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Fatima Statue Travels

Paris — (RNS) — Crowds of devout Catholics fell on their knees as a special statue of Our Lady of Fatima, Patron of Portugal, reached Hendaye on its way through France and Belgium to Maastricht, Holland, where it will be displayed during a Marian Congress. After leaving Holland, the statue will be carried to Rome and presented to Pope Pius XII as a gift from the faithful in Portugal.

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TELLS OF OVERSEA FLIGHT

Rev. Camiel A. Van der Meulen, C.SS.CC., pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church displays airplane tickets used in his flight to Belgium and return in describing trip to the Rev. Willibord Willinsen, C.SS.CC., assistant pastor at the Pleasant St. rectory.

Faith Strong in Belgium Returned Priest Declares

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erption took place at this Flanders shrine when a Belgian railroad man whose leg had been shattered and shortened in a railroad wreck was completely and instantaneously healed while praying before the Belgian grotto.

Louvain Ruined

Father Van der Meulen spoke regretfully of the destruction that the war had brought to Belgium. His beloved Louvain University where he had studied under Cardinal Mercier and Cardinal Von Roy has been devastated. "It was hard to see. The beautiful buildings were ruined to the very soil."

Other marks of the war that reminded him of Belgium's struggle were the razed bridges and ruined roads, the German bunkers and beach fortifications still standing along the North Sea, and the huge cemeteries. Near Father Van der Meulen's home town there is a military cemetery where 90,000 Canadians are buried.

"But the way they have rebuilt their cities and villages is amazing," Father van der Meulen said. "There is lots of work for all and everyone is busy. The Belgian builder puts Americans to shame," he said proudly.

"In America they build a house to live in. In Belgium they build for beautiful living—comfort and beauty are the first aims. The modern styles that are springing up in the cities are distinctive and very ornamental."

In his visit to his home town, Father Van der Meueln met five or six men who had made their First Communion with him. While in Sleidinge, he celebrated a jubilee Mass for the 50th wedding anniversary of his brother when a family reunion brought together a score of relatives and fourteen granchildren.

Will Be 79

Father Van der Meulen, who will be 79 on November 19, has been in the United States for 39 years. He was ordained to the priesthood in Belgium in 1906, a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. After two years in a parish in Birmingham, England, he served in mission work in Massachusetts and California. He came to Rochester in 1913 and became pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church in 1927. He has made other brief visits to Belgium in 1924, 1930 and 1935.

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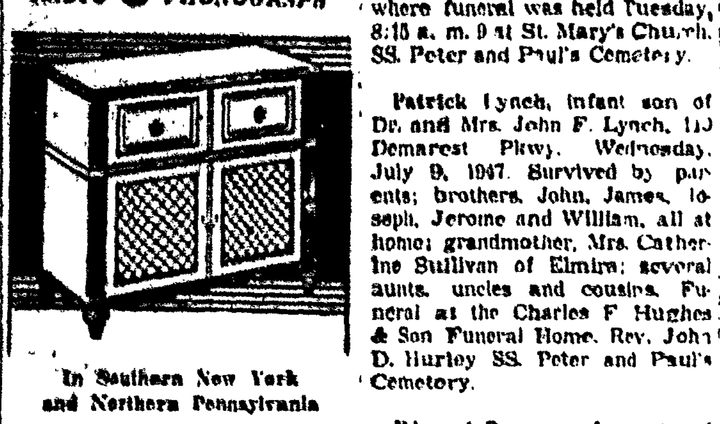

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Elmira Deaths

Miss Elizabeth Lyons, 742 W. First St. Saturday, July 5, 1947. Survived by sister, Mrs. George Simpkins of West Palm Beach, Fla.; brother, John Lyons of Ithaca; several nieces, one nephew. Body was at the Charles F. Hughes & Son Funeral Home where funeral was held Tuesday, 8:15 a. m. 9 at St. Mary's Church, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Patrick Lynch, infant son of Dr. and Mrs. John F. Lynch, 110 Demarest Pkwy. Wednesday, July 9, 1947. Survived by parents; brothers, John, James, Joseph, Jerome and William, all at home; grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Sullivan of Elmira; several aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral at the Charles F Hughes & Son Funeral Home. Rev. John D. Hurley SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Edward Donovan, formerly of Elmira. Wednesday, July 9, 1947, at Lakewood, Ohio. Survived by sons, James of Cleveland, and Edward of Lakewood; daughter Mrs. Cornelius Sullivan of Elmira; sisters, Mrs. Charles Cunney of Watkins Glen, Mrs. Edward O'Hara, Mrs. Beach Tanner of Elmira; brother, Matthew of Elmira; eight grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. The body was at the Keefe Funeral Home where funeral was held Saturday, 8 a. m., 9 at St. Mary's Church. SS Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

John F. Rosno, 540 McDowell Pl Friday, July 11, 1947. Survived by wife, Anna; sons, Benjamin L. of Genoa, Neb., Alfonzo of Campbell, N. Y., Marcell of Bradford; daughters, Mrs. Walter Czapla of Genoa, Mrs. Kelly Varek of Savona, Mrs. Raymond Schultz, Mrs. Theodore Arnold, Miss Edna Rosno, all of Elmira; brother, Benjamin of Denver, Col.; sisters, Sister Patrina of Denver, Col., Mrs. Julia Pleczonka of Fullerton, Neb., Mrs. Anna Methis of Columbus, Neb.; 23 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren. Body was at the McCarthy Funeral Home and was removed to family home, where funeral was held Monday, 8 a. m., 9 at St. Mary's Church SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery

Funeral Rites Held for 5 in Corning Churches

Corning—Miss Katherine Volk, 81, of 135 W Sixth St., died at Corning Hospital, Friday, July 11. She was born in Germany and had lived in Corning for about 63 years. She was a member of St. Mary's Church and the League of the Sacred Heart.

Survivors include a number of cousins: Mrs. Edward Rose, Mrs. Henry Huber, Sr., Mrs. George Gerhart, Mrs. Jay Rutan and Harold Markert, all of Corning; Mrs. Glenn Slater and Miss Caroline Markert of Keuka; Mrs. Frank Bridenbecker of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held from the A. W. Beilby and Son Funeral Home Monday at 8:30 a. m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Robert Samuel Tremaine, two-day old son of Robert and Mary Lou Sutton Tremaine of 70 W. First St., died at Corning Hospital Saturday, July 12.

Besides his parents the infant is survived by grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sutton of Corning, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rogers of Beaver Dams.

Burial was on Monday from the A. W. Beilby and Son Funeral Home.

Miss Mary Bloom of W. Market St. died at Corning Hospital Saturday, July 12.

Funeral services were held Monday from the A. W. Beilby and Son Funeral Home at 9:30 a. m. and at 10 o'clock in St Mary's Church. Burial was in St Mary's Cemetery.

Thomas Bamonti, 80, of 70 Griffith St. died Friday, July 11, at his home. He was born in Italy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bamonti, and had lived in Corning for the past 60 years. He was a member of St Vincent de Paul's Church.

Besides his wife, the former Miss Carmella Merola, he is survived by six daughters, Mrs. Mary Sorgo, Mrs. Joseph Viselli of Elmira; Mrs. Thomas Giardina, Mrs. Anthony Palerino of Syracuse; Mrs. Nehry Vannerilli and Mrs. Clayton Brewer, at home; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held from the late home Tuesday at 8:15 a. m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Adolfo Pierotti, 61, of 15 Bridge St. died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Michael Christofano, 122 Strathmore Pl., Wednesday, July 9. He was born in Italy, the son of Mr and Mrs. Michael Pierotti. He first came to Corning in 1904 but returned to Italy for a time; returning here in 1910. He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul's Church and the Holy Name Society.

Survivors include his wife, the former Miss Leventina Andreaini, with whom he was united in marriage in Italy; four daughters, Mrs. Michael Christofano, Mrs. Arthur Pesoli, Florence and Esther at home; two sons, Michael and Joseph at home; a sister, Angeline Marcheschi of Muskegon, Mich.; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held from the late home Saturday at 8:15 a. m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mass Returns

London — (RNS) — For the first time since the Reformation, Mass is being said regularly in Old Windsor for a group of one hundred Catholics.

Geneva Couple Feted

Geneva — Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Devaney, 12 Universal Avenue, were entertained at dinner at Club 86 July 9 on their 35th wedding anniversary.

The dinner was given by their five children, Mrs. Byron C. Overhiser of Pulteney, Mrs. Robert F. Cullen, of Ithaca; Mrs. John K. McCann and Edward F. Devaney of Geneva and Mrs. Fred Gri n of Rochester.

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