

## Yanks in Pacific Will Return Stronger in Faith, Avers Prelate

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**GUADALCANAL (NC) Delayed** — "It is my belief that American boys in the Pacific, when they return to their homes and families, will go with their religion strengthened. Out here they have found how important religion can be to them in their daily lives. That spirit will remain with them when they return to civilian life."

This opinion was expressed by the Most Rev. Thomas J. Wade, Vicar Apostolic of the Northern Solomon Islands and Military Vicar Delegate of the U. S. Armed Forces for the area from New Zealand to the Marianas, as he asserted that parents, wives and loved ones at home need have no fears about the spiritual welfare

### 'Guerilla Padre' In New York

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**NEW YORK (INB)** — The Japanese are a very stupid people, said a Jesuit Missionary known as "The Guerilla Padre" who has just returned after three and a half years in the hills of Mindanao, where he served as liaison officer between the various scattered groups of guerrilla troops.

Father J. Edward Haggerty, spare, 48-year-old priest who was questioned five times by the Japs, arrested once and finally left the island by a means he can't disclose, this week told of Japanese "stupidity" — and determination to win the war.

"The Jap soldier," he said, "is a very good soldier. The Jap of now is not so good. But they will all fight to the bitter end. When will the end be? That's what the Filipinos asked me, but who am I to tell them?"

Father Haggerty, former Art teacher and president of the Jesuit college and high school in the city of Cagayan of Northern Mindanao, is said to be the first Jesuit to arrive in this country from the Philippines.

Shortly after the outbreak of the war, he was designated vicar-general of the parts of the Cagayan diocese not captured by the Japs. The designation came from the Most Rev. James T. G. Hayes, captured by the Japanese and recently liberated.

### K. of C. Meet in Former Ku Klux Klan Quarters

**LONGMONT, Colo. (NC)** — Members of the local Council of the Knights of Columbus met this week for the first time in their new quarters, which were formerly the meeting place of the Ku Klux Klan.

## Ministers' Attitude Toward Religion, Peace Threatens Christianity—Magr. Sheen

**NEW YORK (INB)** — The formation of 1,000 Protestant ministers against the "atheist" peace is a threat to the future of Christianity, according to the Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, Bishop of Rochester, N.Y., and author of "The Story of God."

The Rev. Sheen, in a speech before the Protestant Ministers Association of New York, said:

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