

A Salesman For Mary.

Movie and radio stars know Father Patrick Peyton, CSC, not just one or two stars but dozens of them, and their's is not just a passing acquaintance--they work for him.

Radio broadcasting managers and technicians know Father Peyton, and they work for him too. And thousands of American and Canadian Catholics have heard his weekly radio program, The Family Theater, and still others have heard him preach or talk.

If something had not happened right here on the campus, Father Peyton would never have become known nationally. It all came about in the infirmary for the Holy Cross religious, that building situated on St. Joseph's lake, up on the hill just west of the Student's Pier.

This big Irish-Born priest was a patient in that infirmary for many months with tuberculosis. The disease attacked him when he was still a seminarian with ordination just around the corner. Father Pat wanted to become a priest and he wanted to be ordained with his brother Tom, who came from Ireland with him, worked with him in the coal mines at Pennsylvania, and attended the same classes with him at Notre Dame and in the seminary.

So Pat, the sick seminarian, made a deal with the Mother of God. "If you cure me of this sickness, I'll do something for you, I'll travel across the United States convincing families that they should say the Rosary daily."

It was a good deal. Because what appears to be a minor miracle took place. Pat got well, for a reason that the doctors can't explain, and he was ordained with his brother Tom. When Father Peyton told his Superiors of his deal with Mary, they granted him permission to devote his time as salesman for the Mother of God. That was in 1942.

Father Peyton has been on the road for seven years now, and great things have happened. But that's his story, and if you don't hear it Wednesday night, you will be missing a great treat. There is no charge for students; simply present your ID card at the door of the Drill Hall, at 8:15 PM.

That Stone In The Grotto.

Students have been seen standing prayerfully at the foot of the statue of Our Lady at the Grotto with their hands raised touching something. A number of inquiries have been made as to what they are doing.

They are touching a stone which has come directly from the Grotto at Lourdes. The stone is very small, about one by two inches. The late Father DeGroote, CSC, brought the piece home with him from Lourdes sometime before 1915, and it was cemented into the Notre Dame Grotto in 1939. The stone can be found at the foot of the statue at about the height of the eye.

A few students touch the stone out of devotion. There is no indulgence attached to it, nor has any favor been promised to those who touch it. It is not recommended that anyone make this devotion before the stone, as it causes wonderment and makes one singular. (Start today and make the Triduum to Our Lady of Lourdes for some of your present needs. Her feast is Friday. Mass, Communion, Rosary and a visit.)
PRAYERS: (Ill) mother of Dick Mosier (Morr), operation; brother of Father Craddick, CSC. Ten Special Intentions. Two Thanksgivings.