

N. C. Volunteers Launch Local Project

'Helping Others Help Themselves'

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Eight women are living in St. Anthony Hall this summer. Together with a single man and their director Joseph Fryer and his wife they form a team sent by the North Carolina Fund to help the culturally deprived children of Chapel Hill.

They have started a program called Cultural Enrichment. Using three church basements they teach children in grades one through six. Their purpose: To help these children get "the things they need to be successful in school."

As Fryer says: "If a student starts slow he stays slow." The program is open to everyone, regardless of background. Its aims are modest. "We don't expect a great deal. If there's a little improvement we feel good. We want to interest the community in helping these children."

House-Building

Besides the Cultural Enrichment program, the team is building a cinder-block house in Carrboro for a woman and her nine children. On weekdays the group teaches, on Saturdays the girls chop down trees and clear away underbrush.

All this was started by a group of Negro mothers who wanted a program during the summer to keep their children off the streets. They met with Rev. Robert Seymour, chairman of Chapel Hill's inter-

church council and he suggested that they apply to the North Carolina Fund.

To receive a team, a community must be able to present some kind of definite plan and to indicate willingness to accept an inter-racial group.

Interesting Group

The volunteers are an interesting and lively collection of individuals.

Only one member is from another state — Virginia. The screening process for these volunteers is careful and strenuous. Out of over 750 applicants this summer only 100 were chosen.

Fanny Coley graduated from Pembroke State College this past June with a major in elementary education. This is her second summer with the Volunteers.

Last summer she worked in the mountains with a group of pre-schoolers from isolated areas. Some of these children had never seen a book. They started the program with a "cow pasture and a pack shed." Miss Coley said the project was successful "far beyond" what they had expected. When the children entered school they were not slow learners as it had been predicted, but were getting along well.

A sociology professor at Pembroke, now doing research for the Fund, talked her into applying after a five-minute pitch. She is now hoping to get

a job with the Fund as a "community action technician." The job would involve setting up programs and getting people involved in the work.

Enjoys Helping People

Her motivations for joining the Volunteers were simple. She enjoys helping people and likes to make them happy. She says of the program: "I get more from it than I can give. The program gives you the opportunity to learn about people and to know about them."

One of the rewards of the work is "to see the love in a child's face and to know that you are instilling in him a willingness to accept other people."

Miss Coley told the story of a young girl in Chapel Hill. The girl is retarded and to teach her Miss Coley has the child trace and retrace the letters of her name in a sand-box. "If she learns to write her name I feel that the summer has been worth it." Its something you can't describe... I work for selfish reasons."

Only Male Member

Frank Pepper, the only male member of the group, is a rising junior at Catawba College. He plans to major in sociology. Pepper joined the Volunteers after talking to a friend who worked on a team last summer.

He wanted to see what the field was like and felt that it would be "good to work with kids." How does he feel as the only man on the project? He said that at first it was really something of a hardship since he had never lived with a group of men, much less women, but now he says that he's "enjoying it" and that the women are a nice group to be with.

Pepper began as a teacher but had difficulty gaging work for the children and is now in charge of visual aids, working with films. He also teaches swimming at the community center.

In the future, Pepper will probably be hauling automobile wrecks and other junk from people's yards in a beautification project.

Pepper said he has learned "a great deal" from the program. For one thing he has

learned that poor people are not poor because of laziness "they are really eager to work" and he has become more sympathetic toward the Negro and his problems.

Learning About Himself

Pepper said he has also learned that one of the major himself and said the decision-making involved in his work has helped him. "A lot of people don't realize what a job it is. This is entirely different from studying notes.

There is quite a difference between theory and application. The program is mostly an experience in learning to know more about people. It's a good program."

Mary Alice McNeill graduated from Fayetteville State College this June. Like Miss Coley and some of the others, her major was in elementary education. She became interested in the program when her Dean of Women enounced that there were application blanks in her office.

She filled out a form but "hesitated about sending it in." After a lecture by a Volunteer representative and after seeing a film entitled "The First Hundred Years" she was convinced.

Miss McNeill joined mainly because she "loves to work with small children." She had learned that one of the major causes of poverty was lack of education. She decided that if she could help teach children how to read and how to master the basic concepts of communication they would be able to get along much better throughout their school years and beyond.

They "Sing A Lot"

She teaches the first and second grade three hours a

day. The program is informal. They "sing a lot, have a story hour and have some form of art every day."

The children are encouraged to take books home and to do reading on their own. Most of the children are average and above-average. She was surprised to find that these children were not poverty-stricken economically, but were "poverty-stricken of the mind".

Miss McNeill said the program has helped her in making decisions about her career. She is now certain that she wants to stick with her primary certificate and finds that the second grade is her favorite.

Aside from this, she said she has gained a great deal from living with other members of the team. This was her first experience with an integrated group. She said she was a little uneasy at first, but found her roommate pleasant and now feels that the group is "one big happy family."

Softball Action Ends Wednesday

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Intramural softball action heads into the final week of activity with the Lambda Chi

'The Kid' Picked For NSA Games

Billy Cunningham, UNC All-America basketball, has been chosen to represent the United States in the National Student Association sponsored World Games. The competition will take place at Budapest, Hungary, Aug. 20 to 29.

This is the first time that the United States will compete as an organized team of university and college athletes. Russia has long dominated the event.

James D. Fowler, executive secretary of the sponsoring U. S. National Student Association sports affairs department, outlined plans to enter track and field, basketball, swimming, tennis, diving, fencing, gymnastics, volleyball, and water polo teams. Bud Wilkinson, head of the Lifetime Sports Foundation, is also involved in the program.

Joining Cunningham on the basketball team will be Bill Bradley of Princeton, Tom and Dick Van Arsdale of Indiana, Fred Hetzel of Davidson, and Ollie Johnson from the University of San Francisco.

Track and swimming teams will come from National Amateur Athletic Union meets. The track team will be virtually the same one that competes in a dual meet against Russia in Moscow in July.

Alpha squad in first place.

Lambda Chi Alpha sports a perfect 5-0 record but the Purefoy Pukes are pressing with a 4-1 mark. Third place is a tie between Grimes, ATO, and Botany, all holding 3-2 records. Physics is sixth at 2-3 while the Ehringhaus Rebels and Phi Delt hold down the cellar spot with 5-0 slates.

In the fifth round Purefoy beat Phi Delt 7-2 while ATO lambasted Ehringhaus 20-2.

Bob Hume and Mike McLaughlin had home runs that lifted Grimes to a 6-1 win over Botany.

Lambda Chi used its usual consistent barrage of safeties to score a 10-2 victory over Physics.

The big game of the sixth round finds Lambda Chi defending their top position against a determined second place Purefoy crew.

Grimes meets ATO in another feature contest of the round.

Regular season play ends Monday with the top four teams receiving berths in the play-offs. The number one team meets the number four team while number two and three battle it out for a chance in the finals.

The championship game is set for 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at Emerson Field.

The net race is shaping up for its big finale as only three competitors remain. Bill Staton defeated Dan Fowler 3-6, 6-1, 7-5; Hightower defeated William Davis 7-5, 2-6, 6-2; and Dave Douglas defeated Dave Lowe 6-4, 6-3.

Douglas has received a semifinal bye while Staton and Hightower must battle each other to advance to the final match.

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