

War Chaplain Killed; Another Suffers Wounds

New York — (NC) — The death of one Catholic chaplain and the wounding of another in the Korean conflict have been reported to the Military Ordinance Bureau.

The Rev. Leo Peter Craig, O.P., who was serving as a chaplain with the 1st Cavalry Division Artillery, it was reported, was killed by a land mine explosion near Chosin on April 1.

The Rev. (Major) Joseph A. Dunne of New York, serving with the 18th Airborne troops, was wounded in a land mine explosion near Nonsan. It was reported the doctors stated that he had been evacuated to Japan, where he is under treatment for two broken ankles and injuries to his leg.

FATHER CRAIG was born on October 1, 1914 in Everett, Mass., son of Volney T. Craig, who now resides in Paterson, N. J., and the late Catherine Fitzgerald Craig. He made his theological studies at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., where he was ordained on May 21, 1940. He taught at Aquinas High School, Columbus, O., until September, 1947, when he became assistant pastor of the Church of St. Andrew, Cincinnati. He joined the Army as a chaplain on May 21, 1949 and served at Fort Belvoir, Va., before going overseas.

FATHER DUNNE stated that Father Dunne was accompanying an ambulance when he was wounded. He was carrying the second sacrament at the time, he reported.

When he was admitted to an aid station, according to the above, he was covered with blood, but waved off attendants, asking them to attend to other wounded men. He is reported to have told them: "I'm O.K. I just want to be taken care of."

'MARTYRDOM OF A FAMILY'



'Martyrdom,' a painting that received special notice at the recent Exposition of Art in Tokyo. Painted by the Catholic artist, Francis Manawan Nakayama, it represents the martyrdom of the Washimizu family of which five members (father, mother and three children) were burned alive in Kyoto in October, 1918, during the persecution of Yezo. (NC-Files photo)

Ex-Reporter, Now Nun, Writes Book On Missions

New York — (NC) — A nun who used to be a newspaper reporter once, herself, has achieved the dream of almost every newspaperman—she has written a book. Her name is Sister Maria del Rey of the Maryknoll Sisters. The book is "Pacific Hopscotch," published here by Charles Scribner's Sons. It tells the story of Catholic missionaries in the Far East. Armed with camera to illustrate her travels, Sister Maria del Rey was sent on a survey by her community headquarters at Maryknoll missions in China, Korea, Japan, the Philippines and Hawaii. The trip took ten months.

IN CHINA, she relates, she met both Nationalist and communist forces and once was held captive for several hours. She says that in many of the places she visited, missionaries today are being tortured and imprisoned. She spoke to Chinese Catholics freely and sought reaction to the communist regime.

"They are real Catholics, pretty well inured to sacrifice for the Faith," Sister Maria del Rey writes. "After all, when you can walk five miles or more to Mass on an icy morning, and feel the nip in your toes and ears is good for the soul, you have passed a pretty stiff test of sincerity in your belief."

THE CHINESE, Korean and other Oriental Catholics have a tough assignment. Manchurians and northern Koreans have en-

Papal Nuncio Pledges Vatican Aid To Germans

Berlin — (RNS) — Support of efforts toward "reincorporating the great German people into a new and peaceful Europe" was pledged here by Archbishop Aloisius J. Muench of Fargo, N.D., newly-appointed Papal Nuncio to Germany.

Archbishop Muench spoke at a public reception in his honor attended by American and German Catholic leaders. Referring to the present partition of Germany, he said that the Vatican will not recognize political decisions which were not brought about with the voluntary consent of all parties concerned.

While here Archbishop Muench, in his capacity of Vicar of the U.S. Armed Forces in Europe, celebrated a Pontifical High Mass in the local American chapel, and administered Confirmation to 26 members of the American parish.

He announced that the headquarters of the nunciature will be moved soon from Kronberg, near Frankfurt, to Bonn, seat of the West German government.

New Seminary Fukuoka, Japan, N.C. — The new building for the Inter-Dolcecan Major Seminary conducted here by the Sulpician Fathers from Canada has been completed.

Maryknoll Sisters Return To Korea

Pusan, Korea, — (NC) — Three Maryknoll Sisters have arrived here to resume their community's dispensary and nursing work among the poor.

Four more are on their way to Korea. The group arriving was headed by a graduate physician, Sister Mercy Hirschboeck of Milwaukee. She worked as a medical missionary in Korea for nine years before Pearl Harbor.

On the first Sunday after the Sisters' arrival here, U.S. servicemen contributed \$500 in a collection to aid their work.

Pope Asks Prayers For 'Oppressed' Slav Peoples

Rome — (RNS) — Prayers for the "oppressed" Slav peoples were urged by Pope Pius XII in a letter to Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, secretary of the Sacred Congregation for the Oriental Churches.

The Pope's letter was sent in connection with celebrations marking the centenary of the Confraternity of St. Cyril and Methodius, Apostles of the Slavs, which was founded in 1851 by Bishop Anton Martin Slomsek of Maribor.

In his letter, Pope Pius complained of conditions in the Iron Curtain areas of Hungary, Bohemia, Moravia, Croatia and Slovenia, where the confraternity is especially active. He said that the situation in these areas is "very difficult" at present because of the "paralyzing economic crisis," and also because "the Church does not enjoy due freedom" and often Catholic associations are hampered in their work.

The Pontiff asked special prayers in order that the oppressed Slav peoples "may conserve the faith preached by Sts. Cyril and Methodius, or if they have lost it, to reembrace it wholeheartedly as soon as possible."

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