



St. Clare's Has Dental Clinic for Needy Children

A new dental clinic for indigent children of Schenectady county will go into operation Oct. 5 at St. Clare's Hospital.

Sister M. Senana, SFP, hospital administrator, said this is the first time a clinic of this type has been conducted in the county exclusively for children.

The clinic, which will be open each Monday, beginning at 8 a.m., is supported entirely by co-operating dentists and the hospital.

Operation of the clinic will be similar to the adult clinic for city and county residents which is held Fridays at 9 a.m. Sister Senana said. For children of the city, the city health department clinics will be conducted as in the past on Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. and Friday at 9:30 a.m.

Sister Senana noted that approximately 45 dentists, all of whom are engaged in private practice in the city, are donating their services for this project.

Appointments for the clinic are usually made through nurses in the schools. After the nurse refers the case to the clinic, it is investigated and an appointment made, she explained.

Notification of the new clinic has been sent to the superintendents of Mahanston, Maryinus hospitals at surgical village, Duaneburg, Nicholas, Draper, Schalmont and Scotia-Glenville schools.

New Hospital Wing Blessed by Bishop



THE NEW PEDIATRICS WING at St. Clare's Hospital was blessed yesterday afternoon by the Most Rev. William A. Scully, bishop of the Albany Catholic Diocese, who also attended a members. Shown before the start of the

New 20-Bed Section Unveiled— St. Clare's Opens Pediatric Unit

A new 20-bed pediatric unit at St. Clare's Hospital opened its doors to young patients yesterday.

LOCATED on the fourth floor, north wing, the new unit was formerly quarters for the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor, who operate the hospital, according to Sister M. Luanda, SFP, medical supervisor of pediatrics.

The sisters now live in the convent-chapel wing of the hospital dedicated last August.

The pediatric area has been completely redesigned, remodeled and equipped for the care and treatment of children, Sister Luanda said. The small infants will have their own nursery of four

beds with adjacent examination and work rooms.

A SECOND NURSERY has four crabs and older children occupy three two-bed rooms and two three-bed rooms. Each area is divided by curtain hung from ceiling tracks which will provide privacy when needed for each bed.

Oxygen is piped into all rooms, available for the immediate use of oxygen tents, croupettes, incubators and isolette. A nurses' station with a separate area for preparation of medications controls the unit. Treatment and utility rooms, toilets and a bathroom complete the service facilities.

COLOR HAS PLAYED an important part in construction materials as well as furnishings.

A playground providing space for convalescing children can be seen in the background. A highlight of the newly-opened unit.

A conference room, which will seat 35 to 40 people, has also been planned into the new fourth floor. Separate from the pediatric unit it is equipped with blackboard and projection equipment. The hospital will use it to carry on an active educational and service training program for the staff.

1957 —(Gazette Photo) —SISTER M. SENANA

Sister M. Senana Is New Administrator, St. Clare's

By PAT VROOMAN

Sister M. Senana became the administrator of St. Clare's Hospital two weeks ago. In that brief time she has organized a major change.

Effective Aug. 1, the dietary and cafeteria, now under the direction of hospital personnel, will be supervised by Cresty Brothers

administration from St. John's University, Brooklyn, in 1947. Since then she has been a member of American College of Hospital Administrators.

As a registered nurse since 1928, Sister Senana has served in various capacities at surgical hospitals as surgical nurse, pediatrics supervisor, director of nursing, night supervisor and operating room

St. Clare's Hospital Tests Disaster Plan

By PEG CHURCHILL, Gazette Reporter

At 10 a.m. yesterday an explosion evicted a building at ALCO Products, Inc. and within minutes the victims were arriving at St. Clare's Hospital.

POLICE GUARDED the doors and directed traffic on the grounds. Nurses in the emergency rooms quickly began caring for the wounded.

Actually, there was no explosion at ALCO, but the aloof efforts of the hospital staff were a reality. This was a dry run of St. Clare's plan for the care of wounded in event of a disaster in Schenectady.

The drill came as a surprise to hospital personnel. However, according to Sister Senana, SFP, hospital administrator, the simulated disaster operation was "generally very successful."

SIX ALCO EMPLOYEES were the "victims" for the drill. They were taken through the major steps of the plan—from receiving ward to laboratory and X-ray departments, to resuscitation ward, operating room, recovery room and on to the convalescent ward.

Following the drill, which lasted 75 minutes, physicians in charge of each of the divisions of the plan evaluated the surprise drill. The overall operation was under the direction of Dr. Ernest A. Carrasco.



VISITOR FROM SKY—St. Clare's Hospital was the second stop during yesterday's helicopter tour of Schenectady County Community Chest Agencies by O. F. Vea, general chairman of the 1959 fund-raising drive. Vea is greeted by Sister M. Senana, administrator of St. Clare's Hospital. In the right background is Sister Grace Frances, assistant administrator. Purpose of Vea's whirlwind tour

St. Clare's Organizes First Glaucoma Detection Clinic

ments have been arranged for the first glaucoma clinic in this city. Sister M. Senana, SFP, announced yesterday.

The clinic will be under the supervision of Peter Sykowsky, ophthalmologist at St. Clare's. He organized the clinic for families who have a family eye disease.

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X-Ray Technicians Graduated at St. Clare's Hospital



Graduation ceremonies for St. Clare's Hospital X-ray technicians were held at the hospital yesterday afternoon. Three of the graduates are shown with seven future technicians. From left standing are: Sister Mary Senana, supervisor of St. Clare's; Miss Sandra Salino, Andrews department; and John Cook, an acolyte. Standing in back are The Rev. Dr. Ernest A. Carrasco, head of the hospital; and Sister M. Senana, administrator.

Anniversary Schedule Set At St. Clare's

Sister M. Senana, SFP, administrator of St. Clare's Hospital, Schenectady, has announced the schedule for the hospital's 10th anniversary celebration this week.

The celebration will officially begin tomorrow at 1 P. M. with a meeting of St. Clare's Ladies Auxiliary, followed by a tea honoring Sister Senana.

DINNER TUESDAY

A Mass and dinner in honor of staff doctors and employees with 18 years' continuous service will be held Tuesday. Most Rev. William A. Scully, bishop of the Albany Catholic Diocese, will say the Mass in the hospital chapel.