

Father Corbett's death was given wide coverage in both the religious and secular press. Said one columnist in the Columbus (Ohio) *Dispatch*, "A priest whose ministry reached far beyond his assigned parish was Rev. Paul G. Corbett. . . . He knew people of all faiths. . . . He was respected for himself and his Church. . . . Father Corbett was truly a man of God. There is a sort of void right now as sacred ground accepts his mortal remains." Many hundreds of people of all races and faiths passed the bier of Father Corbett as he lay in state.

On the night of January 6th, 1958, the Office of the Dead was said in St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, for Father Corbett. The next morning, the Rev. John J. Costello, O.P., assisted by the Rev. L. C. Gainor, O.P., of Chicago, and the Very Rev. C. A. Drexilius, O.P., of Buffalo, N. Y., sang a Solemn Requiem Mass. The Rev. Urban Nagle, O.P., of St. Mary of the Springs College, Columbus, preached the Eulogy. The Acolytes of the Mass were Rev. Walter C. Durbin, O.P., and the Rev. R. Jordan Aumann, O.P., of the Province of St. Albert the Great. The Most Rev. Edward G. Hettinger, Auxiliary Bishop of Columbus, presided. Interment was in the community cemetery of St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio.

Father Corbett's mother died when he was quite young and he was raised by an aunt, Miss Margaret Clifford, of Columbus. To her and to all Father's relatives and friends, *Dominicana* extends its deepest sympathy. *Requiescat in Pace!*

THE REVEREND

JOSEPH BASIL SHEEHAN, O.P.

Death came suddenly and unexpectedly to Father J. B. Sheehan, O.P., a professor at Aquinas High School, Columbus, on January 3rd, 1958, at Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City, where he had been assisting with parochial duties during the Christmas

season. He suffered a heart attack shortly after leaving the Fathers' recreation room on that evening.

Joseph Basil Sheehan was born in New York City on October 18th, 1900, and received his early education at St. Vincent Ferrer Parochial School in that city. After graduating from St. Francis Xavier High School in his native city, Father Sheehan began his college work at Aquinas College in Columbus, Ohio. After receiving the Dominican habit on August 15th, 1919, at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, he completed his novitiate at that venerable convent and went on to studies in Philosophy and Theology at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, and the Dominican House of Studies in the Nation's Capital. St. Dominic's Church in the latter city was the scene of his ordination to the Priesthood by Archbishop Michael J. Curley, on June 4th, 1926.

In June of 1927, the young priest was awarded two degrees, that of Lector in Sacred Theology from the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D. C., and that of Master of Arts from the Catholic University of America in that same city. In October of that year, Father Sheehan was sent to the Order's international biblical school in the Holy Land, St. Stephen's, in Jerusalem. He remained there as a student of Sacred Scripture until 1929, when he returned to the Province's Washington House of Studies to act as Master of Students and Professor of Sacred Scripture. In September of 1933, he was appointed Subprior of St. Joseph's Priory, the house in which he had made his novitiate. In addition to this office, he was also named *Lector Primarius* and taught Sacred Scripture.

Six years later, Father Sheehan was assigned to teach at Aquinas College High School in Ohio's capital city, Columbus, where he remained until September of 1942. He was then sent to California, to assist Holy Name Province by teaching Sacred Scripture at its house of studies, St. Albert's College in Oakland. After completing his assignment there, he returned to Aquinas High School where he taught Religion, English, French and Latin. In addition to his duties at Aquinas, Father also was professor of Sacred Scripture at St. Mary of the Springs College in Columbus. He held both of these posts at the time of his death.

On Tuesday, January 7th, 1958, a Solemn Requiem Mass was offered in Sacred Heart Priory Church, in Jersey City, for the deceased. The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Harold Regis Barron, O.P., assisted by the Very Rev. Timothy T. Shea, O.P.,

Prior of St. Catherine of Siena Priory in New York City, and the Rev. John L. Hart, President of Aquinas College High School. The Rev. Paul C. Perrotta, O.P., gave the eulogy.

Father Sheehan's body was then taken to Columbus, Ohio, where, on Thursday, January 9th, in St. Patrick's Church, Father Harold R. Barron, O.P., a Missionary stationed at St. Catherine of Siena Priory, New York City, and a cousin of the deceased, sang the Solemn Mass of Requiem. The Deacon was the Rev. Henry D. Barthelemy, O.P., Pastor of Holy Spirit Church, Hammond, Louisiana, and the Rev. Charles L. Gainor, O.P., was Subdeacon. The two last named Fathers are members of the Province of St. Albert the Great. The Eulogy was preached by the Rev. John A. Segren, O.P., Director of Studies at Aquinas High School. Two Aquinas Professors, the Rev. John L. Sullivan, O.P., and the Rev. Francis L. Grady, O.P., were the Acolytes for the Mass.

Present in the sanctuary were two Dominican Provincials, the Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, O.P., P.G., of St. Joseph's Province, and the Very Rev. John E. Marr, O.P., S.T.M., of St. Albert's Province.

Burial was in the community cemetery, St. Joseph's Priory, the Novitiate House for clerical and lay-brother novices of St. Joseph's Province, Somerset, Ohio.

To the brother of the deceased, the Rev. Augustine C. Sheehan, O.P., S.T.D., of St. Catherine of Siena Priory, New York City, and to his sisters, the Misses Gertrude, Irene, and Helen Sheehan, of Brooklyn, N. Y., *Dominicana* offers its heartfelt condolences on the loss of their beloved brother. May he gain the eternal reward he has so well merited!