

Armed Services Keep Auburn Youths Active At Posts Throughout World

Aviation Cadet John G. Clancy of Auburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Clancy of 16 Jefferson Street, has graduated from the first Flying Training Detachment at Avon Park, Fla. Only a short time ago he was a rookie in the Pre-flight Pilot School at Maxwell Field, Ala. With the successful completion of this course of instruction he was sent to the primary flying school at Avon Park. From Avon Park he was transferred to Basic School for training in the factor and more powerful type of trainers. With the completion of this course, he will be sent for advanced training to one of the numerous advanced flying posts of the Southwest Training Center.

Paul J. Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Sullivan of Miami, Fla., formerly of Auburn and Syracuse has completed the U. S. Army. He is having boot training in Maryland. He took 12 weeks in basic training and will enter trade school from the training station. Mrs. T. Sullivan and Paul J. Sullivan, both in the Army of Uncle Sam, are cousins of Paul Sullivan.

Aviation Cadet Dominic B. Padula, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Padula of 10 Seymour Street has completed his pre-flight training course in navigation at the Army Air Force Pre-flight School, Selman Field, Monroe, La. Cadet Padula attended St. Mary's Parochial School, Auburn Senior High School and Auburn Business School. Before joining the armed forces, he was employed by the Columbian Rope Company. He will enter the Advanced Navigation School at Selman Field.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sullivan have received word that their son, Pvt. Edwin M. Sullivan has been promoted to the rank of private first class. Private Sullivan who has been in the service since March 9 last is now stationed at Seymour Johnson Field, North Carolina.

Russell E. Burns is another Wayne County boy with the famous 57th Fighter Group in Tuskegee, Tech. Sgt. Russell Burns enlisted in July 1943 and saw service in Panama. He was transferred to the States and served at Mitchell Field, L. I. He sailed for France in July 1944. The boys of the group have dubbed themselves the "Determinators." Russell is with the 57th Fighter Squadron of the group. He is the son of Mrs. Lena Burns and the late Edward Burns.

Auburn Girls Serve Nation

Miss Mildred W. Woods, daughter of Mrs. Mildred A. Woods of 21 Geneva Street, has completed her initial training as a member of the WAACS at Hunter College, New York City, and is now attending Oklahoma A. and C. College, Stillwater, Okla., where she is taking three months' course in the Thomas School. Before entering the service, Miss Woods was a member of the advertising department of the Citizen-Advertiser.

Auxiliary Virginia Marian Kraus of 109 Quasco Street was graduated on April 1 from the Administrative School of the 2nd WAAC Training Center, Daytona Beach. At the completion of a six weeks course offered to WAACs selected for their business background, education and aptitude, the schools' purpose is to train WAACs for army office work in order to relieve men for active service.

ARC Miss V. Fraley of Auburn recently entered WAAC training No. 1 Army Administration School at Natchitoches, Texas. She is one of many members of the Army Administration Schools which are under jurisdiction of the command general of the Service Command in which the branch schools are located. The Adjutant General's School at Fort Washington, Pa. is charged with the promotion of training doctrine, the selection of personnel and the

Pfc. William J. Yankovsky, a Forgetter Place, has been assigned to duty with the U. S. Army Air Forces following his graduation from the Camp Curtis Air Training School operated by Curtiss-Wright Corporation, Airplane Division, Buffalo. As a member of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Detachment stationed at the school, Pfc. Van Alstyne has been given specialized instruction in the maintenance and repair of either the famous P-40 pursuit ship, or the C-46 Commando, in preparation for service with a military ground crew.

Sergeant Victor Stachukewicz, son of Mr. Stachukewicz, of R. D. 1 Auburn, is a member of a heavy bombardment Army Air Force Group now in training at Wendover Field, Utah. During the period of his training he along with other members of his Group will receive instructions and practice under conditions comparable to those met in actual combat. Wendover Field, situated on the edge of the great Salt flats is one of this nation's most important centers for the training of heavy bomber crews.

Corp. Edward Witkowski who is stationed at Love Field, Dallas, Texas, is spending a 10-day furlough with relatives and friends in Auburn. Better known as "Pinocchio" Corporal Witkowski was born in the Fifth Ward and he was one of the leading athletes in Northwest Auburn and a top ranking boxer. Before entering the service of Uncle Sam a year ago, Corporal Witkowski was employed in the Osborn plant of the International Harvester Co.

John Tarby, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Tarby, 4 Englewood Avenue, graduated this week from the airplane mechanics school operated by the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Maxwell Field, N. Y. Tarby was recently promoted to private first class in recognition of his combined abilities as a soldier and mechanic. Only men who receive grades well above average in a general aptitude test and a mechanical test are selected for training in the Technical Training Command. Pfc. Tarby has completed the third stage of training in the New York area of the Technical Training Command. Earlier he attended the Academy of Aeronautics at LAGuardia Field, New York and the Casey Jones School of Aeronautics at Newark, New Jersey. He will soon receive training as an aerial gunner. Tarby is a graduate of Auburn

Catholic Post's Work In Army Newspaper

DUBUQUE, Ia.—Poems of John E. Mulgrew, "Judge of Old Dubuque," author of the weekly column "And Life Goes On," appearing in The Witness, official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, have been published in The Stars and Stripes, Army newspaper. Many of three re-published poems appeared originally in The

Auxiliary Helen Garbushky of 124 Washington Street was graduated from the Administrative school of the 2nd WAAC Training Center at the completion of a six weeks course. The exercises took place on Apr. 24 at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Auxiliary Jane Margaret Delacell of 199 Osborne Street graduated from the Administrative School of the 2nd WAAC Training Center, Daytona Beach, Florida, after completing a six weeks' course offered to WAACs selected for their business background, education and aptitude.

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High School and was employed by the Fifth Carpet Company before entering the service. He has two brothers in the service: Corp. Joseph J. Tarby, stationed at Gulfport Field, Miss., and Pfc. Walter Tarby, who is at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Pvt. John E. Ryan of Lansing Street and a member of the guard force at Attica State Prison for several years, is now stationed with Platoon, 1931, Barracks 117 Area D-7, Camp Peary, Virginia. Private Ryan in past years was one of Auburn's leading amateur entertainers with song and dance.

James J. Cullen, who is at Nashville, Tenn., has been classified as a pilot and is waiting to be sent to a pre-flight school. James is a graduate of Holy Family High School where he took an active part in sports having played on the basketball and football teams. He was a student of Notre Dame when called to the armed forces.

Paul Jesse Mosher, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mosher of 2 Garrow Street has been granted leave following completion of his basic training of the U. S. Naval Training Station, Campson. He is now eligible for further assignment where additional specialized instruction will be given. Upon completion of his next step in his naval career, Bluejacket Paul Jesse Mosher may qualify for a petty officer rating and will be available for assignment to a ship or a shore station.

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Reports Auburn Soldier Killed In North Africa

AUBURN—Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Opalka of 68 Ferrine Street, have received word from the War Department in Washington stating that "we regret to have to inform you

Wounded Flying Ace Visited By Parents

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Kemp, Sr. of 19 1/2 Seymour Street, went to New York last week to meet their son, First Lieut. John T. Kemp, an outstanding U. S. flier, upon his return from the battlefield on the Continent of Africa. Lieutenant Kemp, who has been in the service of Uncle Sam for over two years, is a graduate of St. Aloysius School, Seneca High School and attended St. Andrew's Seminary in Rochester and pursued further collegiate studies in Virginia. Lieutenant Kemp was one of Auburn's leading basketball players and held the fast shooting title. He also played basketball with the Columbian Glee Club of St. Alphonsus Church and was a leader in the organization.

Lieutenant Kemp is recuperating in the Old Forge General Hospital in Pheasantville, Pa., from wounds received in action on Feb. 23 in the North African war sector. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp had a reunion with their son last week at a New York Hospital. The father has returned to Auburn but Mrs. Kemp, the former Marie Brochu, is staying in Brooklyn, with a sister from whom she will make visits to her son.

that your son, PFC Stanley Opalka, has been killed in action in North Africa. Further information will follow.

Reports Auburn Soldier Killed In North Africa

Private First Class Opalka, who enlisted in the U. S. Army two years ago, was 23 years old. He was graduated from St. Hyacinth's Parochial School after which he entered the employ of the Maloney Lumber Company but when he entered the service he was employed at the Columbian Rope Company. He was a member of Auburn West Polish Falcons of America with which organization, his father is affiliated. Besides his parents he is survived by two younger sisters, Irene and Arlene Opalka of Auburn.

Lieutenant Kemp, who was decorated with the Purple Heart for meritorious service, was reluctant to talk of his wounds and how he received them. He has one serious bullet wound through his shoulder, but, according to his father, is recovering nicely. Kemp took basic training at Curtis Field, Bradley, Texas. He gained his wings after seven and one-half months' training. He was sent to Ireland last June, then to England and to Gibraltar with the first invasion force. He had been in North Africa since last November. He saw considerable action in the air before he was wounded and temporarily "knocked out" of further service.

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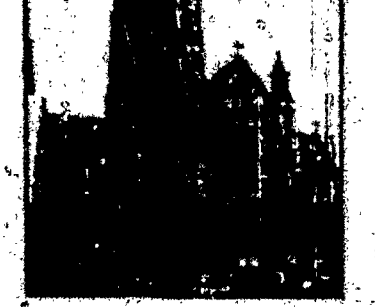
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