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Canada Will Hold Rosary Crusade

Fairbanks, Alaska (NC) — Details of a "Family Rosary Crusade of Western Canada and Alaska" to be held in October were announced here by the Rev. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., founder of the Family Rosary Crusade.



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Quintuplets Meet Sister's Fiance



The Dionne quintuplets, now 15 years old, are shown here with their sister, Rose Marie, and her bridegroom-to-be, Maurice Girouard. The young couple will be married in Sacred Heart Church, Corbett, on September 5.

Lonely Hearts Clubs Urged By Fr. Dowling

Washington (RNS) — Reputably sponsored introduction bureaus through which single and widowed men and women could meet were suggested here by a Catholic priest noted as an advisor on marriage.

Large numbers of commercial lonely hearts clubs, the Rev. Edward Dowling of St. Louis said, are an indication of the need for such bureaus.

Father Dowling, a leader of Cane Conferences for married and engaged couples, is an instructor at the Summer School of Catholic Action at Georgetown University.

DURING THE war Father Dowling said, a nonprofit introduction agency existed in Newark, N. J., under the sponsorship of community leaders.

Through it he said, a registered young man could meet a girl with similar education, interests, and general background.

Two of the major needs of such a bureau would be dignity and integrity, Father Dowling said. Dignity would come from its sponsorship by socially-acceptable people, integrity from backing by church groups.

In Newark it was found that the first qualification of over 90 per cent of the applicants was common religious background.

Thus, Father Dowling said, religious groups might easily sponsor the introduction bureaus.

The idea has a "black eye," he said, because of the shoddy commercial agencies which now exist. But such a plan, he feels, will ultimately have to be worked out.

Woman Cycles to Lourdes, 1,000 Miles Paris (NC) — Carrying out a vow, 55-year-old Mme. Le Goff bicycled 780 kilometers (about 480 miles) from her home town in Brittany, northeastern France, to Lourdes near the Spanish-French border.

The trip took 15 days. After having spent several days in Lourdes, she cycled back home over the same route, covering altogether almost 1,000 miles.

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French Convert Honored for War Services

Paris (RNS) — The convent of the Augustines of Malestroit near Vannes in Brittany has received the French Croix de Guerre, the British Military Medal, and the American Liberty Medal for services rendered to wounded Allied paratroopers, airmen and French underground fighters during the war.

A ceremony bestowing the awards took place in the convent after the celebration of Mass. They were presided by the regional military commander and the British consul in Vannes.

General Charles de Gaulle has already conferred on the Mother Superior General of the order the Legion of Honor and the Croix de Guerre for her personal role in saving Allied personnel. The convent served for over four years as a clandestine hospital where a local doctor operated on the most serious cases.

The Germans were at times highly suspicious of the convent and searched it thoroughly on several occasions, but without result. The resourcefulness of the Mother Superior saved the nuns from deportation and possible execution when she disguised as a nun two men who had been operated upon and left them to pray in the chapel while the Germans ransacked the buildings.

Nun Gets Doctorate As Conservationist

Denver, Col. (NC) — A relatively new field of teaching, that of conservation, and heretofore predominantly male, will be invaded this fall by a Franciscan nun who received a doctor's degree from the University of Denver.

She is Sister Mary Lauriana Saam, now with St. Anthony's Hospital here, who will become head of the science department at Catholic Teachers college in Albuquerque, N. M., this fall.



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At Our House Markie Has Methods

Pat, at 21, has been baby sitting for years now and probably has "sat" with hundreds of children, but she had never had clients like the Baxters.

"I understand you had nurse-aid training during the war?" asked Mrs. Baxter. "And a short course in child care?"

Pat verified the facts. "And you've had your Red Cross life-saving certificate?"

"Yes, I have," Pat said, surprised. "Are the children going swimming?"

"No," Mrs. Baxter smiled nervously, "but they'll be taking their baths while you're here — and one hears of all sorts of things happening."

Pat began to feel nervous herself. "What next?"

"Betty and Barbara are being very carefully reared," Mrs. Baxter went on. "No undue excitement, no emotional strain, but you seem to be a resourceful young lady with a mature approach."

Pat "sat" regularly with the Baxter children and found them just normal little girls, more quiet and subdued than most of her charges and rather too pathetically grown-up.

"What did the Baxter babes do last night?" was a favorite question shot at Pat by the small fry at our house after Pat spent an evening at the Baxters.

"We listened to symphonies," Pat would say; or, "We read some of the extra-curricular books suggested by their teacher."

The small fry at our house were unimpressed. "Don't they ever have any fun?" Mary asked.

"The doves don't know how to," Markie said disgustedly.

ONE AFTERNOON this summer while Pat was taking care of the Baxters, Markie sauntered in and she and the twins struck up an immediate friendship.

A few days later Mrs. Baxter called with a surprising invitation. "I wonder," she asked, "if Markie could come around and amuse the children for an hour or so while my husband and I go to a lecture? They like her so much and they've seemed so much more — well, childlike, since she was here."

Markie...? Markie chosen as baby sitter ahead of Pat with her nurses' aid certificate and

Cartoons for Blind Feature of 'Listen'

Boston (NC) — Cartoons are the latest feature to be added to Listen, a newspaper published by the Catholic Guild for the Blind for the more than 7,000 blind persons of all religious groups in the state.

The editor, Rev. Thomas J. Carroll, Director of the Guild, explains that this is an attempt to overcome one of the minor frustrations of blindness, because the average reader is poor at reading cartoons to the blind and frequently gets lost in details omitting the important point, or feels it necessary to diagram the joke.

Of course Markie was delighted to make more in an hour than she gets for a week's allowance; so she went. When she came home we decided to satisfy our curiosity; we asked her what she and Barbara and Betty had talked about.

"Nothing," she said. "You don't talk while you're reading."

"An you were reading the extra-curricular books too?" we asked in surprise.

"Heck, no!" Markie laughed. "We were readin' comics. The poor kids never saw any before — so I just bring a stack of 'em along every time I go there and we read 'em together. Makes easy sitting!"

Woman's Interests Editor, Retires

Huntington, Ind. (NC) — Miss Mary McGill, who has been Woman's Interests editor and Literary editor of Our Sunday Visitor, has retired after 17 years of service with that national Catholic Action weekly publication.

Miss McGill is being retained at full salary by the publication, however, and will devote her time to writing books.

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