Deaths of 2 Soldiers Reported in War Areas

AUBURN—A 19-year-old soldier has given his life in action in Luxembourg while an aerial gunner met his death as the result of an accident in Texas, the war casualty lists show this week.

Funeral services for Corp. Gabriel Villano, a gunner who was drowned in Lake Sabine, Texas, on January 14, when he with other service men, parachuted from a plane, were held on Saturday morning from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roberto Villano, 238 Seymour Street, with services at St. Francis Church. The body was placed in the receiving vault at Fort Hill Cemetery for burial later in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Corporal Villano was born in Kansas City, Mo., and attended West High School. He entered the service on Jan. 6, 1943, and had been stationed at Gulf Port, Miss. He is survived by his parents, a brother, Joseph J. Villano, of the U. S. Navy and his maternal grandmother.

Pfc. Samuel Gallaro, 19, of the U. S. Army was killed in action on January 20 in Luxembourg. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gallaro, 7 Washington Street, and is one of three members of his family in the service.

Pvt. Gallaro is a graduate of Central High School. He was inducted into the service on March 4, 1944, and was sent overseas six months ago. His brother, Pvt. Anthony Gallaro, is in France with the Army and his brother, Frank Gallaro, a lieutenant, is a pilot in the Army Air Corps stationed in Belgium.

Squires Edit Paper For Service Alumni

AUBURN — The first edition of the new "Squireonian" appeared at the weekly meeting of the Columbian Squires of St. Alphonsus Circle 112 on Sunday evening. The paper will be sent to Squires Alumni in the service. Charles Piccaro is editor, Richard Doyle, Edward Davis and George Perretta, associate editors; Theodore Graney, sports editor; John C. Walsh and David Portan, society editors; Fitch Bills, art editor; David Clifford, poetry editor; John Adams, jokes; James Farrelly, exchange editor.

At the meeting on Sunday, assignment of meeting nights was made by the Chief Squire. The Cultural Educational Committee will have charge the first Sunday of February; the second Sunday, the Spiritual Committee will have the meeting with Chairman Robert John presiding; the third Sunday will be sports night with Chairman Jack Graney in charge; and the last Sunday Chairman Edward Davis of the Civic Committee will have charge of the meeting. The Squires will sponsor a dance on Tuesday, Feb. 13. Jack Walsh will be the general chairman.

A pint of blood can save the life of a lad who is fighting for you.

Medal of Honor

Pfc. Patrick L. Kessler, of Holy Trinity parish, Middletown, Ohio, who was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest military medal, for extraordinary heroism on the Anzio beachhead last May. His mother, Mrs. Anna Smith Kessler, received the medal, which was awarded posthumously, last May. His chaplain wrote that Patrick received Holy Communion shortly before his death in action.
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Duty Calls Auburnians To Worldwide Service

AUBURN — Sgt. Jerome F. Swiriniowski, of Auburn, is among ground specialists of a B-29 organization based in the Marianas who took up the unfamiliar task of airbase construction in addition to their regular duties and have received a special commendation from Brig. Gen. H. S. Hansell, Jr., commanding general, XXI Bomber Command. Sgt. Swiriniowski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swiriniowski, 86 Perrine Street. His wife, Stephanie also resides at the Perrine Street address. Sgt. Swiriniowski entered the Army on July 1942.

Pvt. Roland Carnicelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carnicelli, 30 Jefferson Street, has won the right to wear the "Boots and Wings" of the U. S. Army Paratroopers. He has completed four weeks of jump training, during which he made five jumps the last a tactical one at night involving a combat problem on landing.

Lieut. Theodore F. Welgosz, of the U. S. Army Air Force, has been promoted to the rank of captain, relatives in Auburn have learned this week. He is a son of Mrs. Mary Welgosz, No. 1 Division Street, and has been overseas for some time. The latest news from him told that he was with the Ninth Air Force in the European Theater of War serving as a pilot of a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter. His brother, Pfc. Peter Welgosz, is serving with the Marines in the Southwest Pacific.

Staff Sgt. Martin Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Bingham, has reported for duty at the San Antonio, Texas Aviation Cadet Center, where he will take a course of training and instruction preparatory to becoming a pilot, bombardier or navigator. He is a veteran of 35 combat missions in the European theater where he was a nose turret gunner on a Liberator bomber. He spent seven months overseas and won the Air Medal and four Oak Leaf Clusters.

Sgt. Thomas H. Ryan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ryan, Lewis Street is spending a 10-day furlough at his home. He has been stationed in Puerto Rico for the past 20 months. John Edward Ryan enlisted in the Coast Guard and was sworn in at Buffalo on Jan. 24. He will receive his training at Manhattan Beach Brooklyn.

Pvt. Norbert M. Hedgerwold, of D Company, 36th Battalion Infantry replacement training center, at Camp Croft, has been promoted to the grade of private first class.

Pvt. James B. Tripiceno, who was wounded on December 13, while in action in France with the Infantry, has been awarded the Purple Heart. Tripiceno went overseas last November. At present he is a patient in a military hospital in Pyeson.

Pvt. Mario Diego is stationed somewhere in Italy according to word received by his wife this week. He has been overseas since last October.

Several 17-year-old youths from Cayuga County enlisted in the Navy this week. Among them are Charles Coughlin of Van Anden Street, Anthony J. Sabelone of Van Patten St., John E. Ryan of Orchard Avenue and Thomas W. Tracy of Garrow Street.

Mrs. Della M. Lindsay, 78 Nelson Street has received a letter from her son, Corp. Charles Lindsley. Corp. Lindsley is now a prisoner of war of the German Government. This is the first news received from Lindsley since the Red Cross stated that he was taken a prisoner.

Charles Beer, 5 Pinin Avenue, has received word from his son, First Sgt. John J. Beer, that he is being transferred from Bougainville to the Phillippine Islands.

Corp. Ethel V. Fawley of the WAC's, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Fawley, 24 Third Avenue, is a member of a detachment on duty at an Air Service Depot in England. She entered the Army Corps during February 1943 and has been overseas six months. Her detachment was recently commended by Brigadier Gen. Morris Berman.

Pfc. Albert J. Jamas, aviation mechanic at Cherry Point, N.C., is spending a 15-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Jamas, No. Fulton Street. He was inducted in the service nearly three years ago and is a graduate of St. Hyacinth's School and of Central High School.

St. Bathildes

Queen, was an Englishwoman who was carried over to France while quite young and sold as a slave to Erkonwald, Mayor of the Palace under King Clovis II. When she grew up, the King took her for his royal consort. As soon as her son Clotaire became old enough to govern she retired to a convent at Chelles. She died January 30, 680.

Q.—Would you kindly enlighten me through your column who were the publicans so frequently mentioned in the Gospels?

A. They were collectors who gathered the taxes claimed by the Roman Rulers. They were for the most part pagans and were hated and despised by the Jews, partly because they demanded exorbitant rates, and partly because all taxes paid to Roman Emperors were detestable.

HUMILITY

"The devil likes us not to humble ourselves, because when the saints did it they were exalted as if they were winding on air." — Fr. Considine.

Catholic Action League Meets

AUBURN — The Catholic Action League held their January supper meeting on Thursday evening at the Catholic Daughters Home in Seven Street. Miss Mary Moynihan, president, presided at the meeting. Rev. Robert Dougherty was accorded a gift of the deanery rosaries. Plans were also formulated for the organization of the annual Lenten Study Club.

Mrs. Pauline Davis was appointed chairman of the committee in charge of a card party to be held in the near future in the Catholic [illegible]. Miss Corinne Kelligan will be the chairman of the February meeting.

Miss Rita Darrow and Miss Mildred Geyner were co-chairmen of the January meeting and they were assisted by Clifton Geyner, Dorothy Morris, Olive Garbinsky, Arlene and Dorothy Walker, Mary Lieschinsch and Jeanne Gannine. Selections by the Auburn City Hospital Nurses Club Club were heard following the meeting. Miss Elsie Balian was pianist and Harold Henderson was director of the chorus.

Home Maryknoll Missioners Venite' Chaplains in China

CHUNGKING, CHINA (NC) An American priest has been appointed assistant to China's Military Vicar Delegate, and nine additional Maryknoll priests have been assigned to the United States armed forces in China as contract chaplains.

The Rev. Thomas Brock, of [illegible], Maryknoll Mary[illegible] and [illegible] to the Military Ordinariate of [illegible] as assistant to the Most [illegible] Bishop [illegible], Military Vicar. [illegible] Brock, [illegible] to [illegible] Maryknoll [illegible] Mass., [illegible] N. Y., [illegible] Mass., [illegible] and [illegible] Cambridge, Mass.

Sodality Enjoys Sleigh Ride

AUBURN — The Young Ladies Sodality of St. Alphonsus Church enjoyed a sleigh ride party on Monday evening. Following the ride refreshments were served in the Church Hall. A committee in charge of the party was composed of Mrs. Thomas Ryan, Mrs. Gordon Wheeler, Mrs. Joseph Upsey and Mrs. Frank Hughes.

St. Alphonsus Court Team Wins Seventh

AUBURN — The St. Alphonsus Court team won its seventh game of the Central City Bowling League by two points [illegible] Monday night [illegible] Lead [illegible] with [illegible] Lead [illegible] and [illegible] Lead [illegible] with [illegible] Lead [illegible] and [illegible] Lead [illegible] with [illegible] Lead [illegible] and