 300 years ago in 1638 it was removed at the enormous price of 50,000 guilders. The Palladium was then returned to Stara Boleslav via Prague in a solemn procession, headed by His Eminence Ernest Cardinal Von Harrach, then Archbishop of Prague.



Rev. Harold A. Gonder, formerly assistant pastor of St. Philomena's Church, Cleveland, who has just sailed to take up his duties as Vice Rector of the American College, Louvain, Belgium. He was ordained at the American College in 1932. (Helle Portrait Studio.)

His Eminence Karel Cardinal Kaspar, Archbishop of Prague, is the sponsor of the national Marian observance.

Through Along Roads
A train of automobiles with representatives of the Town Council of Prague and clergy conveyed the Palladium from the shrine at Stara Boleslav to the Marian Church in the city.

Thousands of Catholics lined both sides of the road along which the famed relic was transported.

A touching scene happened in Prague on the square facing the spot where in the 30 Years War foreign mercenaries hung up the Madonna's image which they stole and desecrated, and where, in 1918 shortly after the formation of the Republic, an almost mob pulled down a high stone column which supported the statue of the Virgin. In 1938, thousands of Catholics knelt as Chancellor Antonin Berek-Dobalsky (Canon of the Prague Cathedral, raised the gold image so that the throng could see it. It was an imposing spectacle of devotion for the two sacred religious acts.

Thousands Visit Church
Hundreds of thousands of Catholics came to the city church during the four days when the Palladium was exhibited. The church was filled with worshippers day and night without interruption. Masses were said from 3 o'clock in the morning to midnight, and after another 16 statues, confessions were heard incessantly day and night, in the regular confessional and improvised ones. Noted preachers delivered sermons calling upon the faithful to pray to Mary, Queen of Peace.

BISHOPS SEE RURAL America As Great Field for Church

VINCENNES, Ind.—"Catholicism in the United States has been weakened to the great possibility that we shall have a rural America," declared the Most Rev. Aloisius J. Muench, Bishop of Fargo in the sermon which he delivered at the solemn Mass which concluded the 16th annual convention of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference.

The Mass, which was celebrated in the municipal coliseum, was attended by nearly 7,000 persons. It marked the first time a religious service was held in the coliseum.

Bishop Muench was one of three members of the hierarchy to be heard in the course of the day's proceedings. Addresses were made also by the Most Rev. John Gregory Murray, Archbishop of St. Paul, and the Most Rev. Charles D. White, Bishop of Spokane.

Frontiers Not Urban
In the sermon the Mass Bishop Muench said the country's frontiers "have become industrial and urban," but often they have not been an opportunity as in other days, but a cause of unemployment and poverty. The fact that rural youth is leaving the farm for the city is a challenge before the Church. "If Catholic city parishes are to be strengthened in their religious life, it is imperative that rural youth leave the farm and be trained in the Catholic faith and well disciplined in Christian virtues," he added. "Otherwise, they shall be, instead of an asset a liability to Catholic urban life."

K. of C. Head To Give Columbus Day Speech

NEW HAVEN CONN Martin H. Curran, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus will give the address at Columbus and His Mission, Columbus Day observance at the WEAF, New York.

The address will be broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company's Red Network of stations in the principal cities of the United States and Canada. The address will be heard at 7:45 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.

Paper Urges Minding Own Business in Europe Crisis

Urging that the United States "Keep Out of Europe," the Brooklyn Tablet in a front-page editorial, last week, hit out at any attempt at United States participation in the European crisis.

Text of the editorial entitled "Our Work is At Home" follows:

The more one looks at the present situation in Europe, the more one becomes convinced that the persons in the United States who would have this country involved in the conflicts across the sea either have an ulterior motive or are afflicted with an unfortunate mental condition of senility.

With the downfall of Czechoslovakia, and the selling out of England and France (with Russia's role unknown) goes the last excuse for the United States meddling in foreign affairs, for aggressor-baiting; for violating neutrality.

Every American today can see why the champions of isolation have been so strongly opposed to those officials who sought to involve us in Europe. They can fully understand the resentment aroused by President Roosevelt's "Chicago" speech on quarantine, his denunciation of certain dictators, his breaking agreements and his rather direct hints that the United States take sides in Europe. The same holds true with addresses by Secretary Hull, Ambassador Bullitt and others. Was there any implicit who would involve this nation in their schemes? If there was, then let us say this: since Italy, Ger-

Pastor Makes Strong Reply To Attorney's Reported Talk

OWEGO.—Taking vigorous exception to statements alleged to have been made by District Attorney Francis J. Chobsey, of Waverly, in an address delivered here Friday, September 16, published in the press, the Rev. Michael L. Hynes, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, sent a letter to The Owego Gazette which carried his letter in full.

One statement attributed to Mr. Chobsey which drew strong answer from Father Hynes was reported as follows:

"Catholics are naturally wet and Democrats are naturally wet. Parishioners are heavy drinkers and the priests of the county must do something to control them."

The District Attorney's address was entitled "Things as They Are in Tioga County." It was delivered before the annual convention of the Tioga County Women's Christian League Union held at the Methodist Episcopal Church on September 16.

Father Hynes' letter which appeared in the September 22 issue of The Owego Gazette, is reproduced as follows:

"I am well aware of the fact that public speakers sometimes try to say only the things that tickle the ears of their audience. I also realize that when a group or society invites someone to make a speech, that group or society should not be held entirely responsible for every statement of the speaker. I therefore, in a district address on such an occasion would refrain from what I consider are glaring misrepresentations and calumniating statements of the facts. Therefore, with due apologies for the fall of convention of the Tioga County W. C. T. U. I wish to make exception to many of the statements of Mr. Chobsey, as announced last Friday night in the Methodist Episcopal Church in this village.

CHARGES REDS USE Labor Congresses in Mexico As Cloak

MEXICO CITY (NC) Gerardo Murillo, speaking at a meeting held in the Salon Wagner, here, declared before an audience composed of retired military men, students and statesmen that Russia in consolidating her policy in Mexico by means of labor congresses and the like, and warned of the danger of Mexico being converted into a Moscow satellite. He appealed to his audience to undertake united national action to counteract Russian tactics.

The speaker pointed out that Russia, in need of new allies, other than Europe, because of the present state of Europe and in the face of a world war, is seeking allies in Mexico through the Ambassador of the Spanish Republic. The labor congresses that have been held in Mexico, he added, are the concentration of the forces of the Komintern to create in America a front in the service of Russia—a front designed to divert attention from the real source of the danger which, in good time, will enter into the life of the American revolutionary program.

Hypocrisy Charged
Mexico and other American nations, he declared, are deceived by developments at these assemblies where they might well expect to hear revolutionary declarations, but where the resolutions adopted keep within the law and without arousing too much suspicion, would steadily forward to the real goal. While the formation of a cabinet of Latin-American nations is agreed upon, they make use of patriotic hypocrites to fool official elements, he added. While with apparent government co-operation and without any publicity, he asserted these international meetings held in Mexico are the result of orders given to the French representative of the Comintern, when he was in Moscow in 1937, to the Barcelona representatives, and to Lombardo Tolentino, the Mexican delegate to the Oslo Congress this year.

5,000,000 ROSARCS AIM OF LEADERS IN CRUSADE FOR PEACE

CHICAGO.—A rosary crusade for peace and against Communism is being organized by the Holy Rosary League, which is planning to distribute 5,000,000 rosaries has been launched by Catholic students attending Chicago Teachers' College and Holy Family College.

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"I need hardly tell you that there is nothing that concerns the Holy Father as the thought that 100,000,000 Catholics and thousands of faithful sons and daughters who are offering up their prayers together with him for the peace of the world, and the triumph of Christ. On his position as Vicar of Christ with countless daily examples before his eyes the Sovereign Pontiff is well aware of the salutary efficacy of prayer and the power of the Rosary. Therefore, in bestowing His Apostolic Blessing upon the Holy Rosary, the Holy Father not only wishes to express his appreciation, but also all to inspire Almighty God that your apostolic prayer will grow and increase."

PROTESTANT BISHOP PLEADS FOR TOLERANCE IN BELFAST SPEECH

DUBLIN.—When Belfast Civic Week was opened in the City Hall, the Protestant Bishop of Down, Connor and Dromore, Dr. J. F. MacNeice made one of those appeals for tolerance in religion that have earned him the hostility of Orangemen.

"I don't believe," he said, "that Belfast is either a dull or intolerant place. I believe it is made up of kindly and tolerant people and it is up to us to see that the causes of intolerance are removed. We should look to the promotion of good fellowship and friendly feelings between all classes and all creeds and see to it that no man is paralyzed because of the prejudices which he holds. It is a fair play for everyone, no matter to what section of the community he may belong."

DAILY DEVOTIONS BEGIN IN PRAYER AGAINST WAR

To invoke Divine assistance in averting the war's consequences, His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, will in a pastoral letter to be read Sunday in the churches of the diocese, call upon the faithful to attend in large numbers the Rosary devotions during October.

Pontiff Urges Prayer in Europe's Dark Hour

VATICAN CITY.—(NC) A new appeal to the faithful to pray with faith and humility, that the mercy of God may remove the threatening dangers that hang over the world, was made by His Holiness Pope Pius XI Friday when he received in audience at the Vatican 400 ecclesiastical representatives of Italian Catholicism.

The Holy Father said he is especially anxious for the future to be the hand of God. Who holds the world, especially in the most difficult moments. His Holiness again called prayer the voice of hope, and added that the presence of God is so great that he refused to prosper the evil of the world.

The Catholic Alliance, which had just completed a period of prayer and of study, the Holy Father exhorted again to pray with confidence in the work of the Holy Spirit.

May 1, at the same time, direct the faithful to pray for the "Crisis Imperata" in this alliance.

Confident that you and your people will join in a spirit of prayer that is a powerful supplication for our diocese may join the Rosary of the Universal Church for the preservation of peace, I remain

Your Devoted Shepherd in Christ,
James E. Kearney
BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

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DIACON LEAVES ALTAR TO GIVE LAST RITES

BOSTON.—Quietly leaving the altar, where he was serving as a sub-deacon at a funeral Requiem Mass, the Rev. Stephen P. Moran, made his way down the aisle of St. Peter's Church, Cambridge, to administer the Last Rites of the Church to a dying woman.

During the progress of the Mass, Moran, who had just received a heart attack and had been confined to bed, was placed on a pew bench.

A space was cleared among the mourners and Father Moran administered to the stricken woman while the celebrant of the Mass, the Rev. Michael J. Burke, continued with the offertory, assisted by the Rev. James T. McKeon as deacon.

LOS ANGELES ESTABLISHES CATHOLIC MUSIC GUILD

LOS ANGELES.—Inauguration of a Catholic Music Guild by the Most Rev. John J. Cantwell, Archbishop of Los Angeles, has been announced by the archdiocese.

Guild activities will be under the direction of the Rev. Robert J. Brennan, Archbishop's Director of Music. Archbishop Cantwell said the guild's main object is to promote the music of the Church and to provide a medium for the expression of the faith of the people.

Important among the members given for the establishment of the Guild are that women's activities are maintained with increasing difficulty. The Guild will be met frequently as it should be, and congregational singing is expected to meet progressive.

Nuns Return To Czech Hospital

PRAGUE.—After an absence of 22 years, Sisters of Mercy have been restored to the Czech Republic. The Sisters of Mercy have been restored to the Czech Republic. The Sisters of Mercy have been restored to the Czech Republic.

Two Blind Youths Enroll at Loyola

CHICAGO.—Blind since infancy, Frank M. Baum, and his boyhood friend, George M. Harper, Jr., of this city, have enrolled at Loyola University for a four-year college course.

Intending to teach, they are registered for a course leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree with psychology as their major. Friends and relatives will assist them in their studies while they are at Loyola, they said. Asked what they did for recreation, both replied, "Everything." They said, "You and we go to movies and read in Lake Michigan." Frank stated.

Expulsion Successful
The social and her progress in this city has been highly successful. More than 500,000 pennies have been collected.

THIS WEEK

With all the dire consequences that war brings in its path, again looming on the horizon, resources to prayer becomes imperative to seek Divine assistance in averting the calamity. Rosary devotions for peace are urged as October begins. See Page 1.

Appointments of the clergy are made by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney. See Page 1.

Strong exceptions to alleged statements made by a District Attorney discussing liquor control problems were taken by a pastor in Owego. See Page 1.

Feted exile of children from Laffitz Spain to Soviet Russia is seen as the most monstrous tragedy in the Spanish civil war. See Page 2.

National Cathedral Congress to attract diocesan leaders from this diocese. See Page 3.

Horrors of war as experienced by a missionary in China is told in Father Gilpin's column. See Page 4.

Author of Masterful Monk listed on lecture series of Nazareth College. See Page 7.