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The Reverend West is archdeacon of the smallest church in the world - at Hildon, Massachusetts. It hardly needs a bell-ringer, it's so tiny - but for all that it's a real church, and as long as you're not taller than five foot eleven, you can really get married in it.

Of course, there's no room for anyone but the principals inside, but many a large congregation has gathered at the door, and Archdeacon West can claim that whenever he holds a service, his church is always filled to overflowing.

An almost legendary figure comes to India - the Dalai Lama, god-king of the Tibetan people, revered throughout the Buddhist world. Rarely seen outside his mountain homeland, his visit to a great spiritual event to millions who believe he is the one who has earned the right to the eternal peace of Nirvana, but has consented to rebirth for the sake of his fellow-men. The Chinese conquest interrupted Tibet's traditional friendship with India - so the Dalai Lama's reception by Premier Nehru makes history in more senses than one.

At the funeral of Tommy Dorsey, one of America's most popular dance band leaders, Martha Raye is among the entertainment world celebrities who attend the service. So is Guy Lombardo, a lifelong friend.

Mrs. Dorsey, widow of the "Sentimental Gentleman of Swing" arrives with her mother - and Jimmy, his equally famous brother, followed by veteran Paul Whiteman.

Singer Dick Haymes was once featured with the Dorsey band.

As the New York crowds look on, the cortage makes its way to the last resting-place of a man whose music has been loved throughout the world for a quarter of a century.