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Irish Nun in Africa Seeks U.S. Sister, Missing 30 Years

Little Falls, N. Y. (NC) — A nun, who has decided to try to find her sister, who is believed to be living in Africa, just before the outbreak of World War I is being resumed by a nun in Natal, South Africa, after the cessation of World War II.

The nun, Sister M. Agatha, is searching for her sister, Mrs. Ellen O'Hara, whose address she does not know. Mrs. O'Hara, who was Ellen O'Hara, hailed originally from Badlegga, County Galway, Ireland, the nun explains, but left for America in 1897 or 1898. She kept up correspondence with the home folk until World War I.

In 1914, her sister, the nun went out to South Africa. She made attempts to communicate with her sister in the United States, but her letters were unanswered. It appears likely now that her letters were lost when ships were being sunk. If her letters did get to the United States and her sister answered, it is likely that Mrs. O'Hara's letters were lost at sea. In time the nun became discouraged and gave up her efforts to correspond with her married sister. Now,

Scientist



Rev. John P. Schuler, Carleton diocesan priest who took part in the atom bomb tests at Bikini last summer, will work in the field of mass spectroscopy at the University of Chicago. A graduate student in physics at the University of Cincinnati, he will work in collaboration with Dr. Harold Clayton (Frey) (NC Photos)

K. C. SLATE BOY COURSE

Addresses by national, state and local Catholic workers will mark the official opening of the third in the series of the 21st annual Summer Schools of Boy Leadership sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council on Monday morning, August 4, at Mount St. Michael Academy in New York City.

State Deputy William E. Burke of New York, the Rev. Charles E. Birmingham, director, N. C. W. C. Youth Department, and the Rev. Harold S. Engel, archdiocesan director of the New York City, will headline an array of prominent leaders who will be in attendance at the opening exercises of the school.

The Mount St. Michael session will run for one week, and will be directed by John J. Conaway, and members of the Knights of Columbus Boy Life Bureau staff.

During the week special emphasis will be placed on the study of the nature and characteristics of the boy program, planning the organization and operation of a youth program, guidance of the individual boy, leadership training and the operation of the diocesan and parish youth council plan.

A fee of \$25 will cover the full costs of the session including lodgings and meals on the campus. A registration fee of \$5 will be charged those who desire to attend the course as day students.

Additional details may be secured by writing to Brother Leo Sylvius, principal, Mount St. Michael Academy, 4300 Murdock Avenue, Bronx, N. Y., or to John J. Conaway, executive director, Knights of Columbus, Supreme Council Boy Life Bureau, New Haven 7, Conn.

Australian Prelate Visitor of Boston, during a visit to this Boston — (NC) — Making his archdiocese. The 76-year-old Australian first tour of the United States, Italian prelate is the head of Archbishop James Dubsig of Ecce Catholic youth activities in Australia, Australia, is the guest of trails and Archbishop Cushing Archbishop Richard J. Cushing holds a similar position here.

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She is Mother Agatha Reichel, who received the well wishes of clerical, civil and educational leaders from all parts of the country as she observed her golden jubilee as a member of the Order of St. Ursula here.

Pope Prays at Tomb of St. Peter in Rome

Vatican City (Radio, NC) — On the eve of the Feast of St. Peter and Paul, His Holiness Pope Pius XII visited the basilica of St. Peter's to pray at the Tomb of the Apostle and to bless the sacred pallia procured there.

After a visit to the Blessed Sacrament the Holy Father, kneeling before the Confessional, joined the prayers of the Rosary, which were led by Msgr. Alberto Piermattei. Afterwards, he descended to the Confessional where he blessed the Pallia.

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Stigmatic Inspired U. S. Vet's Vocation

Cumberland, Md. (NC) — Roderick Paul Naef, a convert and a veteran of World War II who has just entered the Capuchin Novitiate here, attributes his vocation to the priesthood to the inspiration of Padre Pio Capuchin stigmatic priest still living in Italy.

Mr. Naef served in the U. S. Army from February 1942 to December 1945. A great part of this time he was stationed in Italy where he had numerous interviews with Padre Pio. The novice still carries on correspondence with, and looks for guidance to the saintly Capuchin priest. Mr. Naef says that he decided to look into the Catholic religion after he had seen the movie "The Song of Bernadette."

Slovak Bishop Dies at 77; Bohemian Prelate Named

Prague (Radio, NC) — The death of a member of the Slovak Hierarchy and the appointment of a new bishop to fill a vacant See in Bohemia have been reported here.

Bishop Paul Jantausch, Titular of Pirene and Apostolic Administrator of Trnava in Slovakia, has died at 77. The Rev. Joseph Hlouek, 45-year-old professor of theology at the University of Olomouc in Moravia, has been appointed Bishop of Ceske Budejovice, a Suffragan See of the Archdiocese of Prague which had been vacant for a number of years.

63 Unknown Victims of Texas Blast Buried

Texas City (NC) — Sixty-three unknown dead of the three-month-old Texas City disaster, which took a toll of 468 known dead, were buried with an all-faith ceremony conducted in a cemetery on the outskirts of the city.

Among the five clergymen who took part in the ritual was the Rev. Carl Kermit, of St. Mary's parish in Texas City, who succeeded the Rev. William Roach one of the victims of the disaster. A throng of 2,200 attended the ceremony. Jewish and Protestant clergymen also conducted services.

Capuchin Marks Jubilee

New York (NC) — The Most Rev. Benno Alchinger for Mer Commissary General of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchins for the United States and Canada, today observed the 50th anniversary of his ordination by offering solemn Mass of thanksgiving in the Church of St. John the Baptist, here.

Would Legalize Birth Control

Springfield, Mass. — (NC) — The recent dismissal of four physicians from the courtesy staff of a Catholic hospital here for their support of planned parenthood has spurred the local Planned Parenthood League to seek enactment of a state law making birth control legal.

More than 100 residents here pledged support of a drive this summer to place the issue before the 1948 legislature, following a meeting at which the four physicians, dropped from Mercy Maternity Hospital, were asked to resign.

The Western Massachusetts Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Springfield Council of Churches are backing the drive.

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