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ST. MICHAEL CONVENT  
HYDE PARK  
READING, PA. 19605  
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"Be ready, for you know not the day nor the hour when the Lord will come".

Dear Sisters,

Our dear Sister M. Alderica was ready when last night, shortly after retiring, the Heavenly Bridegroom came to take her home into His eternal dwellings.

Sister M. Alderica - Anna Frense  
Born March 3, 1898 at Hoetmar/Westfalia  
Entered our Congregation August 22, 1922  
Made Final Profession May 6, 1929  
Died May 28, 1970 in Reading. *Wellsburg, W. Va.*

When in April Sister M. Alderica made her annual retreat in St. Michael's, she was not feeling well. Her complaints were a sore throat and a persistent cough. Sister consulted a doctor in Sacred Heart Hospital, Norristown. She returned after some days, feeling that she had been helped and was grateful for the attention and care she had received. For a few more days she stayed at St. Michael's and then returned to Wellsburg to take up her duties there with the aged, hoping that soon her throat ailment would clear up entirely. On the day of her death our Sister was on duty the entire day and spent, as usual, the evening recreation with the community, not being aware that the morning's Holy Communion had been her Viaticum and that at the close of day, soon after retiring, she would be with God. It must have been a heart attack which suddenly cut off the thread of life, for Sister M. Febronia, her superior, found her sitting on a chair, leaning toward her bed. God, in His merciful kindness, relieved her painlessly, for during the last few years Sister was suffering much from ailments due to old age.

Sister M. Alderica was a prayerful, humble soul. Hard-working and unassuming she went about her work wherever obedience placed her, especially in the various domestic departments of the Congregation. Her last assignment was the Knights of St. George Home in Wellsburg, W. Va. She loved the old folks in the Home, was ever kind and helpful to them and found joy in serving them.

The Requiem Mass for our dear departed Sister will be offered on Saturday, May 30, at 4:00 P.M. and thereafter will be the funeral in our Convent cemetery.

Cordially yours in the Sacred Heart,

Mother M. Bridget, M.S.C.