

Report 2 Auburnians  
Missing In Action  
At African Front

AUBURN — Mr. and Mrs. John Mazzeo of 17 Spring Street have been notified officially by the War Department that their son, Cpl. James Mazzeo, U. S. Army, is missing in action. When last heard from Corporal Mazzeo was on the African front.

Mr. and Mrs. Mazzeo have two other sons in the service now undergoing training in America. Mazzeo has been in the army for a little more than a year. He apparently was with the troops when the mass invasion of Africa took place several months back. Relatives of the young soldier said that he was in French Morocco at one time. Ralph and Ralph Mazzeo, twin brothers, are also in the army. They left Auburn in January. Ralph is stationed in California and Ralph in North Carolina.

Walter Solon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Solon of 20 Ferrine Street, is reported missing in action in the North African area. Solon was born on June 20, 1920, and was graduated from St. Hyacinth's School and attended Central High School. He is a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Hyacinth's Parish. Walter Solon's parents have received the following telegram from the War Department: "The secretary of war desires me to express his deep regret that your son, Pvt. Walter J. Solon, has been reported missing in action in North Africa area, since February 20. Additional information will be sent you when received." The telegram was signed "The Adjutant General."

GRATEFUL TO THE U. S. MARINES



Smiling broadly and grateful to the American forces who rescued them from one of the Solomon Islands where they were held captive by the Japanese, these Catholic missionary Sisters are shown about to land on Guadalcanal, where the Marines gave them shelter until they could be sent out of the danger zone. It is planned to raise a 'Solomon Islands Mission Fund' to restore the devastated missions of the South Sea Islands at the end of the war, according to an announcement by Auxiliary Bishop Richard J. Cushing, Boston Archdiocesan Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. U. S. Marine Corps photo. (N.C.W.C.)

Army Officer Weds Another Officer

**O'Hara - Gleason**  
AUBURN — Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gleason of 94 Washington Street have announced the marriage of their daughter, Second Lieut. Ellen Gleason of the Army Nurses Corps, to Sgt. John O'Hara who has recently been commissioned second lieutenant in the U. S. Army. O'Hara is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Hara of

12 Park Place. The ceremony took place on December 4, 1947, at St. Aloysius Church and Rev. John E. Crowley officiated. Miss Mary Bennett of 2 MacDougall Street was bridesmaid and Joseph F. Gleason, brother of the bride, was best man. After March 22, Lieut. O'Hara will be stationed at New Orleans until further notice and Mrs. John O'Hara is now serving overseas.

Kiwanis Club Hears Priest  
Explain Extent Of Culture  
Contributed By St. Patrick

AUBURN—A St. Patrick's Day program was the feature of Kiwanis Club Luncheon on Wednesday. Green and white bow ties were passed around for the Kiwanians to wear during the luncheon and the traditional Irish clay pipes were at the places along the table.

Irish ballads were sung under the direction of James Herbert, who sang "My Wild Irish Rose," by special request. William D. Ganey, president of the club, presided at the meeting, and Jay W. Ellis, principal of Central High School, introduced the Rev. Francis Turner, assistant pastor of St. Francis, who chose as his topic "St. Patrick."

Father Turner said in part: "St. Patrick was born in Roman Britain, according to the best information available. At the age of 16, the saint was taken captive by Irish pagans and held captive for several years in the western section of Ireland.

"While tending herds, St. Patrick manifested the qualities which later led to his brilliant success as a missionary.

"Escaping from his captors, he went to England where he studied for and was admitted to the priesthood.

"In the year 42 A. D. St. Patrick was consecrated a Bishop and returned to Ireland where he did much to Christianize the natives, establishing the Christian culture during a sojourn of 33 years in that country. History shows Ireland was a center of Christian Culture from the Fifth to the Eighth Century of the Christian Era."

Father Turner continued: "We are fighting to preserve the culture and the way of life which the Catholic Church has given to the world. Pagan philosophy magnifies the physical characteristics such as brawn, brains and beauty. The Christian teaching, on the opposite, declares that all men are worthy in the sight of God and of humanity, despite physical handicaps. The Irish culture to which St. Patrick contributed much, has come down to the present time as a contributing force to Christian civilization."

First of Geneva Girls  
To Enlist In WAAC

GENEVA — Miss Virginia Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hart of 278 Pultney Street, left on Sunday evening, March 14, from Rochester for Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, to begin training in the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps.

Miss Hart, who was the first Geneva young woman to be recruited at the local office in the City Hall, was leader of a group of twelve members of the organization leaving from Rochester for camp.

CHRISTIAN FAMILY

Chicago. In the maelstrom of our complex modern civilization, there is "no other road that will safely and surely lead to a sound and satisfying life than that of Christian family life," the Rev. Edgar Schmiedeler, O.S.B., Director of the Family Life Bureau of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, relates in an article in "The American Family," a monthly magazine with editorial offices here.

Nurse Safe Overseas;  
Auburn Girls In WAAC

AUBURN — Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Gleason of 94 Washington St. have received word that their daughter, 2nd Lieut. Ellen Gleason of the Army Nurses Corps has arrived safely overseas. The Gleason's son, Pvt. Eugene J. Gleason, has been promoted to private first class and is now stationed at the Maine Air Station, Cherry Point, N. C.

Miss Betty Tarby, 62 Arlington Avenue, has joined the WAAC and will report at Syracuse March 20 and from there will be sent to Daytona Beach, Fla. Miss Tarby has two brothers in the service. Aviation Cadet Frier M. Tarby who is stationed at San Antonio, Tex., and Pvt. Steve E. Tarby who is stationed at Sioux Falls, S. D.

Gleason-Gusik, daughter of Mrs. Stella Gusik of 213 1/2 State Street, has joined the WAAC's and will report on March 20 at Daytona, Fla. Miss Gusik is a graduate of St. Hyacinth's and the East High Schools. She has been employed as cashier at the Market Basket Store in North Street. She has been active in St. Hyacinth's Parish. She has sung in the St. Cecelia Choir, being a soloist in the group, besides being a member of the St. Theresa's Society. She was active in the Polish Red Cross Unit having devoted much time to knitting garments and doing other work to help the organization.

MOSLEM LEADER ASSURES  
RELIGION FREEDOM

ALWAYS, India. M. A. Jigna, the Moslem leader, in reply to an address of welcome from the Christians of the District here, gave assurance that Christian and other minority communities will enjoy the complete preservation of their political rights and religious beliefs.

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Pvt. Holmes D. Sullivan, U.S.A., is now at Camp Edwards, Maine, and is confined to an army hospital where he is recovering from the effects of pneumonia. Private Sullivan is the son of Mrs. Lillian E. Sullivan of 16 Grant Avenue. Before being inducted in the army about two months ago he was a member of the Central High School faculty.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chaney of 66 No. Fulton St. have received word from their son, Pvt. Bernard J. Chaney, that he has been transferred from Atlantic City, N. J., to Det. 301th S.A.W.R., Drew Field, Fla. Chaney entered the service of Uncle Sam on January 2, 1943. Prior to his induction he was employed at the Sampson Naval Base.

Staff Sgt. George P. Diehl, Jr., of Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Diehl, Sr., of 172 1/2 Van Auden St.

Sgt. Edgar Cholette of 145 Genesee Street, has arrived safely "somewhere in India," according to a letter received by his sister, Mrs. Beatrice Coleman. Cholette is connected with the U. S. Army Signal Corps. Pvt. Aubert "Andy" Cholette of 145 Genesee Street has been honorably discharged from the army. He was stationed at Camp Gordon-Johnson, Fla.

Pvt. David Murphy of Philadelphia, Pa., son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy of 35 Lake Avenue, who was inducted into the U. S. Marines two weeks ago at Philadelphia, is stationed at Purdie Island, S. C. He is a graduate of St. Mary's and the Auburn High schools and has been one of the inspectors at the Ford Tank Plant near Philadelphia for the past year. His brother, Sgt. Edward Murphy, has been with the Marines in the Solomons since last October.

Pvt. Frederick L. Sabon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sabon of 5 Seymour St., has been transferred from Sioux Falls, S. D., to the Radio Mechanical School, A.S.P., Truxon Field, Madison, Wis. Sabon is a graduate of St. Alphonsus School and of East High School and is a leading

member of the Columbian Squares. He is an ardent fisherman and boatman. His parents have a cottage near Koonig's Point, east side of Owasco Lake.

Pfc. Howard E. Blumrick, 134 E. Genesee St., has graduated from the Quartermaster School at the Marine Base at Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C., and has been awarded a certificate indicating his successful completion of the course of study involving a minimum of three months instruction. He is now available for assignment to duty with a combat unit for advanced training.

Pvt. George J. Cuskey of 47 Pulaski Street and son of Josephine A. Cuskey of 128 1/2 Van Auden Street, is now stationed with the 27th General Hospital Headquarters Company at Fort Lewis, Wash. Cuskey is a graduate of Central High School and of St. Aloysius School. Previous to entering the service, Cuskey was a member of the sales force of the Bennet & Tracy shoe store.

John Patrick O'Hara of Auburn has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army upon successful completion of the Officer Candidate Course at the Infantry School at Fort Benning. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. O'Hara of 12 1/2 Park Place. He joined the army on January 29, 1941, and served with the 108th Infantry before going to Officer Candidate School 3 months ago. He held the rank of sergeant before being commissioned. O'Hara is a graduate of Holy Family High School and was manager of basketball for the school team.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Egan of 39 Perry Street have received word that their son, Robert Egan, a student at the Army Air Force Technical School, Chicago, Ill., has been promoted to the rank of private, first class. Egan entered the service on November 24, 1942.

Pvt. John J. Novak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Novak of 100 No. Fulton St., has been promoted to private first class. He is stationed somewhere in Alaska.

Air Cadet John J. Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lynch of 20

Frances Street, has been transferred to Santa Ana, Calif., from Nashville, Tenn., after passing all examinations to train as a pilot in the air corps. Upon successful completion of his course he will receive his "wings" and a commission in the army air force.

Pvt. Joseph Cutliff, who is stationed with U. S. Army at Fort Knox, Ky., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cutliff of 89 Cottage St.

Pvt. Daniel J. O'Brien of 2 Parsons St., qualified radio operator and technician, has been promoted to private first class, and has also received his diploma from radio mechanics instructors course and will continue his duties as an instructor at Scott Field, Ill. Dan celebrated his St. Patrick's Day birthday at camp with a cake and all the trimmings.

James E. Bannon of Auburn was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army upon successful completion of the Officer Candidate Course at the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga. Bannon is the son of J. E. Bannon of 308 Woodlawn Avenue. Lieutenant Bannon joined the army on October 15, 1940, and served with the 108th Infantry Company I, before going to Officer Candidate School three months ago. He held the rank of technical sergeant before being commissioned. Bannon is a graduate of Holy Family High School.

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ST. PATRICK'S (Moravia)

PARISH BOYS IN SERVICE

MORAVIA. — Lt. John Coshin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coshin, recently graduated from Hondo Air Field, Hondo, Texas, after eighteen weeks of training. Before entering the army he was associated with his father in farm work. He will be retained temporarily as an instructor at San Marcos Air Field, Texas.

Technical Sergeant Robert Mahon is now spending a short fur-

lough with his mother, Mrs. Nellie Mahon. He enlisted with the air corps in 1939 and has seen service in Panama and Guatemala. At the termination of his short stay in Moravia, he will take up a new assignment in Boise, Idaho, with the air service.

Philip Murphy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Murphy, enlisted with the U. S. Marines in the early part of 1942. It is known that he saw service in Guadalcanal and that he is now somewhere in the South Pacific.