

# Bill To Oust Federal Aid For Child Care Hit; Offer New One

WASHINGTON (NC)—An amendment to the first deficiency appropriations bill of 1943, by which Government financial aid for privately conducted day nurseries and other child care projects of Catholic and non-government institutions would be eliminated, was withdrawn by its sponsor, U. S. Senator Carl Hayden, of Arizona, after lengthy debate in the Senate apparently had convinced him of its defeat.

## Bishop Kearney Aids Comdr. Shea Memorial

NEW YORK — The Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, for many years director of Saint Cecilia's School in New York City, has enthusiastically endorsed the plans of the Alumni to conduct a card party for the benefit of the new school building in Saint Cecilia's Parish. This annex to St. Cecilia's School has been designated by His Excellency Archbishop Spellman as the Commander Shea Memorial School.

As an evidence of his interest Bishop Kearney has graciously accepted the position of honorary Chairman of the Alumni Committee who are planning the event.

The Catholic population of Harlem is rapidly growing and the demands for expanded school facilities have been recognized by Archbishop Spellman. He has arranged for the purchase of the building formerly known as the Uptown Talmud Torah and its renovation will be soon under way.

The Alumni bridge for the Commander Shea Memorial will be held at the Commodore Hotel on the evening of Friday, May 7.

## MILLION COPIES OF PRAYER FOR DYING DISTRIBUTED

CHICAGO—In the last six months more than a million leaflets of the Pious Union in Honor of St. Joseph for the Dying, canonically erected in St. Peter's Church here, have been distributed free, going to virtually every State in the Union.

The only requirements for membership in the crusade, it is announced by the Rev. Cuthbert Malone, O.F.M., director of the work, with headquarters at 616 South Clark Street, is the enrollment of Christian and family name, promise of prayers (not under sin) and attendance at a monthly Mass for the dying.

The leaflets, Father Malone said, are sent postage free when ordered in large quantities. Individuals who request only a few copies are asked to send stamped and addressed envelopes.

## Book Club Choice

New York "Of Books and Men" by Prof. Joseph J. Reilly is the March selection of the Catholic Book Club. It is published by Julian Messner, Inc., of this city.

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**NAVY CHURCH WEEKEND** was observed at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Sunday, where in the presence of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney shown being escorted by two Sampson Naval Training Station men above, Chaplain Eugene B. LeGault, S.J., of Sampson celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and spoke to the civilians of religious training in the Navy. Fourteen Sampson men participated.

# Men In Navy Strong In Faith Pulpit Exchange Demonstrates

With Navy men escorting His Excellency, Bishop Kearney and serving Chaplain Eugene B. LeGault, S.J., of the altar, Sampson Navy Church Weekend was conducted for civilians at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Sunday, Mar. 21, where Father LeGault from Sampson Naval Training Station offered the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the presence of Bishop Kearney.

The "Exchange of Pulpits," suggested by Capt. Harry A. Badt, Commandant at Sampson Naval Training Station, brought the Rev. Charles J. Bruton, pastor of St. Margaret Mary's Church, to Sampson.

Father Bruton, who, himself, served as an Army Chaplain overseas in the last World War, returned from Sampson deeply impressed with the faith of the Navy men and with their eagerness to serve their country in the Navy.

Saturday afternoon, the Rochester pastor heard Confessions for five hours and for another hour on Sunday morning. He offered two Holy Sacrifices of the Mass, one in the morning at 7:15 and at 8:15 A. M. in the large drill hall of Unit C, and at 10 A. M. in "Ship's Company" for the permanent personnel. He reports 1,100 sailors were present at each Mass.

Five other pastors from Syracuse, Binghamton, Buffalo and other areas in the vicinity served at Sampson, Sunday taking the places of Navy Chaplains at their home parishes. The Rev. William J. O'Brien, assistant pastor of St. Francis deSales, Geneva, officiated in Unit B.

At the Masses, Father Bruton spoke to the Navy men and told them "while we on the home front are having our difficulties, we are meeting them gladly because we know how much you men in the Navy are doing in the work to achieve final victory and to establish a just and lasting peace."

Officers and enlisted men were most courteous to him, Father Bruton said and were "well about everything." He said everyone he met was delighted with the service, glad to be in it and some have evidenced that by signing up for six years, regardless of the duration.

This was the message of Father LeGault as he told of the Catholic young men at Sampson who comprise 46 per cent of the personnel. "I assure you it is not only a large number of young men but equally in the support they manifested," the Catholic Chaplain told the large Cathedral congregation. "The devotion of Navy men and their faithfulness in prayer were recounted. It is not uncommon, the Chaplain stated, to see Navy boys saying their Hail Marys while their heads are on their hands. If you could but see their faces, there you could see the light of faith shining in their eyes," he declared.

## Brings U. S. Rebel To Japan's Prisoners

WASHINGTON—His Excellency the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, has been informed by His Eminence Luigi Cardinal Maglione, Papal Secretary of State, that the Apostolic Delegate to Tokyo, His Excellency the Most Rev. Paul Marolle, recently visited the Japanese concentration camp in which American prisoners are imprisoned and in the name of His Holiness Pope Pius XII distributed to the prisoners money sent by the Bishops of the United States to the Holy Father for their relief.

Archbishop Marolle reported to Cardinal Maglione that the American prisoners were very grateful to the Holy Father for his paternal solicitude, and to the Bishop and faithful of the United States for their generosity and thoughtfulness. His Excellency also reported that the condition of health of the prisoners was good.

## TOO OLD FOR CHAPLAIN DUTY, PRIEST PROVIDES OTHERS WITH 330 CHALICES

CLEVELAND—The Rev. George Luba, O.S.B., is a pleasantly perplexed man these days—and he admits it.

Too advanced in years to undergo active service as a military chaplain, Father Luba decided some time ago the next best thing he could do was to see that chaplains in the service were well equipped. So he set a goal of 300 chalices to be obtained for these in the chaplains' corps.

The goal not only has been attained but surpassed—and Father Luba now is well on his way to doubling his original goal. "We now have enough funds to buy 530 chalices," Father Luba said, "and I want the people to know that although the goal I set has been reached, if they still want to contribute to this great and good cause I will be happy to handle their funds."

From the way funds have been forthcoming, indications are the people are bent on making Father Luba continue in the work. The fund was launched by Father Luba through the First Catholic Slovak Ladies' Union publication, of which he is editor.

Father LeGault stated that he was one of the boys on the West coast who was hit in the South Pacific war zone that it was his faith that brought him through the battle and some of those who are in Sampson gave credit to their mothers and the Sisters in the schools for their deep faith and devotion.

Following at Mass were Fathers Joseph J. Havella and Timothy J. Magrue, Assistants to the Bishop; Fathers Joseph A. Daly and Robert G. Gill. In the morning also were Fathers Thomas A. Mannan, James J. Ryan, Carl A. Brennan, Robert W. Wynn, Albert H. Schwab, Joseph J. McCann, Kenneth Burns, Jack Woodhouse and Marshal C. Dix.

A letter from Captain Jack, setting forth the purpose of Navy Church Weekend, was read by the Most Rev. George V. Brown, pastor of the Rev. John T. Callahan assisted at the Mass.

Singing was provided by the Cathedral Men's Choir directed by Raymond J. Homaner. The arrangement plan is simple, "The Star Spangled Banner" at the conclusion of the service.

His Excellency, Bishop Kearney interviewed Chaplain LeGault at the Rochester Catholic Hour on station WHAM following the Mass at the Cathedral.

## One of 5 Soldier-Sons Missing In Action

BOWENSWORTH, N. H.—Corporal Joseph A. Dixon, USA, a graduate of St. Martin's Academy here has been reported missing in action in North Africa.

He is one of the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph "Bison" King's Lane, who are serving in the armed forces. His brothers are Pfc. Raymond Dixon, also in North Africa; Pfc. John Dixon, stationed in India; Pfc. Leo Dixon, stationed at Camp Butler, Miss.; and Corp. Joseph Dixon, serving in the Army Air Forces in North Carolina.

Laymen, plan now to make two week-end parish retreats at the Diocesan Retreat House, South Lake, Geneva.

## Catholics Well Represented In Great Lakes Navy Choir

GREAT LAKES, Ill. — With a good representation of Catholics in its personnel, the choir of the U. S. Naval Training Station here is busily engaged in perfecting a number of familiar Mass selections, which probably will be sung at the Easter Mass here. The choir is a feature of the "Meet Your Navy" radio program.

First Class Yeoman Michael Culhane, formerly of St. Stephen's Parish, Minneapolis, is soloist of the group. The choir is working on the following: Kyrie—"Missae Brevis," Montani; Gloria and Credo—"Te Deum Laudamus," Perosi; Sanctus and Benedictus—"Centennial Mass," Marsh; the "Agnus Dei," Bism; the "Ave Verum," Mozart and the "Fanis Angelicus," Franck. The Rev. Donald A. Dillon, a lieutenant, is the senior Catholic chaplain at the training base.

## Fr. Celsus, Flier, Veteran Of Last War Now Chaplain

ST. BONAVENTURE, N. Y.—The Very Rev. Celsus Wheeler, O.F.M., professor of aeronautics at Bonaventure's College here and guardian of the Monastery, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the U. S. Army as a chaplain and will leave here tomorrow for his post at Fort Warren, Wyo.

Known as the "Flying Superior," Father Wheeler conducted a Civilian Pilot Training program at the college and has turned out 200 men trained in aviation. He also was active in the Civilian Air Patrol and served as a squadron commander of the group. He inter-

ested the Friars of the community in aviation and has instructed his pupils in ground training and flight instruction.

A native of Brooklyn, Father Wheeler was educated at parochial schools and public schools of Fort Jefferson, and at old St. Bonaventure High School and College. After completing his college course, he enlisted in the Army in World War I and took up flying. The war ended before he finished his course and he was keenly disappointed over not being able to fly a ship overseas. In 1922, he entered the Franciscan community in Paterson, N. J., and was ordained in 1927. He began teaching aeronautics at the college here twelve years ago and in 1937 was made Guardian of the Monastery.