Former Genevan Wins Army Commission

GENEVA. Word has been received here that John W. Mahan formerly of 161 William St., was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia, 31st July 3.

Lieutenant Mahan is the son of William A. Mahan, now of Rochester. After spending a short leave at his home in Rochester, he will report to Camp Adair, Oregon.

Lieutenant Mahan is a graduate of De Sales High School and Geneva Business Institute and he attended St. Michael's College, Toronto, Canada.

Children's Hospital

Floralyn, L. I.—Three new buildings at the St Francis Sanatorium for Cardiac Children here were dedicated by the Most Rev. Thomas E. Molloy, Bishop of Brooklyn, Wednesday.

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In Path of Revengeful Nazis

The Catholic Church of St. Martin, in the old Czechoslovakian village of Lidice, near Prague, was in the path of the revenge-seeking Nazis when every building in the town was leveled and, it is reported, all the men were executed, and the women and children sent to concentration camps. It is said the town was wiped out because it harbored the assassins of Reinhard Heydrich, Nazi "hangman." (N.C.W.C.)

SCHOOL BOARD OPPOSES GIVING SEVEN DAYS A YEAR TO RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

WASHINGTON — Basing its objection on the fact that the program would result in seven days being taken out of the school time in the course of a year, the District of Columbia Board of Education has rejected a proposal to release public school children one hour a week to receive religious instruction in churches of their particular religions. The proposal was first made to the Board last April, and it was stipulated that the instruction would be for only those children whose parents requested it, and that all expenses would be borne by the respective churches.

The Board passed upon this proposal this week before recessing for the summer. The Board pointed to the fact that already, because of the employment of teachers and schools in selective service and rationing registration, the public school pupils are losing six days a year.

55 Years A Priest

Atchison, Kans. — The Very Rev. Gerard Heinz, O.S.B., conventual prior of St Benedict's Abbey here, has observed the fifty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Geneva Weddings

Smith - Hart

GENEVA — A lovely summer wedding was solemnized at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning at St. Stephen's Church, when Miss Margaret Marie Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Hart of 131 Lyceum Street became the bride of Charles Edward Smith, son of Mr and Mrs. Edward A Smith of 211 William Street, Waterloo. The ceremony was performed by Rev Joseph DeVaney James Lynch presided at the organ

Miss Lucille Smith, sister of the bridegroom, was bridesmaid

Paul J. Hart, brother of the bride, was best man and the ushers were Bernard Hart, Harold Woodden and Corporal J. Paul Murphy.

After the wedding, a reception was held at the Maxwell residence

The bride and bridegroom left later on a trip to the Adirondacks and upon their return will reside in Waterloo.

Mahoney - Beczak

GENEVA — The marriage of Miss Sally Beczak, daughter of Mrs. A. J. Szatkowski of Schenectady to Private Frank J Mahoney, of 39 North Exchange Street, took place on Saturday morning, July 11th, at St. Adelbert's Church in Schenectady.

The bride's sister, Miss Stella Szatkowski, was her attendant.

Steve Kaczmarcayk, cousin of the bride, was best man.

After the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents.

BUY WAR BONDS

Funeral Rites of the Week in Auburn

St. Mary's

Alfred Planost, a resident of Auburn for several years, died Monday at the home of his son, Augustus, 31 Lewis Street. Mr Planost is survived by one daughter, Lillian Pine of Auburn, five sons, Augustus of Auburn; Ernest and Edmond of Rochester, Rudolph of Owego and Alfred Pine, Jr., of the United States Marines. The deceased was a communicant of St. Mary's Church and services were conducted there on Wednesday morning. Rev Joseph McNamara was celebrant of the solemn high Mass of requiem. Rev William E. Cowen, S.T.D., was deacon and Rev. Richard T. Tormey was subdeacon. The burial service was read by Father McNamara and the services at St. Joseph's Cemetery were conducted by Father Richard Tormey.

The funeral of **John Marr** was held from his home, 14 Carrow St., on Monday morning, with services at St. Mary's Church. Rev. Dennis Hickey was celebrant of the requiem high Mass and read the burial service. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the services were conducted by Rev. Joseph M. McNamara. The bearers were Edward Bryant, Edward Weaver, John Raesler, William Roberts, William Weaver and James Mooney.

William Murray of Sennet, died on Sunday evening after an illness of ten days, following a fall. He is survived by two sons, John of Sennet and Jeremiah of Weedsport, one sister, Miss Anna Murray of Montezuma. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Church on Thursday morning, and burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Edward James Dree, well known resident of Cross Street, died at his home on Wednesday. He was 68 years old. He was born in Union Springs but has lived in Cross Street for over forty years. He was an employee of the old Empire Gas Company for many years. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church and a member of the Holy Name Society of the parish. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Furlong Drew and two sons, Frank M. Drew of Auburn and Eugene Drew of Reading, Pa., and by two grandchildren and one great grandchild. The funeral was held on Saturday morning at St. Mary's Church. Rev. Richard Tormey was celebrant of the Solemn High Mass of Requiem; Rev. William E. Cowen, S.T.D., deacon, and Rev Joseph McNamara, sub-deacon Rev. Raymond Nolan of Canandaigua was in the sanctuary Burial was in the family plot in St. Michael's Cemetery, Union Springs where services were conducted by Father Nolan and Father McNamara. Bearers were Peter Klientjes, Joseph Furlong, Michael Manion, James and Joseph Hester and Martin Lynch.

Hugh Dolan, a resident of Auburn for more than fifty years, died at the Hartnett Nursing Home. For many years he was employed by the American Express Company and later by the McIntosh, Seymour Company of Auburn. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church and a member of the Holy Name Society of the parish and also of the Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus. Mr. Dolan is survived by a brother, William of Ireland and a nephew William O'Grady also of Ireland; and Patrick O'Grady of Auburn. Funeral services were held on Friday morning at St Mary's Church, Rev. Richard Tormey was celebrant; Rev Dr Cowen, deacon, and Rev. Denis Hickey subdeacon. The burial was in St Joseph's Cemetery where the service was in charge of Father Tormey, assisted by Father McNamara. Bearers were John Ginnity Joseph Coffey, Ray Kenny, Peter Connor, Joseph Long and William Lane.

Mrs. Catherine Foley O'Flaherty, 80, wife of Michael J. O'Flaherty, died on Friday morning. She has lived during most of her life in Auburn and made her home for many years at 16 Jefferson Street. She was a member of the Rosary and Scapular Society of St Mary's Church. She is survived by one daughter Mrs Douglas Jelly and by two grandchildren, Rita and David of Auburn. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Church on Monday morning and burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Holy Family

Albert Lang Gerdon died suddenly on Thursday evening at his home 84 Genesee Street, and funeral services were conducted at Holy Family Church on Monday morning. Rev. John Brill was celebrant of the requiem high Mass and Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway was in the sanctuary. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the committal service was read by Father Brill. Bearers were John Hayes, Paul Gilmore, James Eckett, John Ginnity, Thomas Connor and Russel Kavanagh.

St. Francis

Mrs. Angelee Gallaro died at her home, 112 Van Anden Street, on Saturday. Mrs. Gallaro was 76 years old and was severely injured a few weeks ago when she fell down the stairs. She has been confined at Mercy Hospital for some time. She has been a resident of Auburn for 32 years coming here from Italy. She was a communicant of St Francis Church. Mrs. Gallaro is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John Fede and five sons, John, Frank, Thomas, Joseph and James Gallaro, all of Auburn, ten grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held from the home on Tuesday morning with services at St Francis Church. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

SS Peter and Paul

Mrs. Anna Dombrowski Batko, wife of Stephen Batko, died at her home, 81 Perrine Street, on Wednesday. Mrs. Batko was a member of SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Church and has resided in Auburn for thirty-five years. She is survived by her husband, one daughter, Katherine and one son, Michael. Funeral services were conducted on Saturday morning Rev. Michael Lysiak, pastor, officiated at the home and was celebrant of a requiem high Mass. Members of the Ukrainian Sicz Society were present at the church. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, where services were read by Father Lysiak. The bearers were Samuel Myrglot, Philip Sofinski, Dail Sawaryn, Michael Figo, John Vincenty and George M. Germak.

BUFFALO - Funeral services for **Thomas H. Murphy**, former Auburnian, were held Monday morning at Portageville, near Buffalo. He was a former chief inspector of the Police Department of New York City, a former warden of Clinton State Prison. He was at one time comptroller's clerk at Auburn Prison. He retired from active service a few years ago and last year volunteered his services as a member of the Selective Service Draft Board. He served on the Board for a little over a year before he became ill. He died on Friday at his home in Sea Gate. Mr. Murphy is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John Teobald of Rockville and Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald of Brooklyn; one son, Francis of Brooklyn, a fingerprint expert with the New York City Police Department and by several nieces and nephews. Mr. Murphy was an uncle of the late Mrs. Helen Hughes Herbert. James B. Herbert and family attended the funeral services.

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