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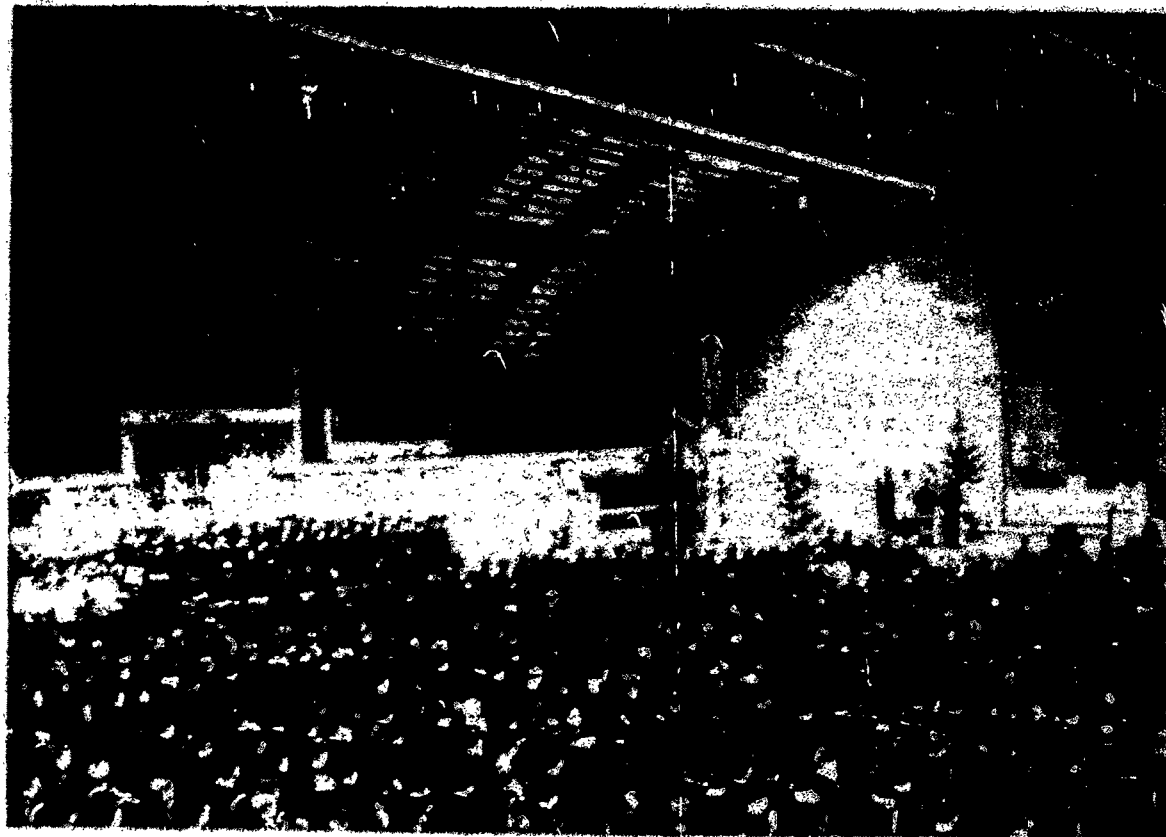
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First Pontifical Midnight Mass Throngs Drill Hall At Sampson



Bishop Kearney Brings Christmas Message To Sailors In Training

With the Bishop of the Rochester Diocese personally officiating, Christmas was made "white" for 5,000 Navy boys stationed at Sampson Naval Training Station when Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass was celebrated for them in one of the mammoth drill halls at the station.

From the hands of His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, Chaplains at the station and priests of the diocese, the boys, 1,200 of them received Holy Communion at the Midnight Mass and the rest on Christmas morning.

In the Christmas message delivered by Bishop Kearney the sailors were told that in regular attendance at Confession and Holy Communion they can always be assured of a "white Christmas."

His Excellency spoke of the great privilege that was his in being the first person to extend to them greetings for "a happy and blessed Christmas" especially on behalf of those at home who were also made happy by knowing that the Bishop was their spokesman.

Part of Divine Plan

That it was a strange place to celebrate the birthday of the Son

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To our many customers and all other readers of the Catholic Courier, we wish to extend our best wishes for the New Year. AT JENNIE'S BAKE SHOPPE, 616 Monroe Ave.—Monroe 662—Adv.



CHRISTMAS AT SAMPSON—Navy blue harmonized with colorful ecclesiastical vestments at Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass at Sampson Naval Training Station, Christmas Eve. Upper Photo is scene in drill hall. Lower Photo shows His Excellency, Bishop Kearney distributing Holy Communion to bluejackets. (U. S. Navy Photos).

Pontiff Cites Five Points For World Harmony

VATICAN CITY (NC-Radio)—To his previous laying-down of the essentials for a lasting peace and a just world order, His Holiness Pope Pius XII on Christmas Eve added

"Five Fundamental Points for the Order and Pacification of Human Society."

It was the Sovereign Pontiff's Christmas Message, and in the course of the day it was broadcast in various languages to all parts of the world.

(Text of the Holy Father's Christmas Message begins on Page 1, this issue).

The Holy Father emphasized the fact that international harmony is intimately dependent upon "the internal equilibrium and development of the individual States in the material, social and intellectual spheres," and he called for "good and far-reaching men" to make the sacrifices necessary to bring "correct notions about society."

The Pope urged that "in real life" be formed from among "all peoples and all nations" made up of "those handfuls of men who, bent on bringing back society to its center of gravity, which is the law of God, aspire to the service of the human person and of his common life ennobled in God."

New Order by Mankind
"Mankind," His Holiness declared, "owes that vow" to "the countless dead who lie buried on the field of battle" to "the innumerable sorrowing host of mothers, widows and orphans who have seen the light, the splere and the support of their lives wrenched from them;" to "those innumerable exiles whom the hurricanes of war has torn from their native land and scattered in the land of the stranger;" to "the hundreds of thousands of persons who, without any fault on their part, sometimes only because of their nationality or race, have been consigned to death or to a slow decline;" to "the many thousands of non-combatants, women, children, sick and aged, from whom aerial warfare—whose horrors from the beginning we have frequently denounced—has, without discrimination or through inadequate precautions, taken life;" to "the flood of tears and bitterness, to the accumulation of sorrow and suffering, emanating from the murderous ruin of the dreadful conflict."

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Film of Pope's Life Exhibited in Rome

VATICAN CITY.—"Pector Ad-gressum," a motion picture depicting the life of the Pope, was given a special showing to a restricted audience of ecclesiastical and civil dignitaries in the Sala Borromini in Rome, and was warmly received by all.

Among those witnessing the special projection of the film were four Cardinals, His Excellency the Most Rev. Francesco Borgognini, Duke, Papal Nuncio to Italy; and a number of Archbishops and Bishops.

DIES FOR COUNTRY



Arthur J. O'Coar

Requiem Masses Set For Aquinas Graduate

Solemn Requiem Masses for Second Lieut. Arthur Joseph O'Coar, son of Mrs. Helen M. O'Coar of 100 Garson Ave., who was killed in action with American troops in the African area, will be offered here next week.

An Aquinas Institute graduate, a Roman Mass of Requiem will be offered for him at the Institute on Monday by the Italian Father. The young man attended Aquinas Institute before the Italian Father took charge and the Rev. Leo E. Whelins who was his home room moderator at that time will preside at the service.

A parishioner of Corpus Christi Church, a Roman Requiem Mass will be offered for the young man who gave his life for his country on Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock in his parish church.

While at Aquinas, Lieut. O'Coar who was 23 years of age at the time of his death, was a star football back on the football team and was graduated from High Point College, N. C. He enlisted in the Army on Feb. 10, 1940.

Commissioned a second lieutenant a year ago, he was this spring, attached to the Army Medical Corps as a Canadian port of embarkation. He received a transfer to combat duty and early in June left for England, where in England he received command training.

In addition to his mother, Lieutenant O'Coar is survived by a sister, Miss Helen H. O'Coar and a grandmother, Mrs. Helen Crowley.

On Things Financial In Parish Life In 1943

The COURIER today discusses with its readers the financial features of parish life. The subject is of interest to all, because it affects all. As a matter of desire, as a matter of recognized obligation, the faithful Catholic gives regularly, thoughtfully, adequately, to the support of his parish church. Not to support the church is to

sidestep an obligation, to avoid a responsibility to be unjust to the other parishioners who do their part. Our thoughts today shall consider the various items under which our contributions to religion are listed: Plate collections, pew-rent, seat offerings, school offerings, coal collections, debt collec-

tions, entertainments, fairs, mission offerings, are found in most of our church programs. Our words concerning them shall be merely a review of what we all know of them, a review that may assist us in meeting fairly and fully our personal obligation to

Plate Collections Or Sunday Offering

Every parish looks to the Sunday Offering for the main support. It was called old the Plate Collection, because it was placed on the plate which preceded our en-

dividual parishioner, the Sunday Offering should be his weekly quota of parish income measured by two things—his ability to give, and the actual needs of the parish. To give a nickel when a dollar is needed is not to measure up to ability to give at its parish level.