

War Takes Toll Of German Sea

ZURICH The Archdiocese of Freiburg, Germany, up to May 1 had lost in the war 18 priests and 78 seminarians and students preparing to enter the seminary.

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Bishop To Celebrate Mass At Sampson On July 4th

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be assisted at the Mass by Navy Chaplains. The Assistant priest to

the Bishop will be Licut. John R. Kane. The Deacons of Honor are Licut. (jg) Nicophoro F. Grulhawski and Licut. (jg) Roger J. Conzatti, C.S.B., and Licut. (jg) Arthur Finn, C.S.B., and Licut. (jg) Williams Meagher are Deacon and Subdeacon of the Mass. Serving as Masters of Ceremonies are Licut. Eugene H. LeGault and the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, Secretary to the Bishop. The minor officers and servers at the Mass will be enlisted men from the station.

The entire program has attracted national interest. Chaplain Father LeGault has announced. Many of the newest cameramen, including those from MGM, Paramount, Universal, Pathé and the March of Time will be on hand to photograph the ceremonies. Likewise all the news gathering agencies will be present to give proper news coverage.

This military field Mass will be celebrated on F Unit drill field, one of the five recruit training drill fields at the Station. The drill field slopes gradually toward the shore of Seneca Lake, offering an exceptionally dramatic setting for the occasion. It is flanked on four sides by barracks, drill hall, mess hall and other buildings composing the training unit.

"Both in its religious and patriotic aspects," Father LeGault says, "the affair is expected to prove of a highly impressive nature." The entire crowd will join in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" at the conclusion of the Mass. The procession led by the Crossbearer, flanked by the American Flag and the Standards of Sampson and accompanied by a Color Guard, under the command of Captain Harry A. Burt and Captain Joseph Coleman, Executive Officer, will escort Bishop Kearney from the temporary field altar to a nearby drill hall.

Philippine President Tells How U.S. Priest Refuses To Quit Isles

CHICAGO (NC) — The recent announcement of the imprisonment by the Japanese of Colonel Edwin Ronan, Chicago Passionist priest was given new interest this week by the receipt of a letter from President Manuel Queson to Chaplain Ronan's brother, Stephen A. Ronan, Chicago attorney and member of the Catholic Lawyers Guild here. Mr. Ronan wrote to the Philippine President a year ago when it was believed that his brother was in Japanese hands. President Queson's illness was responsible for the delay.

The letter of President Queson said: "When I was about to leave Corregidor, I told Father Edwin that he could come with me. He answered that he would think it over and asked me to join him in prayers for Divine Guidance. The following day he came to see me and told me that he had already decided it was his duty to remain in Corregidor."

Heretic Choice Made Colonel Ronan, Chief Chaplain of the Philippine Military Administration was stationed at Fort Mills, Corregidor Island when that fortress fell.

Describing his choice President Queson says: "It was his spirit of self-sacrifice, his desire to serve your people and our people beyond the demands of his position that have brought about his present situation. You and we deplore it, but I have no doubt he is spiritually happy. I can see Father Edwin giving comfort and solace to the men in the prison camp and I can see him thanking Almighty God for the opportunity He has given him to sacrifice himself for the love of Our Lord and the love of His fellowmen."

Leaves \$19,000 Philadelphia — A total of \$19,000 was bequeathed to Catholic charities and institutions from the estate of Clinton K. Sinsell, who died at his summer home, Cape May Point, N. J., under terms of his will which was filed for probate here. The will directed bequests of \$3,000 each for St. Edmund's Home for Crippled children, St. James Church and St. Leonard's Academy here, and \$2,000 each for the Little Sisters of the Four Marys and the Catholic Church at Cape May, N. J.

Travel 20,000 Miles To Reach England

LONDON — Two Sacred Heart Fathers had to travel 20,000 miles to reach England from Palestine, war necessities obliging them to

travel by way of South Africa and South America. The journey took several months and on the way none their ship was impeded. They spent 30 hours in an open boat. The priests are Fathers Francis Dutton and Kenneth Green.

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