

Migrants Describe Plight to Congress

By KIM LARSEN
 NC News Service
 Washington—Migrant workers described their powerlessness to improve their own working and living conditions and warned Congress that if traditional processes are not put to work for them "the poor will find other ways to make their needs known and to gain power."

Minnesota Sen. Walter F. Mondale's Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Labor invited workers (June 9) to tell the lawmakers about their problems.

Rudolfo Juarez of Okechohatchee, Fla., a former migrant worker, said "the bad working conditions and low wages for generations have maintained a slave labor system which in-

sure that the migrant farm worker's children will have to live the same way he did and will continue to be slaves to agriculture and business."

He called for coverage of migrant workers by the National Labor Relations Act "with additional favorable rights as well as minimum wage, compensation laws, unemployment compensation, insurance laws, Social Security." All of these "must be enforced and reinforced," he added.

The subcommittee, Mondale said, "is examining the degree to which, and the ways in which, migrant and seasonal farm workers are deprived of political power, deprived of economic power, deprived of cultural identity or pride, deprived of rights and privileges that most Americans take for granted."

Mrs. Ed Krueger of Pharr, Tex., said the migrants "have lived as cattle, travel as cattle, and they feel that some growers treat them like animals."

"Some growers," she said, use migrant housing facilities for their cattle during the winter and "then when the families come they have to get a hose and wash out the filth."

Mrs. Krueger said these workers "do not migrate just for the fun of it. They migrate because they have to, not by choice of chance. It is a case of just have to" and it certainly seems to her that growers should be forced to provide decent wages and housing.

Juarez said society must understand that the migrant worker, "even though tired, uneducated, hungry, and sick has

contributed and sacrificed just as much as anyone else and more than most to this nation.

"We have cultivated this earth, planted and harvested all crops for generations in order to provide all the luxuries in food, clothing, and many others that those of society which surrounds us enjoys today."

"If the poor are not given extra encouragement and help in gaining power over their own lives, and influence into the general society in order to eliminate poverty; if the governments, local and national, do not respond to the real needs

Legion of Mary Points Out Lay Mission Program

The Legion of Mary called attention this week to a missionary program it fosters, Viatores Christi.

The Legion's New York Regional Senate reported the opening, in New York City, of the first training center in the United States, and announced a public meeting to be held next Sunday night, June 22, at the New York regional office, Park Avenue at 18th Street. Dr. Ivo O'Sullivan, former president of the Viatores Christi Center in Dublin, will be the speaker.

Viatores Christi, or Travelers for Christ, was founded nine years ago by a lay group in Ireland. More than 200 members or more, supporting themselves have gone overseas for a while helping with catechetical, social and welfare work. The Legion of Mary supplies people for administrative tasks and to organize the preparation program.

St. Joseph Sister Marks Anniversary

A high Mass will be offered by Msgr. Joseph Cirincione at St. Francis D'Assisi Church, Sunday noon, June 22, for the intentions of Sister Ann D'Assisi, who is celebrating her 25th anniversary as a Sister of St. Joseph. A reception will follow.

Sister Ann D'Assisi has taught in Rochester at Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Francis Xavier, at St. Patrick's in Corning, and St. Mary's in Elmira. She is now at St. Peter and Paul, Elmira. She is the daughter of Mrs. Frances Donofrio of 265 McNaughton Street, Rochester, and the late Louis Donofrio.

Business in the Diocese

William J. Hickey Jr., 41, has been elected president and chief executive officer of Quinby & Co. Inc., the firm which originated the Quinby Plan for accumulating individual stocks.

H. Dean Quinby Jr., chairman since 1965, will remain as a director. Elton J. Burgett, president since 1965, is new chairman. Other officers include Bernard E. Morgan, vice president and corporate secretary; Earl A. Uebel, vice president, and Eric W. Zaenglein, treasurer.

Hickey, who also is treasurer of the Monroe County Water Authority, lives with Mrs. Hickey and their four children at 33 Dorvid Rd., Irondequoit. They are parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

Mooney Senior Wins ND Grant

Daniel W. Lally, valedictorian of the class of 89 at Cardinal Mooney High School, has been awarded the Notre Dame Alumni Club's \$1,000 scholarship.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Lally of El Mar Drive, Greece.

Lally is the fifth student to win the area alumni group's grant. The first one, David B. Hennessy of Mayfield Drive, was graduated from Notre Dame last month. The scholarship is available to any high school senior living within a 50-mile radius of Rochester who has been accepted at the university.

Fisher Students Elect Area Men

Four men from the Diocese of Rochester have been elected to the Student Board at St. John Fisher College.

Sophomore James M. George, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. George of 825 Brandon Road, East Irondequoit, was elected secretary.

Joseph Parella, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Parella of 364 Merchants Road, and Michael Ryan of 2161 Latta Road, Rochester, are representatives of the sophomore class.

Joseph F. Presutti Jr., 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Presutti of 35 Hogarth Ave., Geneva, is a representative of the junior class.



Prepare Opening of Camp

Camp Stella Maris, diocesan camp on Conesus Lake, will open first of six encampments for boys on Sunday, June 22, and three for girls on Aug. 3. Preparing final plans are, from left, Edward Palumbo, boys' director, Msgr. Donald J. Mulcahy, director of Catholic Charities, and Mrs. Helen Smith, girls' director. Information on encampments may be obtained by telephoning 716/454-2030.

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