

Inaugural Day-- Cardinal Mooney, Arch bishop of Detroit (in center photo), gives the benediction as President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon take the oath of office for

their second term. The Cardinal prayed in part, "Bless our Chief Executive as he assumes for another term the heavy responsibility of the presidency in a troubled and confused world." States of the Union were represented by elaborate multi-colored floats depicting the history of their particular states, in Washington's Inauguration Parade following President Eisenhower's taking the oath of office. Photo, left, shows Maryland's

Freedom of Worship float, and at right, cadets of St. John's College-High School, Washington, D. C., pass the President's reviewing stand. (NC Photo).

Medical Society Hits Plea For 'Mercy Death'

Trenton, N. J. —(RNS)— The New Jersey Medical Society declared here that 166 physicians who reportedly signed a resolution urging the legislature to legalize euthanasia (mercy killing) acted as "individuals" in opposition to the accepted position of organized medicine in the state.

Euthanasia, the society said, is in conflict with the moral-law as well as with the ethics of the medical profession.

PREPARED BY the Euthanasia Society of America, the resolution stated that voluntary euthanasia should be permitted by law and safeguarded against "abuse" rather than "as at present practiced illegally, surreptitiously and without supervision or regulation."

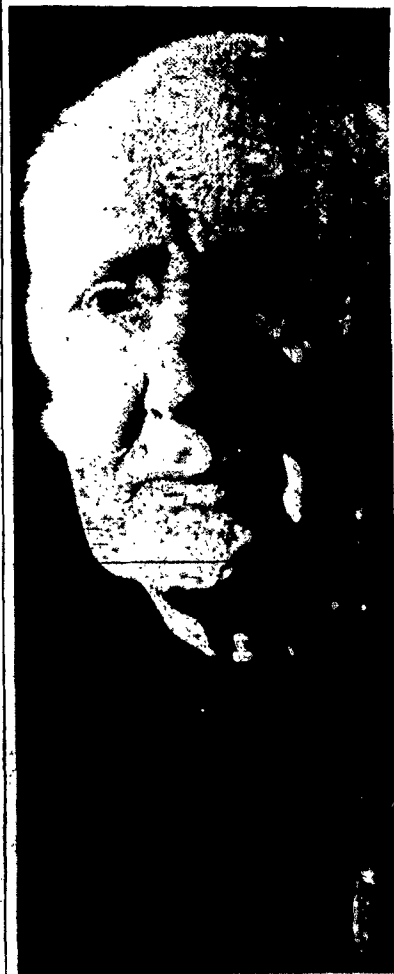
The resolution called for the establishment of a court-supervised system of painlessly ending the life of a sufferer who submitted a signed and attested petition for "mercy killing."

Assemblyman William V. Musto of Hudson County dismissed the resolution as a "crank" proposal. Assemblyman Francis J. Werner of Camden County accused it of proposing legal "murder."

He said he planned to bring it to the floor of the Assembly in the hope of "killing it at the source."

FIVE DOCTORS on the staff of Roman Catholic-administered St. Peter's Hospital, New Brunswick, allegedly signed the petition. Msgr. Francis M. J. Thornton of Sea Girt, representative for hospitals of Bishop George W. Ahr of Trenton, said he was starting an investigation to ascertain whether or not they "subscribed to the practice of euthanasia." He indicated that disciplinary action would be taken against those who did.

One of the physicians, Dr. Charles W. Burroughs of Trenton, said he could not recall having signed the petition and intended taking steps to have his name deleted as a signer if the resolution came to the floor of the Assembly.



Writer Ordained

Oosterhout, The Netherlands—(NC)—Piet van der Meer de Walcheren, author and convert, is pictured on occasion of his ordination as a Benedictine priest, at the age of 76. Founder of an influential Dutch literary circle, he is the author of books and magazine articles. A convert in 1911, he first entered the Oosterhout monastery in 1930, but was only permanently admitted to the monastery after the death of his wife, two years ago.

Engaged, Newly-Weds Told To Attend Cana Talks

New Orleans, La.—(RNS)— Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel of New Orleans directed all engaged Roman Catholic couples in the archdiocese to attend a complete series of pre-Cana conferences before presenting themselves for marriage.

In a pastoral letter read in every church under his jurisdiction he also directed that newly-married couples must pledge themselves to attend Cana conferences, organized to instill Catholic ideals of marriage in wedded and engaged couples.

THE PRELATE said he took the action because he saw evidence that "more and more has become prevalent the notion that marriage is no longer a sacred rite subject to the laws of the Church as the representative of Divine authority."

Instead, he said, marriage was being looked upon as a "mere civic formality supported by little responsibility or regard for the Divine Law."

This has resulted in broken homes, divorces and neglected children, the Archbishop declared.

"We have experienced in recent times a persistent and progressive breakdown of the Catholic concept of marriage," Archbishop Rummel said. "Public authority has not hesitated to tiffle with the stability of the marriage bond by constantly multiplying reasons for granting, as a mere formality, decisions of divorce and separation."

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Bishop Kearney Continues Progress

His Excellency Bishop Kearney continues to make satisfactory progress at St. Mary's Hospital following his recent operation, it was reported this week.

The Bishop wishes to express his gratitude for the many prayerful remembrances of the faithful of the Diocese and requests continuance of his intention in their prayers.

Pilgrimage Information Available

An explanatory brochure is available to those seeking information about the Courier-Journal's European pilgrimage currently being organized for a 48-day tour to visit Rome, Lourdes and other historic and religious shrines this summer. Local travel agencies announced today.

THE PILGRIMAGE will be under the spiritual direction of Rev. Henry Atwell, the Courier-Journal's assistant editor.

Departure date has been set for June 12 aboard the famous ship "Queen Elizabeth."

Following last week's announcement, over fifty inquiries have already been received at the Rochester travel bureau offices and directly to the Courier-Journal.

The brochure now available explains cost details, schedules, and description of the places to be visited.

Reservations and inquiries are being received by three Rochester travel agencies: Depra Travel Bureau, Powers Hotel Lobby, LOust 29825; Kalbfleisch Travel Agency, 17 Clinton Ave. S., Baker 54440; and Wylder Travel Services, 328 E. Main St., Baker 54170.

The pilgrimage is being organized in cooperation with the American Express Company.

Teenage 'Steady-Dater' Walks In 'Tinder Box'

Stuebenville, Ohio — (NC) — "The steady-dater who has no intention to marry within a reasonable time is truly a torchbearer — walking right into the gasoline soaked tinder box of human passion."

This warning greeted the 800 students of Catholic Central High School here in the form of a guest editorial in the school periodical, the Spectrum. It was written by Bishop John King Missio of Steubenville.

The Bishop's candid statement, which followed a threat of expulsion to steady-daters in diocesan schools, stated that going steady breaks down a natural reserve that is "a God-given protection to youth as well as its greatest charm."

The Bishop charged that no "normal, healthy young person is going to remain passive and unmoved under the stimulation of continued kisses, repeated embraces, passionate touches, inflaming words exchanged in a secluded spot.

"If such a person did remain unaffected, he would not be normal; in fact, he would be in need of a doctor's service," Bishop Missio warned.



Parish mass joins noonday worshippers at Mass celebrated by Monsignor John E. Maney in Corpus Christi Church.

'Downtown Date With God'

By ROBERT SMYTH

There is real religion in downtown Rochester. Everyday in the busy marts of trade and commerce that is Rochester's "downtown" you can find Catholics gathering for attendance at noonday Mass in Our Lady of Victory Church on Pleasant Street or Corpus Christi Church on East Main Street.

Included in the noontime Mass congregations at these two churches are secretaries, mothers of school children, factory workers, dress shop models, office executives and "senior citizens."

If you ask a stenographer why she attends daily Mass, she answers, "I want something very special, and this is the way to get it." Her sacrifice includes an all-morning fast in order to receive Holy Communion and a quick sandwich when she returns to her office.

"A GOD-SEND" is what one young mother of four school-age children called the noonday Mass privilege. "My children like the independence of getting their own lunch (though it's pretty well prepared when they get home at noon from school) and being on their own for that part of the day. It gives me a chance to thank God for children that I can leave on their own."

A retired school teacher calls the noonday Mass his "quiet time." "It's too bad in a way to 'discover' the Mass at my age, but that's what happened."

"My doctor makes me sleep late in the morning, so actually I start the day with Mass—I guess the only one I'll miss from now on will be the one they carry me in for!"

Looking around the two downtown churches, one sees everything from the milk stole of a society matron who will be attending a charity bazaar in the afternoon, to the telltale but well-mended coat of a less fortunate.

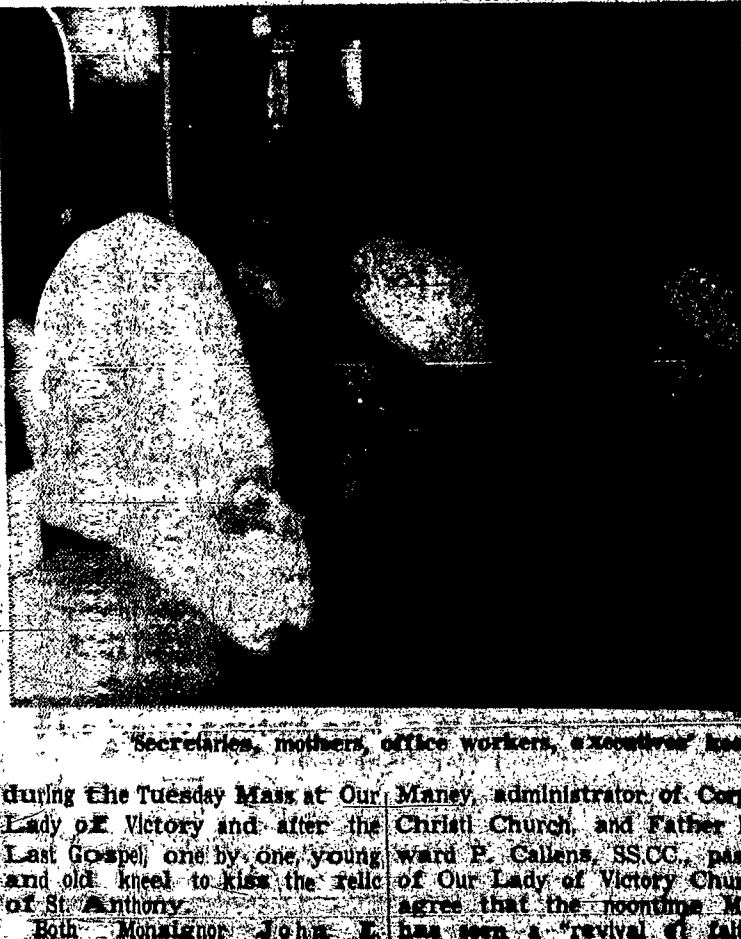
On "novena days," Tuesdays, Our Lady of Victory, Rochester's "little French church" is packed to overflowing. Throughout the Mass, there is a quiet but constant movement in the congregation as people file into the confessional or approach the shrines of Our Lady of Lourdes or that of St. Jude to light a candle.

Missals are much more in evidence than they were a few years ago as people recite with the priest the age-old prayers of the Mass, Older and dimmer eyes are content with the familiar, worn beads of the rosary.

NOVENA prayers are recited



Father Edward Callens conducts veneration of St. Anthony relic following noon Mass in Our Lady of Victory Church.



Secretaries, mothers, office workers, executives keep appointments with God during the Tuesday Mass at Our Lady of Victory and after the Last Gospel one by one, young and old, kneel to kiss the relic of St. Anthony. Both Monsignor John E. Maney, administrator of Corpus Christi Church and Father Edward P. Callens, S.S.C.C., pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church, agree that the noontime Mass has seen a "revival of faith."

State Department Hears KC, Legion Heads On Tito

Washington — (NC) — Leaders of two of the nation's most important organizations joined together in a protest to the State Department against the projected visit of Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia to this country.

Luke E. Hart, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, and Dan Daniel of Danville, Va., National Commander of the American Legion, called at the State Department together, and talked with Deputy Under Secretary of State Robert Murphy.

Mr. Hart said afterwards that both he and Mr. Daniel protested vigorously the proposal to bring Tito here as a guest of the nation.

Mr. Hart stated that Mr. Murphy told them that the decision as to whether or not to invite Marshal Tito to the United States had not been made up to that time. He indicated, Mr. Hart added, that Marshal Tito might be invited, or he might not.

(It has been stated in previous reports that the proposal has been invited to visit this country and has been observed here and elsewhere. They had been invited to visit Yugoslavia. They had been invited to visit here since they are invited to visit Yugoslavia and this country.)

Supreme Knight Hart said he was disappointed in Deputy Under Secretary of State Murphy's importance of having public opinion on the side of the administration. He said it is necessary to the carrying out of the program which the government has for the welfare of this country and the world.

MR. MURPHY pointed out, Mr. Hart said, that if Marshal Tito (Continued on page 2)

Cardinal Wyszynski Almost Lost Vote

Warsaw — (NC) — One of Poland's most famous citizens almost lost his right to vote in the country's current elections.

His Eminence Stanislaw Cardinal Wyszynski, primate of Poland, discovered his name was not on the electoral register. His secretary said it was omitted because of the Cardinal's "recent change of address." The secretary referred to the fact that the Cardinal was released from prison last October. He was given the right to vote as a resident of the district in which he is now living.

Funeral Mass Set Saturday

Funeral Mass for the Rev. William J. Ayres will be offered Saturday, Jan. 26, by His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence E. Casey in St. Vincent de Paul Church, Churchillville, at 10:30 a.m.

Father Ayres, appointed one year ago as pastor of the Churchillville parish, died suddenly Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1957, after 28 years of priestly service in the Diocese of Rochester.

He was 58 years of age at the time of his death.

Funeral Mass will be given by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Maynard A. Connell.

Assisting Bishop Casey at the Mass will be the Rt. Rev. Hugh James C. McAniff, vicar general and archbishop-elect of New York; Rev. Edward M. Hartmann, subdeacon.

Members of ceremonies will be Fathers Edwin R. Weston and Charles R. Reynolds.

Rev. W. Darcy Soule will be burier. Rev. Peter J. Sullivan and Rev. John J. Maroney, acolytes.

Rev. William J. Deane, director of the Holy Ghost Club, will be the officiating priest at the funeral. Rev. Sullivan, born in 1892, and Rev. Stanislaw E. Kozak, born in 1900.

A MARRIAGE OF Edward J. Ayres, moved to Churchillville as a child when he was 10, was a graduate of St. Vincent de Paul High School, Rochester. He was ordained in 1929 by the Most Rev. Michael Fallon, Bishop of Youngstown, and served his first parish in Churchillville for 28 years. He was a member of the Holy Ghost Club, St. Vincent de Paul Church, Rochester, for many years.