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## ALTAR BOYS BACK AFTER 60 YEARS



Sixty years ago Mat Berres (left) and Peter Sauber (right) were altar boys together in All Saints parish, Lakeville, Minnesota. At the parish home-coming festival this month they again donned cassock and surplice to serve the High Mass of the occasion, to the great delight of their children and grand-children, and the edification of a host of life-long friends. They are pictured with their pastor, the Reverend James A. Byrnes. (N.C.W.C.)

## Flight From Poland Hectic New Auburn Priest Recalls

Harrowing experiences in war-torn Europe have been the lot of the Rev. Edwin Agnos, O.M.C., appointed by His Excellency the Most Rev. James E. Keane, D.D., Bishop of

### Armistice Day School Programs

While all Catholic schools of the diocese will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day, patriotic programs will be conducted in the schools on the day previous. Schools having an American Legion flag will have the Transfer of Flags ceremony on that day. It is left up to each school to plan their individual program which will focus attention on the significance of Armistice Day.

## Priest Vanishes From Russia Post

VICHY (NC) — Father Florent, prominent young Dominican who has been director of the Hospice Francaise in Leningrad has not been heard from for weeks.

Father Florent who has been doing the work of French consul in Leningrad, was tolerated by the Russians because of his great charity. Close to his church in Leningrad suburb he occupied a tiny presbytery, a wooden building where anxious and harried persons went to him for help and advice.

The priest was not among the French residents of Russia who returned to their native land with the French Ambassador M. Bergery.

## PLAN SEMINARY TO SUPPLY NEEDED CLERGY IN FRANCE

VICHY (NC) — The Hierarchy of France is inaugurating a project whereby priests may be supplied to the areas of France badly in need of clergy and spiritual ministrations.

The Hierarchy is planning the establishment of a seminary at Lisieux, the products of which will be at the call of one Bishop but of all the Bishops of the country and will be sent to those parts of France where priests are most needed regardless of diocese or other ecclesiastical jurisdiction. The institution will be known as Le Mission de France.

## Priest-Editor's Poem On Our Lady Printed

SYRACUSE, N. Y. The humaneness of Mary, the Mother of Christ, is the subject of a narrative poem by the Rev. John W. Lynch, Editor of the Catholic Sun, official organ of the Syracuse Diocese, which was published this week by the Macmillan Company of New York City. Entitled "A Woman Wrapped in Silence," the poem forms a 277-page book.

## Liturgy Theme of School Press Meet Set Dec. 6

### Slovenia Clergy Feel Wrath of Nazi Rule, Document Reveals

(By NCWC News Service) Members of the clergy have been among the chief sufferers in the systematic persecution of the people of conquered Slovenia by the German Nazi invaders. It is shown in a remarkable document of assured authenticity which has been received in this country.

The document presents information concerning the forced emigration of thousands of Slovenians from their native land, describes steps taken toward the destruction of Slovenian industry and trade, gives names and places of arrests of Slovenian clergy and lay leaders, tells of the seizure of churches, convents and homes, and of the Germanization of the schools in what was a 97 per cent Catholic country.

Immediately after the occupation of Yugoslavia by the Nazis, the diocesan states German agents began to "legally" imprison and expel the Slovenian priests. At the very outset it is stated in Munich, the Gestapo arrested three members of the Cathedral chapter, the resident dean, prelate, Dr. Franjo Cikale, the head of the diocese, Dr. Alojz Osterc, and Canon Dr. Jozef Mraz.

### Religious Leaders Seized

Also imprisoned were Dr. Just Halper, rector of the theological faculty, together with all members of the faculty, all professors of re-

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### Invite Fathers To A Lecture

All fathers of Nazareth College students are invited to attend a lecture at the campus in Augustine Street, on Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, of the Department of Religion of the College, will address the gathering on the subject of the Liturgy. The lecture is designed to provide interest and background for the Catholic School Press Association Meeting, to be held under the auspices of the Journalism Department on Saturday, Dec. 6. The theme of the Meeting at that time will be the Liturgy of the Catholic Church.

### Experts Accept Bids To Address State Meeting At Nazareth

Nazareth College of Rochester will play hostess to the New York State Meeting of the Catholic School Press Association on Saturday, Dec. 6, it was announced today.

The program which will include many famous Catholic religious and laypeople, is designed to "Spread the Christ, Life" through deeper understanding of the Liturgy of the Catholic Church. "The duty of an active Catholic Press should be to advance this more thorough understanding of Catholic Liturgical actions," leaders of the meeting said.

The program of events, under the guidance of the Rev. Leonard Kelly, head of the Religion Department of Nazareth College, will take place at the Nazareth Academy Auditorium in Lake Avenue. Dr. J. L. O'Sullivan, Dean of the Marquette University College of Journalism at whose request the meeting is being held, will speak on "The Catholic Press in the World of Tomorrow." Rev. Dr. Paul Hanley Farley of Catholic University will discuss the Liturgy and Social Problems; Rev. Gerald Edgar S.J., nationally known leader in the Liturgical Movement, will speak on "Putting the Liturgy into the News-Bishop on Program."

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Keane, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, will speak on "The Personality of Christ Seen Through the Liturgy."

Other leading speakers will be Sister Rose Marie of Nazareth College and contributor to the Catholic World, Ade Bethune, spirit and founder of the Newport Point School, Blanche Jennings Thompson of the Benjamin Franklin High School Faculty, and the Rev. Benedict Edmund of St. Bernard's Seminary.

Round table discussions will be led by Miss Grace Lane of the Madison High School faculty, Miss Mary C. Foley of John Marshall High School Faculty, the Rev. W. Regan of Aquinas Institute, Willis Jensen of the Niagara University at Rochester Faculty.

High Schools throughout the diocese are being invited to participate.

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### Confraternity To Hear New Mass Recordings

NEW YORK — Release of a new set of recordings of Gregorian chant rendered by the choir of Blessed Sacrament Church here under the direction of Warren Kelly, has been announced. The choir is an ensemble of men and boys.

The work performed is the Missa de Angelis, with Credo III and the cantation, Asperges Me. The performance is announced to be based upon and recorded in the characteristics of the Vatican approved Sacrosanct method.

The recordings are to be introduced at the seventh national congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in Philadelphia, Nov. 17-18, when they will be heard publicly for the first time at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

## Educator Urges Frank Talks With Russia On '4 Freedoms'

NEW YORK — Russia should be told that if help is expected from America the four freedoms must be restored in its territories, the Rev. Dr. Edmund A. Walsh, Vice President of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., and Regent of its School of Foreign Service, states in the New York Journal-American.

### Backs Just Wage For Home Work

BUENOS AIRES — The Argentine Senate has acted upon the bill regarding industrial home work, which now becomes the law, and which the Socialist Senator, Dr. Alfredo L. Pillarini, says will benefit many homes of humble state, and will prevent the iniquitous exploitation of thousands of helpless mothers who have had to beg like paupers on starvation wages.

In passing the new law Senator Pillarini gave due credit to the Most Rev. Miguel de Andrea, Titular Bishop of Temnos, prominent Catholic leader in the field of Social Action, who appeared before the Chamber of Deputies during discussion of the bill. The Socialist Senator recalled that "a Christian priest who has fought fervently for this law," has summed up the whole matter when he commented upon the number of men unfit for military service. "The sons are incapable of defending society because society was incapable of defending their mothers."

While not advocating at this stage any organized opposition to the sending of military supplies to Soviet Russia, I do emphatically advocate plain talk to Moscow by the Government of the United States, Dr. Walsh says. "If you expect help from America, the commissars should be told you must not continue to assassinate the four freedoms on your own soil."

"You can prove your sincerity very simply," Dr. Walsh urges the United States to tell Russia, by releasing "thousands of religious victims still languishing in your concentration camps by ceasing the legalized strangulation of religion and in progress on your territory, and by desisting from the destruction of religious property and personnel."

Performance not promise of the fundamental decency in the acid test. It can be accomplished by the stroke of a pen or a nod of the head. If you obstinately cling to these hateful practices how can you expect the American democracy to pour out its treasures and possible blood to rivet permanently onto the body of long-suffering Russia the shackles of a very brutal oppression?"

### Buy Home for Novitiate

Riviere du Loup Que. The Capuchin Fathers have purchased the country home of St. Montague Alban, for a novitiate.

## West Point Jubilee



Rev. George G. Murdock, rector of the Catholic Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y. for the past ten years, who marks the silver jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. Father Murdock has contributed 25 years of his priestly life to the armed forces of the United States. (N.C.W.C.)

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