

War Bond Sales By Elmira K. of C. Total Over \$59,000

Elmira Council Knights of Columbus had sold \$59,729.59 worth of bonds, Chairman Harry J. Lagonegro announced at the regular meeting held on Monday evening, May 5, in Columbus Center. The drive will be held open for a few more days, in the hope of reaching a total of \$60,000.

NIPPING TRUANCY IN THE BUD

By MELBY GREGG GREEN

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The first spring day Bob didn't appear at school. It was the kind of day that intrigues all kinds of the outdoors, a day when the birds' songs sound sweeter, the sky is a little bluer and your heart dances in your breast because of the sun.

Miss Mary, the young teacher, wasn't at all excited about Bob's absence. She thought to herself, "Well, if Bob is playing 'hooky' it shows he can appreciate a few days' beauty when he finds it. He must not be blamed for that, but he does need help."

Of course, Bob's neglectful mother must be told. Over the telephone, Miss Mary said, "Mrs. Spaid, Bob isn't at school today. He isn't ill, I hope."

Bob's mother was plainly upset. "No, Miss Spencer, he isn't. I'm ashamed to tell you, but I'm afraid he has wandered off by that stream about a mile from our house. He has a favorite spot down there. It seems to have a strong attraction for him, but until now he has confined his wanderings to the weekends and holidays. I am sorry I have a son who would play truant."

And Miss Mary answered, "Don't let it worry you, Mrs. Spaid. I know and understand Bob. I believe almost as well as you do. He is an imaginative child who thinks to everything that is beautiful in life. Levelness of any kind attracts him. He wasn't thinking about skipping his duty at school, he was simply tremendously eager to get the most out of a perfect day. His love of beauty is going to be a big asset to him all through life. It's going to help him through many a difficult time. And if we start smothering it now, it may wither and die before it has a chance to bloom properly. Let's not nag him about the 'playing hooky' to which it has led him today."

"Well, Miss Spencer, you're amazing! I had never thought of that side of Bob's personality in just this light. But how shall we handle the situation?"

"Do you mind, Mrs. Spaid, turning over this book to me?"

"I shall do it gladly! But I'd like to be the proverbial little bird

ARMY CHAPELS—AT HOME AND OVERSEAS



A contrast in altars for post chapels is found in these two recently dedicated for the use of our armed forces. Left, the beautiful Catholic altar at the Post Chapel, U. S. Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., Father James F. Sica, C. S. B., of Baltimore, Chaplain. Right, the altar in the tent chapel of "Our Lady of Perpetual Help," set up at an Army post on an island somewhere in the South Pacific, Father Edward A. Melloy, C. S. B., of Norcross, Mass., Chaplain. (N.C.W.C.)

Good Counsel Group Lists Novelty Party

A novelty party will be held by the Committee of Our Lady of Good Counsel on Monday, May 10 at 8:15 p. m. in the Federalism Bldg. Proceeds will be used for the purchase of medals and pamphlets distributed by the committee to new mothers under the plan suggested by Bishop James E. Keane, Rochester.

Mrs. Samuel Terwilliger, general chairman, announces the following ticket committee chairman, Mrs. Eugene Agan, assisted by Mrs. Margaret Amacher, Mrs. Clarence Rechnerman, Mrs. Ivan Brady, Mrs. Bertram Comstock, Mrs. John Costello, Mrs. Joseph Danley, Mrs. William Danaher, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. Edward Daws, Mrs. Samuel DeRenzo, Mrs. H. J. DeJardins, Mrs. Robert Deran, Mrs. Walter Ervin, Mrs. Edward Frawley, Mrs. Leonard Griddle, Mrs. Clarence Kennedy, Mrs. Joseph Kosmicki, Mrs. Marion Kelly McCarty, Mrs. Daniel Murphy, Mrs. Rodrick Proch, Mrs. D. J. Reilly, Mrs. Justin Romassee, Mrs. John Rouan, Mrs. Edward Rose, Mrs. Charles Ruhmel, Mrs. Henry Sandoz, Mrs. Daniel Sheehan, Jr., Mrs. J. E. Sheeha, Mrs. G. R. Wolfgang, Mrs. Mary Worling, the Misses Ann Batterby, Frances Batterby, Florence Bird, Mary Blake, Loretta Bolton, Margaret Bolton, Frances Egger, Patricia Guthrie, Rose Kingston, Dorothy Martin, Rebecca McCluskey, Olivia Shannon, Jane Wipfler.

The Committee of Our Lady of Good Counsel members visit each Catholic Mother of a new-born child and explain to her the work of the Committee. During regular calls to Mothers who accept the service, members bring a medal of Our Lady of Good Counsel, blessed by the Bishop, besides special pamphlets on Catholic guidance of children. Since only mothers are members of the committee, they act as friendly advisors, giving new mothers the benefit of their own experiences.

The expressed purpose of the committee is to "help the mother to live up to her holy and difficult vocation," and to "secure for children a Christian education."

Former Boxing Instructor Missing In Action

NEW WATERFORD, N. S.—Sergeant John Corbett, of the Royal Canadian Air Force, who has been reported missing in operations overseas, is a former boxing instructor and coach at St. Francis Xavier University Antigonish. He attended Mt. Carmel school here.

Director Dies

NEW YORK.—The Rev. Thomas A. Ryan, Archdiocesan Director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, died unexpectedly here at the age of 89. Father Ryan was a member of the Advisory Board of the National Center of the Confraternity in Washington.

BACK UP THE BOYS WITH BONDS

Youth From Elmira Serve Nation At Varied Posts

Sculptures For Army

First Lieutenant James Coletta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Coletta, 403 Walnut St., recently promoted at Fort Benning, Ga., has found a use for his favorite hobby even in the Army, where he modeled miniature guns in clay for a large-scale map used for instruction in range finding and handling of guns in the officers' training school which he attended. He has been appointed executive officer, second in command of his company at Fort Benning, where he was retained following his graduation because of his outstanding record as a student. Recently his entire company qualified in rifle firing, for which he was commended, as well as for his ability in training men in all infantry weapons and methods of combat tactics.

ROCHESTER SOLDIERS EXTOLL MISSION HELD AT AIR FIELD

WASHINGTON.—(NC) —A letter describing the impressive religious devotion of the Army personnel at Trias Field, Madison, Wis., has been received here from Corporal Bernard H. Florack, advanced radio student, who particularly described the success of a Mission conducted at the reservation by the Rev. Charles Clark, S.J.

"Day after day during the Mission," Corporal Florack's letter stated, "the Chapel was crowded but on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday the Chapel was so full that the dream of every priest came true, that is, to have so many people in Church that they have to sit on the steps of the altar itself. Those who went to Confession and Communion were countless."

Corporal Florack, who is 23, is a resident of Rochester and occasionally contributed to the CATHOLIC COURIER Diocesan newspaper there.

Pope Sends Blessing To Haitian People

PORT-AU-PRINCE — His Holiness Pope Pius XII, acknowledging the message sent by President Elio Lesot on the anniversary of the Holy Father's coronation, "gladly renews the Apostolic Benediction upon the Haitian people and yourself."

President Lesot's message read: "On this glorious anniversary of the coronation of Your Holiness, we ask that you be so kind as to accept the filial homage and grateful appreciation of the Haitian people, together with sincere wishes for the conservation of your previous days and the glory of your Pontificate, which we lay at the feet of the Most High."

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the Kenney Theatre. He attended an art school in New York City for a time. On his return to Elmira, he made a hobby of sculpture, and at the time of his entrance into the Army was making a bust model of his wife, the former Julia Ciccothi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ciccothi, 409 E. Washington Ave.

He attended St. Patrick's School, the Academy, and Elmira Business Institute, and was employed at Remington-Rand as an adjuster for adding machines. A member of Elmira Knights of Columbus, he continues his association with that organization in camp. Home on furlough at Christmas, he saw his son James Jr. for the first time, following his promotion to second lieutenant, Dec. 17. On Apr. 8 he was made first lieutenant. In February, Mrs. Coletta and her son joined him. They now reside at Benning Park, Columbus, Ga.

Airborne Command

Second Lieutenant James Ernest Honan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Honan, 1047 Davis St., St. Patrick's parish, one of Chemung County's first volunteers for service after the commencement of the present World War, was home on furlough during the Easter season. Graduated from engineers' school at Ft. Belvoir, Va., Lt. Honan returns to Ft. Benning, Ga., to take up his duties in the airborne command, in which he requested service.

Commissioned last November, Lieutenant Honan volunteered Nov. 25, 1940, and has served in Camp Claiborne, La.; Ft. Dix, N. J., and Camp Lewis, Wash. His excellent record and high intelligence quotient brought about his entrance into Officers' Candidate School while still a private.

A former altar boy at St. Patrick's, he attended St. Patrick's School, the Academy, and Elmira Business Institute. Having served in the Elmira Police Department for seven months, he became a mail carrier, and was known to many Elmiraans in these capacities.

DIOCESAN LABOR INSTITUTE OPENS SCHOOL ON LABOR

NEW HAVEN.—A labor school sponsored by the Diocesan Labor Institute, was opened here in St. Mary's Academy and will continue on eight successive Monday evenings. The Rev. Joseph E. Donnelly is Diocesan Director of the Institute and the Rev. Edward J. Shea, pastor of St. Bernadette's Church, is director of the New Haven chapter.

Father Shea will give a course on Christian principles of labor. Fundamentals of public speaking will be taught by Charles J. Durcy, director of the Service Department, Supreme Council Knights of Columbus. A course on the fundamentals of parliamentary procedure will be given by Fredrick T. McKeon, attorney, a graduate of Yale University and Harvard University Law School.

Discuss Post-War Problems



Adoption of the two-point peace plan of Pope Pius XII and a study of the problems of rehabilitation after the war were urged at a regional meeting of the Catholic Association for International Peace, in Washington. Among those participating were, Dr. Francis E. McManis (left), Association president; Adolf A. Berle, Jr. (right), Assistant Secretary of State, who addressed the luncheon meeting; and Monsignor Michael J. Reedy (center), General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, who introduced Mr. Berle. (N.C.W.C.)