

Rochester Dentist Aids Mission Nuns In Africa



Dr. Paul Lalonde, Rochester dentist at 277 Lakeview Park, spent January to June of this year with Medical Missionaries of Mary in Tanganyika, east African nation. Here he instructs Sister Kevin to be dental hygienist at mission clinic.

These pictures tell the dramatic story of a Rochester dentist and Irish nuns who have teamed up to bring health and grace to the natives of Tanganyika.

Dr. Paul S. Lalonde has just returned home from his third six-month stint in Africa as a lay missionary. He plans to return in January.

The nuns are members of one of the Church's newest religious orders, the Medical Missionaries of Mary. The group was organized in 1937 by Mother Mary Martin, a Dublin nurse who served in World War I. She will be in Rochester later this month.



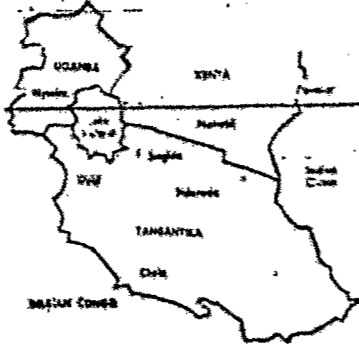
Sister Dr. Pauline extracts tooth. She was trained in technique by Rochester dentist Dr. Paul Lalonde.



Sister Dr. Pauline of the Medical Missionary Nuns stands with two native sisters trained as nurses and three patients of the mission hospital at Ndareda in north-central Tanganyika.



Native registered nurses outfitted with uniforms and shoes sent from Dr. Lalonde's Rochester friends are shown with medical missionary nun Sister Dr. Scholastica.



Map shows east Africa area where Dr. Lalonde has spent three six-months tours to give dental care to mission nuns and natives in Tanganyika.

Latin America Bishops Plan Rome Meeting

Bogota, Columbia — (NC) — At the invitation of the Holy See the Latin American Bishops' Council will hold its third annual meeting in Rome in November, it was announced here.

More than 60 prelates from that continent, the largest number seen at one time in the Eternal City since the Latin American Council of 1893, are expected to attend the congress.

The meeting will be a highlight of ceremonies marking the 100th anniversary of the foundation of the Pontifical Latin American College in Rome. It will follow by a few weeks a congress of rectors of all major seminaries in Latin America, also scheduled to take place in Rome on the same occasion.

Topics to be discussed at the bishops' meeting include the question of insuring better cooperation between diocesan activities of the apostolate and religious congregations in Latin America, as well as problems of the Catholic press in that continent and of the apostolate among university students.



Nun surgeons (Sister Miriam, anesthetist, Sister Annunciate, left, and Sister Dr. Scholastica) perform abdominal operation aided by three native nurses.



Sister Evangelist holds homely but harmless lizard. Native superstition says lizards bear curse of Mohammed.

Old Sod, New Target For Red Infiltration

London — (NC) — The London headquarters of the Communist party is preparing agents for infiltration of Ireland, it was reported here. The existence of a special "Irish bureau" at party headquarters was alleged in an article in the Catholic Herald, weekly newspaper published here, by Douglas Hyde, a former editor of the London Daily Worker who is now a leading Catholic journalist.

"Irish members of the party," he wrote "have been undergoing special preparation for the day when an economic crisis hits Britain. This, the Communist leaders calculate, will bring with it mass unemployment. Tens of thousands of Irish people will return to Ireland which, in the circumstances, will itself be in the throes of an even more severe depression.

"If and when this happens, the communists' intention is that some thousands of card-holding Irish Communist party members will be among them.

"Overnight the party will be established in every part of the country and communism will be taken by Ireland's own sons and daughters to practically every town and village. Those who thus return will have gone through the special training which is now being organized for them."

Pilot schemes, Mr. Hyde added, are already being tried to find the most effective ways of reaching the Irish. They have aimed at intellectuals as well as manual workers and at the Irish Republican Army. Every avenue is being probed as a possible "transmission belt for Communism," he said.

Newman Clubs Plan Ohio Meet

Columbus — (NC) — The Newman Club of Ohio State University will be host to the National Newman Club Federation convention from September 1 to 6, it was announced here.

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Four Cylinders From Eternity

Kyoto, Japan — "Someone once said that God writes straight with crooked lines," reports Father Vincent Reilly, M.M., of Bronx, N.Y., "but last week I saw it happen with motorcycles."

While cycling to Nara one evening, the Maryknoll Missioner met Michael Nakajima — a college student who had given up his religion two years previous.

"We talked about the weather, sports, motorcycles and philosophy. Just before leaving, I asked him to return to the faith," said Father Reilly. "and the following Sunday he came to Mass and received the sacraments."

Two days later a phone call from a police sergeant in Nara: Nakajima, on his motorcycle, had just collided with a truck. He was killed instantly.



DOINGS AT THE DALY'S

By Mary Tinley Daly

We'd like to paraphrase the oldie and make it, "People are better than anybody."

Honestly, all at our house are so touched and so deeply grateful to the readers of this little column who have offered prayers for our Mary. A mere "Thank you" is inadequate, but it's all that we can say.



Mary Daly

Some of your letters were signed, so we shall be able to thank you personally. Others were unsigned — such as "An Ursuline Friend" in Canada, "Another Mary" from New York State, and several "Readers."

Signed or unsigned, all promised prayers. And, as Mrs. H. of Chicago wrote, "Mary who reads your column will offer a prayer for your daughter, but you will never hear from them. They are not the writing type of readers."

To them, also, we are humbly grateful.

MRS. H. SAID, further, in her letter "Do you honestly think that readers do not want to hear about your problems? Believe me, you are very, very wrong."

"This time, we were mighty glad to see you."

she "Thanks God at least once every day for both happy occasions."

As to Mary . . . She came through the operation nicely and is doing well. Now home from the hospital, she is encased in a heavy plaster cast that keeps her immobile — her "summer sack" she calls it — not too comfortable, but her spirits are high.

Nursing service may not be as efficient as it was in the hospital — but it's steady and loving, and somehow just being in the midst of the family as family life flows about her keeps Mary interested.

Well over half of the mail that comes to the house is for Mary, for relatives and vacationing friends are rightly thoughtful. "The gang" is faithful itself, dropping in any time of the morning, afternoon or evening. And Father Lyon, bless him, comes to bring her Holy Communion whenever he can.

"Life in 'the sack' isn't half bad," Mary comments, "especially when it's dish-washing time!"

The small nieces and nephews are always welcome, of course, and are good for a laugh every time they come. Yesterday, we had rolled Mary over on her side to give her a little relief, and Delaine shouted from her two-foot high position on the floor, "Say, Grandpa, they're rolling Mary out of the window!"

SEAN'S PET trick is "knocking on Mary's door." "And the door is Mary!" he laughs every time he knocks on Mary's cast.

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