

erend J. J. Durkin, O.P., as deacon, and the Reverend J. R. Slavin, O.P., as subdeacon. The Very Reverend J. H. Healy, O.P., preached the eulogy. Burial took place in the Dominican plot in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Newark, New Jersey.

To his relatives and many friends, *Dominicana* extends sincere sympathy.

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✦ THE VERY REV. RICHARD VERNON WALKER, O.P. S.T.Lr. ✦

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The Very Reverend Richard Vernon Walker, O.P., S.T.Lr., of St. Albert the Great Priory, Oakland, California, died after a lingering illness on November 20.

The Solemn Requiem Mass was sung by the Very Reverend Benedict Blank, O.P., Provincial of Holy Name Province. The Very Reverend P. K. Meagher, O.P., was deacon, and the Reverend J. B. Mulgrew, O.P., was subdeacon. The Reverend T. J. Murphy, O.P., preached the eulogy. Burial was in the Dominican plot at Benecia.

One of the six children of Henry C. and the late Mary G. Walker, Father Walker was born in Piedmont, West Virginia, March 22, 1893. He attended St. Peter's School, Westernport, Maryland and Mt. St. Mary's College at Emmitsburg, Maryland. He received his college education at St. Patrick's (now Aquinas) College in Columbus, Ohio, and began his novitiate when he received the Dominican habit at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, on the Feast of the Assumption, 1911. He made religious profession there on September 16, 1912 and completed both his philosophical and theological studies at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C. Father Walker was ordained to the priesthood in the Chapel of the Washington house by the Most Reverend Thomas J. Shahan, Rector of the Catholic University, on June 17, 1917.

After a year of study at the Catholic University, Father Walker was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Canon Law. He received the Lectorate of Sacred Theology at the Washington House of Studies the following year and remained as a member of the faculty until October, 1920, when he was sent to the Collegio Angelico, Rome, to study philosophy. After returning from Europe, Father Walker taught at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, until 1925, when he was assigned to St. Thomas Aquinas Priory, River Forest, Illinois, as professor of philosophy.

Father Walker was Prior and Lector Primarius at River Forest from 1927 until 1932. At that time, he became professor of dogma at the Washington House of Studies, and held the office of Subprior from 1933 until August, 1935. He then volunteered to go to St. Albert the Great Priory, in the Holy Name Province, where he was Subprior and professor. He became Prior of the same convent in 1941; and held office until his death. To his brethren, relatives, and friends, *Dominicana* extends sincerest sympathy.

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✚ THE REV. JOHN JORDAN DILLON, O.P., S.T.Lr., Ph.D ✚

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The Reverend John Jordan Dillon, O.P., S.T.Lr., Ph.D., president of Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, died on December 1 in St. Raphael's Hospital, New Haven, Connecticut, after a long illness.

The Most Reverend Francis P. Keough, Bishop of Providence, celebrated the Solemn Requiem Mass on December 5 at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence. The Reverend William J. Dillon, O.P., was deacon, and the Reverend Edward A. McDermott, O.P., was subdeacon. The Reverend Arthur H. Chandler, O.P., Dean of Providence College, preached the eulogy. Among those present at the funeral were many State Officials, headed by Governor J. Howard McGrath, alumnus of Providence College. Father Dillon was buried in the Dominican plot in St. Francis Cemetery, Pawtucket, R. I.

Born on September 2, 1898, at Derby, Connecticut, Father Dillon was one of the five children of David Joseph and Mary Jane Dillon. He received his primary education at Franklin and Irving Schools in Derby. After graduating from Derby High School in 1917, he joined the Navy when the United States entered the war. He entered Providence College in September, 1920. After completing his preparatory studies, he received the Dominican habit at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, from the Very Reverend J. B. Connolly, O.P., on August 24, 1922, and made simple profession on August 25, 1923. Father Dillon completed philosophical studies at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., and at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois.

He made solemn profession on August 26, at the College of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C. The Most Reverend