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To the Appreciation of the
MOST REVEREND JAMES EDWARD KEARNEY, D.D.
Bishop of Rochester

The CATHOLIC COURIER has my most enthusiastic approval. I discuss
newspaper has become an essential part of the education of Catholic action in
every diocese. The CATHOLIC COURIER should be found in every Catholic home
in this diocese. I find it hard to understand how any Catholic can be so
indifferent as to what is transpiring in his Church throughout the world as to
rely upon worthless sources of information or even to seek no information
whatsoever. Let us have a list of names. The CATHOLIC COURIER is every
Catholic's home.

+ JAMES E. KEARNEY, Bishop of Rochester.

RELIGIOUS AMERICA

The Easter Sunday reports from all our cities and from all our
people reflect the place that the Resurrection has in our country.
From early morning till setting of sun, religious services were held.
Joy in the risen Christ was the constant theme of sermon and hymn.
churches were crowded with worshippers, countless thousands received
Holy Communion.

We have seen at close hand the demagoguery of faith in our in-
dividual parish churches. We rejoice that the same sight has greeted
the eyes of our companions of the faith, and of those believers in
Christ who are not members of the Catholic Church.

St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City cared for 7,000 at its
Pontifical Mass on Easter, while 7,000 more were gathered outside.
Service men and women had places of honor at the Mass.

One of our lawyers had occasion some time ago to search the legal
records of the state and of the nation on a matter concerning holding
of property by churches. He was surprised in reviewing hundreds of
decisions covering practically all the years of America's life, to find
constantly repeated the statement that religion holds an honored
place in our civic and legal proceedings, that America is a religious
country. There is no state religion, no establishment of religion, but
there is a solid respect for religion and for religious people.

The prayer should be that this religious faith may grow stronger,
may mature itself more constantly, may not limit its expression to
our great feasts. The zeal of the clergy, the earnest Catholic life of
the laity, will under God's direction continue to bless America with
growing support for the better things of life, the joy of religious
faith, the glory of religious observance.

CITY OF PEACE, JERUSALEM

From the ancient City of Peace, Jerusalem, came on Easter Day
a Peace Message from Archbishop Spellman, who pontificated at the
Church of the Holy Sepulchre. American soldiers and sailors were
among the attendants at the Mass. The message of the Archbishop
will mean much to all the world; to the Allied countries, because it
gives expression to their purposes in this war; to the people of the
Axis countries, because it assures them the Allies have no thought
of humbling the common people of any nation.

The Archbishop speaks of the certainty of Allied victory in this
war. He said it would not be easy, would not come soon. He spoke
of the terms put forth by the Allied nations, unconditional surrender.
Then he gave America's definition of "unconditional surrender":
"America's definition has been written. We wish no harm to the
common people of any nation." He spoke of the foundation of peace
as contented peoples. "Victory is now synonymous with peace—some-
thing more than brains, brains, machines and material, is needed to
bring peace to mankind." "A just and lasting peace must be founded
on economic security for the average man in every country and on
acceptance of the principles of Christ."

Here is a message of hope to the world! Here is a statement of
our purpose that should appeal to all people, but particularly to
those who have known sorrow and loss and persecution and despair
under the sway of men who care nothing for the contentment of their
people who reject the principles of Christ.

RELIGIOUS CARE OF OUR SOLDIERS

The United States Armed Forces present a religious problem which
most of every faith are striving to meet. Millions of men taken from
their homes and from their ordinary church contacts, spread in camps
all over the country, and in camps abroad, need religious help as a
matter of right and as a means of maintaining morale.

The United States Army is anxious to provide properly for the
religious needs of its men; it has set up a system that aims to pro-
vide chaplains of the various faiths to minister to our servicemen.
The chaplains have been placed in camp and on board ships; they
have been trained for their duties. They are supervised by other
chaplains and are helped also by civilian churchmen. The Chief
of Chaplains is a man of our St. Bernard's Seminary, Brigadier General
William R. Arnold. With the aid of other officers, he cares for the
religious wants of all the chaplains.

It should be of interest to parents of boys in service to note the
care being taken of the religious welfare of the servicemen. Arch-
bishop Spellman is carrying on a visitation of the troops that includes
nearly all the world; from Africa he has gone now to Palestine, and
will see other fields before he returns. Bishop Leonard representing
over forty Protestant denominations has recently left America to visit
the camps in the interest of Protestant soldiers and their Chaplains.
Rabbi Bernstein has given up his charge in Rochester to care for the
spiritual welfare of Jewish servicemen, and their chaplains.

Many chaplains are coming up for training and assignment. Some
have felt it desirable to urge greater speed in assigning men than has
yet been shown. One thought is in the mind of all, to give the best
in the way of adequate service to all our men that they may have the
support and the comfort of religious service wherever they may be.

PASSING OF A PRIEST

News of the sudden death of Rev. Frederic C. Wise brings sorrow
to clergy and laity of the diocese. Father Wise was for many years
Assistant Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church of Rochester, then

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QUERIES
and
REPLIES

Name The Apostle

Name: (The Apostle)

The Bible answers your ques-
tion thus: "Now these are the
names of the twelve Apostles:
First James who is called Peter,
and his brother Andrew, James
the Greater, the son of Zebedee,
and his brother John; Philip and
Bartholomew (Nathanael); Thomas
and Matthew the publican;
James (the Lesser) the son of
Alphaeus, and Thaddeus (Jude);
Simon the Cananean and Judas
Iscariot, who also betrayed Him."
(Matt. 10:2)

After the Ascension of our Lord,
Matthias was chosen to fill the
place made vacant by the treason
of Judas (cf. Acts 1:26). Follow-
ing his conversion, Paul was made
an Apostle by direct call from
God (cf. 2 Cor. 1:1). In the Ko-
man ritual, Matthias is also
termed an Apostle because he also
had an immediate vocation from
God (cf. Acts 12:2).

Thaddeus (Jude) and James the
Lesser were brothers. They were
distant relatives of our Lord.
James the Lesser is sometimes
called the brother of our Lord,
though he was only a cousin. In
the Aramaic language the same
word means both brother and
cousin. Peter, James the Greater,
and John were distinguished and
perilled by the Lord above the
other Apostles. They were per-
mitted to remain with Him when
He raised the daughter of Jairus
to life, went at the Transfigura-
tion on Mount Tabor, and finally
during His Agony in the Garden.
(From the pen of Father Rich-
ard Kelly, Defender of the Faith,
Conception, Missouri.)

Rachmaninoff

By REV. DANIEL A. LORD, S.J.

I have had the great fortune to
hear Rachmaninoff in person but
once. A Russian after the lapse
of some twenty years one of the
great musical experiences of my
life. He had none of the glaze
about him that many another mu-
sical cultivator, none of the
showmanship and theatrical flair
that spoiled, say, Paderewski or
Stenopolski or Rubelik in his youth.
On the contrary, there was some-
thing almost impersonal about
him, a kind of musical machine
that walked and talked like a
man. He stood in the place, a
beard, tall, lean, gaunt, haggard-
looking fellow, who sat down on
the stool in a sort of major slump,
who looked out at the audience
without interest or desire for their
approval, who rubbed his hands
together gently and then, with
none of the accepted flourish
and hair-raising, he began to
play. That says it all: He began
to play. And you knew that you
were hearing the piano at its best.

Rachmaninoff has gone home to
God. The Soviets don't like him,
which was America's great good
luck, for he was one of the many
scientific souls from tyranny who
lived in free America. He was
buried, you probably noticed, at
an Orthodox Greek Catholic High
Mass (for he had his place
among the musicians who make
Heaven a place of eternal melody).
He will undoubtedly find an ap-
preciation there he did not have
in his own Russia.

Education Gets Scrambled

My good friend, Father Dowling,
once remarked that nowadays
people get so much schooling that
they have no time for education.
A profound thought illustrated by

The delightful story I kept
from my usual source, Harry W.
Ureña. The high school teacher
at the board having a lot of
trouble with his arithmetic. Said
the father: "Now, just stop for a
moment and think of the rule.
The rule will make it all clear.
Think now!"

He thought very hard. Then
suddenly the light broke, and he
beamed forth with this: "When
two or more words or groups of
words are written in a sentence
as a list, divide the numerator by
the denominator."

Minor Tragedy

She entered the car in her new
spring outfit, looking very sure of
herself and very full of the spirit
of April. She was followed by an
attractive young man, pipe in
hand, who had gotten on the car
with her. All the window seats
were taken so when she sat on
the aisle seat he took the seat
immediately behind her. At great
inconvenience to herself she
turned and carried on the frag-
ments of a conversation. But it
was a difficult physical feat and
she soon gave it up.

Presently the strange man near
her window rose and left the car.
She moved over to the window,
an empty seat beside her.

But the young man with the
pipe sat in his seat with-
out moving. Her back seemed to
grow stiff and then a little limp.
"Ill bet her day was spoiled."

No Sale

Some time ago two Jesuit
friends of mine met a traveler
who had brought back to the
United States a perfectly magnifi-
cent collection of rubles. He was
interested in selling them, but was
having no particular luck. My
friend friends asked if they might
see them, and went with the man
to his office.

He opened a vault, turned the
combination of a huge safe, took
out a small locked box, and then,
in a closed office laid out on the
desk the rubles. And they were
simply superb.

My two Jesuit friends looked at
them with great interest, when
suddenly they noticed that the
man was laughing. In fact, his
laughter became almost uncon-
trollable.

Finally he let them in on his
secret:
"This is irony," he managed.
"I've been trying for six months
to sell these rubles, and the only
two men who've shown any slight-
est interest in them both have the
voz of poverty!"

Well, Maybe So

The sister was finding the
youngster very, very slow. He
stared and thought and thought
and thought, so impatiently she
cried out: "Oh, dear me! What's
happened to you from the neck up
today?"

He looked up at her this time
with a prompt and sincere answer.
"I got a haircut, sister."

Feast Days

- Sunday, May 2—LOW SUNDAY.
Monday, May 3—DISCOVERY OF THE HOLY CROSS.
Tuesday, May 4—ST. MONICA.
Wednesday, May 5—ST. PETER.
Thursday, May 6—ST. JOHN BEFORE THE LATE GATE.
Friday, May 7—ST. STANISLAUS.
Saturday, May 8—APPARITION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCH-ANGEL.

You could still get work if you
had some gas if you had some
tires if they hadn't drafted the re-
pair man. — Norfolk Ledger-Dis-
patch.

nation will on that day, as every
day, stand at attention as the
American flag is lowered at sun-
down. It is the daily practice of
the "Singing Air Cadets" sta-
tioned in Rochester.

Write your own conclusion—per-
sons known to call themselves
Catholics seen emerging from a
theater on Good Friday.

The Don Bosco Bulletin reports
a large shipment of religious mag-
azines and papers sent to Elmira
Reformatory by pupils of Sacred
Heart and St. Mary's Schools, Bal-
timore, and states "it would be
impossible to estimate the amount
of good that has been derived from
this reading material."

STRANGE BUT TRUE
Little-Known Facts for Catholics

By M. J. MURRAY

Illustration of a stone with text: A MISTAKE STONE... THE MISTAKE WAS MADE, OUR BISHOP IN THE HOME OF THE SAINT, JERUSALEM.

Diocesan Recordings

SISTER M. HILARY
A large number of grown men
and women, many of them known
to this department, owe much to
good Sister Hilary of the Sisters
of St. Joseph who was called to
her eternal reward on Holy Satur-
day. The extent of that indebted-
ness, of course, is to the memo-
ries of those who learned from
this kind but firm when it was
needed. Sister, who gave unsparin-
gly of herself that her youthful
charges would be trained thor-
oughly.

think too
made by
taught us.
impressed
teacher that
we might see
the memory of
talent, and his
despite the distractions of the work-
a-day world.
Sister Hilary impressed her pu-
pils deeply. They feel a distinct
loss in the knowledge that God
has called her to Himself but are
greatly comforted by the knowledge
that a life so well spent, so zealous
given to the training of
Catholic youth and womanhood
will be justly rewarded.

Washington Park in Rochester
was once the gathering place on
May 1 of those whose ideology
called for overthrow of govern-
ment by force. This year at 4:35
P. M., stalwart defenders of the