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On Guard!

By Rev. Patrick J. Flynn

I had dinner on Sunday with "The Last Man Off Bataan."

On April 9, 1942, Colonel Carlos P. Romulo, a brave little Filipino soldier, was called from his foxhole on beleaguered Bataan to Corregidor by Lieutenant General Jonathan Wainwright. At his Corregidor headquarters General Wainwright ordered the tired and weary Romulo to carry out dispatches to General McArthur in Australia.

The odds were all against Romulo's escaping from the Japanese Bataan. But the gallant and resourceful little Filipino found a plane. It had been pulled out of the bay and tied together with bamboo. At midnight Colonel Romulo and his American pilot had the patched plane in the dark sky over heroic Bataan and were dodging enemy fire. A few hours later on April 10, the tattered Stars and Stripes fell on that battle-scarred "dead-end" of Bataan and the American and Filipino fighters to the Imperial forces of Japan. When Colonel Romulo, sick, wasted and ragged, staggered into General McArthur's Melbourne headquarters, he was the LAST MAN OFF BATAAN!

"Romulo, you lucky fellow," McArthur's staff officers greeted him, "you made it!" Tears welled in the Colonel's eyes. He was haunted with the memory of the men who didn't make it. . . of the 70,000 Filipino and 7,000 American soldiers who were killed or captured. As the eloquent Romulo tells it, the Men of Bataan did not really surrender. For five long hopeless months they fought, starved, sweated, and prayed in their foxholes. As long as they could find a scrap of food to eat or a bullet to fire, the Men of Bataan carried out McArthur's Pearl Harbor Day order to "Keep the flag flying!" At the end, staggering and falling from weakness, Wainwright's warriors were hurling hand grenades made from bamboo sticks or coco-cola bottles and dynamite. The Men of Bataan did not surrender. They were themselves out and fell exhausted. As long as they were able to stand they kept the flag flying!

Following his dramatic escape, the Last Man Off Bataan was dispatched on a mission to the United States by General McArthur, and has remained here since his arrival in July 1942. Prior to the war Colonel Romulo was a prominent editor in Manila and shortly after coming here he wrote his book, "I Saw The Fall of the Philippines," which won for him the Pulitzer Prize. Four weeks ago he published a second book called, "Mother America." This week the Colonel, who is a gifted orator as well as a writer and soldier, delivered his 400th lecture to American audiences. These facts alone are a realistic proof of the phenomenal energies of the gallant little Filipino.

Humorously enough, the Colonel has that lunch-car passion for apple pie which characterizes most Americans. This is only a figurative way of indicating that this dynamic Filipino soldier is an ardent champion of democracy and the American way of life. But the vibrant Romulo did not always know about apple pie. He can remember himself as the poor, shabby, Filipino boy living in the impoverished Philippine town of Camiling, "a town of shacks and tin-roofed houses under which pigs and goats lived."

Beside the Camiling River the boy Romulo learned from Catholic

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Diocese Sorrowed By Death Of First Seminary Rector

Bishop Pays Tribute At Pontifical Funeral Rites In Cathedral

Hundreds of St. Bernard's Seminary Alumni as well as the Diocese of Rochester were deeply saddened, this week, in the death of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James J. Hartley, P.A., rector emeritus of the Seminary and one of its original faculty, fifty years ago.

Monsignor Hartley, 85, died at St. Mary's Hospital, Saturday, Dec. 11, 1945, after a brief illness. His illness interrupted a series of articles on "Some Memories of Bishop McQuaid" which he had been writing especially for the CATHOLIC COURIER. He had been intimately associated with the First Bishop of Rochester for many years.

Pontifical Services Held

Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass was offered by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, in Sacred Heart Cathedral at the funeral services, Tuesday morning, December 14.

Bishop Kearney in delivering the Eulogy noted that the first rector of St. Bernard's Seminary was called to his eternal reward during the Golden Jubilee of the Seminary. "We are tremendously impressed that God should have given to the first Rector, this great reward allowing him to dramatize the Jubilee so impressively," the Bishop stated.

"The priests who have gone forth from St. Bernard's," the Bishop declared, "are an eloquent tribute to Monsignor Hartley, his judgment, his sanctity, and his ability."

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Officers of the Mass assisting the Bishop were: Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart; Deacons of Honor, the Rev. Dr. Edward T. Byrne and the Rev. Thomas F. Connors; Diacon, the Rev. James J. Marvin; Subdeacon, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns; Masters of Ceremonies, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. F. Goggin, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph E. Grady; Acolytes, the Rev. Francis B. Burns and the Rev. William J. Naughton; Book Bearer, the Rev. Elmer J. McNamara; Candle Bearer, the Rev. Edward M. Lyons; Grenade Bearer, the Rev. Robert F. McNamara; Thurifer, James Marvin.

Prelates in the Sanctuary were: the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William F. Bergan, Chancellor of the Diocese; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Boppel, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph S. Cameron, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James P. McPeak, Syracuse, and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. McEvoy, Syracuse.

Honored by Alumni

Over 100 priests of the Rochester

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Not Just Any Peace Will Do, Says Cardinal

DUBLIN—Speaking at a Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, His Eminence Joseph Cardinal MacRory, referring to the Holy Father's appeal for universal peace prayers, said any peace will do, not a peace founded on fear, hatred or brute force, but true peace founded on righteousness, truth and justice and fraternal charity.

Cardinal MacRory suggested special prayers in accordance with the Holy Father's wishes today throughout the Archdiocese.



The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James J. Hartley, P.A.

Urges Inter-Faith 'Bridges' To Spread Aims Of Democracy

AUBURN—"In building a better world we cannot afford to leave any kinds of human beings out of it," according to Mrs. Jacob Eckel, Catholic laywoman of Syracuse, who addressed the Auburn Inter-Faith Meeting, Dec. 5, at the Central High School.

"In our own living," Mrs. Eckel pleaded, "we must not commit spiritual suicide by segregating ourselves from people whose race, religion, or background is unlike our own. Unless we can build bridges between the islands occupied by different groups, our nation will disintegrate and become unfit to spread the doctrine of democracy."

Recalling the seven-point program for peace officially endorsed by Catholics, Jews, and Protestants, she urged that the moral basis for a just peace which the religious leaders have proposed provides the "principles which must guide our statesmen."

"Remember," the speaker concluded, "the neighbor next door, and down the street. Build your bridges there."

Chairman of the community meeting was Mrs. John C. O'Toole, president of the Auburn Deaconsery Council of the National Council of Catholic Women.

Cantor Jonah Binder, Sp. (W) 3 c of Sampson Naval Station was presented in songs by Mrs. Warren Winkelnstein of the Congregation of B'Nai Israel. Bill Green was accompanist. Mrs. Robert Guild of the Auburn Council of Church Women opened the meeting with prayer and the closing prayer was offered by Mrs. William T. Anderson, president of the Council. Gertrude Dixon accompanied by Marian Hoskins sang Schubert's "Omnipotence."

Ardent prayer opens heaven, lets down a stream of glory on the consecrated hour of man in sublimity with the Deity.

Ordains 5 For This Diocese On Saturday

Pre-Christmas ordinations will be held Saturday morning in the Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart when His Excellency James E. Kearney will elevate five candidates of the Diocese of Rochester to the Holy Priesthood. Services will begin at 9 A. M.

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The generous enlistment of priests of the Rochester Diocese in the special services has commended Bishop Kearney's advancing the ordination of the five candidates from next June to this Saturday. All the new priests are alumni of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

Notable in Saturday's services will be the ordination of two brothers: the Rev. Joseph M. Lynch and the Rev. Leo F. Lynch. Both are members of St. Theodore's parish, Gates, N. Y.

The Rev. Edward J. McAuliffe of St. Augustine's parish, Rochester, is also the brother of the Rev. James C. McAuliffe, S.T.D., Vice-Chancellor of the Diocese.

Also being ordained on Saturday are the Rev. Genaro J. Ventura of Holy Apostles parish, Rochester, and the Rev. John A. Wideman of St. Mary's parish, Canandaigua.

Cites Grew Defense Of Japanese-American

MARYKNOLL, N. Y. (NC) — Commenting favorably upon a statement made in New York by the former Ambassador to Japan, Joseph Grew, who called for national consideration for loyal Americans of Japanese descent, the Most Rev. James Walsh, Superior General of the Marist Fathers says that these Americans "be given a reasonable treatment not ruled by sentiment."

Bishop Walsh said: "Ambassador Grew's plea for reasonable treatment and consideration of loyal Americans of Japanese origin is a sound statement of Christian and American principles issued amid chorus of views which have frequently been anti-Christian and unpatriotic."

"Our attitude toward the people of the earth is not to be determined by sentiment. Almighty God has given us a law on the matter a law which, as far as souls are concerned, is embodied in the American Constitution. At a time like this we must hold tenaciously that law, however distasteful it may find it."

Visited By U. S. Envoy

Quebec—Ray Atherton, United States Ambassador to Canada, while in Quebec city to address a meeting of the Canadian Club, paid a visit to His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec.

Vigil Of Christmas

The Vigil of Christmas, Friday, Dec. 21, is a day of fast and abstinence. No meat and dairy products are eaten this day.

Newspaper Best Guide For Public Avers Prelate

OTTAWA—"Despite modern inventions, the newspaper remains and will remain for a long time to come the best medium to guide public opinion," the Most Rev. Norbert Robichaud, Archbishop of Moncton, N. B., declared at a dinner given in his honor by the St. Jean Baptiste Society of Ottawa. Archbishop Robichaud was presented with a purse of \$5,000 by the society towards the founding of a French daily newspaper in the Maritimes.

FILM DEPICTS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WAR ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON—Fifty prints of a film strip entitled "Catholic Schools and the War" had been sent out today by the U. S. Treasury Department to diocesan superintendents of schools, from whom schools desiring to exhibit the film may obtain it on loan. The announcement said that a majority of the superintendents also make provision for the loan of film strip projectors to schools which do not own one.

Classes Reopen

VATICAN CITY—All classes in Pontifical Institutes of higher studies are continuing this year as usual, but with the student bodies necessarily reduced owing to difficulties interposed by the war.