

Famed Musician-Priest Succumbs After Stroke

Denver.—The Rt. Rev. Joseph J. Bosetti, 68, V.G., perhaps the leading priest-musician in the U.S., died Jan. 22 as the result of strokes.

He was famous for his Cathedral male choir as well as his work with grand opera.



Msgr. Bosetti

He staged many marvelous grand operas in Denver that featured stars of the Metropolitan and the Chicago Grand Opera and he also introduced singers who gained fame in

the operatic world.

A native of Milan, Italy, he was ordained in Chur, Switzerland in 1908 and came to Denver in 1911. He was appointed Chancellor in 1917 and Vicar General in 1933, posts he held at the time of his death. He was made a Domestic Prelate in 1926.

Conqueror of the Matterhorn and other European peaks, he kept his interest in mountain climbing alive by scaling Colorado peaks and said his silver jubilee Mass atop the lofty Mount of the Holy Cross, one of America's most difficult climbs. He inspired many priestly vocations at his famous Camp St. Malo for boys.