

### Elmira Newsman Serves U. S. Marines in Public Relations

Public Relations sergeant, serving the entire District of Columbia, is the new post of Staff Sgt. John S. Divisy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jean J. Divisy, 336 W. Church St. New stationed at the Marine Corps Induction and Recruiting District headquarters in Washington, Sgt. Divisy had enlisted in the Marine Corps shortly before Pearl Harbor. He reported for duty on Dec. 12, 1941. Then only 19 years old, his parents' permission was required for enlistment.

His wish for service as a combat reporter, stemming from his work with the Star-Gazette, led him into the public relations field where he now serves. Writing radio scripts, giving talks on the air, contacting news editors with material concerning the marines, planning the make-up and distribution of the posters now seen at every post office and public building, constitute most of his work. Following his basic training at Parris Island in the south, Sgt. Divisy received the post of public relations sergeant in Albany on Feb. 17, 1943, where he stayed until January of this year. He was transferred to Philadelphia and from there to Washington.

Sgt. Divisy is a member of St. Patrick's Church, and of the Holy Name Society of that parish. He was a choir boy at St. Patrick's, and for two years attended St. Andrew's Seminary in Rochester. His formal education was completed at the Academy in Elmira.

Last week his wife, Mrs. Ann Divisy, daughter of Mrs. T. J. Elliott, Jr., 458 Hersey St., joined Sgt. Divisy in Washington, after visiting her mother here. They are residing at 452 Park Road, N. W. Washington.

### News of Coming Men Gathered From Armed Posts

CORNING—Lt. William Hallahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Hallahan, 75 W. Fourth St., was recently promoted from a second lieutenant to first lieutenant at Camp Lee, Va., where he is attached to Quartermaster's Headquarters.

Lt. Hallahan, a graduate of St. Mary's School and Corning Free Academy, completed his education at Syracuse University and Georgetown University Law School, Washington, D. C. He entered the service in August, 1941, and received his commission just a year later. Upon graduation from Officers' Training School he and Miss Julie McMahon of Corning were united in marriage at St. Mary's Church.

Joseph N. Reilly, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Norman Reilly, 88 E. First St., who enlisted last fall in the Army Air Corps, was recently called to report for duty at Atlantic City, N. J.

Pvt. Reilly is a graduate of St. Mary's School and Corning Free Academy. He entered St. Bonaventure's College in September, 1942, but gave up his studies to enlist.

Jack Reilly, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Reilly, is stationed at Camp Knox, Ky.

Pvt. Robert F. Aug, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Aug, 123 W. Third St., was a recent graduate from the U. S. Air Force Technical School at Boca Raton Field, Fla.

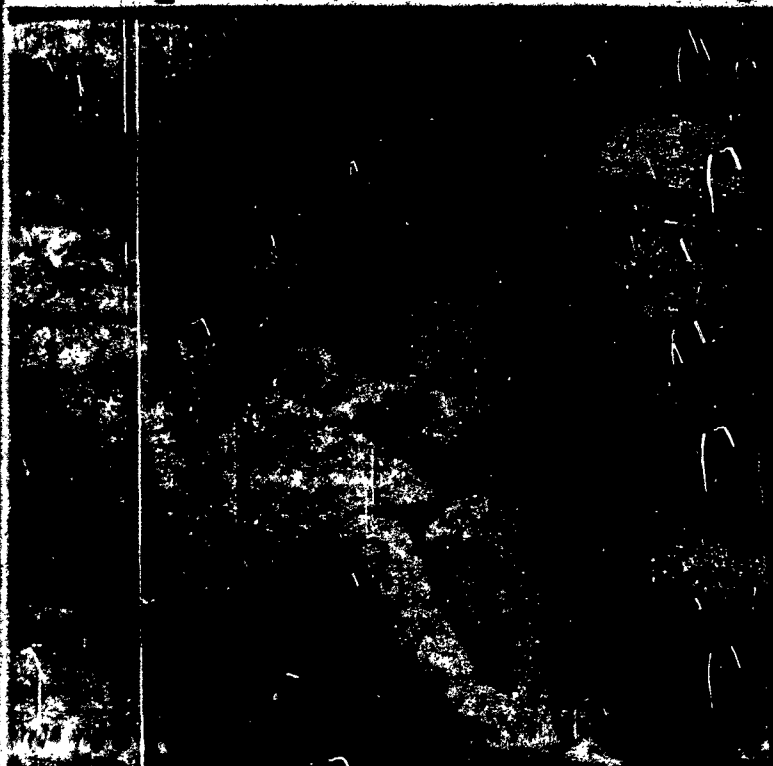
A graduate of St. Mary's School and Corning Free Academy, the young man was inducted into the Army in July, 1942.

Pvt. Peter Giambone of Fort Niagara, who was inducted into the U. S. Army Saturday, Jan. 30, was one of four students who completed senior graduation requirements at Northside High School recently.

Pvt. Giambone, who was an active member of the senior class, received his diploma before he left for service by special permission of the Board of Education.

Be as cheerful as you can talk in well doing for there is a certain grace in good deeds when they are done cheerfully — St. Francis de Sales.

### Chaplain Aids War Victim



Father Francis P. Geering (left) of Brooklyn, U. S. Navy Chaplain in the Solomon, delivers little "Fancy Lee" to Fern Jean (right), head of the French Mission, for safe keeping. Mother found the little girl in a shack on Guadalcanal where the Japanese had left her to die, after they killed her father and mother, and beached the child's head. Father Geering arranged to have the child flown to another South Pacific Island where Sisters of the mission will care for her. U. S. Navy photo. (N.C.W.C.)

### NCCW Stresses Biblical Sunday Observance Feb. 21

Biblical Sunday, occurring on Sunday, February 21, was emphasized at the February meeting of the Elmira Deanery Council of the N.C.W. The letter written by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James R. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, to the Confederation of Christian Doctrines on this subject was read and discussed.

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The president, Miss Mary Newman, requested representatives of all affiliated organizations to reach each member of their organizations, urging them to begin the daily reading of the Bible on next Sunday, continuing all through Lent. It is ardently hoped that many new devotees of God's written message to mankind will be gained in this manner.

Every member of the NCCW is doing all she possibly can in a material way to help the war. But of even greater importance is an increased activity on the spiritual front, for this will last through the war and into the peace.

There is in this daily reading of the Scriptures a sense of putting "first things first", which should be our greatest aim.

Many papers in their letters to the faithful have expressed this one desire for all the children of the Church, that being saturated with the Bible, they might arrive at the all-surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ. Biblical Sunday is designed to carry into effect the wishes of the Vicar of Christ on earth.

The reading of the New Testament has been made easier and more attractive by the new Confederation edition, which has made excellent use of the printer's art to render the printed page more inviting, and the contents more easily understandable.

Many people are not familiar with the great indignances which have been granted to all the faithful who devoutly read the Holy Bible. The Holy Scriptures, Lev. XIII, on Dec. 15, 1846, granted an indulgence of 100 days to be gained once a day by all who read the Bible for at least a quarter of an hour.

### Bowling in Elmira

Catholic Church League			
St. Paul & Paul	St. Anthony's	St. Peter's	Total
Nov 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	312 100 312
Dec 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	324 100 324
Jan 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	336 100 336
Feb 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	348 100 348
Mar 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	360 100 360
Apr 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	372 100 372
May 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	384 100 384
Jun 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	396 100 396
Jul 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	408 100 408
Aug 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	420 100 420
Sep 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	432 100 432
Oct 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	444 100 444
Nov 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	456 100 456
Dec 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	468 100 468
Jan 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	480 100 480
Feb 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	492 100 492
Mar 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	504 100 504
Apr 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	516 100 516
May 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	528 100 528
Jun 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	540 100 540
Jul 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	552 100 552
Aug 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	564 100 564
Sep 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	576 100 576
Oct 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	588 100 588
Nov 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	600 100 600
Dec 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	612 100 612
Jan 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	624 100 624
Feb 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	636 100 636
Mar 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	648 100 648
Apr 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	660 100 660
May 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	672 100 672
Jun 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	684 100 684
Jul 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	696 100 696
Aug 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	708 100 708
Sep 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	720 100 720
Oct 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	732 100 732
Nov 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	744 100 744
Dec 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	756 100 756
Jan 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	768 100 768
Feb 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	780 100 780
Mar 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	792 100 792
Apr 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	804 100 804
May 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	816 100 816
Jun 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	828 100 828
Jul 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	840 100 840
Aug 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	852 100 852
Sep 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	864 100 864
Oct 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	876 100 876
Nov 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	888 100 888
Dec 112 100 100	100 100 100	100 100 100	900 100 900

### Elmira Weddings

Miss Margaret Pagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Pagan, 304 York Ave., became the bride of Peter Pagan, son of Mrs. Antonio Pagan, 214 Washington Ave., on 24 a. m. of Saturday, Feb. 13, 1943, at St. Peter and Paul's Church. The Rev. Fr. Maguire officiated. Mrs. Charles E. Kennedy played the wedding music.

### Funerals

Funeral services for Mrs. Wm. James Christensen, 200 North P. Ave., who died on Jan. 12, 1943, were held on Saturday, Feb. 13, at 10 a. m. at St. Peter and Paul's Church. The Rev. Fr. Maguire officiated. Mrs. Christensen was 65 years of age.

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