

ROSE DE LIMA ANNALS - 1964-1965

July 1

Sr. Mary Sharon, who had been a patient here, left for Bishop O'Dowd Convent.

New refrigerated cooler installed in Coffee Shop and Doctors' Lounge. Re-upholstered red chairs were added to the Doctors' Lounge for Committee Meetings.

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Hospital Staff of Sisters for the year:

Sister Helen Margaret, O.P., Administrator and Superior
Sr. Helen Agnes, O.P.
Sr. Marie Jane, O.P.
Sr. Mary Jude, O.P.
Sr. Robert Joseph, O.P.
Sr. Francis Augustine, O.P.
Sr. Daniel Therese, O.P.
Sr. Ellen Stephanie, O.P.
Sr. Joseph Eugene, O.P.
Sr. Ann Michaelene, O.P.
Sr. Vincent Maureen, O.P.

Word was received from Bishop Dwyer that Rt. Rev. Msgr. John Sibon, of Boulder City Parish, would be the Hospital Chaplain, effective July 15th.

Father Patrick J. Hayes, C.S.V., Assistant Pastor of St. Viator Parish, is appointed our Confessor.

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Mother Mary Genevieve, Mother Jean Marie, Sisters Jane Marie and Mary Carolyn drove from Santa Cruz to view property, see the Doctors and see the new St. Francis de Sales parish site.

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Mother Mary Genevieve, Mother Jean Marie, Sisters Jane Marie and Mary Carolyn drove to Kingman to entrain for home.

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Father William Duff, acting Chaplain, moved over to St. Peter's Rectory, as Assistant Pastor. Monsignor Sibon brought his belongings.

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Srs. Helen Margaret and Georgina Marie attended the Nevada Administration Meeting at Yerington, Nevada. From Reno, Sr. Helen Margaret flew for a Council Meeting at the Provincial House.

Sr. M. Johnine, after finishing Catechism School in Williams, Arizona, arrived here.

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Srs. Helen Carola and Mary Therese arrived for a few days' visit.

- July 29 Sr. Georgina Marie was operated on for minor surgery.
- 30 Sr. Mary Edwina left, after a summer's rest at the Hospital. Sr. Mary Bernardine left for a home visit to Chicago. Sr. Mary Basil arrived for a visit, from 7/30 to 8/1.
- 31 Sr. Daniel Therese left for a Home Visit, until August 10th. The Tumor Board Research was granted a \$10,000.00 check from the Damon Runyan Cancer Fund.
- Through the Sloan-Kettering Foundation, The National Health Institute offered Sr. Helen Margaret a three-year course in order to obtain her Doctorate in Hospital Administration.
- August 1 Sr. Mary Giles arrived to join the Hospital Staff and to work in the Record Room.
- 2 Sr. Vincent Maureen on Home Visit, with Sr. Elizabeth Clare, until the 22nd.
- Sr. Mary Bernard, O.P. and her five companions, Dominicans from Columbus, Ohio, St. Martin Parish, a Negro parish from Amarillo, Texas, stopped overnight on their vacation visit to the Grand Canyon.
- 6 The Honorable and Mrs. Walter Baring and Mrs. DeLucca paid a social and informative call on the Sisters, in the Staff Room. He is running for reelection as Congressman; he has been a member of Congress since 1944.
- Sisters Mary Helena and Teresina stopped overnight, on a visit.
- 9 Sister Joseph Eugene left for her Home Visit, until the 21st.
- Rev. Patrick J. Toomey, C.S.V., invited the Sisters to witness Bishop Robert Dwyer give the Episcopal Blessing to be given the new St. Viator Parish Grounds at Flamingo Road and Eastern Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 11 Sr. Georgina Marie, recovered from her surgery, returned to her mission, St. Mary's, Kingman, Arizona.
- 15 Rev. Kilian Dooley, C.P., took Chaplain's duties for a week.
- 21 The Honorable Senator Howard Cannon, incumbent, visited with the Sisters in the Community Room. He stated that he could not understand why we were not paid for Emergency military service cases brought into the Hospital. He visited on all three floors.
- 22 Sr. Helen Margaret attended an American Hospital Convention in Chicago and the Meeting for Administrators. She returned on the 29th.

September
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High census, to date: 95 patients and 8 babies.

12 Sr. Helen Margaret flew to Reno for the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, in regard to recommending the establishment of a Medical School at Nevada Southern University. Many doctors from the Las Vegas area attended.

14 Sr. Ann Michaelene received word that her mother would undergo a serious operation for gallstones and possible cancer. She flew to San Diego, with plans that from there, she would go to the Motherhouse; instead, she left from the Provincial House. May the good God be gracious and merciful to her, and to all of us who lived with her. Now, we are ten.

Dr. Sylvester Ferguson is replacing Dr. Robert Fenner, Psychiatrist, who will be in Las Vegas, as Director of Mental Health.

21 Mr. Harold Sheets, known as "Hal", took over as our Licensed Registered Pharmacist.

24 Mr. E. Parry Thomas, Vice President of the Nevada State Banks, offered Sr. Helen Margaret the reasonable sale of Sunrise Hospital. He stated that its resources were great; and that the three owners, Messrs. Merv Adelson, Moe Dalitz and Nathan Adelson needed to sell the hospital because of pressure from Cleveland.

Sr. Ellen Stephanie, with companion Sr. Mary Giles, attended the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology Institute - Nursing Division, for a two and one-half day session, held in San Diego, California.

25 Msgr. Robert C. Anderson has been appointed our Extraordinary Confessor.

October
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Sr. Helen Margaret attended a Provincial Council Meeting.

11 All the Sisters in the Las Vegas area were invited to have special seats in the Convention Center on Sunday, at 6:30 P.M., to hear the President of the United States, Lyndon Baines Johnson, campaign in person. The Sisters were the guests of Senator Howard Cannon, also a campaigner. When the President spotted the Sisters in white in the front seats, he approached the edge of the podium and beckoned to them to shake hands.

16 Lieut. Governor Paul E. Laxalt, and his wife Jackalyn, visited with the Sisters and shook hands with the employees. He is campaigning for a Republican seat in the United States Senate. He lost by a few votes.

- Nov. 6 Dr. Richard A. Bashore, Gynecologist, Director of Gynecology, Cancer Chemotherapy Clinic of U.C.L.A. Medical Center, spoke at the Tumor Board meeting.
- 25 Sr. Helen Agnes was transferred to the Motherhouse Infirmary by T.W.A., and wrote that she withstood the flight and trip well.
- Dec. 3 Sr. Mary Bernardine arrived from Tucson, Arizona, to be permanently off duty. Her case was discussed at the Tumor Board Meeting, where the guest speaker was Dr. Smart, of U.C.L.A. He advised the use of Chlorambucil. She is thin, but not too drawn looking.
- 11 Sisters Helen Margaret and Ellen Stephanie were present at the groundbreaking ceremonies of the new eleven-story Nevada State Bank, under the ownership of the parents of Mrs. John Mowbray, Mr. and Mrs. Romy Hammes, of Kankakee, Illinois. Mrs. Mowbray presented the Hospital with a check donation from her parents in the amount of \$1,000.00.
- 21 Sr. Mary Therese, from Albuquerque, underwent surgery today.
- 22 The Nevada Irrigation Company, Las Vegas, Nevada, started the installation of the automatic lawnsprinkling system, donated at a cost of \$6,000.00, by Mr. James Gottlieb, owner of the Dunes Hotel property. He is also the owner of the Great Western Truck Lines, originating in Chicago, Illinois.
- Jan. 2 At 4:00 A.M., Srs. Mary Giles, Robert Joseph and Mary Jude left for Retreat at St. Clare Convent, Santa Cruz. Mrs. McGinley and Ceil drove along with them to California. The Sisters returned on January 12th, with the exception of Sr. Mary Giles, who went to St. Paschal's to accession books of the new library, there.
- 5 Sr. Daniel Therese accompanied Julie Torbert, X-Ray Technician, to enter as a Dominican Postulant. Julie did not remain at the Dominican Motherhouse; and Sr. Daniel Therese returned on January 12th.
- 21 The new Convent kitchen stove, a four-burner electric, was installed by Mr. Bill Sanderson.
- 30 Mother Jean Marie arrived for Visitation and for the St. Francis de Sales dedication of the temporary Church in the school building.
- 31 Mother Jean Marie, and all the Sisters in the area, attended Mass at 12:15 at St. Francis de Sales temporary Chapel and the dedication services, officiated at by the Most Reverend Robert Dwyer. Refreshments for clergy and parishioners were served in the open four-classroom area. The Sisters were also present to hear the program.

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Mother Jean Marie took Sr. Helen Margaret with her to Kingman; and from there to Los Angeles and Oceanside, California.

March
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On Shrove Tuesday, the Rose de Lima Hospital Auxiliary held its annual Mardi Gras Ball at the Flamingo Hotel Convention Center, with attendance of 4,000 persons. Dr. Wm. E. Kemp, Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Bess Rosenberg, Auxiliary President, were crowned King and Queen of Mardi Gras. Over five-hundred coffee cans were painted and glittered, and were added to the festive hanging decorations from the huge ceiling. A total of \$19,000.00 was realized; the best, so far.

5-11 Sr. Helen Margaret attended a meeting at the Provincial House.

5-17 Fr. Elwood LaVoy, Pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish, was thrown from his horse, and admitted by Dr. Emil Cava to Dr. Lorne M. Phillip's service. He suffered a brain concussion; and still had diplopia, to a lesser degree, when he begged to be discharged.

14-20 Sr. Vincent Maureen flew to Denver for a postgraduate, five-day course in Medical Technology, at the Colorado University School of Medicine.

14-17 Sr. Theresa Martin was admitted to the Hospital for diagnostic studies.

14 Sr. Daniel Therese was admitted to the Hospital for a medical checkup.

20 The Coffee Shop was opened for business, with Sr. Robert Joseph in charge; Mrs. Maxine Noffsinger, 7-3 shift and Mrs. Betty Stevens, 12-8 P.M. shift.

April

1 Sr. M. Bernardine was flown to Maria Hall in Adrian, Michigan, accompanied by Sr. Helen Margaret. Sister M. Bernardine returned to the Motherhouse to prepare for death. She has cancer of the lungs.

4 Sunday; Monsignor Sibon held Forty Hours Devotion Services.

7 Srs. Helen Margaret and Mary Jude were present at the Fifth Anniversary Requiem Mass of John de Luca and the dedication of the Baptistry in the Guardian Angel Shrine, donated by him. Lord, be good to his soul. His company has been a yearly generous benefactor to the Hospital. The pastor, Fr. Toomey, C.S.V., celebrated the Mass according to the new liturgy.

The Mardi Gras check, in the amount of \$19,000.00, was presented to Sister Helen Margaret by Mrs. Bess Rosenberg, President of the Rose de Lima Hospital Auxiliary.

April
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Srs. Daniel Therese and Mary Jude went to Reno, overnight, for "Supervision for Improved Human Performance in Nursing Administration", conducted by Dr. J. M. Trickett and Dr. W. Krassowski, Santa Clara Management Center, Santa Clara, Calif

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Dr. Wendell Wingett, Surveyor for the Joint Commission for Hospital Accreditation, spent a day interviewing Sr. Helen Margaret, Head of Departments and Supervisors. He seemed pleased with the Plant and the cleanliness of the Hospital. Eight doctors and Mrs. Dixie Miller, Medical Librarian, were served luncheon in the Staff Room, with Dr. Wingett as their guest.

May

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Sr. Mary Giles, who has been assisting in School libraries in San Francisco and Oakland since retreat in January, returned.

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The Neuropsychiatric Ward held Open House on Wednesday and Thursday, in conjunction with Mental Health Week. Dr. Ferguson, Sr. Psychiatrist, is in charge. The Department's occupational therapy exhibits were on display and for sale.

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Mr. R. W. North, Atomic Energy Commission Investigator, spent the entire afternoon examining the work of Dr. Elmer A. Lee's X-Ray Department.

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The Rose de Lima Auxiliary held their annual election, with the following slate being elected: Mrs. Olwen Yavener, Pres.; Mrs. Jeanne Sennas, 1st Vice Pres.; Mrs. Dorothy Mundy, 2nd Vice Pres.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ann Halstead; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sally Robins; and Treasurer, Mrs. Ailene Stephens.

Summer appointments have arrived. All remain at the Hospital except Sr. Ellen Stephanie, who goes to Mt. St. Mary's for renovation; and Sr. Mary Giles, who goes to the University of San Francisco for Library Science. Sister Helen Margaret, after six years as Superior and Administrator at Rose de Lima Hospital, was changed to Dominican Santa Cruz Hospital, Santa Cruz, California. Sister Daniel Therese will go to Maria Hall, Adrian, Michigan.

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A Farewell Party was held in Aquinas Annex for Sister Helen Margaret. A "Shipboard" theme was carried out, with even the "portholes" in that decor. All the Dominican Sisters in the Las Vegas, Henderson and Kingman area attended.

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Sr. Helen Margaret flew to St. Mary's Hospital, Reno, Nevada, to attend a Nevada Hospital Administrative Board Meeting concerning Blue Cross Insurance in Nevada, with the possibility of insurance for the Aged, in July.

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Sr. M. Edwina arrived from Tucumcari for medical diagnosis and treatment.

- May 21 Word was received by letter from the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation, that the Accreditation of Rose de Lima Hospital was renewed for another three (3) years.
- 28 Sr. Helen Margaret went to Santa Cruz for a Council Meeting and Mother Jean Marie's Feast Day. She returned May 30th.
- 31 Sr. Robert Joseph flew to St. Louis to attend a three-week Dietetic Course, from which she will be graduated this June after having attended Fontbonne College for three (3) summer sessions.
- Retreat will be under the direction of Fr. Buckley, O.P., who teaches at St. Mary's College.