Countless Gifts From Circle To Home in 25 Years

St. Mary's Sewing Circle, purely charitable organization, looks back over a quarter century of unselfish devotion to the needs of the children of St. Mary's Home. A never-ending procession of material gifts paves the avenue of years since the first organization meeting was held in the fall of 1924 at the old Elks' Home on Congress St.

The organization is truly democratic since women of all creeds have gathered together for a common good since the group was formed.

At the initial meeting of the Circle Mrs. Thomas Mark Callahan, now deceased, was elected president & served during the long period from 1924 until 1948. Mrs. Frank Deballion was chosen vice-president, 1924-48; Mrs. F. H. Davis, secretary, serving from 1924 to 1930 and Miss Louise Subervielle, treasurer from 1924 until 1926.

This organization has functioned regularly throughout these 25 years and during that time St. Mary's Home has received countless articles of clothing, sheeting, bed spreads, curtains, towels and other household linens. The Circle has presented to the home two pianos, two sewing machines and a gas stove, to add to the lengthy list of gifts the home regularly receives from the group.

St. Mary's Sewing Circle boasts a membership of over 100. The monthly meetings are held in the homes of the members on every third Wednesday of the month. They are presided over by the current president, Mrs. Frank Deballion, who is assisted by her executive committee composed of Mrs George Gauthier, vice-president; Mrs. Paul Salles, treasurer and Mrs. F. Xavier Mouton, secretary.