

Rev. David Cote Named Resettlement Director

PORTLAND — The Rev. David P. Cote has been appointed Diocesan Resettlement Director by Bishop Edward C. O'Leary, background of refugees from Southeast Asia."

Father Cote succeeds Bishop O'Leary who was appointed to the post in 1947 by the late Bishop Daniel J. Feeney when there were large numbers of refugees coming to the U. S.

Following the Communist takeover of Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.

McCarthy said however "the fact remains that some very desperate human beings will be arriving in our country, they will as were our forefathers, be in the need of kindness and humanitarian concern that is the tradition of the American people."

ACCORDING TO Bishop O'Leary, additional resettlement efforts were made for refugees from Hungary, Czechoslovakia in 1955 and again during the Castro takeover of Cuba.

Archbishop Joseph L. Bernardin, Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the United States Catholic Conference wrote to Bishop O'Leary this week calling for assistance in finding homes and jobs for persons coming to the United States from Southeast Asia.

The Archbishop said "The primary responsibility for any refugee movement to this country rests with the U. S. government, however, the Church has always responded to the need of people in time of crisis."

FATHER COTE will be working closely with the National Office of Migration and Refugee Services, U.S.C.C.

The Director of the National Office, John E. McCarthy views the resettlement program "as difficult in view of our present