

50 Catholic Nurses In Base Hospital Unit

PITTSBURGH. Fifty of the 100 nurses attached to the University of Pittsburgh Army Hospital Unit, Base Hospital being mobilized here, are members of the Catholic Nurses League of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, which is an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Nurses. The unit organized under orders of the Surgeon General's office will be similar to the one which served in France for 15 months during the first World War except that its personnel is twice as numerous.

Lieut. Col. Harry E. Peuther is in charge of the unit which comprises 48 doctors, seven dentists, 100 nurses, five commissioned non-medical officers, five enlisted privates and two chaplains.

The Catholic Nurses' League has pledged itself to supply these 50 nurses with religious articles and magazines. Special membership cards were presented them which make them and up members of the League and the National Council of Catholic Nurses for the duration. When the group leaves for service the service flag of the Catholic Nurses' League will have 122 stars on it. More than half of these service members will be then in foreign duty.

What shall bring you forward in the narrow way of holiness, if you are in the world except the patronage of Mary? Cardinal Newman.

PRAY FOR SOLDIERS AT MOTHERHOOD'S SHRINE



At the Shrine of Christian Motherhood (Nuestra Senora de la Leche y Buen Parto), parishioners of the old Cathedral of St. Augustine, Fla., with their Bishop, the Most Rev. Joseph P. Hurley, pray for the men who are serving in the nation's armed forces and assist at a special Mass celebrated there on the Fourth of July (N.C.W.C.)

Depict Pearl Harbor

Dayton. Three paintings showing various phases of the attack on Pearl Harbor will be entrusted to the care of the University of Dayton, it has been learned in a letter from Hawaii.

Polish Hospital Supported

NEW YORK. Small gifts from persons in the United States constitute the main source of support of the Paderewski Memorial Hos-

pital in Edinburgh, Scotland, whose training school for physicians and surgeons is said to be the only Polish center of learning now existing in Europe. It was stated at the headquarters of the Paderewski Testimonial Fund, Inc., 37 East 36th Street.

On the occasion of the first anniversary of the death of Ignace Jan Paderewski, great Polish pianist and statesman, who was intensely interested in the project, several thousand letters asking contributions of \$1 to the fund are being sent out. Mrs. Chauncey Waddell, vice-chairman of the organization, will accept these gifts at the headquarters here; it was announced. The gifts will be in tribute to Paderewski.

The hospital in Edinburgh will be transported to Poland after the war, it was announced by Mrs. Vernon Kellogg, chairman of the fund.

Aid Given By Jesuits To Army In Philippines Wins Official Praise

NEW YORK. A letter just received at the Jesuit Philippine Bureau from Lt. Col. Arthur F. Fischer, dated Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., he pays tribute to the Jesuit Fathers in Mindanao for their aid to the Army.

"It is with a great deal of pleasure that I wish to inform you of the splendid work your colleagues in Mindanao performed in helping me in my work for the U. S. Army," Colonel Fischer wrote.

"I arrived in Bukidnon on Mar. 28 from Bataan, and immediately tried to contact Father Haggerty, S.J., an old, dear friend of mine. In so doing I met Ewing, S.J.

"Father Ewing immediately placed himself at my disposal in getting together equipment and supplies for the extraction of quinine from the bark harvested at the Government plantations in Bukidnon. I do want you to know that his work was greatly appreciated, and also that the progress made was largely due to his energy and resourcefulness. The other Fathers helped and the chemical laboratory of the Ateneo de Cagayan was placed at our disposal.

Francis Aid of Jesuits "I wish the colleagues of Bishop Hayes and of the Jesuit Fathers in Mindanao to know of the work done for the Army and myself."

One of the interesting stories related by the Rev. Pacifico A. Ortiz, S.J., on his return from the Philippines with the party of President Quezon, had to do with the same subject of quinine. The Rev. Francis D. Doyno, S.J., missionary pastor of three missions in the province of Bukidnon, formerly head of the Department of Chemistry of the Ateneo de Manila, had already begun extracting quinine from the bark before Father Ortiz left Mindanao.

Father Ewing also taught Chemistry at the Ateneo de Manila as a Scholastic. More recently he has been winning fame as an anthropologist. Having performed several successful excavations in Syria with the Rev. Joseph Doherty, S.J., of New England, he was forced to abandon the work at war. When Father Doherty and Father Ewing reached the Philippines on their return from Syria, Father Ewing was given permission to remain in the Philippines for a year or two to do anthropological research.

The discovery of the medicinal use of quinine is attributed by historians to the Jesuit missionaries of Peru, in South America. The use of quinine was introduced into Europe in 1660 by Jesuit missionaries who brought it back from the Peruvian missions. For many years the ordinary name given to it was "Jesuit bark."

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MISSIONER TALKS HIS WAY OUT OF INTERNMENT CAMP AT HONG KONG

NEW YORK. Calm savey faire has enabled one Maryknoll Missioner in Hong Kong to do the impossible, to escape from his internment, and that not by illegal flight but by convincing the Japanese authorities that he should be allowed to go. He is the Rev. Maurice Feeney of Albany, N. Y., who is now back at his mission post in South China.

The Rev. Joseph McGinn, a companion of Father Feeney, describes how it happened:

"Father Feeney had bluff and daring and on the strength of it got out of Hong Kong. He went before the Japanese and explained calmly and convincingly that while he was an American citizen, he was of Irish descent and that Ireland was not at war with the Axis. Several of the Irish Jesuits had previously been freed and, lo and behold! Father Maurice was likewise given a pass. Nobody in Hong Kong held out for him the slightest chance of success.

"The Japanese permitted the Maryknoll priests in Hong Kong to take a considerable part of their belongings to St. Stephen's College where they are interned. They were getting good treatment when Father Feeney left — rice, some meat, vegetables, sour and sugar. The cook is an American sailor. All priests say Mass every day and have the freedom of the small peninsula on which the college is located. The Maryknoll Sisters are conducting a school for the children of the internment camp.

"Almost 150 of us Maryknollers on the China mainland are beside ourselves with work, trying to do all that falls to us in these busy war-time days."

VISIT WORKERS

San Salvador.—During his tour of Central America to invite prelates to attend the Salvadorean Eucharistic Congress in November, the Most Rev. Luis Chavez y Gonzalez, Archbishop of San Salvador, visited the more than 4,000 Salvadoreans engaged in defense work in the Panama Canal Zone.

Brilliant Daytime Meteor Passes Over Palestine

JERUSALEM. (Delayed) — An interplanetary visitor in the form of an exceptionally large meteorite drew wide attention when it passed over northwest Palestine and was clearly visible in the full daylight of late afternoon. The event occurred on Pentecost Sunday.

The incandescent meteorite shone with great brilliance, burning first red and then green, and left behind it a trail of meteoric ash as it neared the earth. For several hours after the meteorite's passage the ash remained suspended high in the atmosphere and stratosphere. Long after the sun had set it shone like a vast mirage, still reflecting the sun's high rays as the earth darkened below. Popular rumor spread that a "sword of fire" had appeared over Haifa.

PRAYERS IN U. S. CHURCH FOR MISSING CHAPLAIN

LOS ANGELES. — Special prayers are being offered here at weekly devotions in honor of St. Anthony for the safety of the Rev. Albert Braun, O.F.M., who has not been heard of since the fall of Corregidor.

Father Braun, who had served in Bataan, was last reported to have been on the island fortress. The devotions in honor of the saint most frequently invoked in behalf of lost objects and shipwrecked persons are held in St. Joseph's Church, which is conducted by the Franciscan Fathers.

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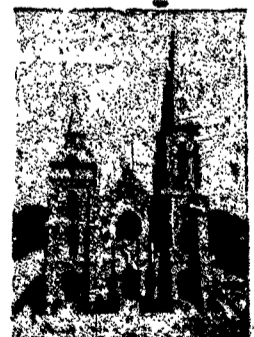
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