



CLOISTER & CHRONICLE



SAINT JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and their sympathy to the Rev. M. N. Connell, O.P., the Rev. A. B. Thomas, O.P., and the Revs. G. C., D. F. Reilly, O.P., and the Rev. W. D. Dillon, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to the Rev. C. B. Quirk, O.P., the Rev. F. N. Wendell, O.P., the Rev. W. C. Durbin, O.P., the Rev. O. E. Rocks, O.P., the Rev. J. P. Farrell, O.P., the Rev. V. C. Dore, O.P., and Bro. Terence Sullivan, O.P., on the death of their fathers; to the Very Rev. E. G. and the Rev. J. T. Fitzgerald, O.P., the Rev. G. B. Stratemeyer, O.P., and Bro. Thomas Purchase, O.P., on the death of their brothers.

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

The Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, O.P., has been re-elected as prior of St. Mary's Priory, New Haven, Conn.; the Very Rev. A. B. Davidson, O.P., has been re-elected as prior of St. Antoninus' Priory, Newark, N. J.; the Very Rev. B. P. Shaffer, O.P., has been elected as prior of St. Dominic's Priory, Washington, D.C.

The Very Reverend Provincial has announced the following appointments: the Very Rev. C. J. Callan, O.P., as pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Hawthorne, N. Y.; the Rev. F. C. Foley, O.P., as President of Providence College and Superior of the Community; the Rev. H. A. Kelly, O.P., as pastor of St. Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I.; the Rev. J. D. Walsh, O.P., as head of the Central Mission Band.

CHAPLAINS

The Rev. C. V. Lucier, O.P., has received his commission as chaplain in the Navy. The Rev. O. T. Carl, O.P., has received his commission as chaplain with the Army.

NEW STAFF

The following students form the *Dominicana* staff for the current year: Brothers Bertrand Ryan, Editor; Christopher Lehner, Associate Editor; Paul Farrell, Book Review Editor; John Fearon, Associate Book Review Editor; Mannes Rogers, *Cloister Chronicle*; Luke Lennon, *Sisters' Chronicle*; George Hart, Business Manager; Gerald King, Circulation Manager; Francis Conway, Associate Circulation Manager.

MISSIONS

The Mission Academia at the House of Studies in Washington held the annual elections on January 5. The following officers were chosen: Bro. Paul Farrel, President; Martin McCabe, Secretary; James Baverso, Librarian. The retiring officers are: Bros. Denis Brackett, President; Bertrand Ryan, Secretary; Aloysius McTigue, Librarian.

The Academia enjoyed motion pictures of the Chinese Missions which the Rev. W. F. Cassidy, O.P., showed on December 1. On January 20, the Rev. J. C. Joyce, O.P., recently returned from China, visited the House of Studies and gave the students a vivid account of present conditions in China and of his journey out of the country.

SAINT ALBERT'S PROVINCE

SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to Bro. Ignatius Reardon, O.P., on the death of his father; and to Bro. Alexius Goedert, O.P., on the death of his brother.

ST. MARGARET
OF HUNGARY

of Studies.

By order of the Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., provincial, special religious services were observed in all Dominican churches in the midwest, January 26, in honor of the feast of St. Margaret of Hungary. Father O'Brien officiated at a Solemn Mass at the House

APPOINTMENT

The Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., has been named first prior of St. Pius Priory, headquarters of the nationally known St. Jude Shrine, by the Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., provincial. Installation ceremonies were held at the priory on December 22.

INSTALLATION

Installation of the Rt. Rev. Eugene McGuinness, D.D., as co-adjutor bishop and apostolic administrator of Oklahoma City-Tulsa diocese, on January 14, was attended by Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., representing the Province of St. Albert the Great. Bishop McGuinness is a Tertiary of the Order.

ACTIVITIES

Rev. Aloysius F. Coogan, of *Catholic Missions Magazine*, addressed members of the Mission Academia at the House of Studies, January 25.

Among student representatives of Chicago seminaries and colleges at a panel on Race Relations January 20, at Bishop Sheil School of Social Studies, was Bro. Damian Sheehan, O.P. Brother Damian discussed the bearing of the Eucharist on racial unity.

PACIFIC NEWS

As American re-conquest of Luzon Island began recently, The Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., received first word in months from The Rev. John L. Curran, O.P., who was captured with the fall of Corregidor and imprisoned at Manila. An army chaplain since 1941, Father Curran's Bataan services gained him the Distinguished Service Medal.

PROVINCE OF THE HOLY NAME

SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Rev. W. J. McClory, O.P., and the Rev. G. A. Knauff, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to the Rev. L. A. Hofstee, O.P., The Rev. L. E. Sanguinetti, O.P., The Rev. T. C. Gabisch, O.P., and The Rev. J. M. Agius, O.P., on the death of their brothers, all of whom died in the armed forces.

ELECTIONS
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The Very Rev. S. J. Owens, O.P., has been elected Prior of the Provincial House of Studies, the College of St. Albert the Great, in Oakland. Father Owens formerly served as Pastor of the Church of St. Peter Martyr, Pittsburg. The Rev. A. L. Naselli, O.P., has been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Peter Martyr, Pittsburg. The Rev. G. W. Martin, O.P., formerly Pastor of the Church of the

Most Holy Rosary, Antioch, will replace Father Naselli as Pastor of the Church of St. Mary Magdalen, Berkeley. The Rev. L. E. Sanguinetti, O.P., has been appointed Pastor of the Church of the Most Holy Rosary, Antioch. Father Sanguinetti was formerly Subprior at the Convent of St. Dominic, San Francisco.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas

On November 26, Mother M. Bona, O.P., celebrated the golden jubilee of her religious profession in the chapel of the Motherhouse. A solemn Mass of thanksgiving was sung by the Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province, assisted by the Very Rev. E. L. Hughes, O.P., and the Very Rev. V. R. Hughes, O.P. The Rev. Peter Kaub and the Rev. Charles Dugan, Chaplains, acted as masters of ceremonies. The Very Rev. J. J. Steines, Dean of the Great Bend deanery, was present in the sanctuary. Through the courtesy of His Excellency, the Most Rev. C. H. Winkelmann, Mother Bona was the recipient of the Papal blessing. The letter from the Apostolic Delegate was read by the Very Rev. E. L. Hughes, O.P.

Rev. Mother M. Romana, O.P., and Sisters M. Letitia, O.P., of Racine, Wis., honored Mother M. Bona by attending the jubilee celebration.

From December 16 to the vigil of Christmas, the Novena for the Feast of the Nativity, composed in 1721 by the Rev. Charles Vachetta, C.M., was conducted by the Rev. Peter Kaub, convent chaplain.

From December 30 till the evening of January 1, the Forty Hours devotion with nocturnal adoration was held at the Motherhouse.

Congregation of The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Akron, Ohio

The Sisters of St. Dominic of Akron, Ohio, celebrated Christmas with Midnight Mass in Our Lady of the Elms Chapel. The Sisters stationed at St. Vincent's and Our Lady of the Elms Preschool began their annual Christmas Retreat on Christmas Day. Christmas dinner for the Sisters was a gift given by the fathers and mothers of the children enrolled at Our Lady of the Elms Academy.

On December 19, a Carol Concert, featuring the high school chorus, was presented to the Sisters and parents. The Concert consisted of sacred and popular Christmas music, followed by the traditional candle-light procession.

On the same day a conference for the Sisters was conducted by Rev. Angelo Trivisonno of Akron, Ohio.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Syracuse, N. Y.

The Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary was conducted by Rev. V. M. Raetz, O.P. The devotions were very well attended, especially on Rosary Sunday. The closing day of the Novena was marked by an inspiring Candlelight Procession at the evening devotions.

The Annual Retreat for the Community was conducted from October 20 to 29 by Rev. C. A. Drexelius, O.P.

On Sunday, December 17, Reception and Profession was held for the Members of the Third Order. Two were received and seven made Profession.

Congregation of St. Thomas Aquinas, Tacoma, Washington

On December 8, 1944, the Puget Sound Catholic Press Conference was held at Aquinas Academy. It was preceded by a High Mass offered by Rev. Paul Weisenburg, S.J., Vice-Principal of Bellarmine High School. The aim of the Conference was to bring together students, civic leaders and others interested in current problems of journalism, and to provide an opportunity to increase solidarity of Catholic Action through the medium of the press.

The Feast of Christmas was kept with the usual solemnity. Matins and Lauds were sung before the Midnight Mass which was celebrated by Rev. Edmond Barry, chaplain.

The Devotion of the Forty Hours opened in Marymont Chapel on New Year's Eve.

On January 3, a Triduum was begun by Rev. D. J. Woolf, O.P.

On January 6, Miss Rose Mary Patch of Seattle received the habit of St. Dominic and was given the name of Sister M. Catherine of the Infant Jesus. Two novices, Sister Mary Thomas and Sister Mary Patricia made Profession and Sister M. Cecile and Sister M. Imelda pronounced their perpetual vows.

On January 11, the Home Economics Club composed of teachers of Home Economics in public, private schools and colleges of Tacoma met in the great hall of Tacoma Catholic College. Sister Mary Austin, O.P., of the College Faculty is a member of the club. Miss Edna Bell, instructor in occupational therapy at College of Puget Sound gave a talk on the Rehabilitation program for service men returned from the war.

Sisters of Saint Dominic, Racine, Wisconsin

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Sister M. Clementine Brassel passed from this life in the fiftieth year of her religious profession. R.I.P.

Saint Catherine's High School, Racine, which is conducted by the Congregation, has the largest enrollment in its history, numbering over seven hundred students.

On February 2, Rev. J. W. Curran, O.P., conducted a day of recollection for the new postulants.

The Catholic Choirmasters Correspondence Course whose correction office is in the hands of the Dominican Sisters, Racine, has a large enrollment including members from every state in the Union as well as in some foreign countries.

Holy Angels parish school, Milwaukee gave a comprehensive demonstration in grade work teaching on Saturday, December 9th, for the benefit of the younger teachers in the Community. The pupils in the respective grades co-operated by almost a hundred per cent attendance. On the following Saturday a critique was conducted with the aid of a carefully prepared questionnaire. The faculty of Holy Angels school was present to discuss any difficulties presented by the beginning teachers.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Camden, N. J.

On Rosary Sunday, October 1, the annual outdoor Rosary Procession to Rosary Glen was made by several thousand pilgrims. The Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P., conducted the devotions and the Rev. F. D. Fenwick, O.P., preached the sermon.

The Annual Retreat, for the Sisters, was conducted by the Rev. J. A. Jordan, O.P., from November 6th to the 15th.

On December 10, the Tertiaries and a number of Perpetual Rosarians spent a

day of Recollection at the Monastery. It was conducted by the Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P., assisted by the Rev. F. D. Fenwick, O.P.

Five new members were received and three members made Profession in the Third Order.

On December 13, Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P., completed twenty-five years as Chaplain. Father celebrated a High Mass of Thanksgiving, at which the Rev. F. D. Fenwick, O.P., expressed the sentiments of appreciation and good wishes of the Sisters and the Tertiaries who were present.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

The Ohio Unit of the National Catholic Music Educators Association met in Columbus, November 17 and 18. As local chairman and diocesan coordinator of the organization for the diocese of Columbus, Sister Francis Borgia, O.P., presided at the first diocesan session. The Board of Directors of the Association held their meeting at the College on the evening of November 17.

Sister M. Elise, O.P., and Sister Francis Borgia, O.P., attended the music convention which was held in Chicago.

On January 3, the Very Reverend R. P. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province, was a guest at St. Mary's.

Mother M. Stephanie, O.P., and Sister M. Isabel, O.P., attended the consecration ceremony of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Michael J. Ready, D.D., in St. Matthew's Cathedral, Washington, D. C.

On January 4, Mother Stephanie, Sister Aloyse, and Sister Bernardine were present at the Installation of Bishop Ready as Ordinary of the Columbus Diocese. His Excellency honored St. Mary's with a visit on the Feast of the Epiphany.

Sister M. Victoria Krohe, O.P., and Sister M. Ursula Leahey, O.P., celebrated the Silver Jubilee of their Religious Profession on January 16.

St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tennessee

A new film strip projector has been added to the St. Cecilia Academy visual aid material. The projector will be used mainly in the Religious and science classes.

The St. Cecilia Academy student body went "over the top" during the Sixth War Loan Drive. Sixty-two thousand dollars worth of Bonds were sold.

The St. Cecilia Honor Society has recently been affiliated with the National Honor Society. Thirteen members will be officially initiated on January 31, in the school auditorium.

On March 4, Miss Julia Renan, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Miss Rilla Moore, of Nashville, were invested in the Dominican habit. The Most Reverend William L. Adrian, presided at the ceremony and delivered the sermon.

On March 7 Sisters M. Damian Harrington, O.P., and Suzanne Driscoll, O.P., made profession of temporary vows. The Reverend George Rohling, chaplain, presided at the ceremony of profession and delivered the sermon.

Foreign Mission Sisters of Saint Dominic, Maryknoll, N. Y.

Sister Marianna Akashi died at the Motherhouse on December 29, 1944. Born in Hokkaido, Japan, of parents who were converts to the Catholic Faith from Shintoism, Sister Marianna later came into contact with the Maryknoll Sisters, and joined the community in 1920. For seventeen years she taught religion in her native tongue, and directed sodalities and clubs in the Maryknoll Missions of Seattle, Washington, and Los Angeles, California.

A cablegram received at the Motherhouse late in December from six Maryknoll Sisters on the Island of Macao, off the southeast coast of China, gave assurance of their continued mission work and safety. They have sufficient food and clothing, but can neither receive nor send letters. Early in the war, two of the Sisters were removed to this neutral Portuguese Island under Japanese escort from their flourishing mission in Kongmoon, South China. The remaining four made their way there with hundreds of other refugees after their convent school in Hong Kong had been taken by the invader, and the staff interned for nine months.

According to a wire received from Bishop Neidhammer, Vicar Apostolic of Bluefields Vicariate, Nicaragua, six Maryknoll Sisters arrived at their new post in Siuna on Christmas Eve. Although their convent was still under construction they preferred to move into unfinished quarters rather than delay longer their urgently needed mission work.

The latest report from one group of Maryknoll Sisters in South China who had to evacuate their missions because of the invasion, tells of their employment by the U. S. Government in hospitals, by the United China Relief and by the Red Cross, all in the area of Chungking.

In the early Spring, at the invitation of His Excellency, Archbishop Cushing, a group of Maryknoll Sisters will take up residence in Boston's Chinatown to work among the people of this section.

Holy Cross Convent, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Recent deaths in the Community were those of Sister M. Cyrilla, O.P., Sister M. Priscilla, O.P., and Sister M. Demetria, O.P., both Golden Jubilarians, and Sister M. Procula, O.P. May they rest in peace.

Nov. 10, Mother M. Anselma, O.P., Prioress General, left the Mother House for Puerto Rico, to make the canonical visitation of the Community Missions. She was accompanied by Sister M. Consolata, O.P., who was to visit her sister, Sister M. Francis Xavier, O.P., a teacher in the Puerto Rican schools for the past seven years. Mother Anselma was tendered a hearty welcome by the priests, Sisters and their pupils, upon her arrival. Having been one of the first volunteers to the missions in Puerto Rico, she felt quite at home among old friends. The visitation lasted one month.

On Dec. 28, the annual reunion of the Silver and Golden Jubilarians of the current year, was held at the Dominican Commercial High School, Jamaica, N.Y. After the musical entertainment, provided by the younger members of the Community, the Jubilarians were addressed by the Right Rev. Monsignor Metzger and Mother Anselma. Refreshments for the guests were served in the school cafeteria. Twenty-one Golden Jubilarians and eleven Silver Jubilarians celebrated their anniversaries this year. Ad multos annos!

St. Catharine of Siena Convent, St. Catherine, Ky.

On Sept. 3 occurred the death of Sister Eucharis Hever, O.P.; on Nov. 11 that of Sister Suso Colgan, O.P., and on Dec. 4 that of Sister Marianella Barry, O.P. R.I.P.

As a feature of the celebration of Education Week, Nov. 5-11, Rev. Clayton Hergott, C.R., of St. Mary College, St. Mary, Ky., delivered an address on "The Home and Its Relation to Education," to the faculty and students of the Junior College and Academy of St. Catharine's.

Rev. T. A. Abbott, O.P., of Detroit, conducted a three day student Retreat, beginning Sunday morning, Nov. 19.

On Oct. 18, Rev. Henry Courtney, O.S.B., an authority on Shakespeare, delivered a lecture entitled, "The Life and Works of Shakespeare."

Very Rev. H. J. McManus, O.P., is giving a series of weekly lectures on the religious life to the Sisters and Novices of St. Catharine's.

Among the recent guests of St. Catharine were: Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert the Great Province, Chicago; Rev. C. L. Davis, O.P., and Very Rev. H. H. Welsh, O.P.

On Jan. 23-25, the annual students' Retreat of Siena College, Memphis, Tenn., was given by Rev. P. C. Curran, O.P.

Rev. E. M. McDonald, O.P., formerly professor of Philosophy at St. Joseph's Convent, Somerset, Ohio, is now a member of the faculty of Siena College for the term 1944-1945.

Sister Leo Marie, O.P., Ph.D., formerly of the college faculty, is now teaching in the School of Social Science, Catholic University of America.

Plans are being formed for the 1945 summer session. The Southeastern Branch of the Catholic University of America will hold its fourth summer session at Siena, simultaneously with the Siena summer school.

The members of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary observed the feast of the Immaculate Conception by attendance at Mass in the College Chapel, celebrated by the Rev. F. R. Shea, professor of religion and philosophy. A communion breakfast followed.

The Angelus Club, the music club of Siena, and a member of the National Federation of Music Clubs, gave a program at the Beethoven Club on Dec. 18. On Nov. 20, a program in honor of St. Cecilia was given in the assembly room.

Carols, poems, and selected readings comprised the Christmas program which was given in the Conservatory on Dec. 18.

Nov. 27-29, the annual Retreat of St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, Tenn., was conducted by Rev. W. J. Tierney, O.P. At the close of the Retreat fifty girls were received into the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The traditional performance of the cantata, "Christmas," composed by Paul Bliss, was presented in the Chapel on Dec. 19 and 20.

Miss Emma Jean Randall opened the St. Agnes Lecture Course, Jan. 10. She presented "Passing of the Third Floor Back," by Jerome K. Jerome, several poems of Joyce Kilmer, and some of her own compositions.

The Dominican Sisters of The Sick Poor, New York, N. Y.

On Dec. 13, Sister Mary Joseph Damian, O.P., pronounced her temporary Vows and Sister Marie, O.P., made her final Profession.

The Right Rev. Joseph McCarthy, D.D., presided at the ceremonies. He was assisted by the Rev. J. A. Jordan, O.P., and Rev. J. J. Durkin, O.P., Chaplain to the Community.

Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Sinsinawa, Wisc.

Filial remembrance of our Founder, Father Mazzuchelli's first Christmas at Sinsinawa Mound 1844, was made by the use of his century-old chalice at the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass celebrated by the Rev. J. B. Schneider, O.P., Chaplain.

The first number of "The Illinois Catholic Librarian," official organ of the Illinois Unit of the Catholic Library Association, has been published under the editorship of Sister Mary Serena, O.P., Rosary College.

Sister Mary Felix, O.P., Rosary College Art Department, has volunteered her services to the American Red Cross and has been assigned to the Arts and Skills Corps, members of which teach block printing, scarf making, weaving, leather-crafting, and many other helpful and diverting hand crafts to convalescent men and women. With one of her Art students, classified as an apprentice, and under the supervision of Occupational Therapists, Sister Mary Felix will conduct Saturday afternoon classes at the Vaughn Military Hospital.

On January 17, Dr. Percy L. Julian, one of the country's most distinguished Negro scientists, addressed the Rosary College student body. The Rev. John LaFarge, S.J., executive of *America*, and spiritual director of the Catholic Interracial Council, spoke on January 22.

Mid-winter novitiate retreat at the Motherhouse was conducted by the Rev. J. A. Rooney, O.P., and was timed to close on the Feast of the Purification, when five postulants received the holy habit. On February 3, five novices made simple profession. The Rev. J. B. Schneider, O.P., officiated at both ceremonies.

Convent of Saint Dominic, Blauvelt, N. Y.

On November 14, 1944, Sister Columba Quinn passed to her eternal reward. Sister Columba had devoted thirty-eight years of her life in religion to education, having been, during that time, principal of St. Anselm's School and of St. Nicholas of Tolentine School in the Bronx and of St. Dominic School at Blauvelt. From 1936-1942 Sister served as Community Supervisor of schools. Within the following two months, St. Dominic's mourned the death of Sister Mary Gregory Wash, thirty-four years in religion and of Sister Mary de Ricci Mullin, a Sister for almost fifty years. All three Sisters came from Ireland in their youth. R.I.P.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Rome, Italy (American Foundation)

The Community ended the year with fervent thanksgiving for the preservation of the Eternal City; and for the many extraordinary evidences they had of our Blessed Mother's special protection of the monastery.

The entire office of the Nativity was sung. Matins and the procession having ended, at twelve midnight, the Missa Cantata was celebrated by the Most Reverend Father Procurator General Philip Caterini, O.P.

On December 28, Sister M. Raymond O'Connell, O.P., formerly of Philadelphia, celebrated her Silver Jubilee. Very Reverend Michael Browne, O.P., celebrated the Missa Cantata. In the afternoon, after the singing of vespers, there was Solemn Benediction. Father Dowdall, O.P., Prior of San Clemente, officiating, assisted by Father Hugo, O.P., and Father Claffey. His Excellency, Dr. Kiernan, the Minister of Eire to the Holy See, and Mrs. Kiernan were among those present for the occasion.

On the feast of the Epiphany, the Community had the honor and consolation of a visit from His Eminence, Cardinal Tedeschini, who was accompanied by Father Procurator General.

Allied Chaplains, Nurses and Soldiers have been very kind to the Community.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

On December 8 two Sisters were admitted to first Profession: Sister M. Gertrude Bourgeois of Beaumont and Sister M. Bartholomew Vice of Port Arthur. His

Excellency the Most Reverend C. E. Byrne presided at the ceremony, assisted by several of the local clergy.

On November 15, Sister M. Camilla, O.P., passed to her eternal reward after a very short illness. May she rest in peace. She had long been associated with the schools of the vicinity, and was at the time superior of the mission at Rosenberg.

Sister M. Vincent Rosenbach, O.P., will celebrate the Silver Jubilee of her profession on March 25.

Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.

Venerable Mother Mary Pius McMullen, O.P., first Mother General of the Congregation passed to her eternal reward in October, in the fifty-fifth year of her religious profession, and the seventy-sixth year of her age. Rev. J. A. McNerney, O.P., chaplain of the Dominican college, was celebrant of the Solemn Requiem Mass with Rev. F. L. Schneider, O.P., as deacon, and Rev. W. H. Albertson, O.P., as subdeacon. The internment was at Rosaryville where the chaplain, Rev. J. J. Madrick, O.P., assisted by Rev. T. M. McGlynn, O.P., and Rev. C. C. Johnston, O.P., officiated at the grave in the community cemetery.

The Eighty-fourth anniversary of the arrival of the Dominican Sisters in Louisiana was fittingly celebrated on Founders Day. Rev. R. E. Kavanah, celebrant of the High Mass, delivered the address at the close of the Commemoration Program.

Sister Mary Philip Brou, O.P., pronounced her first vows on the feast of the Epiphany. Rev. J. J. Madrick, O.P., chaplain of the House of the Novitiate, represented His Excellency, Most Reverend Joseph F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, on the occasion.

Chaplain Theodore Ray, A.U.S., of the United States hospital ship, the *S. Mibiel*, spent his four day leave as guest of his sister, Mather Mary Dominic, O.P., Mother General.

Rev. Thomas Bolduc, S.M., J.C.D., conducted the annual retreat for the college students prior to the eighth of December.

Directed by Sister Mary Vincent Kileen, O.P., the college glee club presented a cantata based on "The Messias" in anticipation of the feast of the Nativity.

The annual conference for the Catholic School Teachers of the Archdiocese, planned by the Rev. Superintendent, Fr. Bezou, was held in the Holy Name of Jesus school auditorium; Sister Mary Clare Lorio, O.P., M.S., addressed the Elementary Section on "Visual Aids in Teaching Elementary Science" and gave a demonstration with the students from Our Lady of Lourdes parochial school, which is taught by Dominican Sisters.

The annual retreat of the High School students was conducted by Rev. H. J. Hoppe, O.P.

The Star, the Dominican High School newspaper, has been chosen for detailed study in the project "Publication of guidance material of definite value to school publication staffs," according to information received by Sister Mary Joanna Rizzo, O.P., moderator. The project is being conducted by the University of Syracuse.

During the recent Sixth War Bond Drive the students of St. Mary's High School sold bonds totalling \$168,000.

Sponsored by the Dominican alumnae, Rev. Dr. E. Murphy, S.S.J., author of the prize winning novel and best seller, "The Scarlet Lily," reviewed his book before a large audience.