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Rev. O'Connor Ordained To Priesthood

Rev. Richard J. O'Connor, son of Mrs. None Conlin O'Connor and the late Daniel J. O'Connor of Mattoon, was ordained into the priesthood Saturday at St. Paul's Cathedral, Yakima, Wash., by the Most Rev Joseph P. Dougherty, bishop of Yakima.

Rev. O'Connor will offer his first solemn mass at Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church here Sunday at 11:30 a.m.



Rev. Richard J. O'Connor

Assisting in the mass will be Rt.

Rev. Msgr. Daniel Daly, Rev. C.

Valerian Lucier and Rev. Vincent
Worland. Very Rev. Timothy M.

Sparks will preach and Rev. John

O'Connell will be master of ceremonies.

A reception for Rev. O'Connor will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Sunday in the auditorium of St. Mary School.

A graduate of St. Joseph Parochial School here and Marmion Military Academy at Aurora, Rev O'Connor received a bachelor's degree from the College of Commerce at the University of Notre Dame and a bachelor of law degree from the University of Mismi at Coral Gables, Fla.

He is also a graduate of St. Philip Neri School for Delayed Vocations, Boston, Mass., and attended Seattle University, Seattle, Wash. He completed his philosophy and theology studies at St. Thomas Seminary, Kenmore, Wash.

Rev. O'Connor was formerly associated with O'Connor-Bills, Inc., of Mattoon; Ruddy and Brown, Aurora attorneys, and the Craig and Craig law firm at Mount Vernon.

Rev. O'Connor served with the 338th Infantry in Italy during World War II. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Illinois State Bar Association and Phi Alph Delta, legal fraternity.