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## Vatican City Issues New Air Mail Stamps

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needed for present day's air mail rates. The first Vatican City Air Mail stamps were issued in 1929.

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## Civic Orchestra Heard at College

In its first appearance on the Nazareth College campus, the Rochester Civic Orchestra with Paul White conducting, presented a Christmas concert for members of the faculty and student body, Monday.

Christmas carols, which the students joined in singing, featured a program which included Hungarian Rhapsody, number by Mozart and Victor Herbert's "Irish Rhapsody."

Before closing for the holidays, faculty and students at Nazareth College assisted at Mass celebrated by the Rev. Dr. Edward J. Lintz, on Wednesday. The Rev. William H. Shannon preached the sermon.

Set Record  
New York—The 33 dispensaries operated by the Maryknoll Fathers in South China report a total of 338,100 cases treated during the past year.

## 2 Schoolmates Are Elevated

Mobile, Ala.—(NC)—Two priests who were born here and were schoolmates together from grade school to seminary, and are now both pastors in this city, have been elevated together to the rank of domestic prelate by His Holiness Pope Pius XII, it has been announced by Bishop T. J. Tynes of Mobile.

They are Mgr. James F. Byrne and Mgr. Walter E. Rorer, both born in Mobile. They attended Cathedral grade school and McGill Institute. Mgr. Byrne celebrated his silver jubilee as a priest last February. Mgr. Rorer, a priest 22 years, has two brothers in the priesthood.

## Rites Conducted For Nurse Hurt In Auto Accident

Solemn Requiem Mass for Miss Anna L. Lyons, 1002 Lake St., well-known Elmira Catholic nurse, was offered Monday, Dec. 15, 1947 at St. Cecilia's Church.

Miss Lyons died at 12:30 a. m. Friday, Dec. 12, in St. Joseph's Hospital of injuries suffered when she was struck by a truck on Lake St. just north of Main well at 5:30 p. m. Thursday evening.

Rev. Arthur C. Smith celebrated the Mass, assisted by the Rev. J. Edmund O'Brien and the Rev. Joseph Egan. Rev. Philip E. McGowan was in the sanctuary. Bearers were Joseph McMahon, Edward S. Veda, Roderick Precht, John Donahue, Michael Hanlon, James Campbell.

A representative group of nurses attended the services.

Miss Lyons was a 1915 graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing. She worked at the hospital until 1943, when she retired from active practice to care for an invalid sister at home.

She was a member of the Elmira Unit, National Council of Catholic Nurses and the St. Joseph's Alumnae Association. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Corning.

## New 'Brewers Best' Product of American

Brewers Best Premium beer comes to the Rochester market under the banner of the American Brewing Company, long one of this city's foremost breweries. The franchise granted the American Brewing Company by Brewco Best Associates, Inc. of New York, gives this company the exclusive brewing and selling privileges for Brewco Best Premium beer in New York State (except New York City) and the entire State of Vermont.

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## VATICAN AIDE ON DP TOUR

Rome—(NC)—Mgr. Paolo Pertoli, secretary of the papal nunciature in Bern, Switzerland, has returned to Rome from South America, where he visited for six weeks as the special envoy of the Holy See charged with the study of immigration problems, especially those relating to displaced persons.

Spending 102 hours in the air in his travels, the priest toured seven South American countries—Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Peru, Venezuela—and the United States, where he discussed the DP problem with Mgr. John O'Grady, secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Charities, and other interested officials.

In his travels through the Americas, Monsignor Bertoli contacted government authorities dealing with the immigration problem and members of the Catholic hierarchy with whom he discussed the establishment of Catholic committees to provide moral and religious assistance to immigrants. Many of these committees, in Venezuela, for example, the monsignor pointed out, are supported by the government in preparing a hospitable reception for immigrants.

Monsignor Bertoli was received cordially everywhere, he related, adding that he had useful exchanges of views with civil and ecclesiastical authorities enabling him to obtain a clear idea of the real difficulties facing collective immigration to all Latin American countries, except possibly Argentina and Venezuela.

Leakage Study Asked  
Indianapolis—(NC)—An appeal to the Midwest Clergy Conference on Negro Welfare to study the leakage among converts to the Church and the means to combat this loss was made by Archbishop Paul C. Schulte of Indianapolis during the two-day meeting of the conference here last week.

Women's Retreat House  
San Francisco—(NC)—The new retreat house in Menlo Park, only retreat house for women in this archdiocese, has been opened formally by Archbishop John J. Mitty of San Francisco.

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