

Rochester Nun

Mission in Thailand

A Rochester nun of the Ursuline order will head next week to the turbulent southeast Asian nation of Thailand.

Mother Virginia Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Langie, 355 Yarmouth Rd., will teach in mission schools a scant fifty miles from Communist North Vietnam.

"She is elated at her appointment and is anxious to get there," her parents said. They visited her at the Ursuline Motherhouse at Bethesda, Maryland, last week.

THE YOUNG NUN — only three years ago she took her final vows — already has an enviable record as a teacher. Her first grade pupils have ranked in the top 99 per cent of all first grade pupils in the nation.

She will go first to the Ursuline headquarters in Rome, prior to her journey to Thailand.

Fr. Pegnam Listed At Graduation

The Rev. Francis Pegnam, pastor of St. Thomas More Church, will deliver the commencement address at Nazareth College Tuesday, Aug. 1. One of the seven candidates for masters degrees will be Father Pegnam's sister, Sister Marie Rene Pegnam, S.S.J., principal of St. Joseph's School in Wayland.

The commencement exercises will be held at 7 p.m. in the college auditorium.

FIFTEEN OF THE 34 candidates for bachelors and masters degrees are from Rochester. Among them is Sister Joseph Eileen Conheady, S.S.J., a member of the St. Agnes High School faculty, who will do graduate research at Oxford University in the fall. She is scheduled to receive a Master of Arts Degree in history.

Following is the list of candidates for degrees:

Candidates for degree of Bachelor of Science in Education — Sister Mary Carmelite R.S.M.; Sister Mary Christine White, O.S.F.; Sister Mary Conilla Morton, R.S.M.; Sister M. Constantia Robinson, S.S.J.; Sister Mary Elise Quigley, R.S.M.; Sister M. Felicitas Weaver, S.S.J.; Sister Mary Frances Cabrini Schmitt, R.S.M.; Sister Jean Miriam Northgate, S.S.J.; Sister Mary Leola Burkhardt, S.S.J.; Sister M. Madeline Cox, S.S.J.; Sister Marie Eileen Sim-

Funeral Held For Aquinas' Father Burns

Funeral services for Rev. Edmund E. Burns, C.S.B., assistant superior of the Basilian Fathers of Aquinas Institute and teacher of Latin, English and algebra, were held yesterday at Holy Rosary Church.

Father Burns, 53, died suddenly of a heart attack at Strawberry Island, a summer home for Basilian priests and scholastics, as he walked to the island chapel Sunday evening, July 23, 1961.

PONTIFICAL High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey.

Archpriest was Rev. Frank Burns, C.S.B.



MEMBERS OF SIX OF THE 25 communities of nuns attending summer sessions at Nazareth College are shown above between sessions at East Ave. campus. They came from 11 states.

Summer Session

25 Communities At College

Twenty-five religious communities from eleven states are participating in the first summer session offered jointly by Nazareth College and St. John Fisher College.

Both the number of communities and states involved are new highs for the summer program which has been offered previously by Nazareth alone.

In addition to New York State, participants have come from Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Maryland and North Carolina to attend the six-week session.

MANY OF THE religious attending the summer session were superiors attending the recently concluded one-week Institute for Religious Superiors conducted by the Basilian Fathers of Toronto, Canada. Primary purpose of the institute was to analyze the problem of harmonizing a life of prayer with the increasing demands of the apostolate.

Other Sisters participated in a science revision workshop attended by experts in the teaching of elementary school science from seven of the dioceses of the state.

Under the direction of Sister Marie Immaculate, C.S.J., Rockville Centre diocesan school supervisor the group is studying the total science program of the first nine years of school. Superintendents of schools from dioceses throughout the state joined the members of the workshop in special one-day session July 26.

Other Sisters participated in the regular schedule of summer courses, expanded this year with the advent of St. John Fisher co-sponsorship. The summer program will end Friday, Aug. 4.

Local Girl To Compete In Finland

Nancy Mahoney of 233 Roslyn St., a former student at St. Agnes High School, will compete in the Ninth International Games for the Deaf at Helsinki, Finland, Aug. 6-10.

The 19-year-old will swim in the 100 meter freestyle, the 100 meter backstroke, and the 200 meter freestyle relay.

Nancy, who wants to be a dietitian "but still work with swimming", was voted the Outstanding Athlete of the Catholic Youth Organization of Rochester earlier this year.

Dr. Peter R. Wisner, coach of the U.S. swimmers, rates Nancy a "key performer."



MOTHER VIRGINIA MARIE to Thailand

IFCA Lists Saturday Mass

Bishop Kearney will celebrate the First Saturday Mass for the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae on Aug. 5 at 8:30 a.m. at the Cenacle Retreat House. Breakfast will follow.

Reservations must be made by Wednesday, Aug. 2 with Mrs. Donald Coffey, DU 1-1156 or Miss Mary Jean Bishop, HO 7-1517. Members and friends are invited. Miss Dorothy Seren is regent.

Women Seek Linen To Aid Missions

For the past two years, on the first Friday of each month, a group of women in St. James Parish area has been rolling bandages and making pads for the Catholic Medical Missions.

Each time an evening's work is packed and sent to New York, the response from the Board is so prompt and the package received so gratefully, these women are more than pleased to have given the little time and effort required.

Recently, however, the supply of clean, used bed sheets and cases has been nearly depleted. The group is seeking contributions of linen, regardless of wear or size, from Catholic Courier readers.

A member of the group would gather the material in response to a phone call to either Mrs. Elmer Stordant at BU 8-8028 or Mrs. Edward Miller at BU 8-0535.

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Nuns Attend Conference

Sister Teresa Edward and Sister Marie Lawrence, homemaker teachers at St. Agnes High School and Nazareth Academy, respectively, have attended a Refresher Conference for homemaker teachers at the State University College of Education at Plattsburgh.

The three day conference featured an array of prominent speakers with significant ideas relating to home and family. Facts dealing with educational directions in our society today and in the future were emphasized.

Speaker Listed

Mrs. Mary Ellen Burns, a new member of the Zonta Club, will speak to the group about her work as Home Demonstration Agent, on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 12.15 p.m. in the Manger Hotel.

Church Painted
VOLUNTEER painters gather at Most Precious Blood Parish last Saturday to repaint the exterior of the church and hall. A small group of the volunteers are shown above.



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