

German Radio Distorts Views Of Cardinal

VATICAN CITY—In what may be the exposure of JAK further attempts by Nazis to misrepresent the position and sayings of His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Van Rooy, Archbishop of Malines, Geneva, Lausanne and Switzerland reports that, contrary to announcements made over the radio stations of Bremen, Germany, and Milwaukee, Belgium, the distinguished Belgian Cardinal has reaffirmed his strong stand long since taken regarding the Nazi occupation authorities.

Cardinal Van Rooy has on several occasions stressed the clash between Catholicism and Nazi beliefs; has asserted that the Church can never condone regimes that violate the rights of conscience, and has consistently comforted his people in the face of their present sufferings. Recently advised from London that Belgian authorities there had accused a forgery, in which it sought to make it appear that Cardinal Van Rooy had called upon Belgians to support the Nazis in a crusade against Communism. The London report said Cardinal Van Rooy had issued a "normal, stringent, biting denial" that he was the author of the letter in question.

What To Write To Servicemen

The Office of War Information offers these pointers for homefolks writing to soldiers, sailors, and marines — based on suggestions gathered in a survey among servicemen at home and overseas, in cooperation with the Special Service Division of the Army Service Forces:

TELL HIM—

- 1.—How the family is doing everything possible to help in the war.
- 2.—How anxious the family is for the boy's return.
- 3.—How well and busy the family is. Give details.
- 4.—How the family is getting along financially.
- 5.—What's doing in the community: news about girls (single) he knows, doings of friends, who's marrying whom, exploits of the home team and other sports events, social doings, effects of the war on the home town. Remind him a little about past events and places the boy used to visit. Enclose clippings from the hometown paper.

DON'T TELL HIM—

- 1.—Your troubles. He has troubles of his own.
- 2.—Your complaints. He can't do anything about them.
- 3.—About things you are deprived of. He can't supply them.
- 4.—Doleful predictions about the future. He's fighting for that future—now.
- 5.—Unnecessary details about financial troubles. If there are things he should know about family finances, and he is in a position to do something about the situation, tell him. But don't string it out.

Five and Ten Years Ago

(From the Files of the CATHOLIC COURIER)
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Ordained by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Emmett M. Walsh, Bishop of Charleston, S. C., in St. Patrick's Cathedral were the following: The Rev. Francis M. Foley, the Rev. Orrin W. Fuller, the Rev. Robert H. Funnery, the Rev. Ambrose M. Kavanaugh, the Rev. Francis A. Klechhammer, the Rev. William Joseph O'Brien, the Rev. Alexander J. Shea, the Rev. Francis Harold Turner, the Rev. Frederick J. Walk, the Rev. Paul M. Talle and the Rev. William A. Burns.
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For his leadership in educational fields, the Most Rev. James E. Keenan, Bishop of Rochester, received the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws, at the 71st Annual Commencement of Niagara University, held on the Niagara Falls campus.

A permanent bank for Bishops of the Diocese of Rochester, erected in the tower of St. John's Church, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, was opened for inspection by the faithful and for the offering of prayers for the souls of the departed Bishops.



CHAPEL FOR SEABERS—St. John P. Farrell, Chaplain of a Naval Air Base in Alaska, and a member of the Dominican Order, supervises the construction of the chapel of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, which was built at the Naval Operating Base. The construction was done by a Jewish Jewell.

'ROUND THE WORLD WITH THE CHAPLAINS

Freight Motor Motor Improved Conditions Aboard Troop Transport.

French Mass Form Choir at Mediterranean Base in North Africa.

South Pacific Chaplain Remembers Christmas Mass Home — Santa Cecilia.

(By S.C.W.A. News Service)

Somewhere in North Africa

The Rev. Harry J. Quinn, O.S.A. Army chaplain, writes that "God was good to us on our crossing" granting the most favorable weather. He said with the willing cooperation of the ship's personnel "I was able to have Mass daily, indoors, with ample facilities for accommodating the large number of men who attended daily, and, almost to a man, received Holy Communion. With space at a premium, the ship's steward grounded one of the elevators and in it erected an ingenious confessional in which the men kept me quite busy during each day of the crossing."

Father Quinn said a Mass at Thanksgiving was celebrated on Holy Thursday after the landing and on Good Friday the commanding general ordered the men to attend the Three Hours Agony devotions, which were held on a wooded slope not far from Battalion headquarters. He reported that Easter Sunday brought "unbearable weather" and he said his first Mass for a medical unit three kilometers from the camp. Father Quinn continued:

"Upon arriving back at my unit, I found over 200 men standing in the midst of the grove before my makeshift altar. An unexpected touch was added, when just at the time several Army shepherds drove a shaggy flock gamboling through the fringes of my little flock as they looked for the blessing."

After this Mass, Father Quinn reported, he said his third Mass in a little village church, crowded with American soldiers and natives in their Easter finery. From there, he went to an evacuation hospital, where he heard Confessions until 1 P. M. when Father Fenton (from Fall River) caught up with us and said Mass in the hospital yard. It was quite the quietest and happiest Easter in my memory."

North Africa

In a communication to the Office of the Army Chief of Chaplains, the Rev. Patrick J. Ryan, regular Army chaplain who holds the rank of lieutenant colonel, related that he celebrated a battle-field Easter Mass with music furnished by a choir of French monks. He said that Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark and members of his staff attended the services.

"I have never seen so many men attending their Sacraments so regularly," Father Ryan wrote. "On Holy Saturday, Confessions were heard from 3 until 11 P. M. without interruption."

South Pacific

The Rev. Edwin E. Spahr, a priest of the Diocese of Buffalo and a lieutenant in the Navy chaplain corps, in a letter to the Rt. Rev. Magr. William J. Schreck, pastor of St. Gerard's Church, Buffalo, said one of the natural

tempters of his South Pacific war zone is the falling of huge mountains at the most unexpected moments. He added "logs are everywhere, much rain, mud, heat and dust."

He said he celebrates Mass daily in his tent and says three Masses on Sundays, two at the hospital and one aboard ship. He continued:

"To give you an idea what it is to say Mass aboard some of the ships, I took my equipment the night before, in the morning rode in a jeep to the deck, got into a motor-launch and rode over the bounding waves. The crew drops a rope which is fastened to the Mass kit and haul it up over the side of the ship. Then I grab hold of the rings of a ladder hanging over the side and up I climb, up and up until I reach deck. Mass is said in the large cabin. Confessions do not exist so I hear Confessions standing in a line at a corner other cabin."

Even the war couldn't prevent Father Spahr from answering the annual question, "How's your back home?" He enclosed two checks for the fund in his letter.

A new-type airplane engine is made entirely of laminated wood, and can be prefabricated in any section line.

Heads Royal Society

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The same American system that is helping to win the war today will also maintain the peace — when air-freighters are delivering refrigerators and radios — instead of bomb-busters.

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