

REVEREND
FRANCIS QUITMAN BECKLEY, O.P., LL.D.

On May 18, Father Francis Beckley died at Georgetown Hospital, Washington, D.C. He had been ill for several months.

Father Beckley was born in Frederick, Md., on February 5, 1891. He received his early education in the public schools of Washington, D.C., St. Patrick's Academy, Washington, D.C. and St. Charles College, Ellicott City, Md. Upon entering the Dominican Order, he studied at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, and the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. He was ordained in the chapel of the House of Studies on June 23, 1915, by Cardinal John Bonzano, then Apostolic Delegate.

Father Beckley began his priestly career as a naval chaplain in World War I. From 1919 to 1922 he taught at Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio. For the next six years Father Beckley did parish work at St. Mary's Church, Johnson City, Tenn., and St. Mary's Church New Haven, Conn. In 1928 Father began his long tenure as Catholic chaplain at Princeton University, where he was highly esteemed.

A Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. Charles H. McKenna, O.P., Prior at the House of Studies, Washington, D.C. The Rev. William A. Hinnebusch, O.P., was the deacon and the Rev. Maurice B. Schepers, O.P., was subdeacon. The Rev. James H. Loughery, O.P., preached the eulogy. In attendance at the Mass was the Very Rev. William D. Marrin, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province.

Burial took place at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

Dominicana expresses its deep sympathy to Father Beckley's sister, Mrs. George E. Herring.