

Give Royal Welcome to Card. Tien

It wasn't exactly a new story these Rochester youngsters heard last Saturday. As a matter of fact, the subject was so old and repetitious they had begun to take it for granted. Packed into an over-crowded St. Joseph's Church then, they were impressed at first, perhaps, with the importance of the person they came to see, but that was about all.

There was an atmosphere of awe and silence as the procession moved down the aisle toward the altar. Everyone craned about in his seat to catch the first glimpse of the little Cardinal as he approached. One little girl in the balcony all but lost her balance in the attempt to see.



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"GERMANY IS A STUDY IN MASS HUNGER"

In Germany, according to Allen Raymond in the New York Herald Tribune of April 19th, "One of the greatest opportunities in history now exists . . . for Americans to study the effects of malnutrition continued over a long period among large masses of people . . ."

Major General Harrison C. Stayer, Chief Health Officer in Germany for the American Military Government is quoted as saying: "I have always believed that 2,000 calories' nourishment is the minimum necessary for people to live and work, but here (in Germany) we have been forced to cut our basic ration in the American Zone from 1,550 to 1,275 calories, and the rations are even lower in the British and French Zones."

The children and old people of Germany are the principal sufferers from this shortage of rations. Malnutrition has made them easy prey to tuberculosis, infant ailments, dysteria and other dread diseases. Because of their terrible hunger, many have lost the will to live. If they are not helped immediately, thousands of them will surely die.

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their own devotion to the cause of China, older folks may have noticed barely perceptible nods. With hands, out of the hundreds of young listeners how many were already hand-picked for a job remedying the needs of the Chinese.

Later, at the soft voice of Cardinal Tien, the beautiful Latin of the Benedictine service, they bowed their heads in prayer or raised them to follow the ritual at the altar. The Chinese came when China's first Prince of the Church succeeded the altar to raise the Monstrance over the heads of the little ones. Devotedly, they crossed themselves and wondered . . .

Here was a priest from the other side of the world assisted by two priests from this side, yet, without rehearsal, their movements on the altar were perfectly co-ordinated. It gave the kids something else to think about—a Church in which everything, everywhere, is done the same way.

Benediction was over now, and the procession moved down the aisle the Cardinal making the sign of the cross on all sides. There was something about his smile that appealed to the kids. In fact, the whole person of the Chinese prelate was appealing. His simplicity was new.

As they listened to Bishop Kearney's explanation of the Cardinal's interest in the Chinese people, young heads lit up a little with pride. Their Bishop had spoken and what he said was all the way with them. They hadn't let him down yet and they didn't intend to.

Bishop Kearney finished his brief talk and every eye turned expectantly to the throne at the left of the altar from which the little Cardinal, rose to reply. There was a certain amount of surprise when the Cardinal of the Far East started to speak softly and in the strange and unfamiliar language of China. Though they didn't understand, the youngsters realized quite something in the voice of the Cardinal claimed their attention.

Later, as they listened reverently to Father Bauman interpreting the Cardinal's talk, more than a few young hearts must have been throbbing by the simple language of the orphan boy who rose to the second highest seat in the Church.

His gaze then something to think about. He didn't beg or plead for help for his country. He didn't tell them what a rough time his people had been having. But it was all there between the lines for even the youngest listener to hear. Mature minds probably would be started at the well-known remark in his own words: "That's why, when they heard that representative, Father Bauman, telling the Cardinal about . . ."

As Thomas Cardinal Tien, highest ranking churchman of China, continues his journey through the schools of America, many may not be aware of it, but he may not see it in his time, but he is loved here in Rochester. The spark of a new Rector's flame—that will be lighted by kids like these not only in China, but everywhere in the world where there is darkness.

One suburban young fellow, probably not aware of the significance of his words, put it this way: "Any kid, this gives me a good idea for the next mission meeting. What'd you say we get to work?"

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Diocese Hails Chinese Cardinal In Fine Display of Church Unity

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Among the assembled priest-guests in Latin. Following the Benedictine Cardinal Tien, who is leastly interpreted in American education, was accompanied by Bishop Kearney on a rapid tour of Rochester's major Catholic educational institutions.

Guest at St. Bernard's Seminary, China's first churchman reached a dramatic note when he signed his name in Chinese characters to the school's guest book which already bears the autographs of Michael Cardinal Faulhaber, Germany's heroic foe of Nazism; Denis Cardinal Mercier, Belgium's World War I leader; and Patrick Cardinal Hayes, late Archbishop of New York.

Cardinal Tien is the first member of the Sacred College to visit the diocese since the late Cardinal Hayes stopped there September 25, 1925. The Chinese Cardinal's stay in the diocese was concluded when he and Bishop Kearney made a two-day stop in St. Michael's Mission House at Hemlock Lake, N.Y., where the Cardinal visited the priests of the Society of the Divine Word, a missionary group of which the Cardinal is also a member.

Cardinal Tien came to Rochester on Saturday from Girard, Pa. He traveled by auto and was accompanied by the Very Reverend Francis Humel, S.V.D., provincial of the Society of the Divine Word, and the Reverend Theodore Bauman, S.V.D. who acted as his interpreter.

The Cardinal's party reached the city late in the morning and was met at St. Anne's Church, Brighton Park, by a delegation of Rochester clergy headed by Monsignor William M. Hart and William F. Bergan, including the Rev. Dr. James G. McAniff and the Rev. John S. Randall.

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a pagan until he was baptized at eleven years of age and told of his own personal debt to American generosity.

Following the dinner, the Cardinal left Hemlock for a return trip to Girard. He will remain in the United States until the latter part of May when he will fly back to China.

Pupils Give Cardinal \$1500

A house of \$1500, gift of the Diocesan Holy Childhood Association, was presented to the Chinese Cardinal, Thomas Tien, on his first here Saturday.

Usually captured in a picture shaped like the memory represents the Latin savings of the diocesan school children who voted to see it this year for the education of a seminary in the Chinese mission field.

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His Eminence included: the Honorable Austin Edwin Judge, Elliott Horton, Milton R. Zenas, Gordon Alger, Almon E. H. C. C. Batsan, William Larkin, Dr. Foster Hamilton, Edward Mulvaney, and Arthur Straub.

In the over-filled chapel of the Mission House the Cardinal gave Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and spoke briefly in Chinese.

As interpreted by Father Bauman, His Eminence said that China's leader, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, wants many more missionaries to come to spread the Faith. "I am," the prelate told, "to build seminaries, schools, hospitals and possibly universities in China."

"I know we need the help of America. I realize the burden is heavy but with God's grace I hope to succeed. I promise to pray for you in America that God may bless you all," he concluded.

Following the chapel ceremony, Father Aubry was host at dinner for the Cardinal, Bishop Kearney and the other guests.

In a talk at the dinner, Father Humel of Girard, Pa., and Provincial of the S. V. D. Fathers, explained the missionary work of his society in China and told the card that one of their own has received the highest honors of the Church and is able to stand as a brother and every bit their equal with our own American Cardinals.

The Cardinal who spoke in Latin recalled how he had been . . .

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