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minican and diocesan priests, the Right Reverend Msgr. John F. Callahan, Vicar General of the diocese of Hartford, assisted at the Mass. At the grave, in the Dominican plot of St. Lawrence Cemetery in New Haven, the Very Rev. Vincent R. Burnell, O.P., Prior of St. Mary's, conducted the final absolution.

Dominicana extends sympathy to the brothers and sisters of Father Moore. May he rest in peace.

THE REVEREND DAVID GREGORY O'CONNOR, O.P.

Father O'Connor died in Providence Hospital, Washington, D. C., on June 6, 1949, after patiently enduring a long and painful illness.

Born on Christmas Day, 1892, in Cork, Ireland, he was one of five children. At an early age he was brought to America by his parents, who settled in St. Vincent Ferrer's Parish, New York City. Father O'Connor's early education was acquired in St. Vincent Ferrer's Parochial School. After his high school education at Fordham Prep, he served in the United States Army during the first World War. Upon termination of his military service, he completed his studies preparatory to entering the Order of Preachers at Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio. On August 24, 1922, he received the Dominican habit at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, where, following the year of novitiate, he also made simple profession. Father O'Connor then studied philosophy at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., and at the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. He pronounced his solemn vows on August 25, 1926, at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., where he was sent to pursue his theological studies. On June 17, 1929, he was ordained to the priesthood by the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore. Completing his theological course at the House of Studies in 1930, Father O'Connor was sent for advanced studies to the Collegio Angelico in Rome, and then to the University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

From 1931 to 1938 he was assigned to the House of Studies in River Forest. During this period he taught in the studium there and at De Paul University, and served as chaplain at Rosary College. After fulfilling assignments from 1938 to 1940 at the National Headquarters of the Holy Name Society and at Holy Name Parish, Valhalla, New York, Father O'Connor was appointed chaplain to the inmates of the penal institutions of Washington, D. C. To win for Christ the souls of these unfortunates, this zealous priest expended
all his energies, laboring devotedly and with marked success, until the ravages of his final illness brought an end to his activities in December, 1948.

Father O’Connor was renowned as an accomplished musician. He applied his talents to the composition of several hymns widely used among Dominicans.

On June 10, in St. Dominic’s Church, Washington, D. C., the funeral rites for Father O’Connor were held. The Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. J. C. Kearney, O.P., assisted by the Rev. J. N. Walsh, O.P., Master of Novices for the Province of St. Albert the Great, as deacon, and the Very Rev. R. M. McDermott, O.P., Prior of Holy Name Priory, Philadelphia, as subdeacon. The Rev. E. M. Hanley, O.P., delivered the eulogy. Presiding at the Mass was the Most Rev. Patrick A. O’Boyle, Archbishop of Washington, who also conducted the final absolution. In attendance, besides the family of Father O’Connor, were many priests, diocesan and religious, sisters and friends.

To the father and family of Father O’Connor Dominicana extends prayerful sympathy. *May he rest in peace.*

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† VERY REVEREND JAMES M. VOSTE, O.P., S.T.M., S.Scr.D. †

The funeral of Father Vosté was held on Feb. 26 of this year in the Basilica of Santa Maria sopra Minerva, Rome. At the Mass, celebrated by the Most Reverend Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General, were present dignitaries of every rank, including Their Eminences, Cardinals Tisserant and Pizzardo. Several times during his last illness, Father Vosté received the blessing of the Holy Father; the Most Reverend Master General administered the last sacraments.

The long and fruitful career of Fr. Vosté began when in 1911, having completed his studies at the Biblical School at St. Stephen’s, Jerusalem, under Père Joseph Marie Lagrange, O.P., he received the Licentiate in Sacred Scripture before the Pontifical Biblical Commission. It ended with his name a recognized authority among contemporary Scripture scholars. For thirty-five years, until 1946, he filled the professorship of New Testament exegesis at the Angelicum. His teaching manner was characterized as well by clarity and vivacity