

Armed Services Keep Auburn Youths Active At Posts Throughout World

Edward James Burns of 17 1/2 East Avenue has been commissioned an Ensign. There were 1270 graduates in the class. He received his commission in the Naval Reserve after completing the 15-week V-7 training course at the New York UNN's Midshipmen's school.

Word has been received from Sgt. George Gleason, U.S.A., who formerly was employed in the city engineer's department, that he is now a patient in an army hospital in States Island. Private Gleason did not say how he was injured but he has been returned to this country after seeing service on the North African Front.

Sergeant Nelson (Nick) Odell, U.S.A., is home on furlough. Sergeant Odell is stationed at Camp Campbell, Kentucky. He has been in the service since last October. Sergeant John Poole, another Auburnian, is also stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky. Poole is a graduate of Holy Family High School where he was prominent in athletics.

Word has been received in Auburn of the safe arrival in North Africa of Pvt. Kenneth J. Fox. Private Fox is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox of 13 Gaylord Street. Before entering the service at Uncle Sam, Private Fox was employed at the Columbian Rope Company Factory in Auburn.

Stephen Munkianak, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Munkianak of 128 Chicago Street was a member of the 31st class of aviation cadets to graduate from the new Columbus Army Flying School near Columbus, Miss., on Feb. 18. He received the silver wings of a flying officer and commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. Lieutenant Munkianak entered pilot training last May 24 and attended flying schools at Bennettsville, S. C., and Cambridge, Ga., before his graduation at the advanced flying school near Columbus, Miss.

Edward J. Carr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace N. Carr of 82 1/2 Steel Street, has graduated from the Air Force Technical School at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado, and has been sent for a six weeks' course at the Gunnery and Bombardier School at Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla.

Private Ralph Quill of the U. S. Marines has been transferred from the Marine training station at Parris Island, S. C., to Cherry Point, N. C., where he is receiving instruction at the air base. Private Quill is the son of Councilman and Mrs. James O. Quill of 145 South Street. He is a graduate of St. Mary's and the Central High School and enlisted in the Marines in September.

Leo Boyle, former prison guard and well known in bridge circles in Auburn, left Auburn Jan. 25 for U.S.N.T.S. at Norfolk, Virginia. He is in the Physical Instructors School and is undergoing an intensive three months' training. His address is Leo Boyle, Squad 5, P. I. School, U.S.N.T.S. No. 8, Norfolk, Virginia.

John J. Chapp of 63 Cottage Street has left for Washington, D. C., where he will start preliminary training for his future duties with the National Catholic Community Service of the United Service Organization. After receiving the schooling he will be assigned to an Army or Navy base. Chapp is a life long resident of Auburn, with the exception of the times he has been on the road with baseball teams and has been active in sports in Auburn.

He received his early schooling at St. Mary's and was later graduated from Auburn High School. He attended Mount St. Mary College in Maryland, leaving college to play professional baseball. He is well ranked as one of the out-

standing athletes to wear the Maroon of old Auburn Academic High School. He started his career in the Middle Atlantic League with the Jeannette, Pa., team. Later he played in the Texas League with Beaumont; in the Piedmont League with Raleigh, N. C.; the Canadian League with Bradford, Ontario, Canada; the Western League with Fort Smith, Arkansas; and in the Canadian-American League with Auburn. He captained several of the teams and he was manager of the Auburn team in the Can-Am circuit. For sometime Johnnie has been striving to find a place where he could best serve his country. Through his friendships with Harlan (Gene) Carr, formerly of Auburn, who is now at Raleigh, N. C., and in charge of the Atlantic Division of the U.S.C., Johnnie found his place. His wife, the former Miss Rose Viviano, and his little daughter, Joan, will live in Auburn. He is following into the service the five Viviano brothers of Cottage Street, his brothers-in-law.

Private Thomas J. Kennedy of 90 Lincoln Street is a member of the United States Marines. Recently he has been transferred from the Marine Training Base at Parris Island to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Private John E. Burger, son of Mrs. Leona Burger of 9 Park Place, who left Auburn Jan. 20, is now in the armored force at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He also has a brother, Mr. Robert L. Burger, in the Marine Corps at San Diego, California. He left Auburn on March 12, 1942.

Sergeant Joseph A. Cunningham has returned to his duties as chief armorer of the 47th Bomb Squad at Drome Field, Fla., after spending a six-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Cunningham, 11 Park Place. Sergeant Cunningham is a graduate of St. Mary's Parochial School and of East High School. At the time of his induction at Fort Niagara June last, Sergeant Cunningham was a machinist at the Auburn Spark Plug Company where his father has a supervisory position. Mrs. Joseph Cunningham was the former Betty Stoneburg, daughter of Niles Stoneburg of Conquest and the late Mrs. Stoneburg.

Mark St. John, a former Weedsport boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold St. John of 135 South Street, Weedsport, has been promoted from Seaman second class to third class petty officer, U. S. Navy, stationed at Sampson Naval Base.

A Mother's Prayer To A Son

By FRANK J. MARTIN, JR., United States Army. She went to church early and knelt down to pray... I stood in the doorway and softly heard her say: 'Father in Heaven, forgive my boy today, bless him and save him. Please show him the way to a pathway straight and narrow. To find the glorious light. Please, Father in Heaven, don't let him stray. A tear has fallen for her son far away. A mother in sorrow. Oh, this sacred day, Oh, youngsters when wrong, you are tempted to go. Think of your mother with head bent low. Praying each morning, praying each night, that you'll always be guided in footsteps aright. And shoulders thrown back and high. 'My Son' says mother as proud as can be, 'worship the Heavenly Father, then me!'

Frank J. Martin Jr. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Martin of 26 So. Marine Avenue. He is a parishioner of St. Mary's Church and is stationed in Kansas at the present time.

Private John F. O'Toole and Pvt. James O'Toole, twin sons of John C. O'Toole, CATHOLIC COURIER representative in Auburn, and Mrs. John O'Toole are now stationed at the Army Air Center, Nashville, Tenn. Pvt. James O'Toole is studying navigation. They left Auburn last January, reporting to Fort Niagara. From there they went to Mitchell Field and now they have been transferred to Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Frank W. Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rice of 13 Foote Street, who is stationed at Pine Camp Army Hospital with the medical corps, is home on a brief furlough. He expects to be transferred soon to North Station, T. I.

Jack Crehan, son of Mrs. Harold Crehan of 24 Chapel Street and John F. Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Walsh of 62 Swift Street have been ordered to report for duty at the United States Army Air Corps. Crehan is a graduate of Caronville Seminary. He will report at Bolling on Saturday, Feb. 27, and he expects to be sent to the Army-Air Training Center at Nashville, Tenn. Walsh is a graduate of Auburn Senior High School and took a post graduate course at Holy Family High School. He was in his junior year when summoned to the Air Corps. His brother, Thomas F. Walsh, is now stationed in California with the U. S. Army. Both were employed by the Citizen Advertiser. Jack Walsh was a high school sports reporter and Thomas Walsh was in the circulation department. Jack was one of East High School's best all around athletes.

Top Sergeant John Fritts has returned to his duties with the U. S. Infantry at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Sergeant and Mrs. Fritts were the guests of honor at a dinner at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fritts, 56 Pulaski Street. The dinner marked the first anniversary of the wedding of Sgt. and Mrs. Fritts, and was also a farewell party for the Sergeant. Mrs. Fritts was the former Ella May of Grant Street. Sgt. Fritts was inducted last April at Fort Niagara and he received his initial training at Camp Croft, S. C. He is a graduate of St. Hyacinth's Parochial School and attended East High School. He is a member of the Polish Falcons with whom he played basketball and baseball.

Aviation Cadet Dominick E. Padula, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Padula of 73 Heymour Street, has entered the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School (Navigator) Schmin Field, Monroe, La. Cadet Padula attended St. Mary's School, Auburn High School and Auburn Business School. Before joining the armed forces he was employed by the Columbian Rope Company.

Pfc. Nicholas Averis has passed exams and is now an aviation cadet. He has been classified as a Navigator and will take his training at San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, San Antonio, Texas. He has been stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va. His brother, Pfc. Anthony Averis, who left with the National Guard 108th Infantry, is stationed somewhere in the Hawaiian Islands. The address of Nicholas Averis is Cadet Squadron 104, Army Air Forces Classification Center, San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, San Antonio, Texas.

Private John F. Brennan, son of Thomas J. Brennan, Sr., of 53 Hilley Street and the late Mrs. Brennan, is home on furlough. Pfc. Brennan is stationed at Camp Cook, Cal. Prior to entering the service he was a salesman and treasurer of The Cayuga County Democratic Committee.

3,000 Priests Slain

New York — Three thousand of the 10,000 Catholic priests in Poland have been "murdered by the Germans," the British radio quoting Polish official quarters in London stated in a Polish-language broadcast in the Continental, the Office of War Information stated here.

COLONEL AMONG CAMP CONFIRMES



Bishop Thomas J. Toolen, of Mobile, officiates (upper photo) at the Confirmation of Regimental Commander, Colonel Robert F. Dark, in the 321st Infantry Chapel, Camp Becker, Ala. Bishop Toolen is pictured (lower photo) as he preached the sermon which presided the Confirmation of a class of 25 soldiers. (N.C.W.C.)

Funeral Rites of the Week in Auburn

Mrs. Catherine Dougherty, 74, a St. Mary's

spouse of Mrs. John J. Murray of 20 Liberty Street, Auburn, died at her home in Seneca Falls following a week's illness. Mrs. Dougherty was a gold star mother, having lost two sons, Bernard and James Dougherty, in World War One. Besides the sister, Mrs. Dougherty is survived by a grandson, Lieut. Bernard Dougherty of the U. S. armed forces. The funeral was held from the home on Saturday morning with services at St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Charles Carmicelli died Monday

at the home of his son, Ralph Carmicelli of 1 Mattie Street. He was a native of Italy and had resided in Auburn for about thirty years. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Rachel Tala and Mrs. Philomena Montone, five sons, Antonio, Matteo, Sam, Ralph and Vincent Carmicelli, all of Auburn, several nephews and nieces. The funeral was held from the home Thursday morning, with services at St. Francis Church, St. Hyacinth's.

John Bodnar of 129 Cottage Street died at his home after a brief illness. He was a resident of Auburn for the past 45 years. He was formerly an employee of the International Harvester Company, retiring on pension several years ago. Mr. Bodnar is survived by his wife, one son, John of Auburn; four daughters, Mrs. Stephen Bidder of Syracuse, Mrs. Christopher Ervin of Rochester, Mrs. Stephen Tashy and Mrs. William Bishop of Auburn. He was a communicant of St. Hyacinth's Church.

AURORA: Miss Emily Stack, a registered nurse employed by the Central New York Power Corp., died Monday at 208 Stuart Avenue, Syracuse, and funeral services were held at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Rev. William F. Dougherty was the celebrant, assisted by Rev. W. Alfred Goulet and Rev. John B. Long. Five other priests were in the sanctuary. Bearers were Herbert Covey, Frank Gleason, Harold C. Welch, Paul McAuliffe, Joseph McDade and G. Edward Grant. Temporary burial was made in the vault in St. Agnes Cemetery, Syracuse, until spring when burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Aurora.

Margaret Kane Kenne, wife of Clark G. Kenne of Buffalo, died at her home in Buffalo early Saturday morning. Besides her husband she is survived by a sister, Mrs. James Donovan of Auburn. The body was brought to Auburn and taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. James Donovan, 55 Mary Street. The funeral was held from the Donovan home on Tuesday morning with services at St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

William O'Neill, formerly of Auburn, died at his home in Middleport early Friday morning after an illness of several weeks. Mr. O'Neill was born in Auburn and resided at 165 Perrine Street. He is survived by his wife and one sister, Mrs. Victor Holland of Albany. The body arrived in Auburn and the funeral left the Meagher and Cuddy Funeral Parlors, 158 State Street, on Monday morning with services at St. Mary's Church. A Solemn High Mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Dennis Hickey. Rev. W. E. Cowen was deacon and Rev. Joseph McNamara was sub-deacon. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the committal service was read by Dr. Cowen, assisted by Father McNamara. Bearers were Thomas O'Neill, William Ginnity, John McNamara and Felix Moffitt.

George Marks of 1 McMaster Street, for many years a roofer, died on Sunday morning after a long illness. Services were held at St. Mary's Church on Tuesday morning. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Five War Courses. Winona, Minn. — Five new courses, designed to aid the nation's war effort, are included in the second semester of the college of St. Teresa, here. In the physics department, advanced meteorology and electronics are taught; in the business administration department, there is a course in marketing, stressing price control, inflation, war finance and post-war planning; a course in the history of the Far East and a course in comparative literature will trace the influence of foreign thought on English and American letters and stress the importance of literary internationalism.