

Old Home Day at Perkinsville

Perkinsville — In addition to the other activities connected with its Old Home Day celebration, the dedication of a flag-pole highlighted the afternoon activities June 27 at the Perkinsville Rod and Gun Club. The 32-foot-high pole honors the memory of the late Arthur Malter, an avid hunter and fisherman.

A concrete plaque will be installed at the foot of the pole commemorating the event.

It was through the foresighted efforts of the late Mr. Malter that the club obtained the 35-acre tract of land which was the scene of the Old Home Day festivities. Community cooperation sparked the building of the large outdoor pavilion and the picnic tables with benches. Farmers donated the logs and a local sawmill made their equipment available without charge for rough-sawing the heavy beams. Local volunteers pitched in with hammers and nails and under expert direction, erected the building to house the tables and benches. Paint was applied with as much enthusiasm, attractive flowering bulbs were planted and the immediately adjacent lawn area was mowed. The result has been a quiet retreat over the years, a place for picnics, barbecues, reunions and clambakes.

The celebration was bolstered



Cemetery site of blessing of graves.

by the skills of some of the best cooks in the area. Mrs. Robert Edmond and Mrs. Robert Mark, co-chairmen of the purchasing committee, produced a wide variety of taste-tempting delicacies. Special German treats were available at the gaily be-decked food booths.

Complementing the good food arrangements were made to secure some of the best recipes and organize them into a cookbook. Mrs. Carl Johantgen Jr., is the editor-in-charge of the project which will contain many of the familiar German recipes.

Anniversaries

Hornell — About 100 friends and relatives honored Alderman and Mrs. Stanley K. Hall of 404 Duane St. at a buffet reception recently at the Hornell Moose Club in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were hosted by their four children and 31 grandchildren.

The couple renewed their marriage vows during an anniversary Mass celebrated in their honor by Father Joseph P. Haffey at 11:15 a.m. in St. Ignatius Loyola Church. Two of their grandchildren were altar boys and two more presented the offertory.

Recently, Mr. and Mrs. Hall received a gold medal and the blessing of Cardinal Terence Cook, archbishop of New York, during the annual dinner at the Mayor's Conference in New York City.

Hall, a native of Hornell, and the former Marie Simone La-loire of Nevers, France, met in Nevers during World War I. They were married June 11, 1921.

A member of the Hornell Common Council for 14 years, he also belongs to the Hornell Loyal Order of the Moose, Corporal Joseph J. Mooney Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of World War I and Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers Union.

CDA Installs In Hornell

Hornell — Installation ceremonies were conducted by Court St. Ann No. 194, Catholic Daughters of America, during a social meeting recently, in the Sons of Italy Club rooms.

Seated for the 1971-72 year were Mrs. Margaret Haley, grand regent; Mrs. Carolyn Kelly, first vice regent; Mrs. Cynthia Green, second vice regent; Mrs. Lucy Daniels, financial secretary; Mrs. Betty McKinley, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Cartella, recording secretary; Mrs. Jane Cronin, monitor; Mrs.

An Ecumenical Day

Perkinsville—The Old Home Day celebrated last Sunday by Perkinsville residents had ecumenical overtones through the cooperation of the two parishes of the tiny hamlet.

Led by Father Timothy Weider, pastor of Sacred Heart Church and Pastor Ferdinand Kurz of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, the parishioners and their guests participated in a concelebration of the event marking a 135-year-old common heritage.

The movement initiated by Vatican II directing churches toward greater interdenominational cooperation is not new to the two churches. At one time the residents shared a common church atop Sandy Hill. The reason was not for the sake of novelty or experimentation, rather it was a necessity.

The German Catholics had purchased the tract of land, a little over an acre for a "meeting house" and "burial grounds" as stated in their deed. This land was the location of the log cabin church used by both faiths, while their burial grounds were in adjoining fields.

The close spirit of sharing a common heritage was climaxed

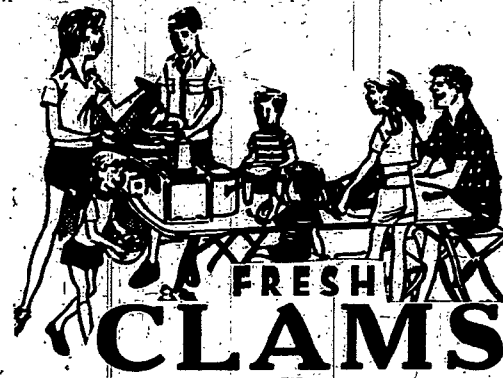
at the dedication of the flag-pole at the Perkinsville Rod and Gun Club. Led by Father Weider and Pastor Kurz, the participants in the day of fun and reminiscing, paused to recall their common bonds in belief in God, their common German ancestry, and their close spirit of cooperation which has always permeated the tiny community.

Daisy Sherman, lecturer.

Father Joseph P. Haffey, pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola Church, is court chaplain. Miss Josephine FitzGerald, supervising district deputy, was the installing officer.

Mrs. Sherman, outgoing regent who presided at the meeting, announced the annual picnic will be at 6:30 p.m., July 26 at the home of Mrs. Haley on Grand Street. Mrs. Kelly and Miss Mary Elizabeth Green are co-chairmen.

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