

'The Children Who Wait' Is Carey Looking for You?

"Carey is seven. She is a lively, fun-loving little girl who thoroughly enjoys and is enjoyed by people. She is slim and wiry in build and likes to keep moving, but she does behave in school and is doing nicely.

"Carey's foster parents are getting older and don't feel they can adopt her. They want the best for Carey and will do all they can to help her to move to an adoptive home."

So reads the Council of Adoptive Parents' listing for Carey, a member of the group we call "The Children Who Wait."

These children range in age from pre-school through early teens. They may be from minority races or mixed racially. They may be a sibling group. They may be mentally, physically and/or emotionally handicapped.

They, however, have one thing in common: they need adoptive families to call their own.

The Courier-Journal weekly features children like Carey. She is one of more than 1000 registered with the New York State Adoption Exchange who are ready for adoptive placement.

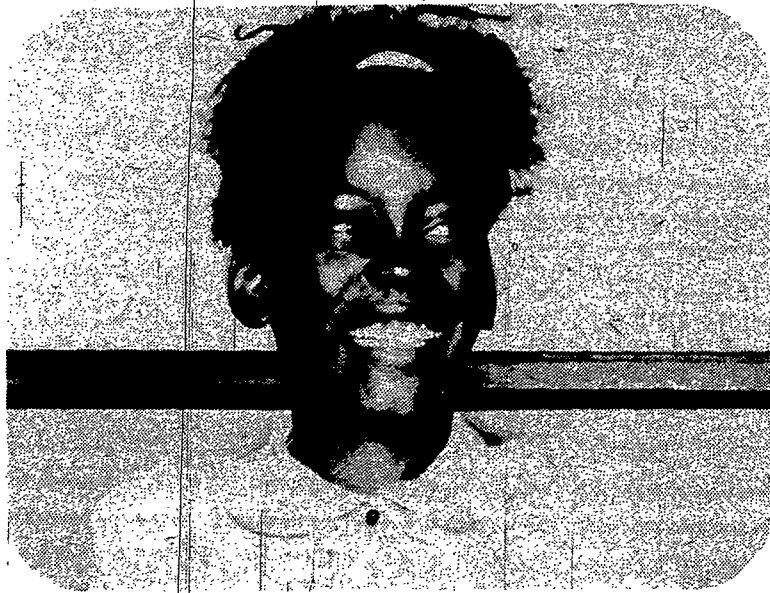
In addition, Carey and more than 200 other children are listed in THE CAP BOOK, a photo listing service of the Council of Adoptive Parents of Rochester (CAP).

Adoptive patterns have changed in recent years. Once there were many healthy infants available for adoption. Today, however, a great emphasis is being placed on finding homes for children agencies once considered "hard to place."

Once adoptions were done by childless couples. Today, families with six and more children are adopting. Even singles are becoming adoptive parents.

Children are being placed across racial and religious lines; and to ease the financial burden of adoption financial subsidies are available.

What is being looked for is a loving, caring, adoptive home



CAREY

that can meet the needs of the child.

For general information about adoption contact:

Catholic Family Center, 546-7220; Monroe County Dept. of

Social Services, 442-4000; Northaven, Inc., 266-4330; The Council of Adoptive Parents (CAP) 288-7989.

For further information about Carey, contact: THE CAP BOOK Office 436-5070.

Monastery Fete Slated Sunday

Pine City — The 22nd Annual Mt. Saviour Monastery Fall Festival will be held Sunday, Sept. 21, 1975. Featured will be the singing group, Celebrate Life of Horseheads, the Mark Twain Cadet Drum and Bugle Corp., and the "Church of God in Christ" choir under the direction of Cephus McGee. Appearing at the festival for the first time are the Refugees, a Vietnamese singing group.

Stanley Douglas will be master of ceremonies for the festival which attracts thousands to the Monastery each year.

A children's program with supervised babysitting will include a fish pond, arts and craft activities, pony, hay and fire engine rides, clowns.

The street of shops will feature the mitten tree, the popular Christmas shop, handmade boutique, bake shop, teen booth, plants, flowers, jams and jellies and produce of the farm as well

as a "Try or Buy" and an Odd & Old shop.

An Arts and Crafts exhibit and show with demonstrations will include many local artists, media including water colors and graphics, book binding, ceramics, sculpture, macrame, engraved glass, weaving, leather work, quilting and silver work.

Reflection Group Resumes Meetings

Ithaca — The Monday afternoon Reflection Group at Immaculate Conception will resume meeting 1 p.m., Sept. 22 at the home of Rose Lynch, 401 Green St. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join.

October is the month that Immaculate Conception is responsible for Meals on Wheels. Volunteers are needed for each day in October for an hour to pick up the meals at the hospital and to distribute them to the individuals. Please call Neal Howard 273-0326 or Mary Carey at 272-9376.

Family, neighbors and other friends find themselves here from time to time. The heroic exploits of husband and children are also grist for the mill.

Obviously the greatest satisfaction in writing this frippery is having an outlet to vent my feelings. It does, I must admit, save considerable wear and tear on the fabric of our family life when the woman of the house releases part of the torrent on paper.

There is another joy to this column, too. Occasionally an acquaintance will mention a piece that hit home, with which they particularly identified. And letters from readers will arrive in the mail, commenting on something or other.

The most treasured missive came last winter shortly after I'd written a column on our daughter's 10th birthday. The letter writer, a Penn Yan grandmother, who had been a practical nurse and was now studying to become a registered nurse, wrote in detail about her own family, echoing the joint themes of the blessings and cares one's children bring.

I answered her letter but never mailed it. My reply was too sticky. For in ending her letter she had paid me the ultimate accolade that my brand of columnist can receive.

"You sound," she wrote "like the kind of person I would love to have as a friend."

Youth Group

"Teen Topics" a youth group put together for kids by kids in order for them to share each other's interests will meet on Thursday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.

The meeting will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center on Joseph Ave. near Norton Street. For further information contact Denise Aube at 266-8366, or Larry Kurmis, 467-4895.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund J. Hunt of Avis Street celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Aug. 30 at a Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral, where they were married 50 years ago. After a family dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and their family gathered for a celebration, arranged by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schlichter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wall and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hunt.

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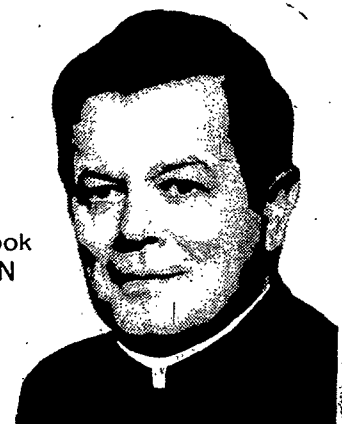
Where do you get your ideas? That's the question most frequently asked in connection with this column.

As anyone who reads this space regularly knows, my sources are all sublime. A basket of rotting tomatoes on the back porch awaiting my attention is enough to set me off. Likewise my less than spotless kitchen floor has been the subject of more than one discourse. Coping with a recalcitrant child is another favorite topic. Ditto for unscrupulous purveyor of mercantile goods, vacation disasters, family schedules that refuse to mesh and the general chaos that characterizes our mode of living. In short anything that is bugging me as I approach the typewriter usually winds up in print.

On the other hand the muse has not completely neglected the more satisfying aspects of my daily existence.

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