Marine Officer Cited Posthumously for Devotion to Duty

GENEVA — Lieut. John C. Diviney, USMCR, who was killed in action on December 26, 1943, has been cited posthumously for meritorious devotion to duty, by General Rupertus, who commanded the First Marine Division at Cape Gloucester. The citation has been received by his widow who resides in Newark, N. Y., with their twenty-one month old son, John, Jr., whom Lieutenant Diviney never saw.

Lieutenant Diviney was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Diviney of Pre-Emption Road. His wife was the former Miss Dorothy Carroll of Waterloo.

Mrs. Diviney also received her husband's Purple Heart Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation awarded the First Marine Division for services in the action against the Japs on Guadalcanal.

The young Marine enlisted in October, 1940 and was sent to Parris Island, S. C., for training. He also attended the Telephone School at Quantico, Va., and later served a few months in Cuba. Upon his return from Cuba, he was sent overseas on April 5, 1942, and took part in Guadalcanal battles and other engagements. He was commissioned in the field as a Second Lieutenant while at Guadalcanal and later while recuperating in Australia he was promoted to First Lieutenant.

Lieutenant Diviney attended De Sales High School and Hobart College and was employed at the Hulse Manufacturing Company before entering the Armed Forces.

Wins Silver Star Award

AUBURN — Five anti-aircraft artillerymen fighting with the 36th Division in Italy have been awarded the Silver Star, the War Department's recognition of gallantry in action for contributing to the probable destruction of three out of 12 attacking German Focke-Wulf fighter bombers. They remained at their gun until all members of the crew were either killed or wounded. Among those winning the award were Pvt. Joseph Guggemos, 60 Elizabeth Street. Pvt. Joseph Guggemos is an uncle of Mrs. John F. Major of 60 Elizabeth Street.

Reports Private Cymbrak Killed in Italy Action

AUBURN—Private Michael Cymbrak, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cymbrak of 53 Grant Street, was killed in action in Italy on June 22, according to word received from the War Department. On June 22 Pvt. Cymbrak wrote to his parents and they received the letter on Thursday. On Saturday they received word that their son was killed on the same day the letter was written.

Pvt. Cymbrak enlisted in the Army in January 1942. He has been overseas for 20 months and came through the African and Sicilian campaigns and was serving again in Italy. He is a graduate of Auburn High School and a member of the Ukrainian National Club. He was one of Auburn's outstanding athletes. Pvt. Cymbrak is survived by two brothers, Staff Sgt. Andrew C. Cymbrak at Camp Pickett, Va., and John C. Cymbrak of Auburn; a sister, Helen Cymbrak and his parents.

Student Nurse Home

GENEVA — Miss Honor Marie Murphy, a member of the Nurses Training Class at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, is spending a month at her home in Cortland street.

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'Safe,' Write Two Soldiers Reported Missing in Action

GENEVA — Two Geneva families were made happier this week upon receipt of word from sons reported missing in action who now state that they are safe.

Private First Class Joseph Shane and Private First Class Paul P. Soles, in V-mail letters to their families informed them of their safety.

"You can't stop a GI Joe from Geneva," wrote Private Shane, 20, to his mother, Mrs. Joseph Shane, of 43 John street. He stated that he was safe although he had been wounded twice. He indicated that his wounds were not serious and that he was back in action again. He had been previously reported missing in action since June 14.

Private Shane was with the Fifth Army in Italy and had been previously reported missing in action since June 14th.

Private Soles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Soles, 73 Tillman street, was reported missing in action in France since June 6, until a letter from him informed his parents that he was safe and well.

It was only a week ago that Mr. and Mrs. Soles received the War Department message that their paratrooper son was missing in action and they were overjoyed at later news of his safety.

Sergeant Wildner Wounded in France

AUBURN — Mr. and Mrs. William E. Wildner of 28 Liberty Street received a letter from their son, Sgt. William E. Wildner, Jr., of the Air Forces, informing them that he had received a bad hip wound from flak in the military operations in France but was coming along fine. The letter was sent him July 1.

On June 24 the parents received a telegram from the War Dept. announcing that Wildner had been seriously wounded in France. Sergeant Wildner was probably on his 27th or 28th flying mission when he was hurt. Only a short time ago he was honored with the presentation of the air medal with three oak leaves for completing his 20th successful mission with the flying forces. He was a member of the crew of a B-26 Marauder.

Channel in Need

"The Catholic Press is the great channel, whereby the principles and teachings of the Church are made known in a critical day when the world urgently needs to know them."—Most Rev. Gregory Murray.

Words of Genevans Comes From Many Fighting Fronts

GENEVA — Mrs. Lyle Hargrove, 104 North Main Street has received word from her brother, Pvt. Howard Murphy, of the Medical Corps who was wounded in France a few weeks ago. Private Murphy states that he is now out of the hospital and at a Replacement Depot. This is the first letter which Mrs. Hargrove has received from her brother since she was informed that he had been wounded.

Lieut. Charles A. Toombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Toombs, 92 Brook street, has arrived safely in England with the 22nd General Hospital, according to word received by his parents. He was appointed rail head officer of the Quartermaster Troops and in his letter referred to the food depots overseas and sent home a label from the Geneva Preserving Company.

Sgt. Frank Giardino has arrived safely in England according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Giardino, 73 Wadsworth street.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Simeone, 9 State street that their son, Pvt. Louis Simeone, has arrived at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N. J., where he is participating in the Army Specialized Training program. Mr. Simeone is seventeen years old and is a graduate of De Sales High School.

Corp. Carmela P. Venuti, 52 Prospect avenue this week completed a four week's course in specialized training at the Military Police Training Center, Barksdale Field, La., and has returned to his home station at Jackson Air Base, Miss.

Corp. James F. Myles has arrived safely somewhere in England according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Myles, 155 Nursery avenue.

Second Lieut. John L. Poice, 25, navigator, arrived from Italy at the Air Transport Command's 36th Street Army Air Base, Miami, Florida, on July 9. He is expected to arrive at his home, 58 Mason street, soon.

Lieutenant Poice completed an eight months tour of duty with the 15th Air Force. He has received the Air Medal. While on a mission over Ploesti oil fields in Romania, his group encountered intense enemy flak and head-on attacks by fighter opposition.

WEDDINGS IN AUBURN

St. Aloysius

Aubin - Brown

Miss Eugenia May Aubin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Aubin, Havens Avenue and Edward Joseph Brown of Jordan were married on Saturday at St. Aloysius Church. Rev. John B. Crowley performed the ceremony and Rev. Joseph Haffey celebrated the Nuptial Mass. The bride who was given in marriage by her father was attended by her sister, Miss Elizabeth Aubin, as maid of honor. Martin Brown, brother of the bridegroom was best man. The ushers were William H. Aubin and Thomas J. Aubin, brothers of the bride. After a trip to New York Mr. and Mrs. Brown will make their home in Syracuse.

SS. Peter and Paul

Kustyn - Barrette

Miss Mary Kustyn, daughter of George Kustyn of West Street and Charles Frederick Barrette were married at SS. Peter and Paul's Church by Rev. Stephen Hotra, astant pastor. Miss Anna Baranick was bridesmaid and Donald Bishop was best man. A wedding breakfast was served at the Osborne Hotel and a reception was held at the home in West Street. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Barrette will make their home in West St.

Fagan - Renahan

RICHMOND HILLS — Miss Bernadette Fagan of Richmond Hills and Sgt. James W. Renahan of Auburn were married during the past week at the Church of the Holy Child Jesus in Richmond Hills. Father Delaney performed the ceremony. Mrs. Hathaway was matron of honor, Miss Helen Curron and Mrs. M. Fagan were brideamaids. Pvt. John M. Fagan, brother of the bride, was best man. The ushers were Edmund Curron and Harry Hathaway. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Renahan, 174 No. Fulton Street. He is a graduate of Holy Family High School and attended St. John's College, Brooklyn. Sergeant Renahan enlisted in the U. S. Army on January 12, 1942 and is stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C.

St. Francis d'Assisi

Matro - Berg

Miss Margaret Matro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Matro, 122½ Wall Street and William H. Berg, son of Mrs. Eva Wilson of Detroit, Mich., were married on June 28 at St. Francis Church by Rev. Adolph Gabbani. Katherine Feneck was bridesmaid and Joseph Kihl was best man. A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents after which the couple left for a short trip.

Purple Heart Awarded To Lieut. Lynah

AUBURN — Second Lieut. John J. Lynah, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lynah of 30 Frazee Street, navigator on an Eighth AAF B-17 Flying Fortress has been awarded the Purple Heart for a wound received in action while participating in a bombing attack on German military installations in the Pas de Calais area of France.

Lieut. Lynah was injured when two German ground rocket shells struck his ship. Despite his injuries and loss of his maps which were blown from the ship by a German shell, he gave directions that guided his damaged Fort safely home avoiding German flak centers on the French coast.

The plane was badly damaged in a crash landing in England but no one in the crew was seriously injured. Lieut. Lynah entered the AAF in July 1942.

Gentleman

A gentleman is a man who tried to play the violin when he was a lad, but gave the idea up as he grew older.—Landy Lester Keffer.

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