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Reveal Catholic Status Of Inmates At Reformatory

Figures which reveal the small percentage of Catholic inmates admitted to Elmira Reformatory in 1942 who were regular church attendants before admission and of the small number who had attended Catholic schools at some time or had spent more than six years in a Catholic school were released this week by the Catholic Chaplain's office.

Appearing in an editorial entitled "Statistics" in Don Bosco Bulletin, Feb. 7 issue, the figures likewise reveal the results from religious training attained by the Catholic inmates. Of the 406 who were paroled during 1942, 96 per cent had received the Sacraments while at the Reformatory.

The Catholic Chaplain is the Rev. Francis J. Lane, who has been a friend and guide of the boys at the Reformatory for many years. The Don Bosco Bulletin is a Catholic bi-monthly edited and published by the inmates themselves, and in the editorial they pay a special tribute to their chaplain.

(The set of figures published by the Don Bosco Bulletin appear in the next column, this page.)

A careful examination of these figures will prove very interesting, states the Don Bosco Bulletin. The editorial continues:

"First of all we note that only 48 per cent of the commitments during 1942 claimed to be members of the Catholic Church. Thirty of these, less than 7 per cent claimed to have attended church regularly. The average time having elapsed since these new men received the Sacraments was 17 months.

"From an educational point of view it is worthy of note that only 61 or about 12 per cent ever at-

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Reformatory Chaplain Reports

Statistics furnished by the Catholic Chaplain's office, Elmira Reformatory and published in Don Bosco Bulletin, are as follows:

Number of men received in 1942	544
Number of Catholics	247
Percentage of Catholics	45%
Average time since receiving the Sacraments upon admission	17 Mos.
Attended church regularly	30
Percentage attending church regularly	8 or 7%
Attended Catholic Schools at some time	81
Spent more than six years in Catholic School	24
Received all their education in Catholic Schools	3
Converts	14
Number who made First Holy Communion	28
Number Confirmed	26
Number paroled	406
Number who received the Sacraments while here	388
Percentage who received the Sacraments while here	96%

FREEDOM TO HELP OTHERS CALLED FUNDAMENTAL

WASHINGTON. — A reception tendered by the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, to the Committee of the Laity, on Feb. 11, will inaugurate the twenty-fifth annual fund appeal of the New York Catholic Charities. At the meeting, a letter from the Archbishop, which characterizes the freedom to give and help others as one of the fundamental freedoms of America, together with a 16-page illustrated booklet reviewing the work of the Catholic Charities, will be distributed.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

DIocese OF ROCHESTER

BILL OF RIGHTS WEEK

February 14-20, 1943

In compliance with State law the Board of Regents has designated February 14-20 as Bill of Rights Week "to instill into the minds of pupils the purpose, meaning and importance of the Bill of Rights articles in the Federal and State Constitutions."

Dr. George M. Wiley, Associate Commissioner of Education, reminds us that "in view of the crisis which confronts the Nation under the impact of global war threatening the ideals of the Nation and the very fundamental principles as expressed in the Bill of Rights, it is increasingly important that such a week be fittingly observed in all schools throughout the State, and that the lessons inherent in the significance of our American heritage be emphasized more strongly than ever before."

I am asking every school to observe Bill of Rights Week in a manner befitting its place in our daily life.

John M. Duffy
Superintendent

Parents of 5 Sullivans Lauded For Example As They Begin Morale Tour

Praised From Pulpit; Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Receive Pope's Medal

Their staunch faith widely acclaimed and their example highly lauded by government officials and high church dignitaries, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Sullivan of Waterloo, Iowa, parents of five sons reported lost from the cruiser Juncau, are on a morale-building tour of the east, this week.

Occupying a front pew at Solemn Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, Sunday, the couple was greeted from the pulpit by the Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph F. Flannelly, administrator, as "an inspiration to the entire nation."

"Millions of married persons in America should be inspired by the example of this man and woman," he said. "Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have sorrowed, it is true. But through their tears they have looked up to God. I have welcomed kings and queens and premiers to this church but no one has been more welcome here than Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan."

Archbishop's Gifts

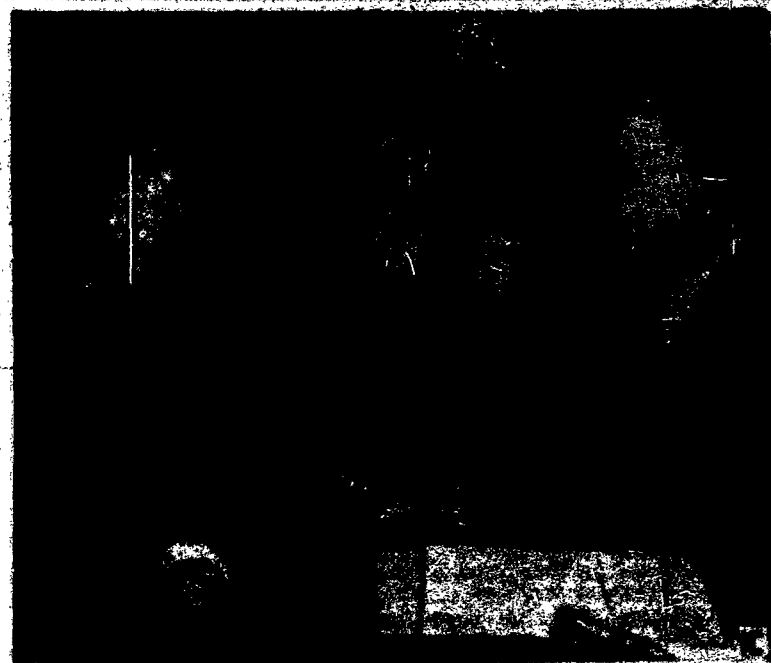
His Excellency, the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, received them after the Mass. He presented them with a rosary and a silver medal which had come to him from His Holiness, Pope Pius XII. "I know of no one else who deserves this more," the Archbishop said.

Announcement was made Tuesday that President Roosevelt has approved the naming of a destroyer "The Sullivans" in honor of the five brothers who were listed as missing in action from the cruiser Juncau in the Solomons.

The Navy announced that Mrs. Sullivan has been invited to sponsor the new vessel now under construction in the San Francisco yard of the Bethlehem Steel Company.

Starting out on their morale mission which will take them into war plants and shipyards along the Eastern seaboard, the couple had the plaudits of Washington officialdom heaped high upon them in the nation's capital.

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MR. AND MRS. THOMAS F. SULLIVAN parents of the five brothers reported missing in action when cruiser Juncau was lost at the Solomons, began morale tour of war plants along Atlantic coast, in the Nation's Capital, greeted by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, they are pictured here in the Senate Building with Vice-President Wallace (left). Ravi Newsphoto (INCCW).

'Schools-At-War' Scrapbook Awards To Be Made At Rally

Awards to the winners of the Schools-At-War Scrapbook Contest conducted among school children of the diocese will be made by the Rev. John M. Duffy, Superintendent, Catholic School, at the rally to be held at the Eastman Theater, March 2.

One of the rally speakers will be Chaplain Eugene B. LeGault, S.J., of the Sampson Naval Training Station.

Secretaries are tabulating statistics and judges are busy pouring over the Schools-At-War Scrapbooks which have been turned in at the Catholic Education Office. Each book portrays the story of war work done at the school it represents.

The Rev. Dr. Maynard Connell, chairman, and the Board of Judges are now selecting winners of prizes offered for these Schools-At-War Scrapbooks. Winning books together with the others entered in the contest will be exhibited in Columbus Civic Center lobby, from Feb. 26 to March 2.

The Exhibit, planned by Father Duffy, is said to be in direct conformity with state officials and the War Savings Committee's requirements. The exhibits, under the general chairmanship of Colette Stanley of St. Agnes High School, is planned to afford the parents an opportunity to examine closely the work and effort of the Catholic Schools in the war and victory program.

Board of Judges includes: William A. Lang, Deputy Civilian Protection Director; David B. Brady, School Defense Co-ordinator; William T. Nolan, Salvage Committee Chairman; Thomas H. O'Connor, news editor, CATHOLIC COURIER; and Miss Alice F. Kirk, Chairman of the Catholic Youth Group of the USO.

Preparations for financing the rally at the Eastman were made this week by Miss Helen Hone, Academy of the Sacred Heart and her committee, including William

Queries Religion's Place In Schools

NEW YORK. (NC) — The leading article in the column "Highways and Byways" in the New York World-Telegram discusses the place of religion in the public schools. Asking the question "Has religion a place and, if so, what place in public school programs that is consistent with the accepted principle of separation of Church and State?" the article states:

"It is apparent that something must be done to alleviate the frightful condition of ignorance of God and the things of God which surveys exhibit. Parents evidently do not correct this, perhaps even could not; and Sunday schools have only a very limited time each week. The university faculties all over the country are beginning to realize that students will be led to understand that democracy depends on religion to make clear the principle of mutual dependence of humanity in something more than an ethical barrier against the exploiting of the weak by the strong."

Honors Edgerton

NEW ORLEANS. — The Rev. John St. Paul, S.J., of Loyola University of the South, was elected a member at large of the executive committee of the Louisiana Historical Society.

Lt. Daley of Auburn 'Killed In Action'

AUBURN. — First Lieutenant William Charles Daley of the United States Army was killed in action on Jan. 11, 1943. The lieutenant's father is Lieut.-Col. George W. Daley now stationed at Camp Crowder, Missouri, and Mrs. Daley is with the Colonel.

No details in regard to Lieutenant Daley's death were received in Auburn.

Lieutenant Daley is a graduate of St. Mary's School, and of the Auburn Senior High School. He was employed at the Hewitt drug store before leaving for Fort McClellan, Alabama, in the fall of 1940 with the Service Company of the 106th Regiment, National Guard.

Daley was a private when he enlisted with Uncle Sam but was promoted to the rank of Corporal and then to Sergeant. He was commissioned a second lieutenant while in Hawaii.

POLISH CATHOLIC LEADER REPORTED IMPRISONED

LISBON. — Prince Ladislaw Lubomirski, widely known in Polish Catholic circles and former president of the Municipal Council of Warsaw during the German occupation of Poland in 1915-18, it is reliably reported here from Warsaw, has been arrested by the Germans and deported to a Nazi concentration camp in the Reich. The Prince is about 80 years of age.

Brazilian Bishop

VATICAN CITY. — The Rev. Gregory Alonso, an Augustinian Recollect, has been named Titular Bishop of Foggia and Prelate of the Diocese of Moraja, Brazil.