

### Priest Defends Doomed Native

Sydney (RNS)—Father Thomas Dixon, an Adelaide Roman Catholic priest, flew almost 2,000 miles to Cairns, North Queensland, in an effort to save an aboriginal from hanging.

Rupert Stuart, 27, was convicted April 24 of the murder of a nine-year-old girl at Ceduna, South Australia. He was sentenced to hang unless a petition to the Privy Council to leave to appeal succeeded.

"He could not possibly have made the confession concerning the murder in the form presented by the police at his trial," the priest said. "Like all natives who cannot read or write, Stuart cannot talk logically on a subject for any length of time."

Father Dixon spent 14 years in Central Australia and speaks the native Arunta language fluently.

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**The Weekly Note From Mr. Pepsi**

"If you want to test your memory," the Old Philosopher said the other day, "Try to remember what you were worrying about a week ago at this time."

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### Benedict Ehmann Rites Held In St. Anne Church

Bishop Keane imparted the Absolution at the funeral Mass for Benedict Ehmann, father of Rev. Benedict A. Ehmann in St. Anne Church, Monday, August 4.

Mr. Ehmann, an insurance agent for Wolfert Brothers, 220 Mt. St. West until illness forced his retirement last month, died July 30, 1958 at his home, 100 Howard St. He would have been 80 next month.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Father Ehmann, pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen, assisted by the Rev. John P. Norris, St. Ignace and the Rev. Robert Kanka, Subeaton.

**OTHER PRIESTS** in attendance at the funeral Mass were the Reverend Fathers George G. Vogt, Conrad J. Sundholm, Henry F. Adamski, Orin W. Feller, Eugene H. McFarland, Robert A. Meng, Joseph T. Mahoney, Edward A. Shannon, Leo J. Matusewicz, Bernard J. Hanna, John W. Le Veque, Albert J. Geiger, Paul J. Cuddy, Peter Jankowski, James F. Doyle, John A. Murphy, John L. Maxwell, Edward E. Steinkirchner.

Also Reverend Fathers E. Leo McMannus, Raymond M. Wuest, Vincent P. Collins, Hubert A. Bisky, Gerard C. Krieg, Donald J. Murphy, Joseph O'Connell, Charles A. Bennett, L. John Hedges, Edward J. Lintz, Francis Heaster, Bernard Kuchman, Thomas M. Redding, J. St. Boniface Church, Rochester, J. Decher, Sullivan, Robert J. McNamara, Gennaro J. Ventura, Lawrence V. Palumbo, Schneck.

Also Reverend Fathers William Trott, John J. Phillips, Andrew W. Teuschel, Robert A. McFiggins, Joseph P. Brennan, Paul Muxley, William H. Shannon, Paul McCabe, Charles Curran, John Gannley, Joseph F. Reimhart, William J. Gardiner, John S. Maloney, Leo V. Smith, Martin J. Smith, S.J., Leo C. Mooney, Francis J. Taylor, Edwin B. Metzger, Leonard A. Kelly, George J. Weimann, John E. Roach, William F. Moran, Bruce Ammering, Elmer J. Schmidt.

Also Reverend Fathers Edward B. Wesley, Thomas J. Murphy, Charles J. McCarthy, Walter F. Fleming, Thomas M. Erdle and James Wolf.

### National Retreat Congress Polish Shrine Trip Slated

The National Laywomen's Retreat Movement will hold its triennial Congress in Buffalo the weekend of September 11-13. Sponsoring the Congress this year is the Mother of Mercy Retreat House on Delaware Ave., Buffalo. Headquarters will be at the Statler-Hilton hotel, where room reservations are now being received.

Proceeding the Congress a Legislative Meeting on Thursday evening, September 10, will be attended by delegates of Retreat Houses and Retreat Leagues throughout the country.

The Genac Retreat House in Rochester will be represented officially by Miss Geraldine Moylan, president of the Genac Retreat League, and Miss Helen Durkin. On Friday, Sisters attending the Congress will meet for a special afternoon session.

The main program opens at 8:00 p.m. on Friday with a keynote address by Bishop John J. Wright, Episcopal Advisor of the Movement. The Saturday program, beginning with Mass, will be climaxed in the evening by a banquet, featuring as speaker Miss Elizabeth Reid, Australian representative at the U.N. Sunday's program will close at the Mother of Mercy Retreat House in the late afternoon with a reception, tea and solemn Benediction.

Information and registration blanks may be obtained in the Rochester area from the Genac Retreat House, 693 East Avenue.

**What's New In The Parishes**

ANNUNCIATION Parish picnic will be held at Pond View, Mendon Ponds, Sunday, August 16 beginning at 11 a.m. Stephen De Lucia, president of the Holy Name Society named the following chairman: Joseph Ferraro, Anthony St. Peter, Program; Charles Cappadonia, games; Henry Marz, refreshments; and Frank Cimino, publicity.

Class, a past Grand Knight of Council 228, was also recently re-elected president of Columbus Center, the home of the council.

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**KC Renames Edward Claus**

Edward A. Claus of Elmira Council 228, Knights of Columbus has been appointed to his third straight 2-year term as District Deputy of the K. of C's 72nd District.

The honor was recently bestowed by Emmett L. Burke of Yorkers, New York State Deputy of the Knights of Columbus.

By virtue of the appointment, Claus also will resume his seat on the executive board of the Central New York Chapter.

THE 72ND DISTRICT encompasses an area in the Southern Tier, stretching along the Pennsylvania line from Owego to Bath.

**Elmira AOH Schedule First Degree Rites**

The final reading of applications for membership will take place at a meeting of the Magr. John J. Lee Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Friday night, Aug. 24 at 8:30 in the Green Room of Columbus Center.

FIRST DEGREE ceremonies will be held later in August, either Sunday, Aug. 24 or Saturday, Aug. 30. The date will be selected at the monthly meeting.

At the ceremonies, members entering the Irish Catholic organization are received into the Order of the Shamrock.

Also at the Aug. 24 meeting, co-chairmen of the division, By-Laws Committee will be named by President Jerome F. Hogan.

More members will be added to this committee to bring it to full strength.

There will also be a discussion of the 1958-60 bowling season. The Elmerman Bowling League president, Raymond E. Hourahan, will name an August date for the annual league meeting at which time the election of officers and formulation of 1959-60 plans will take place.

A SPECIAL review of the recent highly successful Seventh Annual Hibernian Feis, held Sat. July 11 at Murthaven, will be given by co-chairmen Peter J. Glanton and Thomas R. Stowell.

The Irish History Committee, under Chairman Matthias E. of Gasport, Pa.

**Requiem Offered For A. Kopylczak**

Prattsburg — Alex Kopylczak, 75, of Prattsburg died Thursday, July 30, 1958, at Ira Davenport Memorial Hospital in Bath. Requiem Mass was offered Monday morning of this week in St. Patrick's Church by the Rev. Earl Tobin, followed by burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

He was born in Austria and came to America in 1906. A resident of Prattsburg for the past 11 years, he was a member of St. Patrick's Church.

**SURVIVING ARE** his widow, Mary, five sons, John of Prattsburg, Pa., Theodore of National City, Calif., Joe, Peter and Alex Jr. of Prattsburg, and one daughter, Mrs. Mary Hoshodar of Gasport, Pa.

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### Capuchin Seminary 30 New Shrines To Adorn Grounds

Geneva — A shrine in honor of Our Lady of Fatima and about 30 other statues are being built on the grounds of the Capuchin Seminary, Lechland Rd.

Work on the long-planned project began about two weeks ago and is scheduled to be completed in October. Dedication ceremonies will be held then.

THE STATIONS of the Cross is included in the total of 30 shrines under construction on the south side of the seminary property.

An entry road to the shrine area has been started on the south side and will encircle the property. A large parking area will be provided.

Various area business men have donated labor, materials and machinery for the project. Other contributions will go for the purchase of statues.

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