

Volunteers For Mission Work

James Homer of Rochester and St. Bernard's seminary, completed a mission orientation course at the Glenmary National Headquarters, Glendale, Ohio, and was assigned as a lay volunteer to the Glenmary Home Mission of Spruce Pine, North Carolina, until August 15.

He is one of fifty-six university men from fifteen states participating in The Glenmary Home Mission's "Spain Volunteer Program" this summer. The program is designed to span the gap between the large Catholic metropolitan centers and some of the more sparsely populated areas of the South.

In order to implement The Home Mission's war on spiritual poverty, the volunteers will assist Glenmary priests and Brothers in census work, youth programs, construction projects, and other activities for which they are qualified.



Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Vienna, 25 years married.

'God Hath Joined Together'

Two chapters in the book of life were reviewed Sunday evening at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Nearly 150 couples came to the Cathedral for a Mass of Thanksgiving to mark their golden or silver anniversary of marriage.

Twenty five of the couples were golden jubilarians.

The rite was arranged by the Family Life Bureau of the Rochester Diocese for couples married in 1915 and 1940.

Bishop Casey, Cathedral rector, told the couples, "The world desperately needs examples such as yours."

He celebrated the Mass, gave a souvenir to each couple and gave the sermon.

"The structure of the family is threatened on every side," he said. "The place of sacrifice in marriage is belittled, the permanence of the marriage bond is violated countless times each day and each of these evils brings disastrous results. We could ask the world to look at this gathering today and then ask it if the virtues of self-sacrifice and persevering fidelity are not important."

Fathers Gerald Dunn, Walter Cushing and Gerald Appelby assisted Bishop Casey in the rite.



Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Miller, golden jubilarians.

Dream Fulfilled

Flying to Nigeria For Embassy Job

Rochester to Washington, D.C. to Lagos, Nigeria.

There are the details of the journey of Anne Meisenzahl, secretary at Xerox, who is flying to Lagos, Nigeria, to take up a post as secretary at the U.S. Embassy in Lagos.

"I've been dreaming about this for a long time," Anne said, "and now my dream is finally going to come true."

Before she goes to Nigeria, though, Anne will go through a three-week orientation program in Washington, D.C. When she talks about her trip, however, Anne sounds as if she's been through the program already. For instance, she can tell you:

—Lagos is one of the most modern and up-to-date cities in West Africa;

—Lagos is located on the coast of Nigeria, looking over the Gulf of Guinea;

—Lagos is the home of the

University of Rochester and the University of Lagos.

The average temperature in Lagos is between 85 and 90 degrees.

Anne's tour of duty is for two years. Afterward, she will return to the United States for six weeks before accepting a new post.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Meisenzahl, 301 Titus Avenue, of Christ the King Parish. Anne is a graduate of Mercy High School.

San Francisco—(NC)—Adrian Gilbert, a GYO staff member here for 25 years, has been awarded the Benemerenti Medal, a papal award given for exceptional accomplishment and service.

Our Duty To the Poor

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caustic Seraphim will point out that our bill for drinks and cosmetics alone was tenfold higher than our works of assistance. Nations whose wealth grows by four per cent a year cannot plead inability if one per cent of gross national product is suggested as a yardstick for foreign aid.

They are in fact asked only to give richer a little more slowly between Christmas and Easter, a time which notoriously includes the penitential season of Lent. If this is sacrifice, if this is hardship, if this is a burden, then words have no meaning and the archangels themselves will weep.

No, as incidentally, President Johnson has quoted again and again, "God is not mocked. We reap as we sow." We pile up our wealth year by year. We add to our national income. We keep our trade advantages to ourselves. We die of degeneration of the liver, of fatty degeneration of the heart, of lung cancer from our excesses. And just beyond the limit of our imagination, twenty children a day die in Kivu in the Congo because they are literally starved to death.

Christians cannot accept or tolerate these disproportions. In their private philanthropy they must find new ways of supporting all the great works of mercy and construction which missionary orders, voluntary agencies and non-governmental agencies are accomplishing all round the developing world. But above all in the Christian world—in every country of the Christian Atlantic world—they must become the embattled lobby for sustained public assistance on a rising scale to end the terrifying gap between rich nations and poor.

If ministers, members of parliament, congressmen, senators, deputies, Lords and Commons are all acutely aware that the great voting public of Christian communities watch with lynx-like intensity their record on foreign aid, if behind aid can be rallied an irresistible, vocal lobby of supporters, if one of the fundamental efforts of the whole ecumenical movement can be to throw the weight of Christian conscience and commitment behind the effort of sustained, long term economic assistance—in trade, in capital transfers—in technical assistance, if all this is done we may yet redeem the vast, exploding wealth of our societies, we may yet rise above the endless and sometimes trivial indulgences of our mass-market economy, we may yet prove that we have more than force with which to counter Communism, we may yet accept the profound and most lasting aspect of our Christian responsibility which is to complete the physical and technical revolution of our day with a moral revolution as far-reaching and as fundamental to the life of man.

As Christians how often we pray that the Holy Spirit "will remake the face of the earth." Yet how doltish or dull we are at the suggestion that we too have a part to play in this transformation and that we can hardly hope to storm heaven from the second swimming pool or the third car.

Our new resources, are, if we will, the instruments of a new society and a new liberation. But God does not act without us. We shall not recreate our earth by default. On the contrary we shall destroy it. In the age of nuclear plenty and nuclear destruction, "we must love each other or we must die."

Nurse Graduates Receive Diplomas

Commencement exercises of St. Mary's School of Nursing were held on June 10 in Our Lady of Mercy High School Auditorium. Bishop Kearney presided and conferred the diplomas. Invocation was given by Father John Rosse, hospital chaplain. Sister Victoria, nursing school director, presented the graduates and announced the awards. The senior address was given by Mary Ellen Spall.

Guest speaker was Father Albert J. Shamon, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Victor. The following awards were presented:

St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing Parents' Association Award for general excellence in nursing, awarded to Carolyn Parisi, 5 Engle St., Rochester.

St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Award to that member of the graduating class, who in the opinion of the faculty, has demonstrated outstanding potential for success in and contribution to the nursing profession, awarded to Mary Ellen Spall, 247 Woodcrest Road, Rochester.

The Doctor C. Stewart Nash Award for excellence in the art and science of nursing, awarded to Sharon Kohler, 25 Callingham Road, Pittsford.

The Monroe County Chapter of Catholic Nurses Award to that member of the graduating class who has most exemplified the characteristics of a Catholic Nurse in her own personal life and in her charity to the sick, awarded to Mary Nicholson, RD No. 2, Geneva.

The St. Vincent de Paul Award, presented by the Sisters of Charity, in honor of Blessed Elizabeth Ann Seton, to that member of the graduating class who has demonstrated marked devotion in her care of the sick, awarded to Elaine Oeschger, 202 Kiniry Drive, Rochester.

The Student Association Award to that member of the graduating class who, in the opinion of the student body, has shown outstanding qualities of leadership and school spirit, awarded to Susan Whalen, 709 Oakridge Drive, Rochester.

Graduating class included: F. Karan—Gravola, Dorothy Ann; Matusz, Nancy Ann; Glanville, Rose Marie; Guevin, Charlene Marie; Hestek, Gertrude; Jergler, Cheryl Ann; Kilmurray, Mary Kathryn; Klemmer, Sharon Lynn; Koller, Sharon Marie; Kucera, Karen Ann; McCarthy, Kathleen Ann; McKenna, Patricia Ann; McNally, Lee Mary; Neddy, Rosemary; Oeschger, Mary Elaine; Nicholson, Susan Marie; O'Brien, Elaine Marie; Oeschger, Carolyn Jane; Parisi, Carolyn.

Hungarian Bishops have decided to send a new organization of the Hungarian episcopate.

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