Father Weiland continued to be active in the Dominican community, and celebrated his golden jubilee of ordination in 1958. Although failing health forced him to give up some of his activities in the community, he was able to say Mass each day until the day before he died.


To Father Weiland’s family and to his brethren and friends, Domincana offers its sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace.

The Very Reverend Victor Francis O’Daniel, O.P.

Father Victor O’Daniel died at the age of 92 on the 12th of June. Having served almost 70 years as a priest, he was known widely as a scholar and historian of the American Church. Father O’Daniel was born February 15, 1868 in Washington County, Kentucky. He was educated at St. Rose, Springfield and St. Joseph’s, Somerset; later, after his ordination to the priesthood in 1891, he studied at the Dominican House of Studies in Louvain, Belgium.

Father O’Daniel taught at St. Rose’s and St. Joseph’s, at the same time serving as Master of Students and later as Novice Master. He was appointed professor of Philosophy and Dogmatic Theology at Benicia, Calif., where he also served as Novice Master. Father O’Daniel was awarded the degree of Master of Sacred Theology in 1909, after which he returned to his own province to teach at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C. In 1906, he was appointed archivist of the Province of St. Joseph. Co-founder (1918) of the American Catholic Historical Association with Monsignor Peter Guilday, Father O’Daniel was the author of many well documented and authoritative historical books and many articles in various periodicals.

On June 15th, a Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered by the Very Rev. C. H. McKenna, O.P., Prior of the Dominican House of Studies. Ministers of the Mass were the Very Rev. Bernard Walker, O.P. (Prov-
The Laybrothers were acolytes at the Mass. Father O’Daniel’s body was reposed in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Washington.

To the many friends and the brethren of this devoted son of Saint Dominic, Dominicana expresses its sincere condolences. May he rest in peace.

The Very Reverend
Theodore Clement Thuente, O.P.

At St. Joseph Hospital, Dubuque, Iowa, Father Thuente died after a long illness, July 6th. In the 65th year of his priesthood, Father Thuente peacefully closed a life of vigorous devotion to preaching and the spiritual formation of apostolic souls. Born at Festina, Iowa, July 12th, 1867, he received his grammar and high school education in this country. He expressed his desire to become a Dominican while at the Jesuit Seminary attached to Innsbruck University in Austria. He was affiliated to St. Joseph’s Province and was ordained a priest on December 20th, 1895. Through the years he advised and directed the foundations of two religious communities of women: the Dominican Sisters later known as the “Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer,” and the Sisters of Our Lady of Christian Doctrine. After acting as pastor and superior at St. Mary’s, New Haven, Father Thuente became Prior of St. Vincent Ferrer’s Priory in New York. He was head of the Northwestern Mission Band for over three years, receiving in 1927 the title of Preacher General. Father Thuente wrote many articles and several devotional works in pamphlet form.

On July 9th, the Very Rev. P. J. Conaty, O.P., Prior of St. Rose, Kentucky, offered a Solemn Requiem Mass in the Priory Church. Deacon for the Mass was the Very Rev. Peter O’Brien, O.P. (Province of St. Albert); Subdeacon was the Rev. James F. McManus, O.P. The Rev. C. A. Musselman, O.P. was eulogist.

To Father Thuente’s niece, Sister Mary Rose, O.P., and to all his family and his brethren, Dominicana extends sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace.

* The eulogy was given by the Very Rev. C. I. Litzinger, O.P.