

Looking Back

Camp Stella Maris  
Origin Recalled

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The smiling faces in the photograph elsewhere in this issue of Father Eugene McFarland and his counselors for this year at Camp Stella Maris nudged the memory process of the conductor of this column. The camp for boys and also now for girls is situated on the east shore of Conesus Lake.

These places on other days around the diocese can hardly be labeled historical as the writer's memory is not all-new and then instances are a previous article omitted Basil G. Vallancourt's name among masters of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus. Another "should've" cited Edward Bess and Barry Wilson, former newswriters of the Courier-Journal.

However, we are going to try to recall how the need for a youth camp was filled back in 1928 when Monsignor Gerald C. Lambert, pastor of St. Monica's, then a student at St. Bernard's Seminary, the late Rev. Eugene Hudson, also a seminarian, and their friend the late Max Russor, prominent layman and meat market proprietor, joined forces to found the camp now successfully operating.

Details of the organization escape us but we can remember the day, the former Woodworth estate purchased by Mr. Russor, was formally opened.

The late Bishop John Francis O'Hern together with Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G., and others arrived at the camp early. We remember the luncheon given at the Russor cottage adjoining the camp grounds.

Mr. Russor at the time was prominent in K. of C. and Alhambra circles and many of the members including his close friend, Herman G. Hetzler, Daniel P. Fitzgerald and the late John A. Doyle, and Clarence Elshner were on hand.

Later the fraternal members gathered at Herman's San Soud farm where a speech by Harry B. Crowley Sr., was featured.

THE SUCCESS OF THE CAMP is known to most everyone. Many old timers recall the money-raising dinners which attracted crowds to the camp. Festival activities on the camp grounds later drew cottagers and friends of the camp to lend assistance.

A log cabin chapel was added to the camp grounds and if memory serves right, the first solemn Mass of the Rev. John M. Merklinger, now pastor of St. Mary's and St. Patrick's churches, Dansville, was celebrated in it in 1937.

The camp's 25th anniversary was marked on July 4, 1951 at which time Bishop Kearney celebrated Mass at an outdoor altar and blessed a new cabin in honor of Monsignor Lambert, co-founder of the camp.

Down through the years a parade of counselors has taken place with young men destined to become priests of the diocese helping boys in their formative years. The camp's alumni include many outstanding laymen of the diocese.

At the 25th anniversary Monsignor Lambert stressed the cooperation he had had from the three Vogt brothers, as co-counselors, new all priests, Monsignor Joseph E. and Father George J. and Father Vincent Schumann was in the "counselors' parade" from the earliest days.

The camp is a memorial to "a great guy" Max Russor who with a large family had time to think of the help he could give other families. His sons, Max Jr. and the late John Jr. followed in his footsteps in aiding youth in sports and proper recreation.

Mrs. Eleanor Russor has been consistent in camp cooperation and can still keep an eye on it from the family summer cottage next door.

Youth Club Elects, Plans Picnic At Hamlin Beach

Youth Club of St. Salome Church elected a new board of directors at the last meeting. The club is planning its annual picnic, Sunday, July 12 at Hamlin Beach Park with Mary Bond, chairman.

The board comprises a representative from each high school who is a club member.

Charles Fritz, McQuaid Jesuit High School, was elected chairman; Ned Fryer, Eastside High, treasurer and Nancy McCollum, St. Agnes High, secretary.

Other board members are Miss Eileen O'Leary of Holy Family; Tom DeMarzo, Benjamin Franklin High and Cynthia Hurman, Nazareth Academy. The picnic will be held at Hamlin Beach on August 23.

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CYO Champions

CHAMPIONS in the grammar school CYO softball league received trophies at the conclusion of the season from Fred Buttaccio, director of the league. Photo shows Buttaccio, left, presenting a trophy to Richard Markel, captain of Blessed Sacrament Parish team, as the Rev. Conrad Sundholm, director of athletics, looks on.

Cathedral Rites Held

For Prominent Laymen

Auxiliary Bishop Casey imparted Absolution at funeral services for two widely-known laymen in Sacred Heart Cathedral on two different days.

The laymen were John J. McMahon, a member of the board of directors of Catholic Family Center and Nell J. Hickey, a faithful worker of the Cathedral for several years.

REQUIEM MASS for Mr. Hickey, 47, who died June 29, 1959 of a heart attack at his home—897 Stone Rd.—was offered by Rev. Michael Hogan on Thursday, July 2.

A World War II veteran and a past commander of Streb-Lappan-Klein Post American Legion, Mr. Hickey had been a case supervisor in the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the New York State Education Department in Rochester since 1949.

He attended Sacred Heart School and Aquinas Institute and was graduated from the University of Rochester in 1935. He worked five years in Catholic Settlement. He was here before entering the army.

HE SERVED five years as personnel officer with a Military Police Battalion of the 1st Army, two of them in the European theater and held the rank of warrant officer, junior grade.

Besides being a Cathedral usher he belonged to the Men's Club of Sacred Heart Cathedral and the Daily Mass League.

Mr. Hickey is survived by his wife, Mrs. Helen Hickey; his sister, Mrs. Helen Hickey; a brother, John E. Hickey, three nieces and a nephew.

MR. McMAHON'S Requiem Mass was offered on July 2 by Rev. James Marvin. Mr. McMahon, 61, business agent and field organizer for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America (A.C.W.U.) died July 5, 1959.

A veteran CIO official, Mr. McMahon claimed 21 years of labor organizing in January 1932 when he received an interim appointment to the State Workmen's Compensation Board and served a year.

Resider in membership on the Catholic Family Center board, he was a member of the Men's Club of Sacred Heart

Services Held For Franciscan

Funeral services for both laymen with arrangements by Farrell Brothers Funeral Home.



REV. ADRIAN LISS

Funeral services were held last Monday in Pulaski, Wisconsin for the Rev. Adrian Liss, O.F.M., who died last week in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Father Adrian was superior at St. Anthony's Mission five years prior to his death. He was formerly stationed in Watkins Glen at St. Anthony Minor Seminary, (Padua) where he was disciplinarian.

A NATIVE of Duncan, Nebraska, he graduated from St. Bonaventure Minor Seminary and High School at Sturtevant, Wis., St. Francis Monastery at Pulaski, Wis.

A Solemn High Mass of Requiem was offered last Saturday in Pittsburgh. Father Cornelius Liss, O.F.M., a cousin of the deceased was the celebrant. A nephew, Father Raymond Jaroski, O.F.M., assisted.

Survivors are his father, 2 brothers, five sisters and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving are Mrs. Marvin Reese and Mrs. Raymond Schultz, both of Elmira.

Mobile X-Ray Listed At Park

Visitors at Ontario Beach Park will have an opportunity to have free chest X-Rays during the week of July 21. The Mobile X-Ray Unit of Iola Sanatorium will be stationed at the park Tuesday, July 21, through Friday, July 24. The project is co-sponsored by the Health Association of Rochester and Monroe County.

Hours of operation will be as follows: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 4:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Anyone 15 years of age or older may take advantage of the free chest X-Rays simply by going to the Mobile Unit during the hours of operation. No advance appointments are necessary.

College Nuns Attend Summer Programs

Sister Christine Francis, of the biology department at Nazareth College, was among 50 participants selected for the Institute for College Teachers of Botany, being held June 22 to July 31, at Indiana University.

An outstanding group of botanists make up the faculty for the Institute, which is directed by Professor Ralph E. Cleland of Indiana University, an internationally known plant geneticist. The staff includes representatives of Indiana University and eleven other schools, among them Yale, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, and the University of Goettingen, Germany. They will lecture on new developments in 48 different aspects of botany.

THE INSTITUTE is financed by a National Science Foundation grant.

Sister Magdalena, chairman of the art department at Nazareth College, is again working in the art department of the University of Notre Dame, in the fields of sculpture and ceramics. Sister Magdalena holds a master's degree in art from Boston University.

Mentally Ill Children

Topic Of Discussion

Dr. Guy M. Walters, Supervising Psychiatrist at Rochester State Hospital, will lead the discussion at the next meeting of the Monroe County Parents' Chapter of the National Organization for Mentally Ill Children at 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 14, at the Health Association of Rochester and Monroe County, 973 East Ave.

All parents with children who have serious emotional disturbances, and other interested persons, are invited. Additional information is available at the Health Association, at Brownling 1-3540.

Hospital in Iceland Reykjavik (NO) - The hospital run by the Sisters of St. Joseph here is to be enlarged, it has been announced.

Vision, Hearing Test Set For Children Parents of pre-school children No. 17, 209 Orange St. in the Orange St. area will have Parents of three, four and an opportunity to arrange free five-year-olds should make appointments in vision and hearing for their children. Their children July 13-17. Arranging the Vision and Hearing Test for their children will be located at School Department, Hamilton 6060.

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