

Grotto in South Wheeling Honoring Servicemen Unveiled With Pomp



(Intelligencer photo by Nickerson)

Ever since last June, the veterans of St. Ladislaus' parish have been working on a grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Grace which was unveiled yesterday with colorful ceremonies. Its erection consumed 7,000 working hours on the granite structure. At the left is shown a general picture of the assembly of Legionnaires and Fourth Degree members of the Knights of Columbus. The center picture shows Frank Broski unrolling the monument with the Rev. Emil Musial looking on. The picture at the right gives a general idea of the exercises after the unveiling.

St. Ladislaus Church Dedicates Memorial

Colorful Ceremonies Climax Efforts Of Vets to Honor Wars' Servicemen

The fruits of many weeks of devoted toil by South Wheeling veterans reached a colorful conclusion yesterday when a granite grotto was unveiled beside the Church of St. Ladislaus.

On hand were a large number of members of the congregation, clergy, servicemen and members of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus with their colorful uniforms and swords.

Mass for the occasion was celebrated by the Rev. Stanley Salweiz.

The grotto, dedicated to Our Lady of Grace, was built entirely by hand and 43 ex-servicemen of the parish who have been giving their time unstintingly ever since last June. It required a total of 7,200 work hours to complete the monument in memory of the 320 boys who served their country, 11 of whom gave up their lives.

The grotto is built in three sections with hand cut granite stones placed in such a way as to form a semi-circle. Crosses are mounted on each section. Fitted into the stone on both sides are bronze plaques listing the names of those who served their country.

The center section, which houses the statue of the Virgin Mary, is built as an altar and, at the foot of the statue, there is another plaque bearing the inscription "For Us—May They Rest in Peace." Workers who spent much of their free time this summer in making the grotto a reality were Edward Broski, Frank Lakomy, Anthony Dobos, Joseph Skrzycki, Frank Broski, Steven Maltinsky, Fred Kuropatwa, Chester Szeigo, Joseph Front, Stanley Marchlinski, Walter Mastaler, Jack Front, Walter Modlinski, Leonard Czaplinski, Clement Front, Kelly Mike, Nick Mansueti, John and Adolph Sawa, Fred Bonar, Cas Majewski, Edward Tolpa, Leonard Czerwinski, Albert Biega, John Torbett, Walter Kulpa, Edward Marchlinski, Mike Valen, Stanley Biega, Louis Lisak, Robert Klimas, Frank Palen, Card Wojcik, Prince Hudack, Joseph Wojcik, Tom Nagom, Alex Osuszowicz, Jr. and Olga Osuszowicz.

Three former displaced persons in Wheeling also worked on the project including Walter Pitke, Stanley Dalek and Joseph Plkicz. Material and equipment for the monument was given by fourteen sponsors including H. L. Seabright Construction company, Keller Lumber, Wheeling Eagles, Dobkins Brothers, Tom and Al Nagem, Bill Hundley, Valen Construction, American Plate Glass, Cooney Bentz company, Pittsburgh Railway company, Robert Klimas, William G. Lias, Neuman Plumbing and Dieckmann florists.

PSC Sets Date For Hearings On Plant Sales

The Public Service Commission has set December 2 for the hearing of testimony relative to the purchase of the gasoline extracting facilities in Rosby's Rock and Porter's Falls in Marshall and Wetzel counties.

The request for a hearing was made by two subsidiaries of the Columbia gas system asking permission to purchase from a sister firm.

Cumberland and Allegheny Gas company, of Pittsburgh, proposed to purchase the Forman extraction plant in Lewis county for \$12,460, while Manufacturers Light and Heat company, also of Pittsburgh, wants to buy the Marshall and Wetzel plants for \$65,390.

All of the plants are held by Union Gasoline and Oil corporation, of Charleston, which is dissolving.

Moose Hold Dance

BELLAIRE—The Loyal Order of the Moose will hold a holiday dance on Saturday evening in the ballroom of the lodge in the Temple building. The Charles Donovan orchestra has been engaged.

Mrs. E. W. Payne To Address GOP Women Thurs.

Two Receptions Will Feature Evening Program

Mrs. Robert J. Harshman, program chairman of the Ohio county Federated Republican Women's club, announced yesterday the program for the December meeting will feature as guest speaker, Mrs. E. Wyatt Payne, state president of the West Virginia Federated Republican Women's club.

Mrs. Payne, prominent educator and lecturer, will address the group in the Colonnade Room of the McLure hotel, Thursday December 1 at 8 p. m. She will speak on "It Is Later Than You Think."

A reception will precede Mrs. Payne's talk from 7:30 to 8 p. m. in the Colonnade Room. Hostesses for the affair will be Misses Jane Hill, Anna Seidel, Marilyn Weidel, and Charlotte Bibbee; Mesdames Ona Mae Delich, Ruth Boyle, Thomas Ripley, James Harris, Virginia Dubois and Juanita Kennedy.

A colorful reception has been planned for which the hostesses will be attired in evening dresses. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Margaret Bibbee and Mrs. Anna Seidel. The invocation will be offered by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Lee, vicar general of the Wheeling Diocese. A musical program will include Charles Dubois singing "The Lord's Prayer", Miss Eileen Metz singing "The Last Mile Home" and "White Christmas", and group singing led by Loren Mercer of Wheeling high school.

Large attendance is expected and reservations have been made by delegations from Bellare, Bridgeport, Shadyside, Colerain, Martins Ferry and Steubenville; Ohio; and Weirton, Wellsburg, Bethany, Cameron, Moundsville, Benwood and McMeekin in West Virginia.

In addition, the county chairman, William Callahan and the general secretary, Mrs. E. W. Payne, will be present. Following her talk, Mrs. Payne, who is president of the Huntington Business and Professional Women's club, will be honored at a reception.

Valley's Youngsters Give Santa Big Welcome Today

3 More Motor Lines Sign New Contracts

Strike Throttling Valley Shipments Fast Easing as 26-Month Accord Signed

Local 897 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and helpers last night announced that three companies serving the valley area have signed new agreements and that the vast amount of motor freight will be moving at normal shortly.

They are the CCC Highway, Inc., the Pittsburgh - Wheeling Truck service and Suburban Motor Freight, Inc.

Pittsburgh-Wheeling signed up in Akron early yesterday and the other two concerns acted in Cleveland.

Under the terms of a 12-state agreement, the contract will run for 26 months and will carry an eight-cent increase in the hourly wage for 14 months and five cents for the remaining 12 months.

Also, there is added a one-dollar-a-week fund to be paid by the companies for each employee, this money to be used for such things as sick leave, hospitalization, etc. For nearly a week, the Ohio Over-the-Road Employers' association and the AFL Teamsters union have been negotiating both night and day in an effort to settle differences which have disrupted freight shipments over a wide area.

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Valley Contest Winner Presented Watch at Theatre



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Marilyn Merkel, winner of the Ohio Valley Lux Girl contest, was presented with a diamond-studded wrist watch in special ceremonies Wednesday night on the stage of the Court theatre. Present for the ceremony were: left to right, Howard Meagle, of station WWVA; Paul Meintel, Lever Bros. Co., makers of Lux soap; Miss Merkel, and Andy Silday, mayor of Tiltonsville. Miss Merkel will be the Ohio Valley representative in the national contest.

Valley Stations Eager for Video When Ban Lifted

Local Applications For Television Hit By 'Freeze' Order

(Editor's Note: Following is the second of a series of articles concerning current television reception in the valley and when local radio stations expect to be in a position to offer "Video" to the public.)

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Even if valley radio stations are anxious to spend the necessary sum of approximately \$200,000 in order to set up acceptable television facilities it will be at least until the latter part of next year before they can begin work on such a project, according to the latest information available.

All applications for authority to construct television transmitting stations—and two valley radio stations, WWVA and WTRF, have been frozen by the Federal Communications Commission, and no date has been set as to when the lid will be taken off again.

Current hearings being held by the FCC are expected to run well into next year; and, if after that the FCC is satisfied with the results, applications may again be considered.

Three valley radio stations, including WWVA, WTRF and WKWK, have expressed willingness to spend the necessary money to set up "video." William E. Rhine, managing director of radio station WWVA, said that any station wishing to set up television would be expected to spend anywhere from \$250,000 to \$400,000.

Actual transmitting equipment will not cost that much, but a station will have to set aside thousands of dollars for as operating capital. A station cannot then rest assured that the venture will be a profitable proposition, he added. If a station is on a paying basis at the end of a year of operation, it would be very unusual, he explained.

At this time the FCC is confronted with three problems before it can even consider accepting additional applications, according to Edwin L. Keim chief engineer of radio station WWVA. They are the following:

1. Clear up color television to the satisfaction of everyone concerned.
 2. Establish standards and rules by which all phases of the industry must abide.
 3. Set up allocation tables.
- A freeze was put on all pending applications because there are not enough channels to permit television transmission in all localities. At present there are only 12 channels in the low frequency end of the band, which is called the "very high frequency" range.
- Research engineers are working frantically to make the "ultra high frequency" band produce good results, and although they have met little success, it is said to be a matter of time before the problem is solved.

Kiddies Reminded to 'Tag' Dolls for Baby Doll Show

Don McKee of Civitan Charities, Inc. yesterday warned that youngsters planning to attend the "O. You Beautiful Doll" tomorrow afternoon at the Court must have tags for their baby dolls.

All boys and girls under the age of 15 will be admitted to the Court tomorrow until 4 p. m. to see the musical comedy by bringing a used doll to the lobby. The dolls will be turned over to Civitan Charities for the annual Christmas party for needy youngsters.

McKee said that many prizes will be given for the "best" used dolls and in order to insure that the youngsters get their additional reward for helping in the baby doll campaign, it will be necessary for each doll to have its donor's name attached to the toy in some way.

Police at Ferry Called to Birth

A day rarely passes but what Martins Ferry police get some pretty unique calls, but a call early yesterday morning comes close to being in a class all its own.

Surprising as it may seem, police were called when a north end woman became a mother. The police investigation ended when they were informed of what had occurred and immediately the city health nurse was called in on the case.

The woman, whose name was not secured by police, said that she had no knowledge of the "blessed event" until it occurred yesterday morning.

Three Face Charges For Road Crashes

File Unsafe Operation In Each Case

BROOKSIDE — Elmer G. Dunder, 19, of Maynard, was arrested by the Ohio highway patrol yesterday on Route 40 for unsafe operation. He will be given a hearing before Squire Paul Ochsenbein at Lansing on Monday at 7:30 o'clock.

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Edward Hynes, 18, of St. Clairsville, charged with driving over a yellow line around a sharp curve on the Barton road two miles from St. Clairsville at 4 p. m., yesterday, was arraigned before Squire C. B. Bradford at St. Clairsville and fined \$10 and costs for unsafe operation. He struck a car driven by Antonia Antoladzi, 27, of Lansing.

Board officials are still hoping that some snow will fall before Santa's scheduled arrival this morning, and that the temperature will remain below 60 degrees.

Reindeer are very restless "people" body explains, and even in cold weather, refuse to remain in one place for more than 10 minutes at a stretch. The warmer the weather, the more restless they become.

So Mom and Pop, you'd better bring Junior and Sister downtown this morning to get a look at Santa, or they'll never give you a moment's peace until after Christmas.

Valley Plants Eye Developments In Coal's Truce

Industries in the valley today are keeping a sharp eye on developments in Washington as the November 30 deadline for the coal settlement approaches.

In the steel area, employment figures are rising rapidly and the picture becomes brighter with a gradual resumption of railroad schedules which are providing a satisfactory quantity of rolling stock.

However, the air of uncertainty surrounding the coal industry has caused some anxiety in a number of quarters. Steel officials repeated that it is obvious that until the miners are assured of steady work no predictions can be made for the future in general.

Street Lights In Use Early For Dark Day

Rains, that swept into the valley area late Thanksgiving afternoon will cause the mercury to drop tonight. Low this morning will be around 25 and high 38 degrees.

The rain, that began shortly before 4 o'clock, lasted until after dark, but only .09 of an inch of water fell, according to the record at the government weather station at Lock 12, Warwick. Prior to the rain, the sky became overcast and it was so dark that many of the communities found it necessary to turn on the street lights at 4 p. m.

Low temperature of yesterday morning was 25 and high of the afternoon was 50, while there was considerable wind throughout the day.

The river last evening was 10 feet at Lock 12, and stationary, the increase in volume being due to release of pool water from Montgomery dam with an idea of flushing out the pools.

Two VFW Dances

BELLAIRE — The Veterans of Foreign Wars have planned two dances celebrating the holiday season. They will be held Friday and Saturday night in the post home on Belmont street.

Music will be offered by Miss Mollie and her orchestra for the members and canteen guests.