

1,000 See Bishop Bless New Mt. Carmel / Brazil Cardinal Prelate Asks Peace

Auburn—The dedication of Mt. Carmel High School on Sunday, Sept. 18 drew a crowd of 1,000 people to the auditorium of the new school, where they heard His Excellency Bishop Kearney, the Very Rev. Donald O'Callaghan, Carmelite provincial, Robert A. Nelson, Mayor of Auburn, and George B. Shamon, representative of the Bishop's Jubilee Campaign.

Prior to the program in the auditorium, Bishop Kearney blessed an American flag formerly flown from the United States Capitol and presented by Rep. John Taber of Auburn. Bishop Kearney also blessed a statue of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in the entrance hall.

Prefacing his remarks by pointing out that "within a few hours shall be rounding out 47 years in the priesthood," Bishop Kearney declared he knew of no better way to observe his anniversary than in dedicating the new school.

The Bishop also pointed out that under the American flag which he had just blessed that there will be trained spirits loyal Americans. "There will be no Fifth Amendment Americans, there will be no hyphenated Americans here," he averred.

"Mt. Carmel High School is in the best American tradition," the Bishop continued, reminding his hearers that all great American educational institutions were organized on a religious foundation. "Religion must be worked into the very fabric of life. Every activity here will be permeated with religion. Religion in the home, religion in the school is the only panacea for juvenile delinquency," he declared.

Father O'Callaghan, provincial of the Carmelites, New York Province, recalled that Rochester, England had been the sanctuary of the twelfth century Carmelites fleeing from the persecutors of their Eastern foundation and spoke movingly of the welcome accorded the order by the "Rochester of the Western World." Father O'Callaghan also paid a warm tribute to the Rev. Brendan Hourihan, O. Carm., principal of the new school.

The Rev. Kieran J. Hickey, O. Carm., formerly professor of philosophy at Whitefriars, Auburn, and now assigned to New York City, was the presiding chairman. Father Hickey stressed in his remarks the virtues of Christian education and the

spoke in gratitude to the various benefactors of the school. Shamon, Auburn lay leader, paid tribute to the faith, rugged individualism and personal sacrifices made by the Catholic people of Auburn to make the school a reality. "We feel our community will be a better place in which to live because of this institution," he declared, "because here the students will be taught not only how to make good, but to be good, not only how to make a living, but how to live."

In his remarks Mayor Nelson of Auburn said that he rejoiced as a Catholic layman and as a city official over the opening of the new high school.

Among those seated on the platform were: Bishop Kearney, Father O'Callaghan, the Very Rev. Frederick G. Straub, V.F., Rt. Rev. Msgr. William E. Cowen, Very Rev. Msgr. John E. Maney, Chancellor of the Diocese, Rev. Charles V. Boyle, diocesan school superintendent, Father Hickey and Mr. Shamon.



AT DEDICATION of Mount Carmel High School, Auburn, His Excellency Bishop Kearney (top photo) places cross in the main lobby. At left is Rev. Brendan Hourihan, school principal; at right, Rev. Charles V. Boyle, diocesan school superintendent, rear and Very Rev. Donald M. O'Callaghan, Provincial of Carmelites, New York Province. In lower photo, Bishop Kearney blesses flag which once flew over the National Capitol and is gift to the school from Congressman Taber (left) and Cayuga Post VFW. Holding flag is Father O'Callaghan and in rear, Father Hourihan.

German Group Aids Church Construction

Stuttgart — (RNS) — The St. Boniface Association has aided in the construction of 916 Roman Catholic churches since the end of the war. It was reported at its annual meeting here it also has rebuilt 140 Catholic Churches destroyed during the war and erected several thousand temporary places of worship.

Founded in 1849 to strengthen Catholicism in areas where Catholics are a minority, the association has a membership of 650,000. After the war, it received substantial financial help from American Catholics for the erection of emergency chapels and other purposes.

The association also maintains 72 orphanages and employs about 1,000 pastoral assistants to aid priests in caring for their scattered parishioners.

Marquette, Army Staff Hospital

Milwaukee — (NC) — Affiliation of the 452nd General Hospital of the United States Army Reserve with Marquette University has been announced by Fr. Edward J. O'Donnell, S.J., president of the university.

Largest type of reserve hospital with a 1,000-bed potential, the unit now has a membership of 115 men and women, including 11 physicians and surgeons, most of whom are members of the Marquette School of Medicine.

With the Marquette affiliation has come authorization for the unit to be enlarged to 600 men and women, and a membership campaign is being conducted among students. Membership will bring pay and retirement benefits and help to satisfy requirements of the new Army reserve act. Students in any department may enlist.

Bishop's Jubilee

Boston — (NC) — Bishop Edward F. Ryan of Burlington, Vt., will return to his former parish church in West Roxbury to commemorate his golden jubilee in the priesthood.

Brazil Cardinal Prelate Asks Peace For Argentine

Rio de Janeiro — (NC) — The preservation of democratic rule and an end to the political corruption of the past 25 years are the biggest issues at stake in Brazil's coming presidential election.

On October 3, the voters of this country, which has more Catholics than any other nation in the world, will choose a successor to Joao Cafe Filho, former Vice President who took office after the suicide of President Getulio Vargas on August 24, 1954.

Catholic voters meanwhile have been asked by His Eminence Jaime Cardinal de Barros Camara, Archbishop of Rio de Janeiro, to offer special pre-election prayers for "peace and understanding among all citizens in the present critical situation."

The names of four presidential candidates will appear on the ballots in what is expected to be the biggest turn-out of voters in Brazil's history.

THE FAVORED candidate, both in the eyes of Catholics and the Army — it was the Army which forced President Vargas to resign in protest against his tyrannical and demagogic rule — is General Juarez Tavora, 56, who is described as "a 100 per cent practicing Catholic" and a man of "unimpeachable moral character."

General Tavora heads the Movement of National Renovation which is dedicated to ridding the country of political corruption.

Its platform includes the defense of the family, administrative reform, the strengthening of local government and the "moralization" of public life.

General Tavora took part in the bloodless coup last year which forced President Vargas to resign. As Chief of Staff under President Cafe Filho, he was chiefly responsible for reform measures which the new government instituted but failed to carry through.

THE OCCASION marked the first time that the Cardinal, who is 75, and has been ailing for a long time, went on the air since he initiated his anti-Church campaign last November by accusing some Bishops and priests of "plotting" against the state.

The Cardinal's appeal was heard after jubilant anti-Peronist demonstrators had heard a statement by Peron declaring that "my patriotism and my love for the people induce me to resign."

The President's statement was broadcast by his chief of the Command of Repression, General Franklin Lucero, who also tendered his own "irrevocable" resignation as Minister of the Army.

Coming almost three months to the day since the short-lived revolt of June 18, the new uprising vultured to point up Peron's failure to live up to the promises he had made to restore the constitutional liberties his regime had so long denied.

THE JUNE REVOLT was staged by disoriented elements of the navy, but the new uprising found all branches of the armed services — army, navy and air force — joined in a struggle to oust a President who had been finding it harder and harder to preserve peace and harmony in the nation.

ANOTHER FACTOR in the struggle was the relentless campaign which the Peron regime waged against the Catholic Church in an effort to weaken its



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prestige and influence in a country which is more than 90 per cent Catholic.

Many of the insurgent army leaders are loyal and practicing Catholics, who have more than once made it clear that they opposed Peron's anti-religious measures.

Anti-Peron sentiment has grown steadily among the mass of Catholic citizens since the looting and burning of Catholic churches by peronist mobs in the wake of the June revolt. Nor had they forgotten the burning of the national flag by peronist agents who had hoped to foist the blame on Catholics.

THE NEW REVOLT sprouted from Cordoba, the city of 300,000 population in Central Argentina, which is both a leading opposition center and the nation's greatest Catholic stronghold.

Only a few days before rebels seized strategic centers there, police had begun a hunt for an 18-year-old student of Cordoba University who had publicly denounced President Peron as a tyrant and dictator. The occasion was a ceremony to honor the memory of President Sarriento, who died in 1888.

Commenting later on the action of the student, who had been scheduled to give a speech on Sarriento, another student said: "We want people abroad to know that Argentine youth has not been cowed by Peron."

Home Theology School Enrolls 300 Nuns

Rome — (NC) — Women Religious from all over the world are arriving here to enroll at Regina Mundi, Roman Institute of Sacred Studies.

Regina Mundi, the first institution of its kind, opened its doors for the first time last year to offer a full three-year course in the sacred sciences to women Religious. From an expected 60 students when it opened October 15, 1954, the number of students grew to 137 in two weeks.

It is expected the enrollment will almost double when the Institute opens for the second year October 18.

Poison Pen Statue Faces Removal

Louisville, Ky. — (RNS) — The statue of a famous editor that has stood for 41 years in front of the Louisville Free Public Library may be moved because of the role he played in the "Bloody Monday" anti-Catholic rioting here 100 years ago.

The statue is of George D. Prentice, founder and editor of the present Courier-Journal.

The Rochester Catholic Courier-Journal has no connection with the Louisville Courier-Journal, a secular daily newspaper there.

Prof. Leonard Koester of the University of Louisville recently wrote a 100th anniversary story on the riots for The Courier-Journal, showing Prentice as one of the main instigators. Several prominent Louisville Catholics then asked the Library Board to remove the statue from the library grounds. They directly blamed Prentice's "poison pen" for inciting the riots.

Dr. Joseph Rauch, board member and rabbi of Temple Adath Israel, said the board could not ignore the demands. He suggested that a committee of three be appointed to make an impartial historical study of the life and writings of Prentice and determine the part he played in the Bloody Monday riots. The board approved this move.

The Rev. Roy B. Setzer, pastor of Memorial Lutheran Church, voted against the proposal. "More harm than good will come out of such a move," he said.

In supporting the Prentice study, Msgr. Felix N. Pitt, secretary of the Catholic School Board, said the rioting set Louisville back half a century. He said German and Irish immigrants by-passed Louisville and went to Cincinnati.

"I'm surprised this didn't come up years ago," he commented.

Prentice editorially supported the American or "Know-Nothing" Party that was pledged to back only native-born Protestants in politics.

New Editor
Santa Fe — (NC) — Father Francis A. Tournier has been named editor of the New Mexico Register, weekly paper of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

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