

Bishop Born In Mexico, 75 Years in Religion Assigned To Bolivia

NEW YORK. The Most Rev. Bishop-elect, Alfonso Miquel Echeverria, M.M., D.D., was born in the city of Mexico, Archdiocese of the same, Mexico, on Dec. 24, 1866.

He was educated in the Catholic schools of Mexico and the United States.

He entered the Maryland Preparatory Seminary in 1882 and was ordained to the priesthood at the Maryland Seminary, Maryknoll, New York, on Feb. 1, 1887, by Bishop John J. Dougherty.

He began his missionary labors in the Maryland Vicariate Apostolic of Fushun, Manchukuo in 1887. He became Superior of the Maryland Mission of the Pando to Bolivia, South America, in 1892, being nominated in 1893 by the Holy See as Vicar Apostolic of that region and Titular Bishop of Sora.

The Vicariate Apostolic of the Pando is located in the extreme northern part of Bolivia. It is low-lying, hilly and jungle country, inhabited by about 30,000 people, the majority of whom are pure Indians. It is practically inaccessible except by boat over the Amazon River from the Pacific Coast or along thousands of miles of the Amazon River from the Atlantic seaboard.

About twenty Maryknoll priests still care for this area, assisted by the Maryknoll Sisters. It has but few chapels or rectories. Because of its isolation and lack of indigenous priests, the people who are all nominally Catholic have had little opportunity to practice their faith.

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Mother Mary Stanislas of the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, Joliet, Illinois, who celebrated the 25th anniversary of her religious reception April 20. Sister Stanislas was principal of St. Francis Academy, Joliet, for twenty-two consecutive years, and served a number of terms as Secretary General, Treasurer General and Counsellor General of the congregation. She is 84 years old. (N.C.W.G.)

Lay Apostolate

Let us endeavor by our prayers and pressing exhortations to draw to church those whom we know, over whom we have an influence, and who, perhaps, until now have lived in indifference.

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TIMELY ETERNALS

By Rt. Rev. Msgr. Peter M. H. Wynhoven
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THE CAUSE OF THE CAT

Not all cats will tackle rats. Only an exceptional one does. Oh, yes; poor, little mice will get cornered, provided the cat is not a pet, well fed and trained to be home at a decent hour. Also may create a mild disturbance at night, and do unto humans, but they can easily be got under control by traps. But, rats? They can almost ruin us by sleepless nights and property damage. And what are our cats doing about it? Is general, nothing at all?

If only we could instill some Dutch courage into our feline friends, maybe they would go into action, proving themselves a blessing to our harassed humanity.

A little mouse had been sipping the drippings from a wine barrel in the cellar. When, at last, it had enough and was pretty well intoxicated, it jumped on top of the cask and boldly challenged:

"Now, bring on that big tom-cat!"

If it would not be too much trouble to pop up our cats that way every night, we might soon get rid of the rats around the house. It seems ridiculous that a cat, five times the size of a rat, and better equipped for attack and fight should steer clear of a rodent. This deplorable state of affairs plainly indicates that a cat is a coward.

Of what earthly use or benefit is a pet cat? She is only an object of the misplaced and wasted affection of weak-minded people. Does she give anything in return? Not a bit. She will slyly purr and rub against one for continued scratching and stroking of her back. If there any personal loyalty in a cat? She may be carried away for miles, and left with other kind of people, but she will return, most likely, to the old home; and, if her former friends

URGE SELF-DENIAL
IN NATIONAL CRISIS

MELBOURNE, Australia.—Responding to an appeal made by the Commonwealth Government in connection with the Australian Liberty Loan Drive that the churches dedicate one Sunday to the inoculation of national self-denial, the Most Rev. John McCarthy, Bishop of Sandhurst, stressed the duty of living in a spirit of self-sacrifice in accordance with Divine precept and example.

SULLIVANS STILL RUN THE NAVY



Genevieve Sullivan, sister of the five Sullivan brothers of Waterloo, Ia., who lost their lives in the sinking of the cruiser *Jamestown*, is helped into the uniform of a WAVES, by Lt. T. L. Petersen, Naval procurement officer at San Francisco. An uncle has also joined the Navy, and will serve on the new cruiser *USS The Sullivans*, named in honor of these Catholic boys. (UPI-N.Y.C.)

completed his studies with a color Nuns in the mid-driver veranda where "in the likes of you that will make us lose this money" blank was yet."

That's what we feel like saying to those soft-brained people who lose their soul's waste their time and money, overlook and shirk God's laws and the nation's welfare, in worrying about cats when thousands of children in our own country should be thought of and prepared to make for their protection. If this mental disease should spread, the unchristian scold could be right in these critical days, we have to concentrate all our thoughts seriously and soberly, ON HOW TO protect the lives of people and let the cats find for themselves.

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