

Villanova Grad Pilots Bomber in Rowen Raid

PHILADELPHIA.—One of the American Flying Fortress pilots who participated in the recent heavy raid on Rowen was Lieut. Walt Kelly, a 1940 engineer graduate of Villanova College here.

A member of one of the youngest Flying Fortress groups in the Army Air Corps, Lieut. Kelly was sent to England in July.

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The Rev. Dr. Donat Poeschl, O. M. I. (right), was elected President of the Catholic Biblical Association of America at its recent meeting in Cleveland, succeeding the Very Rev. Thomas Pflanzmann, O. F. M. (left). Dr. Poeschl belongs to the Ottawa University Faculty of Theology and is Superior of the Sacred Heart Jesuitate of the Oblate Order in Canada. Father Pflanzmann is President of St. Bonaventure College, St. Bonaventure, N. Y. (N.C.W.C.)

Elmira Weddings

Randolph - Rice
 Miss Marjorie Rice became the bride of Robert S. Randolph, 506 Pennsylvania Ave., formerly of Painted Post at 9 a. m. in a ceremony performed by the Rev. J. Edward McKay in the parochial residence of St. Mary's Church. The occasion also marked the 25th wedding anniversary of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Rice, 217 Sutton St. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Randolph of Toledo, Ohio, are parents of the bridegroom. The bride's only attendant was Miss Marjorie Lovelace. Elv Whitehouse was best man.

A wedding breakfast for the immediate families was held following the service at the Mark Twain Hotel. In the afternoon a reception took place at the home of the bride's parents in honor of the bridal couple and Mr. and Mrs. Rice. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph took a wedding trip to Toledo.

The bride is a graduate of Southside High School and Elmira Business Institute, and was employed by the American LaFrance-Feamite Corp. Mr. Randolph graduated from Painted Post High School and is an employe of Remington-Rand, Inc.

Late Catholic Hero Awarded Silver Star

FOOTVILLE, Wis.—A Catholic Air Corps gunner killed in action in Burma June 4 has been awarded posthumously the Silver Star decoration for "exceptional gallantry in action," according to a War Department announcement to his parents here.

He was Private, first class, Francis T. Teehan, member of the crew of a Flying Fortress which battled 24 Japanese fighter planes over Burma and shot down four before being grounded. Eight other crew members of the Fortress received the award. Two of them have returned and the other six are believed prisoners. Private Teehan was killed in a side turret of the Fortress in the course of the fight.

Social Week Arranged For Canadian Diocese

ST. JOHNS, Que.—The Most Rev. Anatase Forget, Bishop of St. Johns, in a pastoral letter announced that the Semaine Sociale—Social Week—will be held here from Sept. 24 to 27.

The Social Week will bring together eminent Catholic lay and clergy to lecture on the social doctrine of the Church. Democracy will be the keynote of this year's discussions.

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Mission Trail Blazer



St. Rev. Msgr. Dominic Wagenaar, whose death in Holland has just been announced, as early as 1904 showed the pioneer interest which led to the establishment of the Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries, of which Mother Anna Dengel, M. D., is Superior General with headquarters in Fox Chase, Philadelphia. It was while he was Prefect Apostolic of Kashmir and Kachistan in North India that Monsignor Wagenaar realized the need for this type of mission work. (N.C.W.C.)

Maryknoller Safe in Peking

MARYKNOLL, N. Y.—Word has just reached the headquarters of the Catholic Foreign Mission Society here that the Rev. William A. Kaschmitter, M.M., of Cottonwood, Pa., is safe in Peking, China. This is the first news received of Father Kaschmitter since the outbreak of war.

Assigned to the Maryknoll Mission in 1932, Father Kaschmitter was sent to Peking in 1937 to act as a Secretary and Procurator of the Synodal Commission. He was also English Secretary at the Apostolic Delegation, as well as editor of the Lumen News Service, an organization which supplies Chinese Catholic news to the newspapers of the world.


Mission Anniversary

Los Angeles.—Solemn Mass celebrated by the Very Rev. Stephen Emaldin, Provincial of the Canadian Fathers in the United States, and presided over by the Most Rev. Joseph T. McCusker, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, marked the commemoration of the 111th anniversary of Mission San Gabriel.

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