



CLOISTER + CHRONICLE



ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

CONDOLENCES The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Rev. E. A. Hogan, O.P., Rev. G. A. Wallace, O.P., Rev. J. F. Beever, O.P., Rev. J. H. O'Callahan, O.P., Rev. J. Murphy, O.P., Rev. E. L. Hunt, O.P., and Rev. J. S. Dillon, O.P., on the death of their fathers; to the Rev. J. C. Burns, O.P., Rev. T. B. Kelly, O.P., Rev. F. J. Baeszler, O.P., Rev. G. B. Schneider, O.P., and Bro. R. F. McKenna, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to the Rev. T. L. Weiland, O.P., Rev. P. F. Mulhern, O.P., Rev. W. G. Moran, O.P., and the Very Reverend W. D. Marrin, O.P., on the death of their brothers; to the Rev. W. E. and J. B. Heary, O.P., on the death of their sister.

PROFESSION AND VESTITION On November 15, in the Chapel of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., the Very Rev. W. M. Conlon, O.P., Prior, received the Solemn Profession of Bro. J. A. Catalano, O.P.

Father Conlon, on January 9, clothed Bro. Albion Morris with the habit of the laybrother.

GENERAL CHAPTER On January 20th, His Paternity, Most Reverend T. S. McDermott, O.P., S.T.M., Vicar General, sailed for Rome to continue his duties as Vicar General from Santa Sabina and also to make the necessary preparations for the General Chapter in April. During his absence, Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, O.P., has been appointed Vicar Provincial for the Province.

NEW CHURCH AND SCHOOL The Most Rev. John Russell, D.D., Bishop of Charleston, S. C., officiated on December 7 at the consecration of the altar of the new Church in the Blessed Martin de Porres Mission, Columbia, S. C., The following day, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Russell returned to bless the new Church and school which was built under the direction of Rev. T. O. Carl, O.P., the Pastor.

PAGEANT OF PEACE The Christmas Pageant of Peace which was opened on the Ellipse, Washington, D. C., by President Eisenhower on December 7, concluded with a Catholic Holy Hour on New Year's evening. The Holy Hour, which attracted the largest crowd during the 21 days of varied activities, was conducted by the Rev. H. I. Smith, O.P., Dean of the School of Philosophy at Catholic University. The students from the Dominican House of Studies served as the choir and were the assistants to Rev. R. F. Conway, O.P., who gave Benediction.

CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE The twenty-second annual observance of the Chair of Unity Octave was held at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., January 18-25. The Rev. H. I. Smith, O.P., was invited to preach at the observance on January 25. The pre-

ceding evening the Brothers from the House of Studies served as ministers at the Solemn Benediction given by the Most Rev. John Russell, D.D., Bishop of Charleston.

RECENT VISITORS The Most Rev. Candido Penso, O.P., Prelate Nullius of Bananal, Brazil, recently visited and addressed the students of the House of Studies in Washington, D. C. Another visitor was Rev. Jerome Hamér, O.P., Lector Primarius of the House of Studies in Belgium. Father Hamér lectured on Mariology and Protestantism today.

The Provincial of the Holy Rosary Province of the Philippine Islands, the Very Rev. Sylvester Sancho, O.P., and the Most Rev. Werner Lesinski, O.P., of the Catholic Mission, Fukien, China, were also among the distinguished visitors to our Province.

NEW STUDENTS The Dominican House of Studies welcomed the arrival of Rev. Michael Fraile Cobos, O.P., student priest from the province of Spain, and Fathers Florencio Testera Iglesias, O.P., and Angelus Robezo Lobo, O.P., from the province of the Holy Rosary, Philippines. Father Iglesias will pursue his studies in canon law at Catholic University.

APPOINTMENTS The Most Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Vicar General of the Order, has announced the appointment of Rev. B. P. Shaffer, O.P., as Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio; the reappointment of Rev. C. M. Mulvey, O.P., as Pastor of St. Thomas Church, Zanesville, Ohio; the reappointment of Rev. M. A. Snider, O.P., as Pastor of St. Mary's Church, Johnson City, Tenn.; and the reappointment of the Very Rev. R. B. Johannsen, O.P., as Pastor of St. Peter's Church, Memphis, Tenn.

THEOLOGY LECTURES FOR THE LAITY A series of seven lectures on the Incarnation and Redemption were given at the Lucy Eaton Smith, Philadelphia, Penn., by the Rev. W. A. McLoughlin, O.P., Rev. J. T. Dittoe, O.P., and the Rev. R. M. Heath, O.P.

NEW TRANSLATIONS *My Way of Life*, written by the late Very Rev. Walter Farrell, O.P., and completed by Rev. Martin J. Healy, S.T.D., has been translated into Italian. Rev. Erminio Crippa, who completed the translation in thirty days, received papal approval for the work. The letter from the Holy See stated that, "the idea of bringing to the knowledge of the general public, in a short, clear and practical synthesis, the thought of St. Thomas which unfolds the fundamental truths of our Faith seems very timely to the Holy Father. Special praise goes to the planners and the compilers of this useful volume, and to those who have 'arranged the Italian translation.'"

The Dominican Martyrology is being translated into English by Rev. W. R. Bonniwell, O.P. This work has been undertaken on the authorization of the Most Reverend Vicar General. It will be published this summer by the Newman Press.

SISTER FORMATION CONFERENCES The following Fathers participated in and read papers at the first regional meetings of the *Sister Formation Conferences*, a new division of the National Catholic Educational Association: (1) at the New England Regional Meeting, held in Albertus Magnus College, New Haven: Rev. V. C. Dore, O.P. (2) at the Southern Regional

Meeting, held at Nazareth College, Louisville: Rev. T. E. D. Hennessy, O.P. (3) at the Eastern Regional Meeting, held at Fordham University: Rev. P. F. Mulhern, O.P. All of these meetings were held November 27-28.

The Rev. P. F. Mulhern, O.P., conducted a two-day conference on the Law for Religious, for the Superiors of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, of the New York, Maryland Province, December 27-28.

At the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception the Most
ORDINATIONS Rev. J. M. McNamara, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, administered on Feb. 2 the First Tonsure, and on Feb. 3 and 4 the Minor Orders upon Bro. Augustine Catalano, O.P. On Feb. 3, Brothers Agripino Franco-Herrero, O.P., and Bonaventure Schepers, O.P., received the Sub-Diaconate from the hands of the Bishop.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy to
CONDOLENCES the Rev. J. H. Servente, O.P., on the death of his brother, and to Brother Christopher Fritter, O.P., on the death of his step-father.

On December 18, at the Basilica of Mission Dolores, San Francisco, the Rev. John Victor Kane, O.P., was ordained to the priesthood by the Most Rev. Merlin Guilfoyle, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco. In the same ceremony Brothers Peter Martyr West, Barnabas Berigan, Urban Goss, Boniface Schmitt, Edward O'Conner, Malachy Cumiskey, Henry Hohman and Damian Girard received the Diaconate, and Brothers Fidelis Lopez, Christopher Fritter, Blase Schauer, Joachim Miller, Daniel Roach and Timothy McCarthy received the orders of Acolyte and Exorcist.

The Dominican Rosary Association held its first annual meeting at
ROSARY St. Albert's College on January 17 to discuss means of uniting the
CONFERENCE efforts of the four North American Provinces in propagating devotion to the Rosary. Directors attending the meeting included the Very Rev. H. F. Ward, O.P., Holy Name Province; Rev. Louis Gay, O.P., St. Dominic's Province; Rev. Jordan Fanning, O.P., St. Joseph's Province; Rev. W. R. Barron, O.P., St. Albert's Province.

At the invitation of the Franciscans, the Very Rev. Wundibald
VISITORS Brachthaeuser, O.P., Provincial of Germany, preached the solemn Novena honoring the twelfth centenary of St. Boniface at the German National Church of St. Boniface in San Francisco. Father Brachthaeuser formerly held the position of official preacher at the Cologne Cathedral.

Father Victor White, O.P., celebrated English theologian and psychologist, arrived in the Province to give a series of lectures and retreats. The author of "God and the Unconscious" has been for several years a lecturer at the University of Oxford.

The Theology for Laymen movement received additional impetus
THEOLOGY with the founding of the Aquinas Institute at St. Albert's College, OAKLAND. The Institute is offering a series of weekly, college-level CLASSES classes at St. Albert's and at Notre Dame College, Belmont, with

additional lectures at the Newman Club of Stanford University. The Professors for the present series are the Rev. P. M. Starrs, O.P., and the Rev. E. K. Carr, O.P.

In Los Angeles, the Rev. J. D. Fearon, O.P., and the Rev. V. C. Donovan, O.P., have begun a similar course of public lectures in Theology at the centrally located Immaculate Conception Parish Hall. Under the title of the Thomas Aquinas Institute, the courses in Philosophy, Theology and Scripture are modeled on the pattern of the Catholic Thought Association.

NEWMAN CLUB The Province recently purchased additional property adjacent to the University of Washington campus in Seattle with a view to eventual expansion of the facilities of the Newman Club.

NEW For the first time Dominicans have been placed on the faculties of St. Mary's College, Moraga, and St. Pius X High School, Los Angeles. The Rev. J. H. Servente, O.P., has been assigned to the Religion and Speech departments of St. Mary's and also acts as chaplain to the Christian Brothers and to the Dominican preparatory students.

ASSIGNMENTS The Rev. J. A. Myhan, O.P., and the Rev. C. A. Carosella, O.P., have been assigned to St. Pius'.

ST. ALBERT'S PROVINCE

CONDOLENCES The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to Bros. Hubert Riley, O.P., Paul Leahy, O.P., and Justin Murphy, O.P., on the death of their fathers.

NOVITIATE The following clerical novices received the habit from the Very Rev. T. G. Kinsella, O.P., Prior, at St. Peter Martyr Priory, Winona, Minnesota: Bro. Raymond Mahler on Sept. 17, 1954, and Bro. Valentine McInnes on Nov. 17. Bro. De Porres Smith was vested with the laybrother's habit on Dec. 11.

Two of the new stained glass windows recently installed in the St. Peter Martyr Priory chapel honor pioneer Dominicans in the United States, namely, Edward Dominic Fenwick, founder of St. Joseph's Province and first bishop of Ohio, and Father Samuel Charles Mazzuchelli, missionary of the Midwest.

PROFESSIONS On Oct. 29, Bro. Paschal Hunt, O.P., laybrother, made his first profession of simple vows into the hands of the Very Rev. G. R. Joubert, O.P., at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. On Nov. 3, Bro. Paul Leahy, O.P., laybrother, made his second profession of simple vows to Fr. Joubert.

ORDINATIONS Two students from this Province were recently ordained to the Sacred Priesthood in Rome: the Rev. Benedict Endres, O.P., on Oct. 31, 1954, and the Rev. Antoninus Ingling, O.P., on Dec. 18. Nine more theologians received the Diaconate in California on Dec. 18: Brothers Richard Farmer, Gregory Moore, Peter Martyr West, Barnabas Berigan, Urban Goss, Edward O'Connor, Boniface Schmitt, Malachy Cumiskey, and Henry Hohman.

On Oct. 30, the Most Rev. Leo Binz, D.D., Archbishop of Dubuque, Iowa, administered the Tonsure to Brothers Nicholas Thielen, James Cleary, Vincent Bryce, Ceslaus Krenzke, William Bernacki, Samuel Clift, Ignatius Campbell, Gilbert

Roxburgh, Colum Daley, Stanislaus Gorski, Cletus Wessels, Isidore Metzger, Alexander Moore, Reginald Doherty, Victor La Motte, Sylvester MacNutt, Celestine Walsh, Humbert Crilly, Adrian Swanke, Lawrence Mueller, and Ephrem Marieb.

Archbishop Binz returned the following day to confer the minor orders of Porter and Lector on this same group and to ordain the following Deacons: Bros. Denis Zusy, John Baptist Schneider, Andrew Miehl, Anthony Leahy, Thomas Aquinas Morrison, Davik Staszak, Timothy Sullivan, Clement Collins, Edmund Bidwell, and Luke Sablica.

ANNIVERSARY On Dec. 17, the Pontifical Faculty of Philosophy at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., observed the tenth anniversary of its erection.

VISITORS The Very Rev. Sylvester Sancho, O.P., Provincial of the Holy Rosary Province of the Philippine Islands, and the Most Rev. Werner Lesinski, O.P., of the Catholic Mission, Fukien, China, were recent visitors in the Province.

FOREIGN CHRONICLE

COMMUNISTS IN INDIA Four Dominican Bishops chose to remain at their posts despite Communist occupation of their dioceses in Indo China.

CATHOLIC CENTERS IN JAPAN The Dominicans of the Canadian Province have recently opened two Catholic centers for University students in Fukuoka and Tokyo, Japan.

APPOINTMENTS The Very Rev. Paul Philippe, O.P., and the Rev. Garrigou-Lagrange, O.P., have been nominated to the post of Consultor of the Supreme Congregation of the Holy Office.

CANONICAL RECOGNITION The body of Blessed Mark Scalabrini was taken from its tomb for a canonical recognition, revested and returned to its resting place at the Convent of St. Dominic, in Modena.

SEVENTH CENTENARY Cardinal Alfredo Ottoviani presided at the opening of the reconstructed Church of St. Dominic at Cagliari in Sardinia. The celebration was occasioned by the seventh centenary of the arrival of the Dominicans on the island.

DOMINICAN PATRON St. Antoninus has been chosen as Patron by the Twenty-first International Congress of Foundries. It is related that one day the Saint was insulted by foundry workers in the diocese of Pistoia, and that very day the workers were not able to smelt the ore. The next day the foreman of the group apologized. St. Antoninus then blessed the foundry and all went well.

CENSUS The latest census shows that there are 5661 Dominican nuns of the Second Order in 314 monasteries throughout the world. In the United States there are 436 Dominican nuns in 12 convents.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Milwaukee 13, Wisconsin

More than 150 students of the Milwaukee area Catholic Schools participated in the fourth annual Christmas pageant which was presented at the outdoor National Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima. The Shrine adjoins the Sisters' cloistered garden. This was presented under the patronage of the Most Rev. Albert G. Meyer, D.D., Archbishop of Milwaukee.

On New Years Eve, a Holy Hour was conducted in the Sisters Chapel. The purpose of the Holy Hour was fourfold: adoration and thanksgiving for the past year's benefits, reparation for the offenses to the Divine Majesty, and petition for God's graces in the New Year.

Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, Everett, Washington

Four sisters attended the Sister-Formation Workshop held at Marylhurst, Oregon, during the early part of January, 1955. Sisters in attendance were Mother M. Frances, Sister M. Jean Frances, Sister M. Josita, and Sister M. Lawrence.

The Congregation has received word from Rome of the final approbation of their Constitutions.

The hospital sisters had a 10-day workshop centering on the ethics of hospital service and on the spiritual life in general. Rev. Mark Donnelly, O.P., of Portland, Oregon, conducted the workshop.

St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tennessee

A Christmas program, featuring the speech choir and the glee club of St. Cecilia Academy, was given in the auditorium of the school on December 16. The Nativity story was re-told in a series of artistically arranged tableaux.

The Rev. Urban White, O.S.B., of St. Bernard Abbey, St. Bernard, Alabama, celebrated Mass in the St. Cecilia convent chapel each day during the Christmas holidays.

Sister Mary Anthony McAuliffe, O.P., died at St. Cecilia convent on December 27, in the 60th year of her religious profession. She celebrated the Golden Jubilee of her profession on August 4, 1945. R.I.P.

At the closing exercises of the Forty Hours Devotion, which were held in the convent chapel, January 9, 10, and 11, the Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., and a large representation of the Nashville clergy were present.

Mother Joan of Arc, O.P., and Sister Vincent Marie, O.P., attended the dedication of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and School in Warwick, Virginia, on January 16. The Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation staff of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, which is under the direction of the Carmelite Fathers.

Miss Marie Yerhart of Watertown, Minnesota, Miss Myrna Christine Love, of Buckroe Beach, Virginia, and Miss Margaret Sue Eckman, of Memphis, Tennessee, received the Dominican habit on March 6. Bishop Adrian presided at the ceremony of investiture.

On the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, March 7, three novices pronounced their first vows: Sister Camille Poole, Sister Karen Geist, and Sister Raymunda Holzbach. The Rev. William E. Morgan, chaplain, presided at the ceremony of profession.

Miss Diane Hartnett, an outstanding member of the St. Cecilia Academy senior class, was elected president of the Council which conducts the *Young Moderns' Den*,

sponsored by the Nashville Public Library. The Council is composed of two students from each of the high schools in Nashville. Miss Joyce Norman, another St. Cecilia senior, is a member of the council.

Congregation of Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine of Siena, Kenosha, Wisconsin

A three-year course in Theology is being given the Sisters at the Motherhouse by the Rev. Edward Lillie, O.P. Father Lillie will also give explanations about the Divine Office which the Sisters have been reciting daily in all our Houses for several years.

The Rev. Thomas a'Kempis Reilly, O.P., of St. Peter Martyr Priory, Winona, Minn., was a guest of the Sisters for a few days before Christmas. The Rev. Martin Scannell, O.P., of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., spent a few days here during the Christmas vacation.

St. Catherine's Hospital Auxiliary is installing a \$4,000 air-conditioning unit in the hospital surgery.

A feature article in the Merced, California newspaper praised the work done at Mercy Hospital and rated it among the institutions in that city making the most progress in the past year.

Corpus Christi Monastery, Hunts Point, Bronx, New York

Sister Mary Xavier celebrated her Golden Jubilee of Religious Profession on November 1st. The Celebrant of the Jubilee Mass was her nephew, Rev. William Keller, Professor at Darlington Seminary in the Newark Diocese. The well-known Paulist, Father Gillis preached the sermon.

Sister Xavier for 40 years was chantress in the community. Thus it might not be out of place to mention some of the liturgical exercises performed by the Nuns, to which Sister devotedly lent her direction and support. They include the singing of Matins and Lauds of the Divine Office according to the Dominican Rite, on all First Class Feasts; Lauds on all Feasts of Our Blessed Mother and Second Class Feasts. The Hours of Sext, None, Vespers and Compline are sung every day. Mass, the proper as well as the ordinary, is sung several times a week.

On Thanksgiving Day, Sister Mary of the Precious Blood celebrated her Silver Jubilee of Religious Profession. Rev. Richard Burns of Ascension Church, Bronx, sang the Mass and preached the sermon.

On Dec. 4th, Miss Barbara Brault received the Habit of the Order and was given the name of Sr. Mary of the Infant Jesus.

On Dec. 10th, Sr. M. Sadoc made her Solemn Profession as a Lay-Sister.

On Jan. 6th, Miss Norma Costello received the Habit and the name she had as a Tertiary, Sister Mary Saint John.

Sister Mary Rose made her First Profession of Vows, on the Feast of the Holy Family, Jan. 9th.

On Feb. 20th, Miss Joan Sullivan received the Habit.

Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary, Mission San Jose, California

On Sunday, January 2, Rev. Alfred Boeddeker, O.F.M., pastor of Saint Boniface Church in San Francisco, addressed the Sisters, in the College Auditorium,

and afforded them a special review of the Marian Pageant, "Mother of All," given in San Francisco earlier in the year.

Mother Mary Bernardine, O.P., Ex-prioress General, celebrated the sixty-fifth anniversary of her religious profession on the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6.

On Thursday and Friday evenings, January 6 and 7, a special rendition of the popular opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors" was presented in St. Boniface Parish Auditorium in San Francisco. The proceeds of the evenings' entertainment were directed to Dominican Sisters Building Fund to help defray the expenses for the new Chapel and Infirmary buildings now under construction on the Motherhouse grounds, at Mission San Jose.

The annual Mid-winter retreat was held in the Motherhouse from January 25 to February 1. Rev. Victor White, O.P., of the English Province, conducted the retreat exercises.

Twenty-one young ladies exchanged their black Postulant dresses for the white habit of the Dominican Order at a solemn ceremony held in the Motherhouse chapel on Tuesday morning, February 1. Rev. Stanley J. Reilly, pastor of St. Nicholas Church, Los Altos, California was the representative of the Most Rev. Archbishop for the occasion.

On Wednesday morning, February 2, following the Solemn High Mass for the Feast of the Purification of Our Blessed Lady, seven novices pronounced their first temporary vows. Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament concluded the ceremonies of the day, at which Rev. Stanley J. Reilly, as representative of the Archbishop, presided.

Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, N. J.

On October 14-15, the Very Rev. A. Tindal-Atkinson, O.P., visited the monastery and gave an informal talk to the Sisters regarding the expansion of the Order in England and South Africa.

Dominican Fathers from the provinces of St. Joseph and St. Albert, now stationed at S. Sabina, participated in the Dominican "Summit" section of the solemn procession from the Basilica of St. Mary Major to St. Peter's on October 31st.

The annual retreat for the Sisters was preached by the Rev. John A. Foley, O.P., from November 3-12.

Congregation of St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

The following officials were recently elected at St. Mary of the Springs: Prioress, Sister M. Robertine Moats, O.P.; Novice Mistress, Sister Charles Anne Mulligan, O.P.; Dean of Studies, Sister Thomas Aquin Kelly, O.P.; Dean of Residence, Sister Rita Mary McBride, O.P.

Sister Mary de Paul Dennis, O.P., died January 6 on the fifty-seventh anniversary of her entrance into religion. A nephew, the Rev. David Dennis, editor of *The Catholic Times*, sang her Requiem Mass. R.I.P.

Sister M. Leonarda, O.P., and Sister M. Angelita, O.P., will represent the Academy and College of St. Mary of the Springs at a meeting of the North Central Association in Chicago, March 21-25.

Sister M. Amelia, O.P., chairman of the French department at the College of St. Mary of the Springs, will address the University of Kentucky Foreign Language Conference at Lexington, Ky., on April 30. Her paper "Foreign Languages in Catholic High Schools of Ohio" will be based on a survey recently conducted by Sister Amelia.

At the December meeting of the Catholic Sociological Executive Council, at Loyola University, Chicago, Sister Thomas Albert, O.P., chairman of Sociology at Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, read a paper on courses in the field. She was subsequently named chairman of the Committee on Sociology in the Curriculum of the Catholic College.

Sister M. Francis Gabriel, O.P., vocational director, spoke on the work of the teaching Sister to the Newman Club of Ohio State University on January 16. During the following week, she addressed public high school students at St. Bernard's School, Levittown, N. Y., on the subject of religious vocations.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

On December 27 and 28 the Dominican Sisters of Saint Agnes Academy of Houston sponsored a Christian Family Living Conference for religious and lay teachers of the Galveston Diocese. Sister Mary Annetta McFeely, P.B.V.M., Supervisor of Studies of the Sisters of the Presentation of San Francisco, California, was present to explain the basic philosophy, purpose and use of her series of excellent books on Christian Family Living, which are now being used in many secondary schools. Other outstanding features were addresses by Dr. Phillipa Brady Stevens, Professor of Sociology of Sacred Heart Dominican College, Houston, and by Dr. A. J. Pellettieri, Professor of Psychology and Director of Reading Clinic at the University of Houston. Rev. Francis Monaghan, C.S.B., presided at the Conferences and closed the two day session with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

On the Feast of the Annunciation twenty young ladies will receive the Habit of Saint Dominic at the Sacred Heart Novitiate and on the following day thirteen will make their profession.

The Marian year closing was marked by a presentation of the "Song of Bernadette" by Werfel.

Congregation of St. Catherine of Siena, Racine, Wisconsin

The sixteenth season for the Racine chapter of the Thomist Association opened with Holy Mass in the Convent Chapel on October 10. The lectures are given by Rev. Ralph Powell, O.P.

On November 1, the Congregation entered a new field of work by taking over the operation of St. Joseph's Hospital in Osmond, Nebraska. This is the first hospital work undertaken by the Congregation.

Rev. Charles Corcoran, O.P., conducted an afternoon of Recollection on November 14 in Queen of the Holy Rosary Chapel for Dominican Tertiaries of the Racine chapter and a chapter from Milwaukee.

During the Christmas holidays, Rev. A. N. Connolly, O.P., preached a retreat for the Sisters at the Motherhouse. A sectional retreat, held at the same time at St. Benedict the Moor Mission, Milwaukee, was given by Rev. Gerard Hesse, O.F.M.Cap.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. John V. Lesinski, O.P., exiled from China, and Rev. C. Piepenbrier, O.P., St. Gregory Seminary, Cincinnati, were guests at St. Catherine's in December. Bishop Lesinski, who was under house arrest in China four years before his banishment, is now on his way to Formosa to open up a new field of missionary work there.

Several senior Sisters of the Community have gone to their eternal reward within recent months. They include Sister M. Demetria Myer, Sister M. Anastasia Pierre, Sister M. Emmanuella Uhrmann, and Sister M. Fidelis O'Brien. R.I.P.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J.

Rev. John F. Ryan, O.P., New York City, conducted a Retreat for 130 Sisters from December 26 to January 2nd.

Mother M. Joseph, Sister M. Inez, Sister M. Flavia and Sister M. Norbert attended the forty-first annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges held in Washington, D. C., January 11 to 13. On Tuesday, January 11, Mother M. Joseph attended the meeting of the Commission on Colleges and Industry while Sister M. Inez went to the eleventh annual meeting of the American Conference of Academic Deans.

Sister M. Marguerite, Sister M. Anthony, Sister M. Joanna and Sister M. Inez participated in the Fifteenth Annual Conference on Teacher Accreditation and Certification held under the auspices of the State Department of Education at the College of Saint Elizabeth on January 17.

Sister M. Marguerite and Sister M. Inez participated in the Colloquium on College Admissions held at Arden House in Harriman, New York, under the direction of the College Entrance Examination Board from October 22 to October 27.

Sister M. Norine died on Tuesday, December 7, 1954, in the thirty-first year of her religious profession. Sister Norine taught at St. Aedan's School in Jersey City for twenty-two years and was appointed Superior and Principal in 1940. The following year she was elected to the General Council of the Community and made Assistant to the President of Caldwell College. R.I.P.

A Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Jane was offered at the Motherhouse, Jan. 7, by her nephew, Rev. William Brennan of St. Leo's, Irvington. Sister Mary Jane had been in religion for almost 40 years. R.I.P.

Sister Mary Felix died Jan. 8 at the Motherhouse where she had been stationed for the past 2½ years. She had been Principal of St. Dominic Academy for 18 years. A Requiem Mass was offered for the repose of her soul in the convent chapel, Jan. 11. Celebrant was Rev. Gerald A. Quinn, S.J., a nephew. R.I.P.

Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.

Sister Mary Louise, O.P., President, and Sister Mary Alexaidia, O.P., Dean of St. Mary's Dominican College attended the meeting of the Association of American Colleges in Washington.

On Sunday afternoon, January 16 three Dominican Missionary Sisters, Sister Marie St. Paul, Sister Jean Noel, Sister Jean René, all natives of France, and Miss Marjorie Rice, Tertiary, known as Sister Martin de Porres, a native of New York, were killed in an automobile-train accident.

These four sisters who resided in the little Convent of the Epiphany, in Grosse Tete, Louisiana, were returning home from the blessing of a wayside shrine ceremony when they met their tragic death in Slidell, Louisiana. Their remains were brought to St. Mary's Dominican Convent Chapel Tuesday, January 18 where they lay in state until the Pontifical Requiem High Mass in St. Louis Cathedral Wednesday morning, January 19. They were then taken to Grosse Tete, La., where High Masses were sung at 8:30 and 11:00 o'clock Thursday morning, January 20, 1955. Burial services took place from St. Mary Magdalen Church Abbeville, La., at 9:00 o'clock, Friday morning, January 21 with Requiem High Mass. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Abbeville, La. R.I.P.

Father Raymond L. Bruckberger, O.P., gave an eight-day retreat to the Dominican Missionary Sisters of Abbeville, La., in St. Mary's Dominican Novitiate, Rosaryville, from Jan. 26 to Feb. 2.

On March 4 and 5, Sisters Mary Alexaidia, Louise, Joanna, Joan and Philip attended the meeting of the Louisiana College Conference in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Saint Catharine of Siena Congregation, Saint Catharine, Kentucky

Sister Gregory Donnelly, professed forty-five years, died recently at Saint Elizabeth Hospital, Brighton, Massachusetts. Requiem Mass was sung at Our Lady of Mercy, Belmont, Massachusetts. Solemn Mass of Requiem was chanted in the Chapel of the Motherhouse on the day of the burial in the community cemetery. R.I.P.

At the November annual convention of the Kentucky Chapter of the I.F.C.A. two summer scholarships were awarded by lot to Saint Catharine and Holy Rosary Alumnae. These scholarships are to the Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

On the Feast of Our Lady's Presentation, ground was broken for the new Holy Rosary at Kenwood and South Side Drive. Rev. Harold Ritter, pastor of Saint Jean Vianney Church, presided at the ceremony.

On this same date His Eminence, Samuel Cardinal Stritch, dedicated Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Convent and School at Arlington Heights, Illinois.

Sister Marina, O.P., read a paper on Vocation Shortage at the November Meeting of the Catholic Teachers of Brooklyn.

Beginning November twenty-second the Rev. T. E. D. Hennessy, O.P., preached a three-day retreat to the college and high school student body.

Mother Mary Julia, Mother General and Sister Catherine Gertrude, Regent of Studies, attended the Sister Formation Conference, College and University Department, of the Southern Regional N.C.E.A. Meeting held at Nazareth College, Louisville, Nov. 27-28.

Sisters Mary Charles, Counsellor General, Catherine Gertrude and Marie Therese, College Dean, participated in the November educational sessions of the Southern Association of Colleges, Secondary and Elementary Schools, as well as in the Southern Regional N.C.E.A. discussions.

The Dominican students from Saint Rose were dinner guests of Saint Catharine on December twenty-eighth.

On February second at the end of a retreat preached by the Rev. George Holl, O.P., the following sisters pronounced first vows: Sisters Maria Francesca, Rose Joseph, Helen Joseph, David Marie and Rose Nicholas.

Rev. Mother Mary Julia has acceded to the request of His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. A. Floersch, D.D., to staff Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Louisville. The sisters opened classes in February.

The golden jubilee of religious profession was commemorated by Sisters Germaine Donovan, Mary Sadoc Wimsatt, Monica Woods, Hildegard Hart and Sabina Filiatreau on the Feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas.

Holy Cross Congregation, Amityville, N. Y.

Several science teachers of the Congregation attended the Conference of the Catholic Science Council of the Diocese of New York on November 11. On the same day a large group of Sisters attended the Ninth Regional Meeting of the C.B.E.A.

For the first time a Diocesan Institute was inaugurated on the island of Puerto Rico, a mission field in which the Sisters of the Congregation labor. In October, 1954 in Santurce, Sisters Angela Loretta and Francis Xavier directed sectional meetings, and Sisters Margaret Miriam, Maria Joseph and Geraldine acted in the same capacity at the Institute of English, the following month.

The Congregation has announced that Molloy Catholic College for Women,

Rockville Center, N. Y., will begin its first under-graduate class in the fall term of 1955.

Sister M. Jeanette, O.P., pharmacist at Mary Immaculate Hospital was recently appointed a member of the National Committee for the Columbia University Bicentennial and the 125th Anniversary of the College of Pharmacy. She was also made a member of the Advisory Committee on National Hospital Formulary Service by the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists.

Sister Arcadia, O.P., physiotherapist at Mary Immaculate Hospital was awarded a Merit Award for outstanding work in treating arthritic patients.

In December, Rev. Joseph J. Hill, C.M., addressed the Blessed Francis Capillas Mission Unit of the Novitiate on his experiences in China. During January, Very Rev. Msgr. James W. Asip, Associate Director of the Propagation of the Faith spoke to the Unit on Foreign and Home Missions.

Three lay retreats were given at Our Lady of Prouille Retreat House, Amityville, during January and February. The retreat masters were Rev. Daniel Casey, O.P., Rev. Edward Parrent, S.P.M., and Rev. Thomas Curry, O.M.I.

During the Inter-term Recess Week from February 6 to 12, two winter retreats for Sisters were held at Queen of the Rosary Mother House Amityville and at St. Joseph Convent, Saint Josephs, Sullivan County, N. Y., respectively. The retreat masters were Rev. John Foley, O.P., who preached the retreat at the Mother House and Rev. John J. Sullivan, O.P., who gave the conferences at Saint Josephs.

Sisters Jean Elizabeth, Devota, Esperanza and de Chantal died recently. R.I.P.

Marywood, East Grand Rapids 3, Michigan

On September 29, 1954, His Excellency, the Most Rev. Allen J. Babcock, D.D., laid the cornerstone of the new Administration Building on Aquinas College Campus. Later that same day he laid the cornerstone and blessed the finished new wing of the Motherhouse, Marywood. This addition houses the Novitiate, the Postulate, and the recreation rooms of the aspirants. It also includes the offices of the Mother General and her Council, the refectory and community room, guest rooms, parlors, and private sleeping rooms for fifty professed Sisters. Vacancies left in the main building have supplied a new cafeteria, class rooms, recreation rooms, and a new home economics department for the Academy.

On December 8, the Dominican Sisters entertained the Sisters of the city and nearby missions during the open-house of the new addition.

On November 10 and February 2, meetings of the Michigan Colleges Foundation at the Detroit Athletic Club, were attended by Sister M. Aline, O.P., Supervisor of Schools, and Sister M. Mildred, O.P., Dean of Aquinas College; also on November 10, at the University of Detroit, a meeting to discuss the proposed Michigan Certificate Code. These Sisters also attended the Conference of American Colleges and Universities and the meeting of Academic Deans in Washington, D. C., January 11-14.

Mother M. Eveline, O.P., and Sister M. Aline, O.P., attended the Marian Convocations at Catholic University, November 15.

Mother Mary Victor, O.P., and Sister M. Cecile, attended the Regional Sisters Formation Conference in St. Louis, Missouri on January 8-9.

Sister Mary Anita Tilmann, O.P., died on November 17, 1954. R.I.P.

Monastery of Our Lady of Grace, North Guilford, Conn.

Rev. John B. Mulgrew, O.P., Professor of Theology at the Cistercian Abbey

of St. Joseph, Spencer, Mass., spent the Christmas holidays at the Monastery and celebrated the three Christmas Masses.

On Jan. 15, the Most Rev. Henry J. O'Brien, D.D., Archbishop of Hartford, presided at ceremonies of temporary and solemn profession. Sr. Margaret Mary of the Infant Jesus, O.P., made temporary profession and Sr. Mary Martina of the Immaculate Heart, O.P., and Sr. Mary Florence of St. Joseph, O.P., made solemn profession. Rev. John B. Mulgrew, O.P., celebrated the High Mass. The Rev. W. A. Robbins, O.M.I., former Provincial of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate and now head of the Mission Band of the First American Province, delivered the sermon. Rev. Michael Sullivan, Pastor of St. George's, Guilford, and Rev. Donald O'Leary of St. Rita's Hamden, were deacons of honor to the Archbishop. The Very Rev. Msgr. James P. Kirwan assisted Archbishop O'Brien. Rev. Reginald Craven, O.P., Chaplain, was Master of Ceremonies.

The Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor, Mariandale, Ossining, New York

The life of the foundress of the Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor was the subject of a television play on Dumont's *Lamp Unto My Feet*, a public service feature of the network. The script for the play was written by John McGiver, a former student at the Catholic University Drama department. Mother Rose Xavier, present Mother General of the Community appeared on the same program.

An article on the life of Mother Mary Walsh written by Sister Mary Teresita, was recently published in the *Review for Religious*.

A number of Sisters have been guest speakers to student and adult groups in Ohio, Michigan and Minnesota in the past two months.

The New York Dominicanettes will celebrate their eighth birthday on February 6. Father Joseph Kowslowsky of New York will give the Holy Hour marking the anniversary. The postulants will be hostesses to the girls the same afternoon and present a panel discussion on their reaction to religious life. A number of postulants are former Dominicanettes.

Five Sisters attended an Institute on Home Nursing conducted by the Westchester Council of Social Agencies in Rye, N. Y.

Congregation of the Immaculate Conception, Great Bend, Kansas

The Congregation of the Immaculate Conception rejoices over the reception of the *Decretum Laudis*. It is significant that the decree bears the date of November 15, the feast of Saint Albert the Great, since the Motherhouse is in Saint Albert's Province and since the "spiritual grandmother" is Holy Cross Convent at Ratisbon, which dates back to the days of Saint Albert. His Excellency, the Most Rev. John B. Franz, D.D., Bishop of the Dodge City Diocese, was very helpful in our securing this grant during the Marian Year. The Community is also indebted to the Very Rev. Timothy M. Sparks, O.P., for his encouragement and aid in obtaining this Decree.

Congregataion of the Most Holy Rosary, St. Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin

During the past quarter the following members of our community have died: Sisters Mary Kieran McElroy, Lambertine Cook, Edith Devlin, Eunice Joy, and Bernard Bach. R.I.P.

Over one hundred young women interested in religious life followed the exer-

cises of a day of recollection at the motherhouse, November 28, conducted by Rev. John J. T. Bonée, O.P.

On December 4, Rev. Richard T. A. Murphy, O.P., conducted a day of recollection for the novices and postulants.

Forty Hours' Devotion, held traditionally on December 6-8, appropriately coincided with the closing of the Marian Year. Joseph A. Nadeau, O.P., of St. Rose Priory, Dubuque, gave the evening sermons.

"The Root of Jesse," an original ensemble of scriptural texts in narration and dialogue, supported by speech choir, choral numbers, and interpretative dances, again told the timeless Christmas story as presented by the pupils on December 18.

The annual faculty dinner for the Academy pupils, December 20, was made memorable by the community's having as guests, Congressman Gardner R. Withrow and Mrs. Withrow.

The Most Rev. John P. Treacy, S.T.D., Bishop of LaCrosse, was a guest during November. He returned on December 14 to attend the funeral of Sister Mary Eunice Joy.

On January 6, the traditional Epiphany-card and drawing was conducted by Very Rev. J. B. Connolly, O.P., for the professed Sisters; by Rev. R. B. Mulvey, O.P., for the novitiate.

On January 24, Rev. Edward W. Conley, O.P., of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, conducted a day of recollection for the Academy pupils, and on the evening of the same day he opened the mid-year novitiate retreat. At its close on February 2 ceremonies of reception were held for three postulants. Two novices were admitted to first profession. The Very Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., Provincial, officiated and preached. He was assisted by Father Connolly, Chaplain.

Convent of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Springfield, Illinois

On November 28, 29, and 30, Sisters M. Rita Rose, O.P., M. Vera, O.P., M. Veronica, O.P., and M. Paulus, O.P., attended the Midwest Workshop on Improvement of Patient Care for Small Hospitals, conducted by the Catholic Hospital Association of the United States and Canada, in St. Louis. Sister M. Rita Rose, O.P., administrator of Rogers Memorial Hospital, Rogers, Arkansas, acted as chairman on a panel concerning *Setting the Pattern for Good Patient Care*.

The Rev. M. E. Cuddy, O.P., St. Pius Priory, Chicago, Illinois, preached the ten day retreat in preparation for the ceremonies of religious reception and profession.

Ten postulants received the holy habit on January 3. On January 4, ten novices pronounced their first vows, and thirteen sisters pronounced their perpetual vows. His Excellency, the Most Reverend William A. O'Connor presided on both occasions. Five sisters marked the silver jubilee of their religious profession on January 2. Among those present for the ceremonies on January 3 were the Very Reverend E. L. Hughes O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province, Rev. G. T. Kinsella, O.P., Lagos, Nigeria, B. W. A., and Rev. M. E. Cuddy, O.P.

Mother M. Imelda, O.P., and Sister Mary Henry, O.P., Mistress of Novices, attended the Midwest Regional Meeting of the Sister-Formation Conference, N.C.E.A., in St. Louis, January 7 and 8.

Sister Vincent Marie, O.P., Bursar General, and Sister M. Rita Rose, O.P., Rogers, Arkansas, attended the conference for Treasurers and Accountants, sponsored by the Catholic Hospital Association, in St. Louis, January 17, 18, and 19.

Sister M. de Chantal, O.P., died suddenly at the motherhouse on December 9. R.I.P.