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-By "Father Io" -

mas. The stores were filled with was Tod's reward for being so people. Boys and girls. Men and honest. women. They were all busy shopping. Everybody was busy buying presents. Presents and gifts for

A little boy walked into one of the big city stores. His name was Tod Tompson. Tod went straight buy any toys though. Tod couldn't buy anything, because he didn't have any money. He was a poor

Tod's clothes were torn and ragged: His toes peeped out of holes in his shoes. No, Tod Tompson couldn't buy a thing in Toyland, and he knew it. He just wanted to look. ENJOYED JUST LOOKING

Well, when Tod reached Toyland, it was one swell place. Even better than he expected. There were toys all over the place. All kinds of toys. There were lots of new games too, and books that Tod had never seen. Why, Tod had a grand time just looking.

Tod's fun in Toyland didn't last very long. A big man saw Tod soon after he came into Toyland and had been watching him closely ever since. This man was one of the storekeepers. After a while the man walked over to the place where Tod was standing. "Well, Sonny, what do you

want?" he asked. "Oh, nothing, Sir," answered Tod. "Well what are you doing

around here?" "Oh, nothing, Sir. Nothing, just looking," repeated Tod.

HANDS ARE TIED Tod was silent. His face began to get red. Then the man took Tod by the shoulders and wheeled him around. What do you think

he saw? Tod's hands were tied.

"What's the idea?" asked the storekeeper. What's that for?" Tod's face was still red. "Well," answered Tod, "I didn't have any money to buy toys, but I did want to see them. I was afraid I would be tempted to steal something. I didn't want to take any chances, so I asked my friend to tie my

hands for me." The storekeeper was very, very surprised. "You are a good boy," he said. "You are an honest boy." Then, boys and girls, do you

It was one week before Christ- and his arms filled with toys. That

You know, boys and girls, sometimes your hands can get you into trouble. Yes, sir, lots of trouble. Sometimes yours take things that don't belong to you. That is wrong. That is stealing. If you are smart, you will play safe. You will do als to Toyland. He wasn't going to Tod did. You won't take any

> Of course, I don't mean that you have to go around with your hands tied behind your back all did, Father Crosson hasn't lost his the time. But "Hands Off" is a knack of scooping up grounders, good rule when things do not belong to you.

### Movie Guide

NEW FILMS REVIEWED Our Hearts Were Young and Gay,

Singing Sheriff, A-1; West of the Bio Grande, A-1 Dark Mountain, A-2 In the Meantime, Derling, A-2 Leave It to the Irish, A-2 Marriage Is a Private Affair, A-2 Shadows in the Night, A-2 Doughgirls, B Frenchman's Orock, B Storm Over Lisbon, B

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takes over your business and, no shepherds said one to another: Let know what happened? The store- matter what sort of sleight-of-hand ous go over to Bethlehem; and let keeper, untiled. Tod's hands and you use, debt is not wealth. — us see this word that is come to sent him home, with his pockets Henry Ford. 3. 42, 54 14 54 1 2 pass, which the Lord hath showed

## Army Chaplain Stars at Second

HONOLULU.—(NC)—Despite his many duties as chaplain, the Rev. Matthew J. Crosson, priest of the Archdiocese of New York now serving as an Army chapiain, still finds time for his favorite sport-baseball.

An article in the Army news, when Father Crosson heard the thud of wood against horsehide, he couldn't resist the temptation and returned to his position as secondbaseman on the post team. The article stated that while he doesn't cover as much ground as he once pivoting at second base and making the hard ones look easy. He is batting over .300, the article

O.F.M., son of Mrs. William B. paper, Midpacifican, notes that Hayes, of Our Lady of Angels parish in Brooklyn.

> Hayes writes. "I was captured by see them again since I was hurried the S.S. troops—Hitler's own isvorite sons—while in the vicinity be questioned.

TRUE STORY

# Finds Faith Among S. S.

- By N.C.W.C. News Service -

France and then sent back to his Nazis. own forces to arrange for the exby Chaplain William J. Hayen,

Father Hayes was stationed at St. Joseph's Monastery, East Ruthordination in 1938 until he re-August, 1943.

of Mortain. While a prisoner I ob-

The experience of having been served many things, especially on daptured by the Germans in the religious side, about these

GLAD TO SEE PRIEST "When I was brought into the change of prisoners is described German prison camp (temporarily set up in the section where we were fighting) I told them I was a Catholic priest. Two German boys (soldiers) came over and shook hands with me, telling me how much they missed their Church erford. N. J., from the time of his and the Sacraments, also that they were not able to see a priest. One ceived his Army commission in of them held my hand and said he was so happy to see a priest "A few weeks ago I had a very again. I gave each one a modal I interesting experience," Father had, and blessed them. I didn't

"There I met the A. S. troops and while in conversation with them I told them it doesn't make much difference to a priest whether he goes to a concentration camp or not, for there he can serve his men by saying Mass and Who are the angels? Their name, us." These two instances, it must giving the Sacraments to our prisoners. They agreed with me, Well, sgain I met a S. S. trooper who showed me a holy card and told me he was a Catholic, but they had no chaptains, he said, which made it quits difficult for those men who believed in God.

> "I found several among this socalled 'berror-division of S. S. troops' who missed their religious the Doctors of the Church and it exercises, who longed for the op-is such a consoling belief that no portunity to hear Mass and re-rest Catholic would care to dany ceive the Sacraments. Isn't this a it even if such a denial were not great proof that Hitler or Himmrash. Our Lord seems to hint at ler, or any man who thinks he the doctrine of guardian angels in can tear religion out of the hearts of men, is very much mistaken? These men evidently are suffering not only physically but mentally. I remembered our men, since I returned from the Germans. what a great blessing they have what gratitude they owe God for allowing them to practice their re-

> > "I was sent through the front lines about midnight on August ? with a proposal for an exchange of prisoners. Our dear Lady process ed me from our own artillery and small arms fire that night I arrived safely with the proposal but however, it was given over to high er command and left to these hands."

To the Sunday driver, he food old days were the line when the only thing that could be from a his ear was the redistor - Palls delphia Bulletin

## Angels—Who Are They?

of their functions, that of messenger between God and men. An ing angels. "angel," according to the root meaning of the word, is "one who is sent." Numerous instances of this sending of spiritual messengers can be cited both from the Old and the New Testaments. We will give two. In the 16th chapter of the Book of Genesis, first book of the Bible, Agar the handmaiden is returned from her flight by an angel. "And the Angel of the Lord having found her, by a fountain of water in the wilderness, which is on the way to Sur in the desert, he said to her: Agar, handmaid of Sarai, whence comest thou? and whither goest thou? And she answered: I fiee from the face of Sarai, my mistress. And the Angel of the Lord said to her: Return to thy mistreus and humble thyself under her hand." In the 2nd chapter of the Gospel according to St. Lake the announcement of the birth of Christ is made by angels." "And behold, an angel of the Lord stood-by them; and the brightness of God shone round about them: and they feared with a great fear. And the argel said to them: Fear not for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people . . . And it came to pass, that after the angels de-"When you borrow somebody else parted from them into heaven, the

indicates not their nature but one be remembered, are chosen from scores of biblical episodes involv-

GUARDIAN ANGELS

Angels are related of us as our appointed guardians. This is a point of faith. That each individual member of the human race has HITLER MISTAKEN his own individual guardian angel is not of faith. It is a view that has received strong support from the 28th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew when He says, "See that you despise not one of these little ones; for I say to you that their angels in Heaven always see the face of My Father Who is in Heaven." Commenting on these words St. Jerome says, The dignity of the human total is so great that each has a guardian angel from its birth."

"But all God's angels come to us disguised: Sorrow and sickness, poverty and

One after another lift their frowning masks. we behold the Serapi's Ises beneath."

> -- Lowell The Catholic Transcript

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