

Reverend Adrian T. English

Rev. Adrian T. English, O.P., professor of history at Aquinas College, collapsed and died unexpectedly of a heart attack while distributing Communion February 2. He was 64 years old.

An Expert on Medieval history, Father English, a native of Boston, studied at St. Charles College, Catonsville, Md., St. John's Seminary, Brighton, Mass., and St. Joseph's College, Somerset, Ohio. He received his bachelor's degree from the College of the Immaculate Conception and his master's degree from Catholic University, both in Washington, D.C., and was ordained June 9, 1927.

He did further study and research at Columbia University and the University of Cologne.

Father English was assigned to Providence College, Providence, R.I., as a history professor from 1928 to 1938 and from 1938-40 did further research at Columbia University. From 1940 to 1942 he was Prior of the Dominican House of Studies at Washington, D.C., and then returned as history professor at Providence College, where he remained until his last assignment at Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Father English was a member of the Medieval Academy of America and has written history reviews for historical journals and articles for the Catholic Encyclopedia of America.

The Rev. John A. Sullivan, O.P., a classmate of Father English, was celebrant of the funeral Mass. Another classmate, Rev. James L. McKenney, O.P., was deacon and Rev. John L. Hart, O.P. was sub-deacon. The President of Providence College, Very Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P., L.L.D., preached the funeral oration. The final absolution was given by the Most Rev. Charles Salatka, auxiliary Bishop of Grand Rapids.

After the Cathedral rites, the body of Father English was taken to Somerset, Ohio, where his body lay in state at St. Joseph Church. Final interment was in the Dominican cemetery at the Novitiate Priory at Somerset, where Father English had studied as a Religious.

Dominicana offers its deepest sympathy to Father English's two sisters, Mrs. Vyrne Harrington and Mrs. William Mullen, both of Milton, Mass.; a brother Edward of New York City, and a niece, Mrs. Robert D. Carroll of Grand Rapids, Mich.