

'Good Friday' Observance Movement Gains

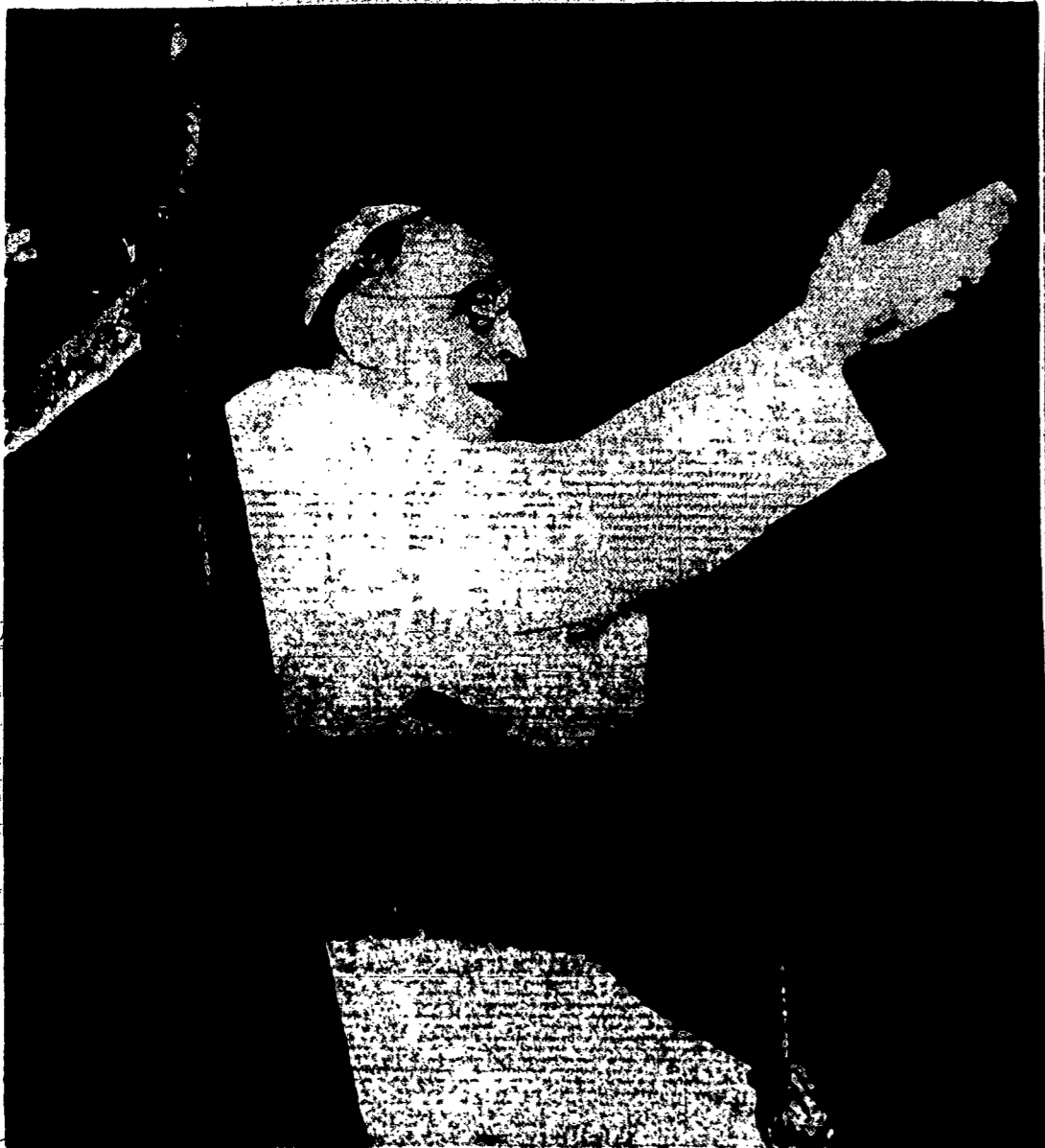
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Hail And Hearty Again



Return to Duties—Pope Pius XII, 77, shows some of his old vigor as he gestures emphatically during an address to some 2,000 students and adult educators at a public audience in Rome. They were gathered together under the auspices of the Italian Association of Catholic Students. The Pope has restricted public audiences to a restricted number following his return to his duties.

School Site Development Proposed For Auburn High

Auburn—A proposal for the development of the new Mt. Carmel High School site on Swift Street was presented this week to the City of Auburn by the Carmelite Fathers who will build and direct the school.

The proposed development of the school tract, formerly known as the Metcalf Estate, calls for the opening and construction of new roads, the allocating of new residential lots, as well as the erecting of the school building and athletic fields.

Purchase of the site for the new high school, funds for which were raised in the Bishop's Jubilee High School Fund campaign.

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was announced in October of last year. The Carmelite Fathers who with the Sisters of St. Joseph will operate the high school purchased the land in Auburn facing on South and Swift streets from the estate of the late Colonel Edwin D. Metcalf.

Before the land was purchased, the Carmelite Fathers according to the Rev. Brendan Hourigan, O. Carm., were acquainted with the Metcalf estate plans for future development. In the present negotiations, plans call for a road construction which would eventually make eighty lots available for disposal.

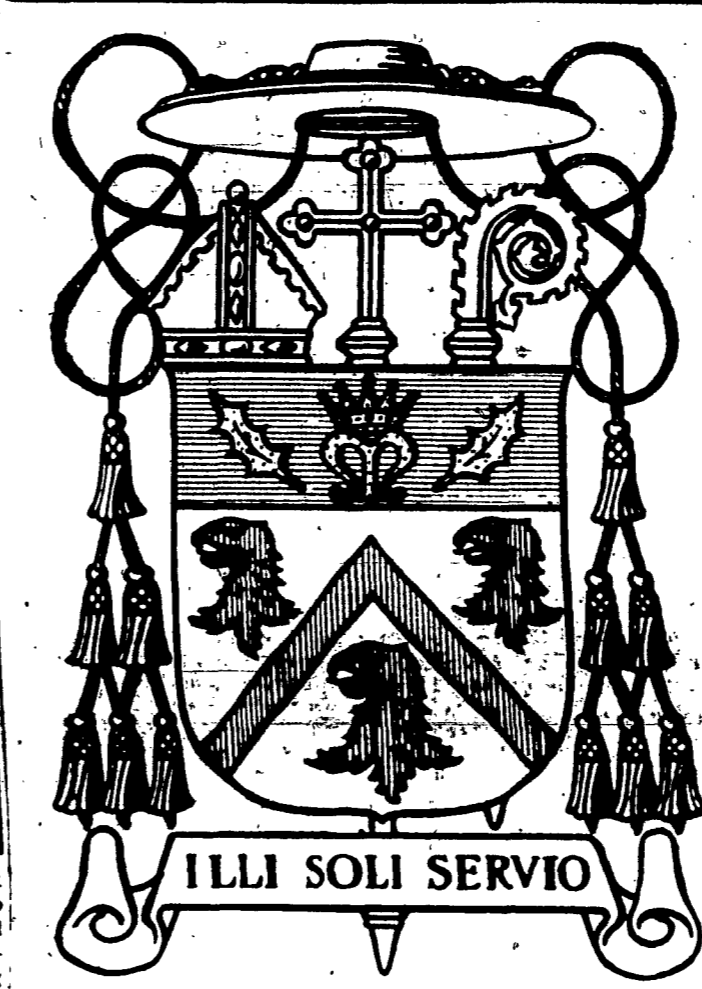
IN A LETTER to Mayor Robert A. Nelson of Auburn, the Carmelite Fathers note that their architect Beardsley and Beardsley have discussed with the Mayor and City Manager Turner and other interested parties the proposed site development.

In their plan, the Carmelite Fathers would retain approximately 39 acres south of the proposed Whitefriars Drive for school purposes. The location, they point out, follows the general intent of the master street plan of the city of Auburn.

The letter states that the development of streets may easily be made due to the considerable investment of storm and sanitary sewers. The proposed streets will tie together four dead-end streets which are now used for residential purposes.

THE PROPOSED Whitefriars Drive would be part of a future circumferential route. Location of (Continued on Page 9)

'God Alone I Serve'



COAT OF ARMS of the Most Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, Auxiliary Bishop-Elect to the Bishop of Rochester, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, is shown above. The English translation of the Latin motto, "illi soli servo," is "God alone I serve," and are the words of St. Lawrence, patron of Bishop-Elect Casey.

Coat Of Arms Designed For Bishop-Elect Casey

Bearing the Latin motto "illi soli servo" (God Alone I Serve), the episcopal coat of arms of the Most Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, Auxiliary Bishop-Elect to the Bishop of Rochester, is shown above. It is based on the coat of arms of one of the Casey families of Ireland.

The episcopal shield of the Bishop-Elect consists of a golden field bearing a red chevron with three eagle heads also in red, thus continuing the symbolism found on the coats of arms of Irish families bearing the name of Casey.

THE CASEY FAMILY coat of arms has been personalized for the Bishop-Elect's use by the addition of an upper compartment, or "chief," as it is called, of sky blue. To this azure chief have been added "charges" or bearings which symbolize the fact that the Auxiliary Bishop has served as secretary to two Bishops of Rochester.

The golden crowned monogram of the Blessed Virgin is derived from the coat of arms of Bishop Kearney whom Bishop Casey formerly served as secretary (1937-1946), and whom he will now serve as Auxiliary Bishop.

At either side of the Marian monogram is found a golden holly leaf which represent His Eminence Edward Cardinal Mooney whom the Bishop-Elect also served as secretary for four years (1933-1937) when His Eminence was fourth Bishop of Rochester. The holly tree represents the Cardinal's own episcopal coat of arms.

Completing the coat of arms are the traditional symbols of the episcopal office. These include: the green pontifical hat with six green tassels on either side; and the golden mitre, processional cross and crozier or bishop's staff.

William F. J. Ryan of New York and authority on Ecclesiastical heraldry, designed Bishop Casey's coat of arms.

THE MOTTO "illi soli servo" commemorates St. Lawrence, the early Christian martyr and baptismal patron of the Bishop-Elect. While on trial for his faith in Rome in the year 258, St. Lawrence told the judge: "Deum meo colo, illi soli servo"—"I worship God, Him alone do I serve."

Bishop-Elect Casey will be consecrated on Tuesday, May 5 at 10 a. m. in the Sacred Heart Cathedral. His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman will be the consecrator. The co-consecrators will be: the Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, Bishop of Syracuse, and the Most Rev. Alexander Zaleski, Auxiliary Bishop to Cardinal Mooney of Detroit.

Reverence Urged On Anniversary Of Lord's Death

Reports from various parts of the country indicate that the movement for a more reverent observance of Good Friday has gained in scope this year.

Knights Ask 'Good Friday' Store Closing

The city-wide movement requesting business firms to close the hours of 12 and 3, in honor of the Passion and Death of Christ on Good Friday, at least between 12 and 3, is again being sponsored by Rochester Knights of Columbus Assembly, Knights of Columbus.

LAST YEAR MORE than 215 business and professional establishments in the Rochester area closed down for the three hours according to Faithful Navigator Charles A. Tucker of the 4th Degree Assembly.

The Good Friday Closing Committee under the chairmanship of Gerald J. Esterheld, has sent out a special appeal to Rochester business and professional men.

Special attractive stickers have been designed and are available without charge to post on the doors of cooperating establishments.

THE ROCHESTER K. of C. Assembly also appealed for the cooperation of the parochial and high schools. Children are urged to call the matter to the attention of parents so that shopping will be discontinued during the Three Hours. Children have also been requested to refrain from attendance at any form of entertainment throughout that sacred day.

All other organizations interested are asked to cooperate in the movement, Tucker said.

Promoted by joint committees of Catholics and Protestants, the movement is believed to have originated in San Francisco in 1934. It seeks wider recognition of the very solemn nature of the Christian holy day, and greater attendance at traditional services held between noon and 3 p. m.

Civic and commercial groups as well as church members are being urged to enter more fully into the spirit of the day on which Christians commemorate the Passion and Crucifixion of Christ.

THERE ARE several theories about the origin of the Good Friday Observance movement. Some believe it derives from "Good Friday" services held in the 17th century in the city of New York. Others believe it originated in the 19th century in the city of San Francisco.

In Washington, D. C., President Eisenhower last week expressed support of a program for a more reverent observance of Good Friday in the nation's capital. The President made known his views to representatives from the Washington Committee for the Three Hours Observance.

THE COMMITTEE, a joint Catholic and Protestant group, asked that the President authorize administrators to release government employees who wish to attend Good Friday services, and also see that as many military personnel as possible have the privilege. It stressed that it did not want to make Good Friday a holiday, but a time for devotion and worship.

A committee spokesman reported that the President was sympathetic with the point of view and had no objection to the movement, Tucker said.

In many other cities throughout the United States joint committees are similarly working to achieve a worshipful observance of Good Friday.

In Philadelphia, the Citizen's Good Friday Observance Committee is marking its 25th year of Catholic-Protestant cooperation in promoting a wider general observance of the holy day. The committee has been especially successful in achieving the closing of neighborhood movies, taverns, and small stores, at least for the period from noon to three o'clock.

FINANCED by volunteer contributions, the committee each year sends out thousands of letters to stores and businessmen's associations urging their support of the movement. It also distributes window cards and posters, some announcing the three hour closing and other bearing the legend "Observe Good Friday Reverently."

Some 35,000 such placards are being distributed in Philadelphia this year. In addition, 3,200 Good Friday car cards have been prepared. Trolleys, buses and trains and 32 outdoor advertising firms have offered their commercial billboards to the committee as a further means to promote a solemn observance of the day.

SEVERAL large Philadelphia office buildings annually cooperate by displaying lights in the form of crosses on Holy Thursday and Good Friday nights. A large illuminated cross shines forth from the public square. Purple banners with white crosses wave atop the 547-foot tower of City Hall.

The mayor of Philadelphia and the governor of Pennsylvania issue proclamations in cooperation with the committee.

Elsewhere throughout the country civic leaders are making similar proclamations urging citizens to exercise their religious privileges on Good Friday.

IN BUFFALO, where the movement is in its ninth year, Catholic and Protestant officials say that the number of firms closing for the Passion hours has doubled in the past few years. Besides distributing thousands of "Attend Church Good Friday" posters to stores for window display, the Buffalo committee also has prepared this year more than 10,000 state windshield stickers which will be used to advertise the observance.

An inscription on the stickers will read: "Devoted to his Eminent friends in gratitude for his life and service to the community."

Priests Committee Plans Arrangements For Bishop-Elect

The Rt. Rev. Magr. James C. McAniff, diocesan chancellor, will act as general chairman of a priests committee which has been named to plan the arrangements for Bishop-Elect Casey's consecration.

The Bishop-Elect will be consecrated Titular Bishop of Cea and Auxiliary to His Excellency Bishop Kearney of Rochester on Tuesday, May 5, in the Sacred Heart Cathedral.

THE PRIESTS' committee assisting Monsignor McAniff in preparing for the consecration is composed as follows:

Consecration ceremonies—Very Rev. Magr. John E. Maney; Consecration Dinner and hotel reservations—Very Rev. Magr. John S. Randall; Transportation—Very Rev. Magr. James D. Cuffney and the Rev. Richard C. Nangle; Invitations and Gifts—Rev. William Naughton; Invitations to officers of the consecration ceremony—Rev. Leslie Whalen; Publicity—Rev. Patrick J. Flynn; Music (for Consecration and Mass)—Rev. Charles J. McCarthy; Radio and Television—Rt. Rev. Magr. Wilfred T. Craugh and the Rev. Richard Torrey; Secretaries—The Rev. Francis J. Taylor, the Rev. Edward J. McAniff, and the Rev. Michael Hogan.

Red Trial, Torture, Death Sentence Told By Priest

New York (NC)—Just a year ago this Palm Sunday, in a remote corner of South China, an American priest was undergoing a five-hour public trial. A week later, on Easter Sunday, his second public trial lasted seven hours and 6,000 people shouted for his death.

Father Robert W. Greene, Maryknoll Missioner from



CALVARY IN CHINA—These photos dramatize the Communist brutality against American Missioners in Red China. Photo left shows the young American Maryknoll missioner, Father Robert W. Greene, before his arrest by the Chinese Reds. Photo right is also Father Greene, physically broken, as he arrived in Hong Kong after a year of Red imprisonment, public trials and torture.

Jasper, Ind., described those experiences in a book scheduled to appear this month, "Calvary in China." He traces the steps by which his Red captors drove him to the verge of insanity and the brink of suicide. Then, convinced that he had lost his mind, they set him free with the warning that the Communists would control America within the next decade.

He had been imprisoned for a year before his public trials. The Communists used that period not only to wear him down mentally and physically, but also to prepare witnesses to testify against him.

ON PALM SUNDAY Father Greene was taken to where some 60 people were crowded into a room. The five-hour trial, during which carefully coached actors hurled accusations at him and struck him repeatedly in the face, left him "lifeless with exhaustion."

Throughout Holy Week Father Greene was questioned by a team of Red officials. He had to stand facing a bright light, with his arms so painfully bound behind him that they became numb. He passed out during the questioning; food and water were denied him for long periods of time; he lost track of the days of the week; his memory was a series of confusing blanks as he tried to recall what he had said or did. Only by concentrating on prayer during his conscious periods (Continued on Page 3)

Elmira Parishes Set C-J Record

Final reports received this week on the COURIER JOURNAL circulation drive show a 100 per cent coverage for the Elmira area.

This unprecedented record, which includes the eight parishes of Elmira and St. Charles Borromeo, Elmira Heights, assures the diocesan weekly in every Catholic home of the southern-tier city.

ELMER GRAPENSTEIN, circulation manager of the COURIER-JOURNAL, announces the following parishes which have reported this week for renewal of 100 per cent coverage: St. Aloysius, Auburn; St. Mary, Rexville and St. Joachim, Canisteo; Holy Family, Auburn; St. Mary, Dansville; St. Mary of the Assumption, Scottsville; Epiphany, Sodus; Holy Trinity, Webster; Our Lady of Lourdes, Rochester; St. Mary, Genesee; Assumption, Mt. Morris; St. Patrick, Mt. Morris.

St. Gregory, Marion; Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry and All Saints, Ludlowville; St. Patrick, Cato and St. Thomas, Red Creek.

PARISHES subscribing for full coverage of their families for the first time and not previously reported: St. John the Evangelist, Clyde and St. Patrick, Savannah; St. Mary, Rochester; St. Jerome, East Rochester; Catholic Chapel, Bradford and St. Joseph, Campbell; St. Cecilia, Elmira; St. Anthony, Groton.

OFF ON ST. LOUIS TRIP



BASKETBALL TEAM members of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Rochester who will vie for the championship against teams in St. Louis and other academies in the west lined up at academy before going to the train. Girls are: (from left) Connie Scott, Nancy Gillen, Helen Schanz, Roberta Guzzetta, Judy Whalen, Patricia Langie, Alicia Ocampo. Absent when photo was taken, Charleen Maloney.

Sacred Heart Academy Girls Leave On Trip To St. Louis

A group of eight students from the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Prince St. left for St. Louis, yesterday, where they will take part in a basketball tournament and visit the tomb of the founders of the Society of the Sacred Heart in the United States.

The girls will compete in the tournament with teams representing Catholic High Schools of St. Louis as well as Academies of the Sacred Heart from New Orleans, Detroit, Boston, Cincinnati, St. Charles and St. Louis. The trip will be highlighted on Palm Sunday by a solemn pilgrimage to the tomb of Blessed Philippine Duchesne, foundress of the Sacred Heart Nuns.

More than 70 students from various Academies of the Sacred Heart will assist at the Mass to be celebrated in the partially complete basilica being erected in St. Charles, Mo. to honor the mortal remains of this pioneer missionary of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

Protestants Honor Catholic Priest

Jamestown, N. D. (RNS)—Protestant friends of a Catholic priest who died recently are planning a memorial in his honor.

Non-Catholic friends of Magr. Edward Geraghty said they will erect a memorial in a local cemetery commemorating the long time local pastor. Monsignor Geraghty had been pastor of St. James Catholic church here since 1948.

An inscription on the memorial will read: "Devoted to his Eminent friends in gratitude for his life and service to the community."

Easter Holiday Abolished By Red

Vienna (NC)—The Hungarian communist regime has abolished the Easter Monday holiday, according to a Budapest broadcast heard here. But observers here regard with some suspicion the reason given for the decree. The broadcast said the government had issued the decree, "yielding to the request expressed by the workers of several factories."

Easter Gift Suggestion—Give him a dependable RONSON LIGHTER from Thomas's, Main St., or a pocket knife from the Best of America 1953—Adv.