

Charities Dinner To Be Sellout Says Committee

Invitations to the Ninth Annual Charities Dinner were mailed last week by the Board of Directors to interested Elmira and friends in neighboring communities. "If you did not receive one, you are cordially invited to attend. We have tried to reach everyone who attended these meetings in the past. It was an oversight, if you were not included on our list. You may call any member of our committee and procure your ticket immediately. It looks like a sell out," the Committee states.

Chaplain Loughlin Honored in Award to St. Bernard Seminary

The Certificate of Honor of the Navy Department has been presented to St. Bernard's Seminary, in honor of Marine Chaplain John J. Loughlin, former faculty member.

Accompanying the Certificate was a letter signed by Secretary of the Navy, James Forrestal, commending St. Bernard's for its "patriotic sacrifice" and presenting the testimonial "as permanent evidence of St. Bernard's contribution in behalf of the religious life of the men and women of our armed forces."

"It is a matter of deep personal satisfaction to me," wrote Mr. Forrestal, "to be able thus to express the appreciation and thanks of the Navy Department and myself."

Chaplain Loughlin, a native of Elmira, was with the first wave of assault troops to hit the beaches of Tarawa. For his outstanding services there, he was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Wall in Congress

It is sad that the intricacies of legislative procedure in our day should interpose so complete a Chinese wall in front of what actually goes on in Congress. It is a sure bet that if this Chinese wall did not exist, the personnel of both houses would be very different from what it is.—The Commonwealth

Sergeant Killed in France

Word has been received that Sgt. Jerome E. Koziol, 340 McDowell Place, was killed in action in France on Sept. 2.



Sgt. Koziol resided with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Rosko, before entering the Army in January, 1943. His brother, Sgt. Emil Koziol, was killed in action in France on July 12 of this year.

Sgt. Koziol is survived by six brothers: Raymond with the U. S. Navy; Clifford and Joseph of Genoa, Neb.; Andrew of Corning, N. Y.; Michael in the U. S. Coast Guard; and Gerhard of Tarnov, Neb. A Requiem High Mass was sung Wednesday in St. Mary's Church for Sgt. Koziol.

Sanctuary Light

It burns before the altar,
That sanctuary light
No matter what goes on outside
It's there both day and night.

Sometimes when worldly troubles
Disturb the peace within my soul,
It's always there to greet me,
To help me reach my goal.

If you ever stop at twilight
In a Church so dark and dim,
You'll know you'll always feel secure,
Just you, the Light, and Him.

Eleanor O'Hanlon

Careful nursing will cure many things—but never a grievance.

'Greatly Underestimated,' Writes Yank About Japs

CORNING—Pvt. Raymond Passmore, now stationed in the South Pacific area, has sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Passmore of 162 Lexington St., his Combat Infantryman's Badge which he received recently for showing exceptional fighting ability in action against the enemy.

A graduate of St. Mary's Parochial School and Corning Free Academy in the class of 1943, Pvt. Passmore entered the service a little over a year ago. He has been overseas since the first of this year.

In a letter to his mother the young man says that the Japs are a "greatly underestimated race," making the Allies pay for any gains.

"Their camouflage is perfect," he wrote. "They can't be seen five feet away. The press doesn't mention their artillery and tanks, but they've got plenty."

"Most Japs who aren't snipers carry machine guns that are moved by one man. The Japs are smart in many ways but also dumb in many others. The last mission we were on, we should have been wiped out because they had set a trap and our escape from it by night was a miracle."

"They are well supplied with food and ammunition even though they are cut off from their bases."

"It is true that the Jap is not afraid to die, but he does like to take a few Americans with him so he can die happy. Practically every dead Jap I saw had a grenade in his hand. Some even fix booby traps on themselves so that when they die no one can collect souvenirs. It doesn't pay to be a collector, as some guys have learned the hard way."

"All in all, the Japs probably will fight to the end. If we get them in another year or two, it will be a great victory. You've got to fight these fellows to know them."

VETERAN HORSEHEADS FLIER TEACHES PILOTS IN EUROPE

HORSEHEADS—This news release from an Eighth AAF Composite Station, England, was received this week.

Veteran fighter pilot, 1st Lieut. Albert E. Knafels of Horseheads, N. Y., is now at a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter training station acting as an instructor for pilots newly arrived in the European Theatre of Operations. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Knafels reside at Horseheads RD 3.

Lt. Knafels has flown on ninety missions over Europe and has one enemy plane to his credit. He has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with one Oak Leaf cluster and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf clusters. The fighter group of which he was a member was also the recipient of a Presidential Citation for meritorious achievement. With a fund of actual combat experience, he is teaching his students every trick of modern aerial warfare. When interviewed, he remarked, "I learned the hard way. I hope that my students can profit by my experiences."

"Pat's" address is: Lt. Albert P. Knafels, O-086641, 495th Fighter Training Group, APO 689, c/o Postmaster, New York City.

One Prerequisite

No man ever distinguished himself who could not bear to be laughed at.—Maria Edgeworth.

It's a mistake to expect uniformity of opinion in this world.

"A Package from Home..."



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