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# Women's Service Institute Set

## MARYKNOLL PRIESTS FORCED BY WAR TO RETURN FROM JAPAN

NEW YORK (NC)—The first repatriation ship from Japan is carrying out of the Japanese Empire 78 of the 119 Maryknoll priests, Brothers and Sisters who have been laboring in Japan, Korea and Manchukuo. It is possible the remainder will be required to leave on future vessels. This first ship also has aboard six Maryknoll Missioners from Hong Kong.

(Listed among the Maryknoll priests and Brothers returning from the Japanese Empire are: the Rev. Patrick H. Cleary of Ithaca and the Rev. H. Felix White of Geneva.)

In the absence of Bishop James E. Walsh, superior General of Maryknoll, who is at present visiting the new Maryknoll mission in South America, the Rev. James M. Drought, Vicar-General, commented on this latest of the dramatic developments among Maryknoll Missioners in the Far East since the outbreak of the war.

### Wanted to Stay

"So far as we know," he said, "the largest single group of Americans in the Japanese Empire today are the Maryknoll priests, Brothers and Sisters, 119 in number. These, it should be noted, represent only a quarter of the 450 Maryknollers in the Pacific war zone. These missioners in Japan have consistently taken the stand that they were to stay at their posts regardless of circumstances. While the American Ambassador on several occasions very graciously advised evacuation, the group has replied that Catholic mission tradition required them to remain.

"These Maryknoll priests, Brothers and Sisters who are now being repatriated from the Japanese Empire because of the war conditions represent over a thousand work years of mission effort. Scores of them have each devoted ten and fifteen years to building up flourishing Catholic communities and winning converts who today number tens of thousands. A meager force of native clergy and European priests remain behind to care for these orphaned Christians during the years of the Maryknollers' forced absence.

"We expect that after the war our missioners will return to Japan. They might help to prevent another war. Meantime, a substantial number of them are assigned to Maryknoll missions in Latin America."

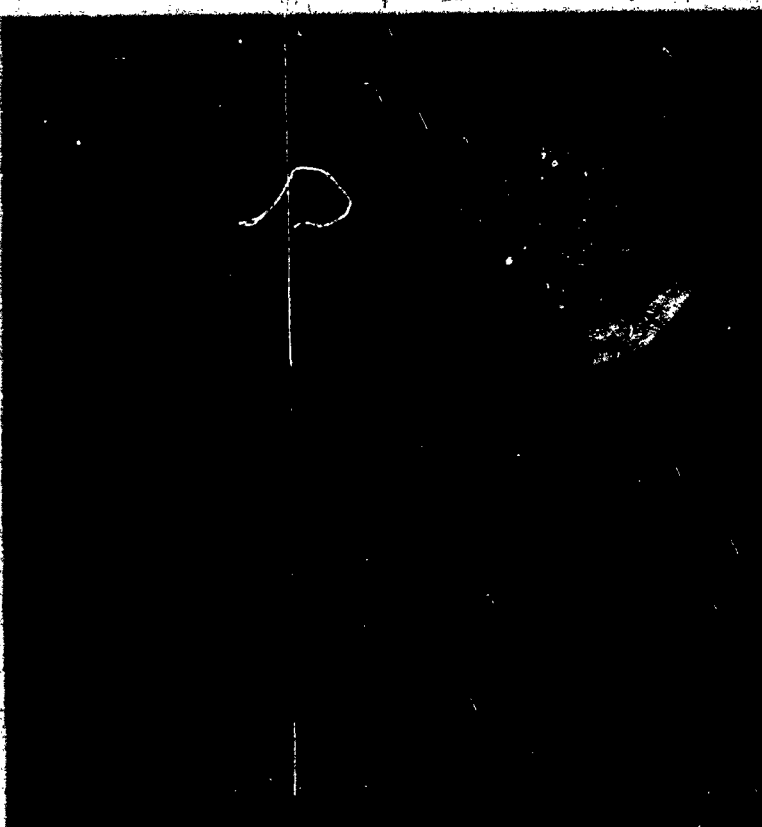
## Warns Against Hasty War-Time Marriages

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (NC)—In a pastoral to the clergy, the Most Rev. Henry Althoff, Bishop of Belleville, warns of the evils resulting from hasty and mixed marriages. He earnestly requests the pastor to exercise more than ordinary caution in regard to this matter.

"Since owing to present conditions there is a growing tendency toward hasty marriages and also frequent mixed marriages, and often times there is no intention or possibility of newly-married couples to live together, I would earnestly request all pastors to take an active interest in the young people of their parish and also give them the necessary warning and instruction in this regard," the Bishop wrote.

### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Quebec—Leon Casgrain, member of one of Quebec's oldest and best known families, has been sworn in as Attorney General.



**FELICITATIONS** on 60 fruitful years in the Holy Priesthood are extended by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney to the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James J. Griffin, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church, Corning. Monsignor Griffin ordained June 21, 1882, was recently honored by Bishop and fellow-priests on his sacerdotal anniversary.

## Knights Will Fete Members Leaving For Army Service

Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus, will pay honor to its members who have been called for service in the armed forces at a dinner and reception next Monday, July 6, at the Hotel Langwell.

Several Knights will leave next week for an Army reception center. About 10 were inducted into the Army last week.

Knights and friends of the inductees are invited to the dinner. Reservations may be made at Columbus Center. Harry D. Fean is chairman of the entertainment committee.

Members who are about to enter service are asked to register with Charles J. Curtin at the K. of C. Home.

## Urges Daily Spiritual Reading In Wartime

LONDON.—The practice of daily spiritual reading is urged by His Eminence Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, as an effective means to counter any harmful effects of the intensive material activity that is necessary in wartime.

In a pastoral letter read in all churches of the Archdiocese, His Eminence said: "We are far from persuading you to relax your efforts in the great national endeavor upon which we are engaged at this moment. We urge you, if possible, even to redouble them; for to contribute wholeheartedly to our country's great task is the bounden duty of every citizen. But in all this material activity there lurks a danger that the things of the spirit may be neglected."

He warned his flock against "a foul and false literature of which, alas! there is no end."

**Hospital Chaplain**  
St. Louis—The Rev. Arthur A. Rice, chaplain at Alexian Brothers Hospital here, celebrated his sacerdotal golden jubilee last Sunday.

## 4 Diocesan Meetings Listed For Patriotic Charities, Training

A "Call To Service," given the full approval of His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, goes out this week, to Catholic women of the Rochester Diocese.

That Catholic women in various sections of the diocese may be enabled to respond wholeheartedly to this call, a series of conferences to train women volunteers for service with Church or patriotic organizations has been arranged.

The conferences open in Geneva July 13, to be followed by other one-day meetings in Rochester on July 14, Auburn, July 15, and Elmira, July 17.

Other of their kind to be held in the United States, these conferences will serve as a pattern for similar conferences to be scheduled in various parts of the United States.

The diocese asks the pastors in the parishes where the conferences are to be held to announce the time and place from the pulpit. A special invitation is extended by the Reverend Clergy to attend the meetings.

The one-day meetings in Geneva, Rochester, Auburn and Elmira are being sponsored by the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Rochester and Elmira Catholic Charities; the National Council of Catholic Women and the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

National leaders in the work of organizing Catholic women and in the Catholic Charities program will be here for the meetings. Taking a prominent part will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, executive secretary, National Conference of Catholic Charities who will come from Washington, D. C.

Speakers at the sessions will be Miss Irma Piepho, Field Secretary, National Council of Catholic Women, Washington and Mrs. Lee Kenny, national chairman, Committee on Cooperating with Catholic Charities, National Council of Catholic Women, of Fremont, Ohio.

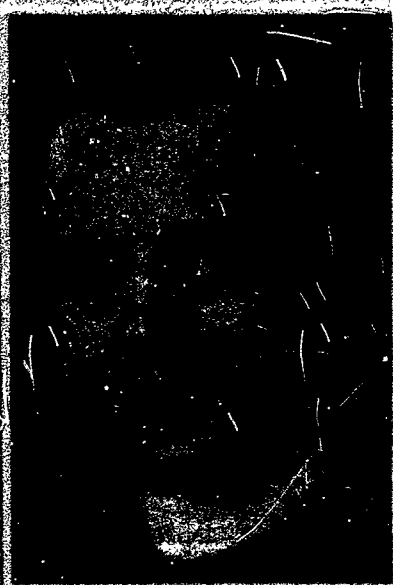
Participating will be the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, spiritual director, Rochester Diocesan Council; the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, diocesan director, Rochester Catholic Charities; Miss Cecilia M. Tawman, diocesan president, Mrs. M. H. Keogh, national director of N. C. C. W. and Mrs. Louis A. Lange, diocesan chairman, Committee on Cooperating with Catholic Charities, Rochester Diocesan Council.

Discussion at the conference will center about "A Call To Service," a manual issued recently by the National Council of Catholic Women and the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

The manual contains sections dealing with volunteer work within the parish, the community, and the diocese. Among the opportunities within the community listed for service are: state and local defense councils, American Red Cross, United Service Organizations, public health, public welfare, juvenile court work and institutional work.

The groups arranging the meetings point out that the training given the women will be most useful, not only during wartime, but particularly during the period of post war reconstruction. A number of volunteer groups within the diocese are already assisting in work for the handicapped, child care, institutional visiting. It is to give these groups ideas gathered from nation-wide experience in the conferences.

### ON NCCW PROGRAM



Rev. Gerald C. Lambert  
Diocesan Director  
Catholic Charities

## Tentative Program For Women's Meetings

A tentative program for the Institute for Cooperating with Catholic Charities for Catholic Women of the Rochester diocese to be held in Geneva, July 13; Rochester, July 14; Auburn, July 15 and Elmira, July 17 follows:

- 8:00 a. m. Registration
- 8:30 a. m. General Meeting
- Topic: Organization and General Principles of Volunteer Work. President of Diocesan Council providing.
- Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel by Spiritual Director of Diocesan Council.
- Introductory Remarks: Rev. Gerald C. Lambert and Miss Cecilia M. Tawman.
- Coordinating Catholic Volunteer Work. Miss Irma Piepho, Field Secretary N. C. C. W.
- Discussion.
- 9:00 to 4:00 p. m. Representatives of Catholic Charities presiding.
- Topic: "Opportunities for Volunteer Women's Organizations in the Field of Charity Within the Parish, Within the Diocese."
- "Guiding Principles for Catholic Volunteer Work." Mrs. Lee Kenny, National Chairman, N. C. C. W. Committee on Cooperating with Catholic Charities.
- Discussion.
- Suggestion by Miss Piepho (to be in work of morning sessions).
- Double Jubilee
- Celebrating Our... The Most Rev. J. M. Leventine, O. S. M., Reg. Vicar Apostolic of the Gulf of the St. Lawrence, observed a double anniversary here—the 50th anniversary of his ordination and the twenty-fifth anniversary of his consecration.

## N. Y. Soldiers Serve At Evening Mass

KEESLER FIELD, Miss.—One of the first evening Masses, celebrated by Catholic Chaplains of the U. S. armed forces for their spiritual charges on 24-hour-a-day duty, was held here last night, June 29.

Chaplain Jerome A. Major celebrated 7:30 P. M. Mass for the personnel of the largest Air Forces Technical School in the world, a large percentage of whom came to Keesler Field from Metropolitan New York area.

Two New York soldiers, Corp. Chester J. Hyms, Jr., of Corpus Christi parish in Manhattan, and Pvt. Don L. Kearney of St. Philip Neri parish in the Bronx were acolytes at the Mass.

Chaplain Major acted under a decree of the Sacred Congregation of the Sacraments in Rome, which permits Mass to be said in the evenings "only for the benefit of military personnel who cannot attend morning Mass."

The Mass was said in a crowded Recreation Hall and attendance was so satisfactory that Maj. Patrick E. Nolan, Post Chaplain, said that he, Chaplains John A. Mroczka and Major will say Mass every evening at 7 o'clock.

The training of air mechanics here goes on a 24-hour day and it was only possible for the men of one shift to attend morning Mass as one shift was sleeping and the other was working. With both an evening and morning Mass it will be possible for all air mechanics students to attend.

**Forthy Years A Priest**  
Cincinnati—The Rev. Charles M. Dicker, pastor of St. Clare's Church, observed the fortieth anniversary of his ordination Sunday by celebrating Solemn Mass.