

Armed Services Keep Auburn Youths Active At Posts Throughout World

AUBURN — Patrick J. Flannery, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Flannery, of Washington Street, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. He is a bombardier navigator with a B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment group. Flannery wears the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters. Distinguished Unit Badge with two clusters and the European-African Middle Eastern theater ribbons with two campaign stars.

Ensign Donald E. Gossy, 23, Franklin Street, was a member of "Fabled Fifties" which Commander David S. McCampbell, U. S. N., the Navy's top-scoring pilot, calls "The Fleet's aerial lightning team ever assembled." Commander McCampbell was recently awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor and after receiving it, said that his own record and that of the Air Group was made possible only by extraordinarily smooth teamwork on the part of every pilot and aircrewman. The Air Group's record against Jap aircraft was also outstanding. It shot down 514 Japs, destroyed 348 on the ground and probably damaged 288 others in the air and on the ground.

Promotions this week included Walter Magara, Navy, promoted to petty officer rating of gunner's mate E/c in the Gunners Division of the ship to which he is attached. His home is at 10 Perrine St. Pvt. Francis Barry, Myrtle Avenue, has been promoted to the rank of private first class. Barry entered the service last April and is with the Infantry in England. Pte. John J. Tracy, Carrow Street, has been promoted to the rank of corporal at Ballina Army Air Base in California. Fourth Air Force installation. Tracy entered the service on Sept. 3, 1941. He is an airplane mechanic. John J. Kilmartin, of Onondaga, has received the olive wings of the Army Air Force pilot and been commissioned a second lieutenant at Naples Field, Ala., an advanced single engine pilot school of the AAF Training Command.

Lt. George F. Trane, Jr., of the Air Force, son of City Manager and Mrs. George F. Trane, is now stationed at the Oklahoma City Army Air Base. Lt. Trane returned to this country recently after completing his 30 month tour with the Eighth Air Force. After spending a 21 day furlough in Auburn he reported for duty at Atlantic City and was then assigned to the Oklahoma City Base.

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ask that station. He also holds the DFC in addition to the air medal and several others. Pte. Ernest P. Funder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Funder, York Street, is home after being a patient in St. Elizabeth's General Hospital in States Island. Pte. Funder has been wounded twice and has been awarded the Purple Heart, Oak Leaf Cluster and the Combat Infantry Badge. Corp. Ralph A. Fortuna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vito Fortuna, of Clark Street, has returned to Barrow Army Airfield after spending a 21-day furlough in Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bayne of Washington Street have two sons, both fighter pilots in the U. S. Army Air Force. Lt. Frank Bayne received his "wings" and commission this week at Foster Field in Texas. He entered the Army Air Force as an aviation cadet. He is only 19 years old and is one of the youngest to ever graduate at Foster Field since the creation of the Flying school. His brother, Flight Officer Albert Bayne, 22, received his wings as a fighter pilot at Craig Field, Selma, Alabama in April 1944. He has been overseas since September 1944 and is piloting a P-47 Thunderbolt with the Ninth Tactical Air Force in France. He has completed 21 missions over enemy territory.

Second Lt. Josephine Trugner of the Army Nurse Corps spent a two-day furlough with her sister, Mrs. Lester Henry of Willard Street. While home she met her brother Sgt. Edward J. Trugner, who is home on a furlough after 20 months of overseas service in the European theater. Lt. Trugner entered the Army Nurse Corps last September and is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J.

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St. Patrick's (Seneca Falls)

SAFE IN WAR PRISON CAMP

By JOAN A. BEARDON
SENeca FALLS — Mrs. Jane Clark, Cayuga Lake Boulevard, on Monday, received a short message written by her husband, William Clark, from Germany stating that he was a prisoner of war and that he was in good health. William was reported on Dec. 15 to be missing in action since Dec. 1, 1941. He is the son of Raymond and Martha McKinnon Clark of Rochester and had been overseas but only a month when the report came.

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instructor. He is a graduate of Holy Family High School and attended Niagara and Syracuse Universities. He is stationed at Fort Monmouth, N. J. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ketch of Seymour Street.

Capt. Kenneth A. Goff, assistant chief of the Organization and Training Section at Armed Forces Post, Fort Knox, Ky., has been promoted to the rank of Major. Major Goff entered the service in April 1941. He is a graduate of Auburn High School and Notre Dame University in the class of 1940. His wife and son Patrick reside at 2 South Hunter Ave.

Sgt. Joseph W. Janosch, stationed with the 13th AAF in Italy, is a former combat crew member of "Liberation Bomber," which has completed 125 successful combat missions. Sgt. Janosch, an aerial gunner, helped the champion crew gain its fame by the defense of his big bomber while participating in many successful missions against the enemy.

Capt. Charles Michael L. Lach, specialist, second class, returned to the United States after more than two years of service including survey duty in the Central and Southern Pacific. Lach, whose address is 84 Arlington Avenue, entered the service in July 1943.

Howard Chaney, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chaney of Chapman Avenue, gunner's mate, third class in the U. S. Navy is home on leave from the Mediterranean War Zone. He has participated in five landings and one major assault and has six star decorations. He has been in the service three years. His brother is at present fighting in the invasion of the Philippine Islands.

Geneva Lieutenant Aids in Rescue of 2 Wounded GIs

GENEVA—First Lt. Thomas P. Welch, 454 Outhill St., who is with a tank unit with the Third Infantry Division of the Seventh Army, participated in the rescue of two wounded GIs who lay in an open field.

Bridge-Ten Changed To March 17 by St. Stephen's Group

GENEVA — Due to the present emergency, the bridge-ten scheduled to be held on Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Woman's Building, under the auspices of the Society of St. Stephen's parish, has been postponed to March 17. Announcement of the postponement was made today by the chairman, Mrs. Raymond McDonald.

The present committee will act on the postponed date and further announcement will be made later.

The wounded men lay in the field a little on each side of them. A Geneva ambulance came to get them and they were taken to the hospital. The wounded men were in so shape to come back under their own power. Lieutenant Welch of a tank unit nearby decided to go out after them. He took one T-34 tank with the two 10th Infantry Engineers. They went out and found the two wounded men. They were taken to the hospital. The T-34 tank was used to get the wounded men out of the field. The tank was used to get the wounded men out of the field. The tank was used to get the wounded men out of the field.

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