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**Father Stammer Paid  
Final Tribute At  
Pontifical Rites**

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...upon him in his study, sitting in the dark, with his eyes in his hand, and a tear stealing down his cheek for those for whom he was thinking and praying.

Recalling that gentle, familiar phrase Father Stammer always used after a plea for financial assistance—'Never mind, will do the best we can'—Father Lane said that that was his answer also in his last few days of weakness: 'I'm doing the best I can.' It summed up his whole life. His monument lay in the church which he had founded, his beauty at his own expense when he thought that his days were short—the final expression of his love for his parishioners.

'We, his fellow priests,' said Father Lane, 'pledge our word that we will not forget him. We will continue to pray for the happy repose of his soul.'

The body of Father Stammer has lain in state in the church since Sunday afternoon, with a guard of honor of Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, St. John Society, and the Holy Name Society. On Friday evening priests of the diocese crowded the Office of the Dead. For a last time on Monday morning, priests and laymen stowed the body, and then filled the pews and standing room to capacity for the service.

**Officers of Mass**

Assisting Bishop Kearney in the Mass were: Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, Vicar General; Deacons of Honor, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee, Vicar Forane of Elmira Deanery and the Rev. William J. Brien, Deacon of the Mass, the Rev. Raymond J. Helsel, former assistant at St. John's; Subdeacon, the Rev. Leo G. Schwab, Our Lady of Lourdes Church; First Master of Ceremonies, the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, Vice-Chancellor, and Second Master of Ceremonies, the Rev. Thomas J. Toole, Elmira Heights.

The Rev. Herbert Sturmer and the Rev. Jacob Rauber, former assistants at St. John's, were acolytes; the Rev. William R. Burns, censor bearer; the Rev. Richard Stanton, book bearer; the Rev. Leslie G. Whalen, candlebearer.

Present in the sanctuary were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William F. Morgan, Chancellor of the diocese; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Walter J. Lee, Vicar Forane of Geneva Deanery; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Griffin, Vicar Forane of Corning Deanery; the Rev. Arthur E. Ehrack, the Rev. Dr. J. Gefell, the Rev. J. Edmund O'Brien, Rochester; the Rev. Michael C. J. Wall, Canandaigua; the Rev. Michael L. Hynes, the Rev. Alexander J. Stec, Oswego; the Rev. Edward J. Lyons, the Rev. James B. Keenan, Waverly; the Rev. Hubert A. Bisky, Ithaca; the Rev. Arthur C. Smith, the Rev. L. J. Rozupanski, the Rev. Theodore J. Whitworth, the Rev. Philip E. McMan, Elmira, and Brother Serapion, F.M.M.

The priests' choir, singing the Mass was composed of the Rev. John G. Zielinski, Rev. Vincent Le Frois, Rev. Lawrence Sansom, Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, Rev. Thomas Kane, Rev. Albert J. Simonetti, Rev. Edward G. Toister, Rev. Francis Hester, Rev. John A. Murphy, Rev. Clarence W. Gardner, Brother Servatius, F.M.M.

Bearers were the Rev. Raymond G. Helsel, Rev. William J. Brien, Rev. Leo G. Schwab, Rev. Francis J. Lane, Rev. Herbert L. Sturmer, Rev. J. Edmund O'Brien, Brothers Serapion and Serapion, F.M.M.

The services at the grave were conducted by Monsignor Hart. Burial was in St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.



**MOST REV. JOHN J. BOYLAN** who was succeeded Bishop of Rockford, Ill., on Feb. 17, is a member of the 1916 Class of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

**St. Bernard's Alumnus  
Solemnly Consecrated  
Bishop of Rockford**

**DEB MOINES, Ill.**—As Bishop he will always be the sturdy adversary of anything un-American as he is the implacable enemy of anything un-Christian, stated the Most Rev. Francis J. L. Packman, Archbishop of Dubuque at the solemn consecration of the Most Rev. John J. Boylan.

Bishop Boylan, the third Bishop of Rockford, Ill., was formerly President of Dowling College and Vicar General of Des Moines. The ceremony was held in St. Ambrose Cathedral here on Feb. 17. The Most Rev. Gerald T. Bergan, Bishop of Des Moines, was consecrator, assisted by the Most Rev. Henry F. Packman, Bishop of Des Moines, and the Most Rev. Edmund Heenan, Bishop of Sioux City.

**Here Formula for Peace**

Pleading the cause of peace and the rehabilitation of the world that follows victory, Archbishop Beckman said: 'The Catholic Bishop, together with all those who accept Christ, has his own formula for a post-war world—a world in which neither capital nor labor, neither rugged individualism nor collectivism, shall be predominant, a world in which the middle way, the way of Christ, the just way will be the pattern of men's lives. Christ Himself, the Prince of Peace, dictated that formula, that blue print for a peace with justice and it is a plan in which all men of good will may unite. It is a plan of action now.'

**Represent Diocese**

Among the more than two score Archbishops, Bishops and Abbots who attended the ceremony was His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester.

Bishop Boylan studied at St. Bernard's Seminary. His consecration was attended by many priests and monsignors who were members of his class at the Seminary. Monsignor Joseph E. Grady and the Rev. John Smith of Corning, classmates, were present.

Bishop Boylan, ordained in 1916, is the fifth member of his class to be raised in the episcopate. The others are Bishop Walter A. Focry of Syracuse, Bishop Matthew Brady of Burlington, Vt.; Bishop Emmett M. Walsh of Charleston, S. C. and Bishop Francis P. Keough of Providence, R. I.

agencies can do for American troops abroad, Mr. Matthews said he appreciated that many obstacles would have to be overcome. He understood, he said, that there is the difficulty of getting personnel and materials abroad, of getting priorities, and of meeting numerous other problems. But, he repeated, the Canadian Knights of Columbus are doing a magnificent job in Great Britain, are meeting and overcoming all of these difficulties, and enjoy the fullest confidence and cooperation from their Government.

Mr. Matthews had warm praise for the work Catholic agencies, including the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of St. Columba, in England are doing.

Stressing the fact that facilities for the practice of their religion is one of the great needs of the troops in England, Mr. Matthews said members of the English clergy remarked to him what he himself had observed, the great necessity of chaplains.

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In which hundreds are Catholic, but for which no Catholic chaplain is available. Such troops have Sunday Mass largely through the fine cooperation of the English clergy. He pointed out that the Very Rev. Msgr. Valentine Elwes, Secretary to His Eminence Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, says Mass at one such station every Sunday. In emphasizing the utter desirability of the work which service