

Blind Youth To Study Journalism At Fordham

(Continued from Page 1) According to fellow students at Niagara, books won the title of "Most Popular Girl in Campus" and each year during election for Campus Queen she carried away the share of votes.

Miss Larkin 20, make people think she is a beauty. Tony says, but one look at the gentle brown eyes and you discover that her beauty is in her mind. In her "study" moments, which are few, she will romp the puppy. Her attention to study is best illustrated by her refusal to eat, even after long periods without food, when her master is out of sight.

This fall Tony and Boots will take up residence in a new dormitory on the main campus of Fordham University where Tony will study for his master's degree in journalism.

of the glow club and the university choir, known as "Eight Seas and A Boat." He was publicity director of the Red and Black, university dramatic society, and produced and directed the Niagara Folies in both his junior and senior years. He was elected to the office of vice-president of the Finger Lakes Club. An active participant in the Catholic Action Study Group, Tony expects to continue that work in the future.

HE WAS TAPPED for membership in the university's honor society, Sigma Alpha Sigma. He also claimed membership in National Student's Association and the National Federation of Catholic College Students and the university band. He was selected one of three finalists in the annual university oratorical contest for two consecutive years.

While at Niagara Tony was invited by several groups in the Niagara Falls area to speak on the training and abilities of his Seeing-Eye Dog. Among others he spoke before the Exchange Club, the School of Nursing of St. Mary's Hospital, an affiliate of the university, the Association for the Blind at St. Catherine's and several Mothers' Clubs.

In the summer of 1949 Tony and Boots travelled to Mexico where Tony studied Spanish.

BEGINNING HIS journalistic career in high school, he served as the De Sales High School reporter for the Geneva Times and was sports correspondent for the Courier-Journal. Tony continued his journalistic work at Niagara where he served in the posts of sports editor and feature editor of the index, the university's student publication.

New Ordinary Census Bureau Reports On Church Schools



Most Rev. John L. Paschang, Bishop of Buffalo, who was formerly pastor of Holy Cross Church, Omaha. He succeeds to the See left vacant by the transfer of Bishop Hunkeler to Kansas City, Mo.

Washington, D. C. (Special) — One out of every eight students of elementary school age in the United States attends a parochial or other private school, the U. S. Census Bureau reported here.

About one out of every 12 high school students attends a non-public school.

TWO OUT OF every five college students attend church-supported or other private schools.

These figures are revealed by a national survey of school enrollments just completed.

As estimated 11.5 per cent of children of elementary school age are enrolled in non-public institutions, a substantial gain from the 10.1 per cent reported in 1946.

ONE THE COLLEGE level 23.6 per cent of the students are enrolled in state or municipal colleges and universities, while 11.4 per cent attend non-public institutions.

A total of 8.1 per cent of high school students attend non-public institutions, compared with only 7.8 per cent in 1946.

Of the total elementary school enrollment of 21,207,000, non-public institutions account for 2,490,000, the Census Bureau estimated. Out of 6,630,000 high school students, 543,000 are enrolled in non-public schools. Of the college enrollment of 2,173,000 in the 1950-51 academic year, 600,000 were in privately-supported colleges.

Only 37 per cent of the nation's male college enrollment is in private institutions, while more than half of the total enrollment, 50.6 per cent, is in non-public colleges.

Bishop-elect



Most Rev. Telegasia De la Fuente, O.P. (above), newly appointed Titular Bishop of Milan and Prefect of the Propaganda Office in the Philippines. A former pastor in the New Orleans archdiocese, he will be consecrated in Manila, October 7, by Archbishop of Manila, Agostino Cardinal Delgado, O.S.A. (NC Photos)

Former Altar Boy First To Win Medal Of Honor

(Continued from Page 1) by disregarding the heavy enemy machine-gun and small-arms fire, he plunged on well forward of the rest of his platoon and was the first to reach the crest of the objective.

Armed only with a pistol, he jumped into a hostile machine-gun emplacement occupied by five enemy troops and quickly disposed of four of the soldiers with his automatic pistol. Grappling with the fifth, First Lieutenant Commiskey knocked him to the ground and held him until he could obtain a weapon from another member of his platoon and kill the last of the enemy gun crew.

CONTINUING HIS bold assault, he moved to the next emplacement, killed two more of the enemy and then led his platoon toward the rear nose of the hill to rout the remainder of the hostile troops and destroy them as they fled from their positions. His valiant leadership and courageous fighting spirit served to inspire the men of his company to heroic endeavor in meeting the objective and reflect the highest credit upon First Lieutenant Commiskey and the United States Naval Service.

Two of Lieutenant Commiskey's men were wounded, none was killed. Between 70 and 80 of an estimated 100 Koreans were killed in this encounter. The rest were wounded or captured.

Christian House, Whitehall, N. Y. (NC) — A Rescript from the Sacred Congregation of Rites at Rome, concerning the canonical erection of the first American foundation of the Carthusians at Sky Farm near here, has been received by the Carthusian Father General.

IRAN — Oil for the Lamps of Russia?

Waiting while President Truman hooked the ribbon of the Medal of Honor around the neck of Lieutenant Commiskey were members of the hero's family, including his wounded brother, Army Master Sergeant Michael J. Commiskey, 28; Secretary of Defense George C. Marshall, Secretary of the Navy Dan Kimball, Admiral Lynde W. McCormick, acting Chief of Naval Operations; Secretary of the Army, Frank C. Pace, Jr.; Secretary of the Air Force, Thomas K. Finletter, and General Clifton B. Cates, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Maharajah Gives Palace For School

Patna, India — (NC) — Maharajah Bahadur Saan, the Prime Minister of Nepal, has turned his summer palace at Kaimnath, the Nepal capital, over to the Jesuits for use as a high school. It was announced by the Jesuit Fathers here.

The palace is situated on a 15-acre tract. The offer of the palace came after the Nepalese Education Minister had requested the Jesuit Fathers to start a school at Kaimnath on the model of St. Xavier's College here.

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Appointed Bishop Indian Native

Nagpur, India — (NC) — The Rt. Rev. Eugene D'Souz, M.S.F.R. has been appointed Bishop of Nagpur. He is a native of this city and succeeds Bishop Louis Francis Guyot, M.S.F.S., who died in France.

Religion Study Task Tremendous

(Continued from Page 1) adequate training in religion, there are many thousands of men and women who have either fallen away from the Faith or are very weak in it. Many of these, because of their own lack of religious knowledge, fall to pass on the basic truths of religion to their children.

Major obstacles to providing religious instruction for public school children were detailed by the survey as (1) difficulty in interesting the children; (2) time many parents spend outside school hours; and (3) the fact that many of the children live far from the church.

Listed as a contributing factor was "general apathy on the part of some parents with respect to the religious instruction of their children."

SUGGESTIONS FOR surmounting these difficulties included:

1. Special efforts to make programs more interesting through obtaining additional teachers to permit special classes, and use of Confraternity materials such as film strips, charts and pictures.
2. Soliciting cooperation of public school authorities to avoid conflict of extracurricular activities with religion classes held at school or in the evening.
3. Catechetical centers in rural areas, augmented by home instruction by trained teachers where meeting places are not available. Special planning of transportation where required. Correspondence courses for children in isolated areas.

HAND IN HAND with these proposals would be an intensified program of adult instruction through religious discussion clubs, and through the parent-education program of the Confraternity.

Confraternity figures, taken from the Official Catholic Directory with adjustments for seven dioceses not reported in the directory's table, indicate that in the 1949-50 school year 4,534,000 elementary public schools registered for regular Catholic religious instruction.

Compared to the total of 5,800,000 Catholics in secular educational institutions during the 1949-50 school year, the survey said 1,330,231 students were enrolled in Catholic institutions.

Bishop O'Hara explained his estimate of four million Catholics in elementary public schools in this manner: "Every fourth child born in the United States receives Catholic baptism. In 1939 these

infused baptisms numbered more than 600,000. In the eight grades of our Catholic schools there are registered 1,500,000 pupils — approximately 525,000 for each year.

"On the basis of this calculation, after allowing liberality for all factors — including infant mortality — there are approximately four million Catholic children in the elementary public school.

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