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Newly Named Bishop, Monsignor Studied At St. Bernard's

Elevation by His Holiness Pope Pius XII of two United States prelates, last week, brought added lustre to Rochester diocese's St. Bernard's Seminary where the newly created Bishop and the newly appointed Domestic Prelate made their higher studies for the Holy Priesthood.



Most Rev. John J. Boylan Bishop of Rockford

Appointment of the Rt. Rev. Magr. John J. Boylan, Vicar General of the Diocese of Des Moines, to be Bishop of Rockford, Ill., adds another to the illustrious members of St. Bernard's Seminary, Class of 1918.

Bishop Boylan's appointment was made at the same time as that of the Rt. Rev. Magr. Leo Bing, Secretary of the Apostolic Delegation in Washington, to be Titular Bishop of Pinara and Co-adjutor Bishop and Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Wrona.

Raised to the rank of Domestic Prelate with the Title of Right Reverend Monsignor was the Rev. Dr. George Johnson, Director of the Department of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Conference who studied for the priesthood at St. Bernard's and the North American College in Rome and was ordained on June 6, 1914.

Bishop-elect Boylan, who succeeds the Most Rev. Edward F. Hoban as Ordinary of the Diocese of Rockford now joins these other members of his class at St. Bernard's Seminary in the Hierarchy.

In addition to serving as Vicar General of the Diocese of Des Moines, Bishop Boylan has been president of Dowling College, Des Moines, since 1923.

Born in New York City The new Rockford Ordinary was born in New York City, Oct. 7, 1889, the son of Edward and Bridget (Morrissey) Boylan. His mother only survives and is a resident of Providence, R. I.

Bishop Boylan attended Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., and St. Bernard's Seminary, here, prior to his ordination in Providence on July 28, 1915. Subsequently he studied Canon Law at the Catholic University of America, made philosophical studies at the Pontifical Ateneum of the Roman Seminary and took courses in education at the State University of Iowa and at Harvard University.

During his career in Des Moines Bishop Boylan has served as Diocesan Director of Charities, Diocesan Consultant, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools and Diocesan Chairman of the "Friends of the Catholic University of America." He was named a Domestic Prelate

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Sisters in China Grow Peanuts To Harvest Oil

NEW YORK (NC) - Maryknoll Sisters in the city of Kiating have started growing peanuts which they use to make peanut oil for the sanctuary lamps throughout the Vicariate. Since the beginning of the war, supplies for the altar and sanctuary have become more and more scarce. To help counteract this situation, the Sisters have planted peanuts around the grounds of their new convent - Kiating.

Campaign For Rosaries, Medals For Servicemen Opens In Diocese

GROWTH OF NAVAL STATION CITED TO SHOW NEED

During the octave of the Immaculate Conception, a campaign for rosaries and medals is being sponsored by the Catholic Education Office throughout the Diocese of Rochester.

"Rosaries and medals are urgently requested for the men in the armed forces," according to the Rev. John M. Duffy, diocesan superintendent of schools.

"Thousands of men are without rosaries," he added, "and furthermore due to priorities, they are unobtainable."

School children or parish societies are asked to make a thorough canvass of every parish for used rosaries and medals. "Even though rosaries are not in first class condition," says Father Duffy, "they can be reconsecrated and used."

"When all units are completed at the Naval Base at Sampson, 33,000 men are expected to be there and probably 20,000 will be Catholics." Their need for religious articles is apparent.

Rosaries and medals are to be filed sorted and packed, and sent to The Catholic Education Office, 50 Chestnut St., Rochester, N. Y., after the 15th of December.

POPE SENDS SYMPATHY FOR GENOA AIR CASUALTIES

VATICAN CITY - His Holiness Pope Pius XII, in a letter to His Eminence Pietro Cardinal Bonfio, Archbishop of Genoa, expresses his sympathy over civilian casualties resulting from air raids.

The Holy Father assures the Cardinal that as in the past, he is availing himself of every occasion to spare or lessen the suffering caused civilian populations by the war.

A similar message was sent some months ago by His Holiness to the English Hierarchy following the aerial bombardments of British cities.

Revision of Catholic School System In U.S. Studied By Educators

WASHINGTON, (NC) - A study looking to the reorganization of the American Catholic school system has been launched with a meeting of a special committee of the National Catholic Educational Association just held in New York City.

New Year's Day Masses

The Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, announces that because of the permission granted to have noon day Masses in all the churches of the Diocese, no public Mass will be celebrated in any church in the Diocese before 5:30 A. M. on New Year's Day.

Honor Memory Of Archbishop Hickey

Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey, second Bishop of Rochester, will be offered in Sacred Heart Cathedral on Thursday, Dec. 10, at 10 A. M.

Marking the second anniversary of beloved Archbishop Hickey's death the Solemn Mass will be offered by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, assisted by priests of the diocese.

Students of St. Bernard's Seminary will be heard in the music of the Mass.

Relatives and friends of the eminent Archbishop, whose career covered 56 years as a priest, 23 years as a Bishop and 12 years as an Archbishop, was filled to completion with distinguished service are invited to the Memorial Mass.

Sailor From Auburn Denies Being 'Killed In Action'

AUBURN - Aloysius V. O'Brien, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Brien, the young Auburnian who was reported as dead in an unofficial telegram received by relatives, is a patient in the military hospital in San Francisco. O'Brien is serving with the Navy.

A letter was received by O'Brien's sister, Mrs. Frank Ferris, of 53 Lewis St., and was written by O'Brien and dated at San Francisco, Nov. 25. A telegram sent from San Francisco some weeks ago, signed "William G. Barry" informed O'Brien's parents that their son had been killed in performance of duty. As the time passed and no official confirmation followed the Auburn relatives believed that he might still be living. The letter from O'Brien assured his relatives that he was very much alive.

Navy Commission COEDEN, Ill. - The Rev. Thomas P. Driscoll, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, has received a commission as a Navy chaplain, and has

Deny Held Spy Suspect Is Papal Count

WASHINGTON, Reports printed in this country that Count Edmondo di Robilant, Italian airline official who has been arrested in Brazil as an Axis spy, is a Papal Count are entirely without foundation. His Excellency the Most Rev. Anacleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, said here today.

Archbishop Cicognani told the N. C. W. C. News Service that he had made immediate inquiries concerning the man in question as soon as reports regarding him were printed here. He is now in a position to state that the Vatican denies that this person ever received the title of Count from the Holy

While it is emphasized that the committee will only study the entire question and to make no recommendations, and that these recommendations may not be accepted by the N.C.E.A., nevertheless the undertaking of this work gives the first substance to a project which has been in the discussion stage since 1939.

The war has given a certain impetus to the study, authorities state, but the whole undertaking is one of long standing. Underlying the study for reorganization is the deepened conviction on the part of some educators that American schools should complete their college work and come to their professional or graduate studies about two years earlier than they do now. Such acceleration projects, special considerations in the Catholic field of which minor and major seminars are an integral part, since it will involve learning years more in vocational training at all further ages.

The value and necessity of reorganization was admitted by all of the members of the special committee, which also agreed that any reorganization should be on the basis of three levels, elementary, secondary, including the first two years of college, and higher for professional specialization. There was general agreement it was said, that the present system is two years too long, that the present eight-year elementary school should be retained, but that by rearrangement of the curriculum, provision be made whereby bright pupils could go through the entire elementary course in six or seven years, and finish secondary education at the age of 18 or 19.

Any plan for the reorganization of the American Catholic educational program, the Committee agreed, must:

- Make the greatest possible contribution to the glory of God and the sanctification of souls.
Harmonize most closely with the best Catholic and American traditions, and with the National Program for Citizenship.
Give rise to the best possible change in buildings, teaching staffs and curriculum.
Result in the best program financially.
Result in the soundest plan financially.
The Rev. William F. Carrigan, D.D., of the Department of Education of the University of Notre Dame, is Chairman of the special committee.

Georgetown Priest

WASHINGTON - The Rev. Lawrence McHugh, S.J., student assistant of Georgetown University, is the third Georgetown priest to join the armed services as a chaplain. Father McHugh is now taking the Navy chaplain course at Norfolk, Va.

Heads Loyola U.

LOS ANGELES - The Very Rev. Edward J. Whelan, S.J., Rector of Loyola High School, has been appointed President of Loyola University

K. of C. Plan Open House on New Year's

AUBURN - The Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus, has announced that the annual New Year's Eve Party at the Osborne Hotel will not take place this year. However, it is planned to have the usual New Year's Day program at the Home.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will hold a Christmas Party on Dec. 14. Mrs. John Foster is chairman of the event.

The Knights have a new Service Flag which is now proudly flying in front of the home. The complete listing of men in the service will be printed in the Auburn Council's December Bulletin. New names added to the Roll of Honor this month are Howard Murray, Theodore E. Shambo, Francis O'Connor and Bernard McManus.

\$750,000 HOSPITAL Los Angeles - The Most Rev. John J. Cartwell, Archbishop of Los Angeles, has just dedicated the new \$750,000 St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica.

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