



Beverly Healey and Betty McWhorter pack up belongings after three year nurse training course at St. Mary's Hospital. They will be graduated Sunday in rite to be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral.



Vacation's Just About Over

"One more week and we'll be back to school," Virginia Starks tells neighbor John Dank, both soon to be second graders at St. John the Evangelist school, Rochester. Diocesan schools will open Tuesday, September 8th.

U.S. Catholic Schools Enroll Over 5 Million

Washington (NC)—More than 5,500,000 students—a record high total—are enrolled for U.S. Catholic colleges, high schools and grade schools this fall.

For the three levels, the totals predicted in a report made here are:

- Grade schools; 4,307,050, an increase of 205,007 over last year.
- High schools; 831,001, an increase of 34,260.
- Colleges and universities; 387,488, an increase of 14,903.

These figures were released here by the Department of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

At the same time, officials of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare estimated that the combined grade and high school enrollment in the U.S. public school system for the coming year will be 35,986,000.

The estimate given for the fall grade school enrollment indicates that these schools will double their 1945 enrollment, that year is unofficially recognized by numerous educators as the beginning of the current "enrollment boom" in Catholic grade and high schools.

In 1945, Catholic grade schools were reported as enrolling 2,088,795 pupils. This figure doubled in 1958, meaning that fall enrollment in grade schools may exceed a 100 per cent increase by 1962, according to the NCWC figures.

Msgr. Frederick G. Hochwalt, director of the NCWC education unit, said in commenting on the totals that probably Catholic education is the Church's mightiest enterprise in America.

Noting that the American Catholic school system is the largest Catholic system in the world, he said that the awareness of the spiritual needs of young people on the part of parents had encouraged them to cooperate with their bishops and priests in the provision of a school system which represented a tremendous contribution to the welfare of our country.

"Our expanding enrollment is certainly a tribute to the work of our teachers and school administrators who have made so many sacrifices for the pupils under their care," Msgr. Hochwalt said.

"The opening of the school year offers an excellent opportunity to tell not only our Catholic people, but the public generally what the Catholic school system is about. This tremendous contribution must be brought to the attention of the fair minded American public, who should be quick to realize the gift it receives from its Catholic neighbors."

The combined high school and college enrollment of 5,138,051 will mark the first time this combined figure has passed the five million mark.



Expelled From Haiti

New York (RNS)—Two priests expelled from Haiti, Father Etienne Grinenberger, rector of St. Martial, largest Catholic college in the country, and Father Joseph Marrec, a parish priest in the town of St. Marc, are shown on their arrival in New York. They were ordered out of the country by a decree signed by President Francois Duvalier and Interior Minister Jean A. Magloire which charged them with violating internal security. Father Grinenberger said he believes that there is a "concerted move" against the Church in Haiti. Archbishop Francois Pollet of Port-au-Prince, who protested the expulsion, was subsequently threatened with arrest by the regime of President Duvalier.

St. Boniface Cornerstone

The cornerstone for the new St. Boniface Church, Gregory St., Rochester, will be blessed and put in place this Sunday at a 4:30 p.m. ceremony. Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will preside at the rite according to Rgv. Francis J. Taylor, pastor.

Lightning Strikes Twice

Mother of Sorrows Church tower was hit by lightning twice in a week—last Friday and again on Wednesday.

Father Daniel B. O'Rourke, pastor of the Latta Road church in the town of Greece, said damage done by the bolts will cost about \$300 to repair.

St. Lawrence Lists Masses

New St. Lawrence Parish in the town of Greece will have Sunday Mass in the Town Hall, 2505 Ridge Road West, until a church is completed. Father Edward Shannon, pastor, announced this week.

Father Shannon said three Masses will be offered each Sunday—at 7:30, 8:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Nixon Didn't Go To Church

Washington (RNS)—Sen. Olin Johnston (D-S.C.), criticized Vice President Nixon on the floor of the Senate for not going to church during his recent trip to Russia.

Will Ike Bless Moscow Too?

The South Carolina Democrat said that the United States missed "a tremendous opportunity to teach the Russian people that we Americans depend on God in our daily living," when the Nixons did not go to church during their visit to the officially atheist Soviet state.

Observers wonder if he will give the same blessing when he arrives in Moscow.

Vatican Funds Aid Refugees

Geneva (RNS)—The Vatican sent a "token" contribution of \$4,000 to United Nations offices here for the World Refugee Year, which the international body is sponsoring.

The amount is double the Vatican's annual UN contribution. It was received by Auguste R. Lindt, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, for distribution among the needy throughout the world.

46 To Graduate From St. Mary's

Forty-six graduates of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing will be presented in commencement exercises at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Sunday, August 30, 4 p.m.

An expected assemblage of nine hundred guests will see the new nurses receive their diplomas from Bishop Kearney, who will preside at the ceremony and celebrate the graduation Mass.

The Rev. Richard Tormey, chaplain of Our Lady of Mercy High School, will deliver the commencement address.

THE REV. JOHN V. MOSS, hospital chaplain, will present the Class of 1959 in the name of the Sisters of Charity who administer the Hospital and the School of Nursing.

Following the exercises at the cathedral, the graduates and student body will return to St. Mary's for a dinner given by the Sisters of Charity in honor of the graduating class. Guests at the dinner will include Bishop Kearney, Father Tormey, Father Rosse, members of the hospital advisory council, Mrs. Frederick C. Moyer, chairman of the Women's Board of St. Mary's Hospital, Mrs. John C. Menihan, chairman of the Nursing School Committee; members of the hospital medical staff, and the faculty, head nurses, and supervisors who have directed the graduates in their training.

GRADUATES OF THE class of 1959 are: Barbara Ann Baker, Irene Josephine Banaszak, Patricia Ann Barton, Linda Clare Brown, Patricia Jane Bradford, Pa.

Not Enough Nuns To Staff Schools

Milwaukee (NC)—The acute shortage of nuns to staff Catholic schools throughout the nation has been mirrored sharply here.

A check of five religious communities which have motherhouses in Milwaukee showed that this summer they have received and turned down 128 requests for nuns to staff new schools.

"That is a 'conservative' figure, one mother superior said. It includes only written requests from pastors to staff new schools which are still on file.

Telephone calls and personal visits to motherhouses which average two or three a day during the summer months are not included, she added.

THE NUN SUPERIORS preferred to remain anonymous in making their appraisals of the shortage of teaching Sisters.

Sisterhoods included in the survey were the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Schott Sisters of St. Francis, Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi, Sisters of the Divine Savior and Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother.

About 6,000 teaching nuns are available in the provinces of the five communities which have their motherhouses here. About

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Basilian Fathers

Seminarians To Study At John Fisher College

St. John Fisher College will mark the first time the Basilian novitiate formerly located at the Aquinas residence was transferred to new quarters at Pontiac, Mich., this past June.

Very Rev. Charles J. Lavry, C.S.B., college president, said ten seminarians will begin the course this year which ultimately will enroll as many as fifty candidates for the priesthood.

THE SEMINARIANS will attend classes with regular college students. They will live at the Basilian residence behind Aquinas Institute, until a "House of Studies" is erected on the East Avenue college campus.

Father Lavry said Basilian seminarians previously attended Assumption University at Windsor or St. Michael's College, University of Toronto.

The St. John Fisher program

'I Can't Shoot A Priest'

Verona (NC)—The memory of an heroic Italian priest and the unknown soldier who refused to shoot him has been marked with a simple white monument in Italy's Alpine region north of here.

Father Domenico Mercante, parish priest of Giazza, in 1944 offered himself as a hostage to a group of German paratroopers if they would spare his parishioners. The Germans decided to shoot the priest.

However, when the "fire" order was given, one soldier refused, saying: "I can't shoot a priest."

He was placed next to Father Domenico and the two died side by side.

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Council Plan Said Strike Solution

Greensburg, Pa. (RNS)—A call for the speedy adoption of the industry council plan was made at summer commencement exercises at Seton Hill College here

Msgr. Carl P. Hensler, director of the adult education program of the Pittsburgh diocese.

Msgr. Hensler recalled that Pope Pius XI had suggested the idea of national industry-wide councils to secure and maintain labor-management peace in every basic branch of trade.

He declared that "if the papal proposal had been followed in this country, it might well have prevented recurrent strikes in the steel industry over the past several years."

"As it is now," Msgr. Hensler added, "neither steel nor any other industry is organized to see to it that justice is done to all who are affected by the way industry is run."

"Stockholders, represented by management, get not just what they are entitled to get, but what the officials can get for them and for themselves. Workers and other employees, in turn, get just what their union leaders are able to get for them, not necessarily what they should get in justice."

"But there are no representatives of government nor of consumers' associations sitting with these others at the conference table to protect the public interest," Msgr. Hensler continued.

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