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Stresses Chaplains' Easter Duties

WASHINGTON, (NC) — Easter devotions in the United States Army this year will begin beyond the International Dateline and follow the sun around the globe, the Rt. Rev Msgr. William R. Arnold, Army Chief of Chaplains, pointed out in his Easter letter to all uniformed clergymen serving with the Army in this country, and abroad.

All soldiers who wish to attend Good Friday and Easter observances will be excused from duty from 12 noon to 3 p m on Friday, April 3, and on Easter morning, provided that no serious interference with training or troop movements would result, the War Department has announced.

Stressing the importance of the chaplains' duties during the Easter season, Monsignor Arnold wrote in his letter to the chaplains that "this is not merely a war of money, muscle and steel for an earthly prize, but a war between God and Lucifer for the spiritual supremacy in the souls of men."

"To be victorious," the Chief of Chaplains said, "our flesh must go to the Cross with Christ. This same Christ, risen from the dead, stands at your side in the midst of the men to whom you preach and minister."

Monsignor Arnold is to speak on three network radio programs on Easter Sunday, April 5, and will be guest on another program on Army Day, April 6. On Easter Sunday he will speak on a special "American Album of Familiar Music" program dedicated to Army chaplains, on the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company; on a special Blue Network Easter morning quarter-hour, on which the Chief of Navy Chaplains and a civilian clergyman will appear with him, and on an evening program on the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Mo. Katherine Drexel Honored By Haiti

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Pa. — Mother M. Katherine Drexel, Foundress of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People, was the recipient of an unusual honor today, when President Elie Lescot of the Republic of Haiti conferred upon her the rank of Commander of the National Ha an Order of Honor and Merit. The citation and medal were personally presented by President Lescot, who arrived in the United States by plane just a week ago.

The presentation speech of President Lescot paid glowing tribute to Mother Katharine's work for the members of the Colored race, declaring that only Heaven could fully recompense the labors of her community actuated by so selfless a motive and consecrated by so sincere a devotion to the highest interests of Colored people.

All Diocesan Offices Closed

By direction of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, all diocesan offices will be closed on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

The Resurrection

This is a reproduction of Perugino's famous painting in the Vatican Picture Gallery.

Japan To Send Envoy To Vatican

VATICAN CITY — (NC-Cable)—The Japanese Government at Tokyo has announced officially that Kan Harada has been appointed the special envoy to the Vatican, with the rank of Minister and is coming soon, according to advices received here.

Regarding the Philippine Islands, in which people of the United States are intensely interested, inquiries here bring word that nothing has been changed regarding the status of the Apostolic Delegation to the Islands.

Change Not Due

No change is contemplated, it is stated. The Most Rev. William Piani, Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines remains as Delgate and will continue to fulfill his duties

The Most Rev. Paul Marella stays as Apostolic Delegate to Japan. However, the Japanese Government has conferred diplomatic privileges upon him, despite the fact that he will not belong to the diplomatic corps.

Mr. Harada is 46 years old. He is a pagan, but his wife is a fervent Catholic. For 13 years Mr. Harada was a member of the Japanese staff of the League of Nations in Geneva. Following this he returned to Tokyo and became attached to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was later sent again to Europe as Counsellor and Charge D'Affaires of the Japanese Embassy at Vichy, France.

Acceptance Follows Traditional Principle

WASHINGTON—(NC)—Wire) — Establishment of diplomatic relations between the Holy See and Japan as outlined in the dispatch above, it is noted here, is in accord with the traditional principle followed by the Holy See in such matters.

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This principle is that the Vatican accords such diplomatic relations to any country that may apply for them, assuming of course that any acceptable arrangement may be made.

It was said here also that establishment of relations between the Holy See and Japan specifically, does not at all constitute a new enterprise. As early as 1922, Japan asked the Vatican for such relations. The Vatican accepted in principle and arrangements for such relations were drawn up.

Diet Failed to Ratify

However, the Japanese Diet, failed to ratify the agreement and thus the project failed of consummation. In 1936 the Japanese Government returned to this earlier agreement and once more negotiations were completed, the Vatican continuing to accept the request of

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Niagara U. Commencement Scheduled Sunday, May 17

NIAGARA UNIVERSITY, N. Y. — Niagara University will honor Church and Government at her 85th annual commencement exercises on Sunday, May 17. It was made known today by the Very Rev. Joseph M. Noonan, C.M., S.T.D., LL.D., president of the university.

Honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws will be conferred upon the Most Rev. James C. McGuigan, D.D., Archbishop of Toronto, Ontario, Dominion of Canada, and the Hon. Alfred F. Beiter, a Niagara alumnus from Williamsville and Congressman from the 41st Congressional District, when the graduates receive their diplomas in the afternoon.

The recipients of the honorary degrees will lend a decided Niagara tinge to the exercises. First Archbishop of Toronto, which is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Archdiocese, was the Most Rev. John J. Lynch, C.M., D.D., the founder of Niagara; while Congressman Beiter, a member of the Class of '14, will be honored the same afternoon his son David L., a senior at Niagara, receives his bachelor's degree.

Presiding at the exercises will be the Most Rev. John A. Duffy, D.D., LL.D., chancellor of the university and Bishop of Buffalo. Archbishop McGuigan will deliver the annual commencement address to the graduates.

Presiding at the annual Baccalaureate services Sunday morning will be the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., LL.D., bishop of Rochester, who will celebrate a Solemn Pontifical Mass. During the services the graduates will listen to the annual Baccalaureate sermon from the Rev. Martin J. Watley, a Niagara alumnus from Syracuse.

Coadjutor Bishop Named In Canada

ST. HYACINTHE, Que. — The Most Rev. Arthur Douville, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, has been named Coadjutor Bishop with right of succession to the Most Rev. Fabien S. Decelles, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe.

Auburn Girl Receives Franciscan Habit

AUBURN — Miss Grace Marangolo, a native of Oswego, until recently a member of St. Francis d'Assisi Parish, was among the group of ten young women who received the habit of St. Francis at an impressive service at St. Francis at an impressive service Anthony's Convent and Motherhouse in Court Street, Syracuse.

The ceremony took place on the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, Bishop of Syracuse, officiated. Miss Marangolo will be known in religion as Sister Mary Teresine.

Canadian Archbishop Plans Music Survey

MONTREAL—A commission on sacred music has been named by the Most Rev. Joseph Charbonneau, Archbishop of Montreal, to make an immediate survey of parishes, religious communities and educational institutions to assure full compliance with liturgical requirements.

NUNCIO TO ATTEND CHILE PRESIDENT'S INAUGURATION

VATICAN CITY—The Most Rev. Fernando Cento, Papal Nuncio to Peru, arrived in Santiago, Chile, yesterday. His Excellency was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary of the Holy See at the Inauguration of the new President of Chile. A successor has not yet been appointed to the Most Rev. Alibi Leghi, Papal Nuncio to Chile, who died on Jan. 2.