

# Abbess-Elect Envisions Great U. S. Benedictine Convent

## Mother Augustina Returns to Germany Next Month But Her Heart Will Remain in Colorado



A gigantic Benedictine convent, a St. Walburga's of the West, is the major hope envisioned by Mother M. Augustina Weiermueller, superior of St. Walburga's convent in South Boulder, as she prepares to return to Germany to assume her position as Lady Abbess at the mother-house of her community in Eichstaett, Bavaria.

In 1949 when Mother Augustina visited the German mother-house and conferred with the late Lady Abbess Benedicta, whom she has succeeded, among the subjects considered was the possibility of transferring the heart of the order to America if Russia should overrun Europe!

as Abbess will be as custodian and distributor of the famed St. Walburga oil. This oil exudes from the bones of the saint, who founded the Benedictine community and lived 710-780. Many remarkable cures have been attributed to its use while seeking the intercession of St. Walburga.

Those who have heard Mother Augustina in one of her frequent talks on Theresa Neumann, the stigmatic of Konnersreuth, know that she will readily respond to an invitation she received recently from Theresa to visit her before she assumes her duties as Abbess. The two have known each other for a long time and it was Theresa who predicted a year before it came to pass that Mother Augustina would become the new Abbess. Konnersreuth is about 150 miles from Eichstaett.

# Mullen High to Take Day Pupils

## Completion of New Classroom Buildings Permits Entry of 50 Off-Campus Youths

A limit of 50 day scholars will be admitted to the high school of the J. K. Mullen Home for Boys, Fort Logan, beginning with the next scholastic session, which opens in September. Until the present, only boarders were taken in as students at the home that was established in 1931 through the benefaction of the Mullen foundation, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John K. Mullen, pioneer Denver Catholic philanthropists.

The registration of new students may be made any day except Sunday from Monday, July 17, to Tuesday, Aug. 1, with Brother Paul, F.S.C., principal, who will supply information concerning tuition and other fees. His phone number is SU. 1-6909.

Two classroom buildings at the school were completed in the early part of the spring so as to provide sufficient room to bring the number in the student body to 100. The expansion program was designed to provide easily accessible high school facilities for Catholic boys at Ft. Logan, Englewood, and Littleton.

Because of the new buildings and facilities, the school is now enabled to provide manual training courses in machine shop and woodwork. Formerly the only trade experience available to the students has been in the large dairy and farm, on which they do all the work. The home has approximately 180 acres of land.

The six Christian Brothers who staffed the institution last year included Brother Paul, principal; Brother Charles, in charge of the dairy and teacher of bookkeeping and mechanical drawing; Brother Edwin, junior and senior teacher; Brother Felix, sophomore teacher; Brother Gordian, freshman sponsor; and Brother Michael, prefect in charge of the boys' activities outside of classes.

## Archbishop-Elect Alter To Be Installed Sept. 26

Cincinnati.—The Most Rev. Karl Joseph Alter of Toledo will be installed as Archbishop of the Metropolitan See of Cincinnati Tuesday, Sept. 26, in St. Monica's Cathedral. Cardinal Samuel Stritch, predecessor of the Archbishop-elect as Bishop of Toledo, O., will officiate at the ceremony.

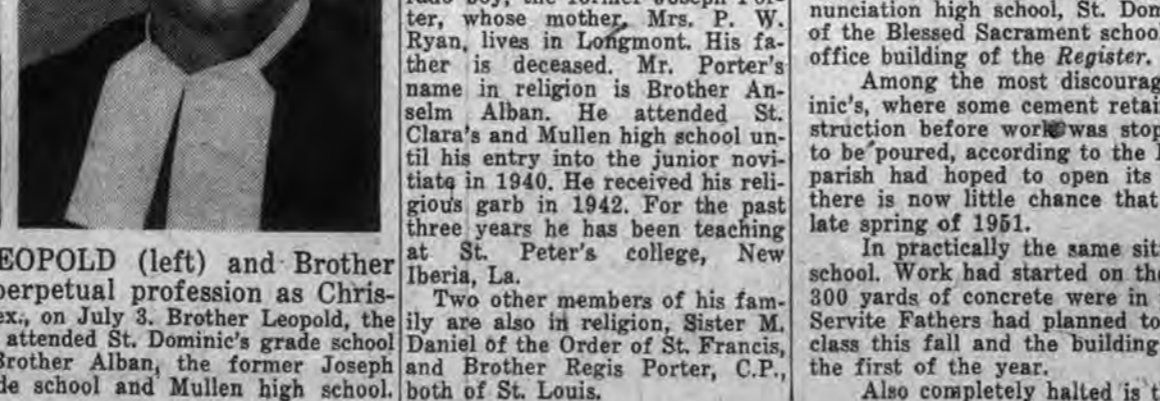
## One-Half of Family of Ten Has Entered Religious Life

By ELIZABETH MCSHERRY  
A family of 10 children, five of whom are in religion, is the enviable record of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Simms, 3729 W. 32nd avenue, Denver.

The newest professed religious of the family, Brother Amedy Leopold, made his perpetual vows as a Christian Brother July 3 in the chapel of St. Michael's college, Santa Fe, N. Mex. His parents were there for the ceremony.

## St. Therese Burse Notes Slim Returns

Slim returns on the Little Flower burse being raised for the education of seminarians for the Archdiocese of Denver indicate this week that business is not the only thing affected by the summer slump. In the past month only a little more than \$300 has been received for the project planned in honor of the silver jubilee of the canonization of St. Therese of Lisieux.



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## Outdoor Site of Carmelite Tridium Workshop Slated At Heights for August 17 to 27



THE BEAUTIFUL outdoor setting for the annual tridium in honor of Our Lady of Mr. Carmel, to be held at the Carmel of the Carmelite Nuns in Littleton July 14-16 is shown above. The Carmel is on Gallup avenue. The services will be held every evening at the outdoor altar beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Priests who will deliver sermons at the services are the Very Rev. Monsignors David Maloney, John B. Gavanagh, and Walter J. Canavan. On the last evening, Sunday, Archbishop Urban J. Vehr will officiate at Benediction.

## Answer in Fleming School Suit Based On Constitutional Rights of Teachers

School Directors Hoefler, Lock, and Bernhoff, of School District 43 in St. Peter's, Fleming, involved as defendants in the suit brought by W. E. Outcalt, with former Governor Ralph L. Carr acting as his attorney, have now answered the plaintiff's complaint.

The answer leaves no doubt as to the differences in the charges made by Outcalt, for the directors have taken the firm stand that the school in which two Catholic teachers conduct classes as accredited state employees is in fact a public school, free of any religious teaching, using the public school curricula and regular books and in all manner of law being conducted as any other institution, under the supervision of the county superintendent and the state superintendent of public instruction.

## Work Halted on Ten Projects

EXPANSION AND CONSTRUCTION projects of Catholic institutions have stood idle since the beginning of the two-month construction strike in Denver and erection of two churches and a rectory was not even started, according to a survey of the situation as it affects church construction.

Because contractors are unwilling to commit themselves until the situation clears, two pastors, Monsignor Charles H. Hagus and the Rev. Louis Mertz, have not been able to put out for bids the plans for new churches in Swansea and Aurora. The proposed Our Lady of Grace church in Swansea, cared for by the priests of the Annunciation parish, would have been well on the way if building could have started before the strike was called, according to Monsignor Hagus. Ground was broken, but the work stoppage came before foundations could be excavated.

PROJECTS ON WHICH CONSTRUCTION had started included a new wing at the Cathedral high school, the new St. Peter and Paul's church in Wheatridge, Mt. Carmel high school, the new St. Mary Magdalene's school in Edgewater, the new Annunciation high school, St. Dominic's new grade school, expansion of the Blessed Sacrament school, and the warehouse and expanded office building of the Register.

Among the most discouraging reports is that from St. Dominic's, where some cement retaining walls were the extent of construction before work was stopped. Even the foundations remain to be poured, according to the Dominican Fathers. The North Side parish had hoped to open its new school by Thanksgiving, but there is now little chance that the building will be ready before late spring of 1951.

In practically the same situation is the new Mt. Carmel high school. Work had started on the footings and 26 tons of steel and 300 yards of concrete were in place when work was stopped. The Service Fathers had planned to open the school for the freshman class this fall and the building was supposed to be completed by the first of the year.

Also completely halted is the expansion of Blessed Sacrament school. Foundations and cement forms for the second floor of the new building were completed, according to Monsignor Harold V. Campbell, but steel and brick work cannot progress until carpenters are available. The \$275,000 project was started in November and was to be finished by September.

PLASTER WORK is being finished at the new St. Mary Magdalene school, said Monsignor James Flanagan, and there is still hope that the school will greet its first pupils in September. Only about a month's work remains to be completed when all trades are able to work on the building.

June 29, the patronal feast of the new Parish of Sts. Peter and Paul in Wheatridge, was planned as the dedication day for the church by the Rev. Robert McMahon, pastor, but the strike prevented it. The basement church is actually quite near completion. Its cement walls have been poured and some brick work is progressing. The roofing of the structure and the necessary carpentry can be finished quickly. A rectory is also included in the project at Wheatridge.

Plumbers, tile setters, and some other workmen have been at work for the past three weeks at the new Annunciation high school building, where the brick work is done. The building is now ready for roofing, according to Monsignor Hagus, but there is little chance that it will be ready for the fall enrollment.

WALLS OF THE NEW WING at the Cathedral high school are up and the plumbing is completed as far as it can be, but further progress waits the return of the carpenters. Monsignor Canavan is pessimistic over the possibility of opening the addition in September.

The new parish hall at St. Mary's in Littleton had been completed sufficiently for use at the parish bazaar in May. Only some stone work on the exterior and a few odds and ends of the interior remained. The Rev. Frederick McCallin said that all trades returned to work on the building last week, his contractor having made satisfactory arrangements with the unions, and that the building will be entirely finished in about a month.

## Clergy Retreat on July 17-21

The Rev. Thomas J. Motherway, S.J., of St. Mary of the Lake seminary, Mundelein, Ill., will be the retreat master for the annual retreat of the clergy of the Archdiocese of Denver. The exercises will be held in St. Thomas' seminary, Denver, from Monday evening, July 17, to Friday morning, July 21.

## Well-Known Jesuit Retreat Master

Father Motherway has taught theology for many years as a member of the faculty of St. Louis university and of St. Mary of the Lake seminary. He is well known throughout the Midwest for his work in giving retreats in the summer to priests, religious, and the laity.

Some 130 priests of the archdiocese are expected to attend the retreat this year, taxing the facilities of the seminary.

## Campaign Opens July 17 Drive at St. Philomena's To Clear \$93,000 Debt

A drive to pay at the earliest reasonable date the \$93,000 debt contracted in the completion of St. Philomena's school, Denver, will begin Monday, July 17. One hundred twenty-five men and 25 teams of women will make some 800 calls on parishioners in the following week and expect to complete their canvass by June 24.

The campaign has resulted from what Monsignor William M. Higgins, pastor, refers to as "the unique experience of my pastoral career." It originated entirely from the lay members of the parish, the suggestion for it being presented without any inspiration from Monsignor Higgins.

Six weeks ago a lay committee called upon him to extend congratulations on the completion of

## Seven of Clergy in Santa Fe Are Named Prelates

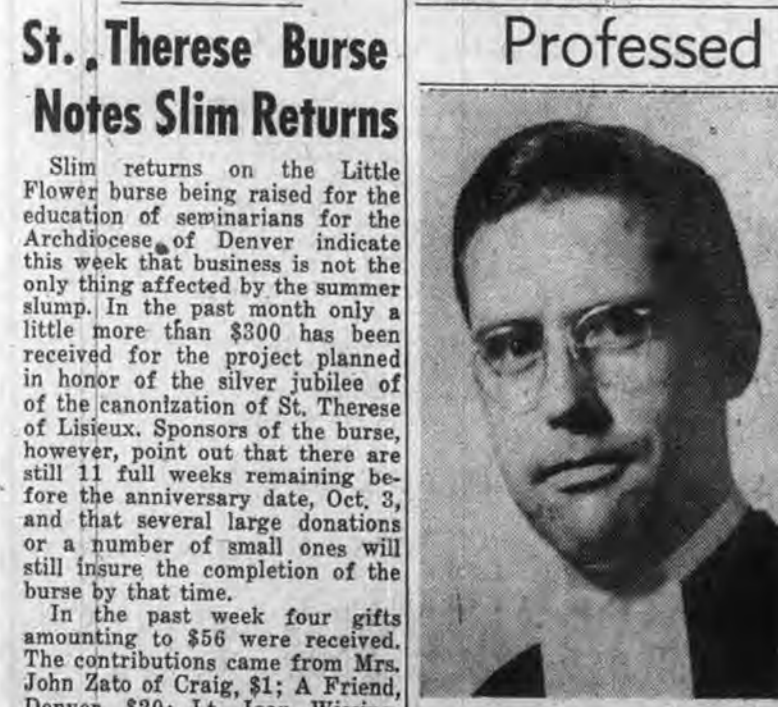
Three alumni of St. Thomas' seminary, Denver, are among the seven priests of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe upon whom Pius XII has conferred the rank of Domestic Prelate with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor. They are the Rt. Rev. Philip J. Cassidy, pastor of St. Rose of Lima's parish, Santa Rosa, ordained from the seminary in 1931; the Rt. Rev. Carlos S. Blanchard, Chancellor, a member of the seminary class of 1939; and the Rt. Rev. Sigmund Charewicz, secretary to Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne and chaplain of St. Catherine's Indian school, a member of the seminary class of December, 1943.

Other priests whose honors were announced by the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Amleto G. Ciognani, through Archbishop Byrne, are the Rt. Rev. George V. Rieffer, rector of the Immaculate heart of Mary seminary; the Rt. Rev. William T. Bradley, superintendent of Catholic schools, hospitals, and archdiocesan charities; the Rt. Rev. Joseph Maguire, pastor of St. Patrick's parish, Raton; and the Rt. Rev. Joseph Pajot, chaplain of St. Anthony's hospital, Las Vegas.

Seven laymen also were named Knights of St. Gregory and three women received the Papal medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice. (Pictures and biographical details on Page 5)

## Professed as Brothers

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