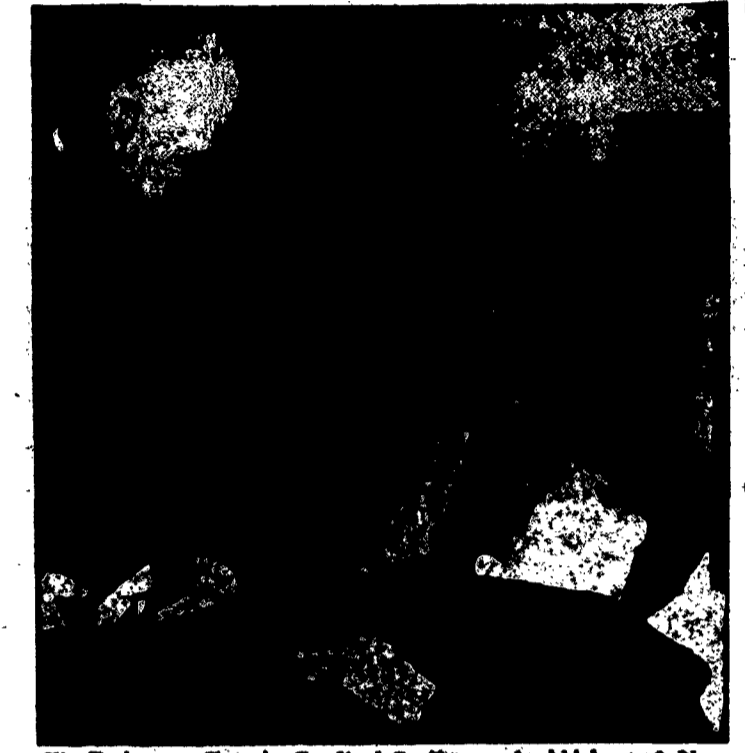


First Native Cardinal Named In India

Yanks In Korea Turnout For Cardinal's Masses

By FATHER PATRICK O'CONNOR
With the Eighth Army in Korea — (NC) — His Eminence Francis Spellman began his Christmas visit to the Korea combat zone by celebrating Mass at Eighth Army headquarters on Christmas Eve. Afterwards he shook hands with every man present, from full colonels to boyish privates. Major James L. Seery, of Flushing, N. Y., was the first



His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York and Military Vicar of the U. S. Armed Forces, on his Christmas trip to Korea, stops at the bedside of Pvt. Harvey Loefer, of Maynard, Minn., at patient at the 121st Evacuation Hospital there. The Cardinal celebrated Mass for the G. I.'s on Christmas as he did on his tour to Korea a year ago.

of many thousands to grasp the hand of the smiling Cardinal during the Christmas days.

"I HAVE COME TO KOREA to do as much as I could to bring Christmas to you," Cardinal Spellman said in the first of dozens of Christmas talks to the servicemen. "You represent everything that America holds dear. . . . You have not only an obligation to defend your country, but also the obligation to save your immortal soul."

After Mass, Cardinal Spellman stood outside the secondary shaking hands with the men, most of whom were far from parties over their battle dress. Carbons along over their shoulders; they moved off into the darkness of the black-out area, with the grace of the Eschiaristic Christ within them and the memory of the Cardinal's words and the echoes of the Christmas carols in their hearts.

Cardinal Spellman celebrated his second Christmas Mass with the First Marine Division at an altar erected on an open-air stage while 2,500 Marines knelt bareheaded on a frozen hillside, intent on their prayers.

THE CARDINAL'S third Mass was with the U. S. Second Division. It was attended by 800 men who were crowded inside and around a large tent in the division post.

Before the Mass, the congregation watched the Cardinal administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to Division Commander Maj. Gen. James C. Fry, who entered the Catholic Church here on December 13 and made his first Holy Communion two days later.

The two-star general knelt before the Cardinal in the presence of General Van Fleet, Lt. Gen. Paul W. Kendall, Fort Madison, Ia., First Corps commander; Brig. Gen. Lionel C. Magarr, of Bakersfield, Cal.; Lt. Col. Francis de Gerniny, commander of the French Battalion; and a group of officers of the Second "Indianhead" Division. The sponsor was Capt. Walter Segde of Olyphant, Pa., commander of the Second Medical Battalion.

General Fry, whose wife and daughter are Catholics, has his home in Washington, D. C. He told this correspondent: "I am very happy to be confirmed, and especially to be confirmed by the Cardinal on Christmas Day, my birthday." The general is 55.

AFTER MASS, Cardinal Spellman ate Christmas dinner — his first meal since the previous evening — with representatives of the officers and enlisted men from every company in the Second Division. He then flew with General Van Fleet to visit the First Korean Division, where he was received by General Pak and General Andrew P. O'Meara.

On the following day, he flew along the front, landing nine times and bringing his Christmas message to soldiers, sometimes within range of communist artillery.

Among more than 14,000 soldiers the Cardinal met was Major John Eisenhower, son of the President-elect, to whom he delivered a Christmas letter from his wife with pictures of her and their children.

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Architects Selected For New McQuaid Boys' High School

Architects for the new McQuaid High School in Rochester will be Joseph P. Flynn and Herbert H. Bohackel, associate architects; 154 East Ave. according to the Jesuit Educational Association of the New York Province. It was announced from New York.

Selection of the firm was made by the Jesuit Fathers and given the approval of His Excellency Bishop Kearney.

FUNDS FOR THE new high school were raised in the recently conducted Bishop's High School Jubilee Fund which honored Bishop Kearney's 15th anniversary as head of the Rochester Diocese.

THE FLYNN AND Bohackel firm among other diocesan projects has been designers of St. Andrew's Seminary, the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse Chapel, and St. Ann's Home Convent, now under construction.

They also handled the architectural designing of Notre Dame High School and St. Anthony's Church in Batavia, in the Diocese of Buffalo.

The senior associate Joseph P. Flynn who is a past grand knight of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, designed the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse in Pittsford, St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester and various other churches, convents and schools in the Diocese of Rochester.

Mr. Flynn is a graduate of the former St. Mary's Boys Home, Cathedral High School and of Notre Dame University.

Site for the McQuaid High School had not been selected as this issue went to press.

Mr. Flynn is also secretary to the Diocese of Rochester since 1951. He has also served as President of Justice and Peace Council, Director of the Diocesan Association of the Holy Childhood since 1947. He was Assistant Chancellor from 1945 to 1951. He was ordained in 1934.

Dutch-born prelate in the diplomatic service of the Holy See, who has been named Papal Intermuncio to India.

RETURNING HOME to the United States, he served as an assistant in St. Joseph's parish, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and in St. Lucy's parish, Buffalo. He was named pastor of Our Lady of Loreto parish, Falconer, N. Y., in 1942 and in 1947 was called to Rome to serve in the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith.

Since the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) moved its headquarters to Rome, Monsignor Damiano has served as an associate adviser for the Vatican.

THE STATE Commission held hearings here on the charge that it was discriminatory for hotels to advertise "near churches" or "near Christian churches." The charge of discrimination was supported by the American Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Committee, and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Albany — (NC) — A plea that New York State ban resort hotels from using "near churches" and similar phrases in their advertising has drawn a protest from the State Catholic Welfare Committee.

In a special statement, the Catholic Welfare Committee outlined to the New York State Commission Against Discrimination the obligation of a Catholic, planning a vacation, to consider where he will fulfill his obligation to hear Mass, on Sundays and holy days.

Holy Name Pontifical Mass In Cathedral

Gathering for the first time in the recently designated Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Flower City Park, members of the Rochester Deaneary Holy Name Union will mark the Feast of the Holy Name, Sunday, Jan. 4.

Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Kearney who will also preach at the occasion.

Delegates and members from all parishes in the Rochester deaneary are expected to occupy the reserved seats in the center aisle of the Cathedral.

Pastors and Holy Name Society officials will assist the Bishop in the Mass.

Officers of the Mass include: Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. Casey, Cathedral rector; Deacon of the Mass, the Rev. Robert J. Fox, pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Church, Rochester; Subdeacon, the Rev. J. Joseph O'Connell, pastor of Holy Cross Church.

Deacons of Honor to Bishop Kearney will be the Rev. Patrick J. Flynn, diocesan director, Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union and the Rev. Robert A. Keiser, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Church, Very Rev. Msgr. John E. Maney, Vice Chancellor will be master of ceremonies and other offices will be filled by St. Andrew's Seminarians.

A general invitation to all laymen to attend is issued by Martin Q. Moll, diocesan president and Richard J. Toole, deaneary union president. Men of the individual societies are being urged to provide transportation for mass need.

Arrangements for the turnout Sunday are being handled by St. Andrew's Seminarians.

These Rochester Deaneary officers: President Toole of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish; Vice President, Richard S. Torrey of Blessed Sacrament Parish; Treasurer, Henry J. Schoenher, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish; Secretary, Frank J. Lange of St. Andrew's Parish and Marshal, John W. Duggan of St. Charles Borromeo Parish.

German Protestant's Cure Credited To 'Virgin Of Poor' Intercession

Antwerp, Belgium — (NC) — Hamburg during the war. Of its 65,000 inhabitants, mostly refugees from East Germany, 3,000 are Catholics.

According to the visitors, the head of the family had become agonizingly ill at the beginning of August. Taken to the hospital, he was found to be suffering from atrophy of the brain, hemorrhage of the kidneys, general paralysis, deafness and blindness. He was subsequently sent home, since nothing could be done for him except to administer regular doses of morphine.

On August 15, the Feast of the Assumption, the sick man was given a few drops of water from the Banneux spring which had been distributed in the Billstedt chapel some weeks before.

Two days later, the supposedly dying man rallied from a coma that had lasted ten days. He asked to be shaved and said he wanted breakfast. In a short time, he was well on the road to recovery, and in November he went back to work.

THESE DETAILS were revealed in a letter from the dean of Billstedt sent to Bishop Kerkhofs together with a sworn declaration.

Commenting on the remarkable recovery experienced by the afflicted man, De Standaard, Brussels Catholic daily, stressed that the "miracle" happened on the Feast of the Assumption. It said that an especially notable feature of the case was that the beneficiary was a Protestant from a city where Protestants have been more than usually outspoken in decrying the proclamation of the dogma of the Assumption by His Holiness Pope Pius XII in 1950.

On Sunday Afternoon
January 4, 1953
Feast of the Holy Name
His Excellency Bishop Kearney
will receive visitors
at his home, 947 East Avenue,
from three to six o'clock
to confer his
Blessing for the New Year

POAU Maps Warning To Ike On Vatican Envoy

Washington, D.C. — (ENS) — Plans for a petition to President-elect Eisenhower by leading Protestant clergymen and other citizens asking him not to extend diplomatic recognition to the Vatican by sending an ambassador or personal representative are being mapped here.

The petition will be promulgated in connection with the fifth annual Conference on Church and State sponsored by Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State to be held here the week before inauguration. It will ask the new President not to reopen the controversial issue.

The two-day conference will be climaxed by a public mass meeting in Constitution Hall the night of Thursday, January 15.

Inaugural Stand Designer Named

Washington — (NC) — A design submitted by Robert A. Weppner, Jr., has been selected for the stand from which President Dwight D. Eisenhower will review his inaugural parade on Washington's historic Pennsylvania Avenue.

Mr. Weppner is a former professor of architecture at the Catholic University of America and had a leading part in designing the headquarters building of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, here.

Your flower orders for any occasion are always in good hands when sent from Perry's Flower Shops Inc., 441 Chm Ave., G.E. 6190; Hotel Sencen Arunde, N.A. 2642.—Adv.

Pope Honors Abp. Gracias Of Bombay

Vatican City — (NC) — India has been given its first Cardinal in history with the adding of Archbishop Valerian Gracias of Bombay to the group of new Cardinals to be created in the January 12 Consistory here.

The 52-year-old Archbishop was named this week to the College of Cardinals by Pope Pius XII to fill the vacancy created by the death of Patriarch Carlo Agostini of Venice. The Pope's action was described as an unusual and unexpected move.

INDIA'S FOUR million Catholics who have long hoped for their own Cardinal have been in the world spotlight in recent weeks by the celebration of two centennials: the 15th centenary of the coming of St. Thomas the Apostle to India and the fourth centenary of the death of St. Francis Xavier.

The naming of an Indian Cardinal will extend the representation in the Sacred College

Cardinal-Elect Agostini Dies

Venice, Italy — (ENS) — Cardinal-elect Carlo Agostini, Patriarch of Venice, died here at the age of 84 after a long illness.

One of the 14 protobishops of the Catholic Church created Cardinals by Pope Pius XII on November 26, Cardinal-elect Agostini was to have received his Red Hat at a special consistory convened for January 12.

Before his death he sent Pope Pius a message in which he said: "Your Holiness has called me to the Consistory and the Lord calls me. I hope to see you, my dear Pope, and to see the Pontiff's Apostolic Blessing which has accompanied me in my journey."

to 20 countries of the world. Two other countries will receive their first Cardinals at the January 12 consistory: Colombia and Ecuador.

The announcement that the Pope had named Archbishop Gracias a new Cardinal was made in Osservatore Romano, Vatican daily here. The paper said that the Pontiff wanted to fill all possible places in the new college. Although he was gripped deeply by the death of Patriarch Agostini, the paper said, the Pope named Archbishop Gracias to fill the college of Cardinals to its full complement of 70 before the January 12 Consistory.

The new Cardinal-designate has been a member of the Indian Hierarchy for only seven years. He achieved a high reputation as a preacher and journalist before being named Auxiliary of Bombay in 1946. He was promoted to Archbishop of Bombay in 1950.

ARCHBISHOP GRACIAS was born on October 23, 1906 in Karachi, Pakistan, then part of the Bombay archdiocese. He made his early studies at Karachi and took his seminary training at St. Joseph's Seminary, Mangalore, India, and Kandy, Ceylon.

Following his ordination he went to Rome where he received an advanced degree at the Gregorian University. He then served as secretary to Archbishop Thomas Roberts, S.J., who later retired as Archbishop of Bombay, chancellor of the archdiocese and rector of the pro-cathedral in Bombay.

In his journalistic career the Cardinal-designate founded and for some time directed Catholic Action, a Bombay journal. From 1935 to 1942 he served as editor of the Indian Messenger of the Sacred Heart and in 1936-39 he was co-editor of The Examiner, the Bombay archdiocesan paper.

Jewish Soldier Gets Priest To Hear Pals' Confessions Christmas Eve In Korea

With the Eighth Army in Korea — (NC) — As Cardinal Spellman was beginning Midnight Mass in the chapel of an army corps on Christmas Eve, a worried soldier approached one of the priests present and asked if six latecomers could not go to confession.

Confessions had been heard for hours before the Mass but Father Patrick O'Connor, a priest of the 24th Infantry, had been unable to hear the confessions.

Afterwards he asked the soldier who had sought a priest for the late arrivals what his name was. He said he was Corporal Robert Rose, a Jewish boy from Baltimore, Md.