SUMMER STAFF ADVANCES WORK

Thanks to an augmented summer staff, the Marian Library realized substantial progress in several areas during the recent vacation months. Most noticeable development took place in the vertical file of newspaper clippings, which has now expanded to approximately 10,000 items classified under more than 600 headings. Brother Leo Murray, S.M., Pittsburgh, Pa., directed the work, assisted by Brother William Behringer, S.M., Cleveland, Ohio, Brother Robert Cassidy, S.M., Mineola, N.Y., and Brother Hugh Bihl, S.M., Dayton.

Since the library receives over thirty newspapers from various parts of the world each week, the job of clipping, pasting, and especially classifying and filing the Marian articles is often staggering. Brother Murray has been working with the file for the past three summers. It was he, in fact, who first suggested the plan of organization for newspaper clippings to the former director of the Marian Library, Father Edmund Baumeister, S.M., in 1949. During the school year, Brother Murray and Marianist Scholastics at Mount Saint John, Dayton, keep the clippings coming into the library. Miss Genevieve Wenning, who devotes several hours of her time each week to the Marian Library, sees that the clippings are promptly filed.

Three other summer staff members rendered valuable service. Father Robert Hoeper, S.M., Covington, Ky., completed the indexing of four of our foreign language publications: Marie, Etudes Mariales, Estudios Marianos and Ephemerides Mariologicae. Brother Raymond Nartker, S.M., Mineola, N.Y., helped make the library more functional by completing the cataloging of several hundred additional books (we still have a few thousand to go!). Father Francis Kenney, S.M., Brooklyn, N.Y., prepared several specialized bibliographies for library use, including an annotated list of eighty books on the subject of LaSalette.

Our sincere thanks to the summer staff for their contributions to the work.
NEW AND FORTHCOMING MARIAN BOOKS

MARY IN THE LITURGY, papers read at the 15th National Liturgical Week, Milwaukee, 1954, is now ready after several months delay. Every library should have a copy of this work, the best in its field in English (Elsberry, Mo., The Liturgical Conference). . . . Two new Marian books for children: CANDLE FOR OUR LADY by Regina Victoria Hunt (Bruce), and, MARY IS OUR MOTHER by F. R. Boschvogel (Kenedy). . . . THE MYSTERY OF THE WOMAN (University of Notre Dame Press), edited by Rev. Edward O'Connor, C.S.C., has been held up, but should be ready by the end of November. . . . The second edition of GUIDE TO LOURDES by J. A. Shiel's, has been published by Fallon. . . . NOTRE-DAME OF PARIS by Allan Temko is a new, well-illustrated study of the cathedral to be published in October (Viking). . . . McGraw-Hill has scheduled what appears to be an anti-Catholic treatment of Lourdes. Written by Ruth Cranston, and entitled THE MIRACLE OF LOURDES, it will be published November 14. . . . Mirella Levi d'Ancona is completing a work on the history of the Immaculate Conception in art up to the fifteenth century. . . . THE HANDMAID OF THE LORD, by Adrienne Von Speyr, postponed for more than a year, was finally released in September (McKay). . . . Grail Publications announces a new book by Sister M. Julian Baird, R.S.M., THE COURT OF THE QUEEN.

NOVEMBER NUMBER FEATURES LEGION OF MARY

The November 1955 number of The MARIANIST Magazine, 32-page all-Marian monthly published by the Marian Library, will feature the Legion of Mary and its work throughout the world Special articles by Frank Duff, founder of the Legion, on the history of the Legion, and Rev. Aedan McGrath, recently released from a Chinese prison, on the Legion in China, will be included in the issue. A picture story will illustrate Legion activities in many countries. Other articles for the November issue will highlight the work of Edel Quinn in Africa and will show the effect of Legionaries on an ordinary parish.

MARIAN REPRINTS


The encyclical of Pope Pius XII on the Queenship of Mary, Ad Caeli Reginam (Reprint No. 30), is again available, after having been out of print for several months.
SELECTED LIST OF BOOKS ADDED TO MARIAN LIBRARY SINCE JUNE 1955


Autore, S. M., BIBLIOTHECA CARTUSIANO-MARIANA. Monstrolii, 1898. 72p.


Feckes, Carl, MARIA IN HEILSPLAN GOTTES. Leutersdorf am Rhein, Johannes Verlag, 1954. 46p.


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MARIAN UNION OF BEAURAING
Rev. Joseph Debergh, O.M.I., director of Pro Maria, Lowell, Mass., has recently announced the establishment of an Association of Prayers, the Marian Union of Beauraing, which was approved by Archbishop Cushing of Boston earlier this year. Purpose of the association is to offer prayers to the “Virgin with the Golden Heart” (as she appeared at Beauraing) in order that she may accomplish her promise to convert sinners. For further information, write: Miss Doris M. Poisson, Secretary, Pro Maria Committee, 22 Second Avenue, Lowell, Mass.

MARIAN SYMBOLS
Teachers and librarians looking for attractive and inexpensive symbols and monograms of Our Lady, should contact The Apostolate, 2025 E. Fulton Road, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Libraries will be especially interested in the Magnificat series, a set of 20 symbols illustrating the prayer, price $1.50.