

Geneva Army Officer Held As War Prisoner In Africa

GENEVA.—A Geneva young man, Captain Martin J. Lawler, of the United States Army, who has been actively engaged in war duty for some time overseas, is a prisoner of war of the Italian government, according to a telegram received from General Ullo, Adjutant General of the United States Forces.

In his message to Mr. and Mrs. Lawler of Lycurgus Street, on Saturday, General Ullo stated that it was reported that Captain Lawler was a prisoner of war. Actual news of his imprisonment came through the Papal Secretary of State to Rome and was sent to the Apostolic Delegate in Washington, D.C. He in turn wired the Bishop of Albany who transmitted the news to the parish priests in the towns in which wives of two of the American prisoners resided. One of the wives is a Mrs. Warren who resides in a small town in the Albany diocese and the other is Mrs. Lawler who resides with her parents in Chappaqua, N.Y.

Mrs. Lawler Jr. received an interesting letter from Captain Lawler under a Nov. 13 dateline, while she was visiting his parents here for Thanksgiving. At that time, he stated that he was in French Morocco and that fighting had ceased after two weeks of battle. It is felt that he may have been moved into the Tunisian fighting zone immediately after that.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawler have the camp address of their son and they expect to be able to send him letters and food.

Captain Lawler is a graduate of St. Bonaventure and was in the Army Officers Reserve Group. He was transferred this past June to the regular Army.

Services Call Geneva Youths

GENEVA.—Robert E. Marshall of the United States Coast Guard, Erie, Pa., spent New Year's Day with his father, Eugene J. Marshall, of 21 West Street.

Aviation Cadet Theodore W. Kline has been transferred from Nashville, Tenn., to Maxwell Field, Alabama, to begin pilot training. He is the son of Mrs. W. A. Kline of 142 Hillcrest Avenue.

Private Robert Hurley has returned to Yuma, Arizona, after spending a furlough at his home, 59 Middle Street.

Sergeant Second Class John C. Buckley, who recently had a 17-day leave at his home, 316 Castle Street, after completing basic training at Sampson, N.Y., has been transferred and is now attending service school.

Birth Announced

A daughter, Kathleen Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Coggins of Lewis Street, at the Geneva General Hospital on December 27.

WEDDINGS IN GENEVA

Sabine - Hudson

The wedding of Miss June Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hudson of East Lake Road, and Staff Sergeant Edward L. Sabine, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sabine of 63 West Street, took place on Monday, Dec. 21, at 10:30 o'clock at St. Stephen's Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William J. O'Brien, cousin of the bridegroom.

Attendants were the bride's sister, Miss Margaret Hudson, and the bridegroom's brother, John Sabine.

After the wedding, a breakfast was served at Maxwell's on Castle Street.

The bride and bridegroom left later for Watsonville, Cal., where he is stationed with the Coast Artillery.

Petrucelli - Gigliotti

The wedding of Miss Rachel Marie Gigliotti, daughter of Sergeant and Mrs. Antonio Gigliotti of 301 North Genesee Street, and Anthony Petrucelli of Guttenberg, N.J., took place on Saturday morning at St. Francis de Sales Church. The ceremony was performed by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Walter J. Lee.

Miss Mary Gigliotti was her sister's maid of honor.

Eugene Gigliotti, brother of the bride, was best man.

After the wedding, a reception and dinner was held at the Hotel Seneca with about fifteen seated guests.

Catholic Layman Addresses Anglican Church Synod

BRISBANE, Australia.—By special invitation of the Anglican Bishop of Ballarat, N.S.W., D.G.M. Jackson, widely known Catholic layman here, was the principal speaker at a luncheon meeting of the diocesan Anglican Synod. His topic was "Christian Collaboration."

Mr. Jackson, who recently attended the Newcastle "Religion and Life Week" called attention to the absence of God in the secularist modern world and pointed out that religion, instead of being the heart of social life as it had been in the Middle Ages, now was regarded as separate from life and alien to it.

Advocating religious instruction in public schools, Mr. Jackson asserted family life was "falling to pieces" because of the diminishing regard of religious sanctions of marriage and family life and because the materialist outlook on life led men to regard economic prosperity, pleasure and social well-being as the primary objectives.

Order Closing Play 'Native Son' Rescinded

NEW YORK.—(NC).—The play "Native Son," which the producer had ordered closed, has been reinstated.

The play has been listed as "wholly objectionable" by the Catholic Theater Movement in New York.

The rescinding order, Lee Shubert, the producer, said was issued, following protests from the Actors Equity Association and other groups.

Catholics Most

OTTAWA.—The Bureau of Statistics report that of a total population of 729,744 in the Province of Manitoba Catholics are the most numerous of the various religious groups.

High School Students Pay Expenses of Native Seminarian on Missions

NEW ORLEANS.—The high school conference of the Catholic Student Mission Council of New Orleans will this year pay the expenses of a native seminarian in a

mission land through the Society of St. Paul the Apostle for further study. This is the fourth consecutive year the students have contributed to the priesthood in mission lands and providing for their maintenance.

The Franciscan Conventuals, sometimes called "Black Franciscans," are a branch of the Friars Minor order.

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