Report Auburn Soldier Gives Life In Africa

AUBURN — Private First Class Edward Gerry, 26, was killed in action in Northwest Africa on Feb. 1. This word was received by his mother, Mrs. Catherine Gerry of 196 State, and the word came from the War Department at Washington, D. C.

Private Gerry enlisted in the Army on Jan. 11, 1941. He was a member of St. Hyacinth's Parish and attended Central High School. He has two brothers in the service, Pfc. Stanley Gerry, stationed at Sarasota, Fla., and Frank Gerry of the United States Navy, also two brothers, James Gerry of Detroit and Bernard Gerry of Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Bergamini and the Misses Stephanie, Helen and Lillian Gerry, all of Auburn. The Gerry family received a letter from Private Edward two weeks ago.

K. C. Ladies Set Party March 3

AUBURN — The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus is planning a party for members, Knights, wives and friends of the organization. The party will be held on Wednesday evening, Mar. 3, at the K. of C. Home in Genesee St. The affair will get under way at 9:00 o'clock and there will be dancing and refreshments during the evening. Mrs. J. Harold Wright is chairman of the occasion with Mrs. E. John Derbisi as co-chairman.

RITES FOR WILLIAM NAILEN CONDUCTED IN ELMIRA

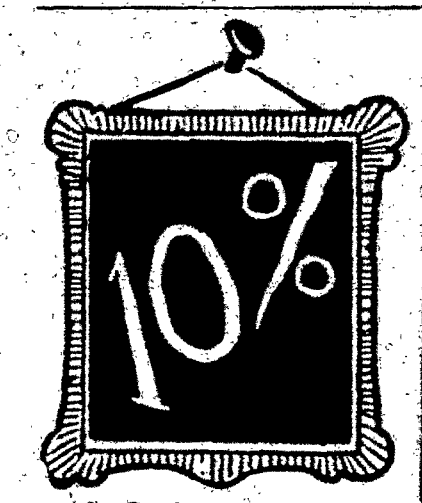
AUBURN—William J. Nailen of 176 Woodlawn Avenue, formerly of Elmira, died Sunday morning at Auburn City Hospital. Mr. Nailen was 47 years old and was born in Canton, Pa. He has been a member of the staff of prison guards at Auburn Prison for the past 12 years.

He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen No. 473 of Pennsylvania, a veteran of the first World War, and a member of St. Mary's Parish. Mr. Nailen is survived by his wife, Anne Brann Nailen; one son, William T.; two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Day of Montour Falls, and Miss Fanny Nailen of Elmira; two brothers, Francis of Philadelphia, Pa., and Thomas of the U. S. Army stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.

The body was taken to Elmira to the home of Mrs. Nailen's sister, Mrs. John Cunnan, 1608 Davis Street, where the funeral was held Wednesday morning. Services were at St. Patrick's Church. Burial was in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery, Elmira.

Minute Man Flag

Los Angeles — Two more archdiocesan schools have raised minute-man flags indicating 100 per cent participation in the sales of war stamps and bonds. St. Columbkille's School, of which the Rev. Noel Dillon is pastor, raised $12,000 during the past year, sufficient to purchase 15 jeeps. A large number of fathers and brothers of the students are in the service. St. Paul's School, the Rev. Thomas Blackwell, pastor, also went over the top.



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All Night Vigil Set Feb. 27 For Adoration Men

AUBURN — The Nocturnal Adoration Society, composed of Catholic men in the City of Auburn, will conduct its monthly vigil at Holy Family Church on Saturday, Feb. 27. The hour of adoration commences on Saturday evening at 10:00 o'clock and ends in a class on Sunday morning at the beginning of the 8:00 o'clock Mass.

St. Francis DeSales

There are many patrons listed in the church calendar. No patron is of greater importance than the patron of the "Catholic Press."

St. Francis de Sales first noted for his gentleness. This gentleness was the result of effort. He learned to control his violent temper. This made him beloved of men. He was also a noted peacemaker. This ability stood by him one day when he was attacked by three fellow-students who had determined to waylay him.

So much has been said about the need of a "Catholic Press" in these days of global strife, that it is well to say something also of its patron. St. Francis de Sales has been acclaimed as the protector and resource of those needing guidance in publishing news. Contrary to his father's wishes, he became a priest. After studying canon and civil law at Padua, he was made Bishop of Geneva and later proclaimed patron of the Catholic Press.

Lawrence Brennan,
Eight Grade,
Holy Family School,
Auburn, New York.

Catholic Press Month

Our class has been studying recently about the Bill of Rights, "Freedom of the Press." This is a wise provision of which is "Freedom" marvelous privilege and a God-given one.

There is need of a well informed "Catholic Press," because there are so many who are enemies of the church. They make false statements. They charge Catholics with disloyalty to the government. These facts must be refuted by those whose principles are right and sincere. The "Catholic Press" in our various communities is led by Bishops and Priests and an educated laity. This group united together, contradict false statments, advance truth and by their sincerity explain various procedures brought up for voting that sound well, but when explained have different meanings.

We children of a parochial school have had many opportunities for good current Catholic literature. Our Pamphlet Library, the various magazines, such as "The Catholic Boy," "The Catholic Miss," "The Catholic Digest," "The Young Catholic Messenger," "The Messenger of the Sacred Heart," our own diocesan newspaper, "The Catholic Courier," keep us well and truthfully informed of local, vicinity, and national affairs. Let us continue our efforts, though small, to advocate—"A Catholic Press."

Paul Lambaren,
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Eighth Grade,
Holy Family School,
Auburn, New York.

Mass For N. Y. Police First Friday Group

NEW YORK.—Bishop William T. McCarty, Military Delegate, will celebrate Mass in St. Francis' Church on Friday, Mar. 5, for the New York City Police Department First Friday Group. He will be the principal speaker at the Communion breakfast which will follow at the Hotel Governor Clinton.

Organized eight months ago with a membership of ten, the First Friday Group now numbers 200 policemen. They make a corporate Communion every First Friday in memory of members of our Armed Forces who perished at Pearl Harbor. Uniformed policemen serve the Mass and congregational singing is led by members of the Police Glee Club.

Rector of Shrine

Montreal — The Rev. Adrien Ledoc, C.S.C., has been named Rector of St. Joseph's Oratory, internationally-known shrine founded by the late Brother Andre.

Basketball

Interstate League

The St. Francis basketball team defeated the Knights-of-Columbus on Saturday at the Recreation League by a score of 29-22. Lowell collected 10 points for his team. The greatest individual count was 16 held by Joe Gleason, who played with the St. Francis team two years ago. The victory was the sixth in a row for the St. Francis players. The St. Aloysius Seniors covered the first round here by taking the measure of SS. Peter and Paul by a score of 37-18. In the first game the SS. Peter and Paul's won 30-23. Holy Family defeated St. Mary's 29-24 and the Columbian Squires won over St. Hyacinth's by a score of 35-16 to complete the programme. The league standings and games scheduled for next Saturday follow:

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.
St. Francis	6	0	1000
Holy Family	7	1	875
St. Aloysius	5	3	625
St. Mary's	5	4	555
Col. Squires	4	4	500
St. Hyacinth's	3	5	375
SS. Peter and Paul	1	7	250
Neighborhoods	0	9	000

Games Next Saturday

9:30 o'clock—St. Hyacinth's vs. Neighborhoods

9:45 o'clock—St. Francis vs. SS. Peter and Paul

10:30 o'clock—Holy Family vs. St. Aloysius

11:00 o'clock—Columbian Squires vs. St. Mary's.

St. Therese Girls Win

AUBURN—The St. Therese team of St. Hyacinth's defeated the Neighborhood House girls by a score of 27 to 21 Tuesday night on the Falcon Hall Court in Falconi Street. This game was the fourth win for the Polish girls. Mary Grzesiak kept the St. Therese team in the lead with a score of 20 points and C. Jaroslaki paced the losers with 12 points. The preliminary was a tussle between the Falconettes and the Neighborhood Juniorettes, with the former winning by the close score of 20 to 18.

Parochial Leagues

Beginning Wednesday night the teams of the Parochial Basketball League found a heavy schedule. Another game will be played on Sunday night, another on Wednesday, March 3, and Sunday, March 7, closes the schedule. When the scheduled list is completed the high four squads will go into a preliminary play-off series and the winning teams will then meet in a final series for the 1942-1943 championship.

On Sunday evening St. Mary's entry continued the winning streak by defeating the Columbian Squires 29-22. St. Hyacinth's won over Holy Family by a score of 35-25 and SS. Peter and Paul's defeated the St. Francis team by a score of 41-31. The schedule for Wednesday night is as follows:

7:15 o'clock—Holy Family vs. SS. Peter and Paul

8:15—St. Francis vs. St. Hyacinth's

9:15—St. Mary's vs. St. Aloysius

Columbian Squires, bye

LEAGUE STANDINGS

St. Mary's	5	0	1000
St. Hyacinth's	4	1	750
St. Francis	4	1	750
SS. Peter and Paul	4	4	500
Holy Family	3	5	375
Squires	2	6	250
St. Aloysius	1	6	143

Bowling

Catholic Church League

AUBURN—Holy Family Church team was high in the Catholic Church Bowling League on Monday evening when the team scored 3060 points. High individual scorers for the evening were as follows: Salvatore, 611; Bannon, 606; Dempsey, 582; Challis, 548; Kahl, 535; Harding, 522; Carroll, 522; Major, 519, and Hickey, 518.

Offer For War Use

Chicago — An offer has been made to the Government to make use of the uptown campus of De Paul University, covering two city blocks and comprising five buildings. The offer was made by the President, the Very Rev. Michael J. O'Connell, C.M., who said if the offer is accepted no classes will be curtailed. Activities will center in the loop skyscraper building. At present the university has an enrollment of 5,000 in all departments, day and evening.

BENNY'S TURN TO TELL

By HILDA RICHMOND

Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th St., New York City. These articles are appearing weekly in our schools.

The four little Foster children dashed up to the porch out of breath, much excited by a wonderful sight they had witnessed on their errand to the grocery. Grocery, Mrs. Foster said. "Children, it is Benny's turn to tell." The voice subsided. Then Benny, who could run as fast as his brother and sisters although his tongue was not quite so nimble, slowly and painstakingly, told about a man with a big brown hat. The other children showed impatience at waiting for the slow recital, but they kept silent until Benny had given his account of what they had seen.

The visitor looked up with deep interest while the other three added their bits of information. Benny had given all the high points, but his brother remembered that the hose looked tired and his sister that the man was rather impatient with the poor animal. Then they all ran out to play.

"You have taught me something, Mrs. Foster," said the guest almost before the door closed behind the hurrying children. "I'm going to try your plan with my Betty, beginning this very day. Betty is a dreamy child, as you know, and the rest simply take the words out of her mouth usually whenever she tries to tell anything. I have worked with her in private, to get her to make her recital simple and plain, but she needs a great deal of help. She is handicapped at school on account of this speech difficulty, and I have been greatly worried."

"John and I saw that Benny would be eclipsed by the older three if something were not done. When the children first began to 'take turns,' Benny could say only a sentence or two, because he had been entitled to so many times, but now he is eager for his turn," explained Mrs. Foster.

"And that is not the only way Benny has his turn," said Mrs. Foster's sister, coming in from the living room. "Benny carries the money and pays the bills at the grocery when the children go for errands. Then I was here last summer Billy or one of the others carried the purse every time, but now Benny is the treasurer every fourth trip. I can see a great change in the child since he has been given a chance."

"I have thought that I was a very good mother to child Betty from contact with neighbors," said the guest. "If she has a chance to speak she finishes and there is no need to decide what she wants, but stammering and stuttering, as she is beginning to do, is another matter. I can see that I should not reprimand her, but the only way I can see to help her is to be responsible for a meeting by myself in the near future. I can work out some of the ideas we have discussed together, and I will give my little girl a chance, also."

"Well, you have given me food for thought," said Mrs. Foster's sister. "I'm going to have a turn, too."

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