City in 1917, he received no regular assignment as a missionary until 1927. From then until his death he continued on the Mission Bands, exercising his ministry with great zeal. To his many friends Dominica extending sincerest sympathy.

† THE REVEREND BASIL COTE, O.P. †

The Reverend Basil Coté, O.P., of St. Anthony’s Priory, New Orleans, Louisiana, died suddenly on June 14th at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. His death was caused by coronary thrombosis.

The Very Reverend Peter O’Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert’s Province, sang the Solemn Funeral Mass on June 17th at St. Anthony’s Church. The Reverend Ambrose McDermott, O.P., was deacon, and the Reverend Dominic Barthelemy, O.P., was subdeacon. The Reverend Eugene Kavanah, O.P., preached the eulogy. The Dominican Sisters of St. Mary’s Convent, New Orleans, formed the choir.

The final absolution was imparted by the Most Reverend Joseph F. Rummel, D.D., Archbishop of New Orleans. The Very Reverend Gregory Scholz, O.P., Prior of St. Anthony’s, conducted the ceremonies at the grave. Burial was in the Dominican plot in the Ponchatoula cemetery.

Born on June 1, 1885, at Lindsay, Ontario, Father Coté was one of twelve children of the late Felix and Elizabeth McNeil Coté. He attended St. Mary’s School at Lindsay, and Ottawa University in Ottawa.

Father Coté was ordained a secular priest on July 21, 1912, after completing the course of studies at the Grand Seminary in Montreal. He served at the Cathedral Church in Petersborough, Canada, until the outbreak of World War I. During the war he went to France as a chaplain with the Canadian army. Assigned to a unit of four hundred soldiers, Father Coté placed himself and his men under the protection of St. Dominic on St. Dominic’s Day in 1918. In the battle of Amiens, which occurred shortly afterwards, only Father Coté and twenty-five of his men survived. Grateful for his life, he determined to enter the Dominican Order after the war.

He was vested with the Dominican habit at St. Joseph’s
Priory, Somerset, Ohio, in December of 1922, and made religious profession there on March 23, 1924. In 1925 he obtained the Master of Arts degree at Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and in 1927 was awarded the Doctorate of Philosophy there. From 1927 to 1934 he was stationed at Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island. From 1934 until the time of his death, with the exception of a year at Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Illinois, he was engaged in the parochial ministry. He had been at St. Anthony's since 1939, and while there he had also lectured at the Dominican College for two terms.

*Dominicana* extends sincerest sympathy to his family.