

PICTURES TELL THE STORY



A handsomely bound photographic record of a recent three-day spiritual retreat for servicemen at Mission La Purissima, near Lompoc, Calif. is the object of admiration by Archbishop John J. Cantwell, of Los Angeles, and Brig. Gen. Charles S. Kilburn, Commander of the 11th Armored Division, Camp Cooke, from which more than 1,000 soldiers attended the retreat. The album was presented by the General to the Archbishop, who presided over the retreat, which was arranged in co-operation with the National Catholic Community Service. Los Angeles Times photo (N.C.W.C.)

News from Elmirans in Service

By MARGARET C. KENNEDY
 News about our girls on the fighting front is not so scarce after all. After brooding the fact, last week, that we seldom write about the ladies any more, the first person we heard about this week was Lieut. Mary V. Andrews. Mary joined the Army Nurses Corps last April. She received her basic training at Atlantic City and Fort Bragg and in July was sent overseas and is now in England. After graduating from Middletown Delaware schools, Mary started training at St. Joseph's Hospital and was graduated from there in 1933. She then attended Nazareth College in Rochester for one year before going on special duty in hospitals in New York City and Washington. Mary is the daughter of Mrs. Agnes Andrews of 314 Lovell Avenue. Her family are communicants at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Our next call was at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Flynn, 344 Irvine Place whose two sons Bob and Jack are in the Air Corps. Staff Sergeant Robert H. Flynn enlisted in December 1941, right after Pearl Harbor. Bob received his basic training at Keesler Field, Mississippi and was sent from there to Trinidad where he remained for eighteen months. From Trinidad he was sent back to the States and stationed at Mitchell Field where he attended Quincey School for nine weeks and completed the course at Fremont, Nebraska. In February of this year he was sent to England and is now in France. Bob was graduated from St. Patrick's School and the Academy and worked at the American Bridge Company before entering the service.

S/Sgt. John Flynn entered the service in January 1943. He is a Radio Operator and received his training at Scott Field, Ill. He also attended Gunnery School at Las Vegas, Nevada and after completing the course was sent to the South Pacific and is stationed at New Guinea at present. Jack's unit was flown to New Guinea by Air Transport. They stopped a few days in the Hawaiian Islands and Jack took time out to buy some grass skirts for his sisters. On the trip from Hawaii to New Guinea the Transport was forced down on Christmas Island and the men had to remain there three weeks before the plane could be repaired. Jack was also graduated from St. Patrick's School and the Academy and was employed at the Eclipse Machine Division before entering the service. The Flynn family are members of St. Patrick's Parish.

From St. Anthony's Parish we gathered some interesting news about the Caporiccio boys. Corporal Technician Peter R. Caporiccio entered the service in Sept. 1942. He received his basic training at Camp Shelby, Miss., and other camps in Florida and North and South Carolina and in June of this year was sent to England. Pete is with the 243rd Field Artillery Battalion and his family tells us it is the same battalion and field artillery that his dad was with in the First World War and he has seen action in some of the places where his dad fought. Pete says there is a Chaplain with his unit and he can attend Mass regularly. He also says he likes both England and France and the people of both countries can't seem to do enough for the American boys. Pete has been awarded medals for sharpshooting, good conduct and for careful driving and good handling of a jeep. He was graduated

from St. Anthony's School, the Academy and worked at the D. L. and W. Railroad before entering the service.

Pfc. Dominic Caporiccio entered the service in January 1943 and attended Anti-Aircraft School at Ft. Eustis, Va., and Fort Dawes, Mass. He was sent to the Hawaiian Islands in December 1943 and has been stationed there ever since. Dominic saw President Roosevelt, General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz when they were in the Islands and got a big thrill when he talked with the President for a few minutes. The President talked with him about his work and asked where he was from and if he wanted to go home and on leaving gave Dominic a pat on the shoulder. Dominic has some medals too, one for marksmanship and one for good conduct. He was graduated from St. Anthony's School and the Academy and worked at the Remington Rand before entering the service. Peter and Dominic are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Caporiccio, 869 Magee Street.

He trained at Sampson and New York and was then sent to Norfolk, Va. He is a Radio Operator and is stationed aboard the U.S.S. Charger which is in dry dock at the Navy Yard. Gladford was also graduated from St. Cecilia's School and the Academy and entered the service immediately after graduating from high school. The Karaski family are members of St. Cecilia's Parish.



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Weddings In Elmira Area

Shults - Ervin
 Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Helen Theresa Shults and Lt. John J. Ervin which took place Aug. 26, 1944, at 10 A. M. in the Old Post Chapel, Fort Sill, Okla. Capt. Charles Erb, chaplain, performed the double ring ceremony and celebrated the Nuptial Mass.

Mrs. Ervin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Shults, 711 Junction St. Her husband is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Walter C. Ervin, 507 W. Third St.

Miss Catherine Elizabeth Shults of this city, sister of the bride, was maid-of-honor. Robert B. Ervin,

brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

Following the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served at the Officers' Club.

The bride is a graduate of the Elmira Catholic High School and St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Class of 1944.

Lieut. Ervin, also an Elmira Catholic High School graduate, attended St. Bonaventure's College prior to entering the service. He took basic training at Fort Bragg, N. C., and in May, 1944, received his commission in the field artillery at Fort Sill. He is now assigned to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., but at present is taking an officer's motor course at Fort Sill. Lieut. and Mrs. Ervin will live at 311 Park Ave., Lawton, Okla.

Mitchell - Hart
 The marriage of Miss Margaret T. Mitchell, youngest daughter of Mrs. P. J. Mitchell of 456 Roe Ave., and the late Mr. Mitchell, to Pfc. John Joseph Hart Jr. of the Army Air Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hart of 1016 Ogden Ave., formerly of Corning, took place Tuesday, Aug. 29, 1944, at 9 A. M. in St. Patrick's Church.

The Rev. John A. Murphy, assistant pastor, performed the ceremony. Mrs. Charles P. Lynch, organist, played the wedding music. Mrs. Charles Edson Tallman Jr., of Binghamton, was her sister's only attendant, and Thomas F. Walker of Corning was best man.

A wedding breakfast was served for the bride's party at the Hotel Langwell followed by a reception at the bride's home. The couple left for New York City and at the termination of his furlough, Pfc. Hart will report at Miami, Fla. He is a graduate of Corning Free Academy.

Mrs. Hart graduated from Southside High School and is an employee of the New York State Electric & Gas Corp.

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Let Catholic Pupils Use Public School Facilities

SANTA FE, N. M.—The vocational education program facilities of the State public school system will be made available to Catholic school pupils throughout New Mexico, under a plan announced by the Rev. William T. Bradley, superintendent of schools for the Santa Fe archdiocese, and Frank Wimberly, state director of vocational education.

The state properties of the physical properties of the public schools at the disposal of all Catholic school pupils. Principles of the Catholic institutions will arrange schedules with the public school officials of their respective localities which will permit the parochial school pupils to use the public school rooms and equipment. The schools of the archdiocese will

in turn cooperate with the war production program advocated by the federal government.

No Need to Worry

"Most people can't stand prosperity," declared a psychologist. Most people don't have to.—Clarion-Ledger.

Neighbor: "Why is it that your automobile is painted red on one side and blue on the other?"
 Speed Demon: "Oh, it's a fine idea. You should hear the witnesses contradicting one another."

Muller, the greatest biologist of the last century, was a Catholic.

The word "volt" comes from Volta, the great Catholic electrician.

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