

# 3 Catholic Boys from Geneva Make the Supreme Sacrifice

GENEVA—One Catholic Army officer from here made the supreme sacrifice flying over Italy and two Marines gave their lives for their country in the South Pacific, reports of war casualties reveal this week

Second Lieut. Anthony Nicholas Brell, son of Nicholas Brell of 72 Humbert St., bombardier with the United States Air Forces in Italy, was killed in action on August 15, according to a War Department telegram received by his father. Lieutenant Brell entered the Armed Forces in January, 1942, and received his training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and was awarded his wings after training at Tucson, Ariz. He went overseas on June 22, 1944, and has been in Italy with the Air Forces. The young airman participated in bombing missions over enemy territory.

Lieutenant Brell was graduated from Geneva High School in 1936 and from Hobart College in 1941. He attended Georgetown University for two years.

Surviving are his father, Nicholas Brell; one brother, Joseph Anthony Brell, third class Petty Officer, USN, of Columbus, O.; three sisters, Mrs. Anthony Mastranni; Mrs. Sam Mosca and Mrs. Joseph Nigro of Rochester and Mrs. Armand Chester of Geneva.

A solemn requiem Mass for the young man was celebrated on Monday, Sept. 4, at St. Francis de Sales Church.

Another Geneva young man, Corporal William Harding, USMC, has given his life in the service of his country. His name has been added to the growing list of casualties in World War II. The young Marine is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harding, 25 Clover St., who received a War Department telegram on Wednesday, Aug. 30, stating that their son had been killed in action in the South Pacific war area.

Corporal Harding joined the Marines on Mar. 23, 1942, and went overseas about nineteen months ago. He had participated in the battle of Bougainville and in other major actions in the South Pacific area where the United States Marines have written their heroic deeds indelibly on the pages of American history.

Mr. and Mrs. Harding's last letter from their son was dated July 17.

Corporal Harding was a graduate of St. Francis de Sales School and of De Sales High School. He received his Marine training at Parris Island, N. C.; Quantico, Va., and New River, N. C.

Surviving are his parents, three

sisters, Miss Jane Harding of Geneva, Sgt. Catherine Harding of the United States Marines stationed in Edonton, N. C.; Miss Mary Helen Harding, employed at the United States Ordnance in Martinez, Calif., and one brother, Pvt. First Class John Harding, who is in the South Pacific war zone.

Pvt. First Class Joseph R. Valentino, 21, USMC, of Niagara Falls,

formerly of Geneva, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuele Valentino, was killed in action during the performance of his duty in the South Pacific area, according to a War Department telegram received recently by his parents.

The young Marine's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rolfo, reside on Reed St., and his fiancée, Miss Phillomena Mazzocchi on North Genesee St.

## St. Patrick's (Seneca Falls)

### SCHOOL REOPENS

By JOAN A. REARDON

With the opening of the school year, St. Patrick's Parish welcomes two new nuns, Sisters M. Helen Roberta and Sister M. Agnes Vincent. Sister Helen Roberta came to Seneca Falls after teaching in St. Bridget's School, Rochester, and will teach our kindergarten; Sister Agnes Vincent came from St. Monica's Parish, Rochester, and will teach the third grade at St. Patrick's. Sister Claver, former kindergarten teacher, has gone to St. Bridget's parish, Rochester, to teach kindergarten and Sister Catherine Joseph who taught third grade, has gone to St. Aloysius's School, Auburn.

Sister Edward Marie, Principal, will teach the 8th grade; Sister M. Evangelist, the 7th; Sister Mary Denis, 6th; Sister Anna Maura, 5th; Miss Florence Scannell, 4th; Sister Agnes Vincent, 3rd; Sister Marie, 2nd; Miss Mary Lacey, 1st; Sister Helen Roberta, kindergarten. School opened Tuesday, Sept. 5, according to Bishop Kearney's Official School Calendar, since there has been but one case of Polio in Seneca Falls.

### ATTENDS RITES

Rev. B. L. Quirk, Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, attended the funeral rites of the Rev. William A. Rafferty, Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Mt. Morris, who died August 28th in Gabriel's Sanatorium. Father Quirk composed and gave the eulogy of Father Rafferty's priestly career. Fr. Quirk and Fr. Rafferty were classmates at St. Andrew's Seminary, Rochester and Father Rafferty was a frequent guest at St. Patrick's Rectory.

### PERSONALS

Miss Jane Rogers, West Bayard St., who has been receiving treatment at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, is convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. Emma Cudmus, Rochester.

Miss June Moll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Moll, Chapel St., has taken up her duties as Dental Hygienist in the schools at Sachetta Harbor and Chaumont in Northern New York.

Miss Jane Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baker, West Bayard St., left Tuesday to begin her work as Dental Hygienist at Brownville and Copenhagen, N. Y. Miss Julia Glowiak, East Bayard St., has begun her Junior year at Syracuse University.

Miss Dorothy Plunkett, student nurse at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Plunkett, Porter St.

Miss Elizabeth Byrne has returned to Utica to resume her duties as teacher in the Utica schools.

### SERVICE NEWS

Cadet Nurse Jane M. Casey, student in training at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, is spending two weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Casey, W. Bayard St.

First Sgt. Joseph Barbi, U. S. M. C., who is undergoing treatment at a Navy Hospital in California, is spending a 30-day leave with his mother, Mrs. Natalina Barbi, Chaumont St.

Pfc. Alyce F. Dyson, WAC, who is stationed at Governor's Island and Pvt. Mary Alice Barry, who is stationed at the Rome Air Base, were recent guests of Mayor and Mrs. Paul S. Fredenburgh.

Corp. Charles Flynn, of West-over Field, Mass., was recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Flynn, Green St.

S/Sgt. Andrew Kemak, son of Andrew Kemak, Garden St., who has been recipient of many honors since entering the armed forces, is spending a furlough at his home. He has recently completed 31 missions over occupied territory in Europe. Upon completion of his leave, he will report at Miami Beach, Fla.

Sgt. Chester Porter has returned to Camp Campbell, Ky., after spending a few days at his home on Green St.

Pvt. William Creilly, who is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Creilly, Haigh St.

Corp. John Moreland, of San Antonio Air Center, San Antonio, Texas, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Moreland, W. Bayard St. MARKS ANNIVERSARY

One of the oldest Seneca Falls businessmen, in point of years in active business, James F. Sullivan of 16 Clinton Street, observed the 37th anniversary of the founding of his business on Aug. 30. Mr. Sullivan is a life-long resident of Seneca Falls and a prominent member of St. Patrick's Parish. Looking back over the years, Mr. Sullivan stated that his business began in a small way when he purchased the equipment of Mr. A. Benedict and opened a retail cigar store Aug. 30, 1907 in the City Building, Fall St. Later on he branched out into the candy and wholesale tobacco business and now supplies Sampson Naval Training Center with candy and tobacco. His payroll now carries the names of fifteen employees.

### Influence in Style

For those who are slaves of fashion Channing says: "Fashion is among the last influences under which a human being who respects himself or who understands the great purpose of life would desire to be placed."

## Memorial Mass Honors Late Nun-Teacher

GENEVA. At 9 o'clock on Monday morning, Aug. 28, at St. Francis de Sales Church, a solemn memorial Mass was celebrated for Sister Mary Paneratta, whose death occurred suddenly recently as she was leaving St. Stephen's Church after attending Mass.

Sister Paneratta was connected with St. Francis de Sales School faculty for a period of nine years before going to St. Stephen's School and will be remembered by the parishioners as a teacher outstanding in the educational system.

Rev. Magr. Walter J. Lee, V.F., was celebrant of the Mass with Rev. William J. O'Brien as deacon and Rev. Valentino Janikawik as sub-deacon. Assisting at the service was Rev. John Lynch of Notre Dame University.

All members of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the two local parishes of St. Francis de Sales and St. Stephen's attended the Mass. Sister Paneratta was a member of the Community whose Motherhouse is in Pittsford. Many parishioners of St. Francis de Sales were also in attendance at the Memorial Mass.

The older you are the quicker Christmas comes, and the younger you are the quicker it goes.

## Sergeant Cosentino Reported Wounded

GENEVA.—Mrs. Helen M. Cosentino, 1 Avenue E received a War Department telegram informing her that her son, Sgt. Anthony J. Cosentino, 21, was injured in action although not seriously, on Aug. 16, in France.

Sergeant Cosentino joined the Army on May 14, 1941, and went overseas early in January and participated in the first Allied invasion of France.

## Action Citation Awarded Genevan

GENEVA.—A resident of Geneva, N. Y., Pvt. Francis Liberatoro, is a member of an Infantry rifle company that has received a Presidential Citation for combat against troops of the Japanese 6th Imperial Division, part of the 17th Army.

Private Liberatoro, 24, is an ammunition carrier, who is now authorized to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge—a metal ribbon behind a gold colored metal frame of laurel leaves. He also has been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge. Liberatoro's company distinguished itself at Hill 128, Bougainville Island, by repulsing three major Nip assaults.

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