

## Soldier from Auburn Gives Life in Pacific

Auburn—Death in action has come to one soldier from Auburn, another has received the Purple Heart, while a third reported missing is now a prisoner of the Germans, the area's casualty reports state this week.

Pfc. William P. Walsh, 30, of the U. S. Infantry has made the supreme sacrifice for his country. The War Department announced on Thursday last week that he was killed in action on March 21 on Luzon Island in the Southwest Pacific.

Pfc. Walsh is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick M. Walsh, 1 Fimm Avenue. He is a graduate of St. Alphonsus Parochial School, class of 1930 and was in his senior year in West High School when he entered the army on April 8, 1943. Pfc. Walsh was first stationed at Fort Niagara and was sent to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Walsh volunteered for overseas duty and left early last October for the South Pacific. At the age of 17 he tried to enlist in the Navy but was turned down because of a visual disability. The young soldier's father served in the U. S. Infantry in World War I. Pfc. Walsh also has three younger brothers, James, Charles and Robert Walsh, and a sister, Helen Walsh.

Lieut. Thomas D. Stapleton, U. S. N. R., who is serving with the Fourth Marine Corps Division has been awarded the Purple Heart. Presentation was made by General Vandegrift at a mass presentation and the medal was pinned on Lieut. Stapleton by General Holland M. Smith.

Lieut. Stapleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Stapleton, 7 Park Place was struck by a piece of shrapnel during the Iwo Jima invasion. The wound was slight and he was able to carry on his duties as a medical officer.

Dr. Stapleton is married and has two children, Thomas David, Jr., and Heidi. He enlisted in the medical corps in April 1942 and has been overseas since January 1944. He has participated in four amphibious drives in the past 14 months, taking part in the invasions at the Marshall Islands, Saipan, Tinian and Iwo Jima. His wife and children make their home with Mrs. Stapleton's parents at the home on Park Place.

Pfc. Joseph P. Gannon, 24, of the U. S. Army, who has been reported missing in action since March 21, is now a prisoner of the Germans. He was captured on Luzon Island in the Southwest Pacific.

## Joint College Planned For Syracuse Diocese

Auburn—Bishop Roy Wilton, of the Syracuse Diocese, announced today that a joint college for the diocese is being planned. The college will be located in the city of Syracuse and will be a joint venture of the diocese and the State of New York.

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## Armed Services Keep Auburn Youths Active At Posts Throughout World

Auburn—Mgt. Richard C. Magness of the Engineer Corps, at Fort Belvoir, Va., was selected with other overseas veterans to be guard of honor at the funeral of the late President Roosevelt in Washington.

Corp. Charles H. Lindale, first Auburnian to reach home after released from a German prison camp, is spending a 21 day furlough with his wife and two little daughters and his mother, Mrs. Della Lindale. Lindale was brought home by the Russians through Poland and got a close up of Odessa and other places of interest.

He said that the rations handed out by the Germans to the American men each day consisted of an eighth of a loaf of bread and a bowl of soup. He also said that the food packages reaching the Americans in the prison camps from the American Red Cross kept the men from near-starvation. Lindale entered the service in April 1943 and was reported missing in action in August 1944. Later the War Department reported that he was a prisoner of war of the Germans.

Alex. F. Flynn, 32 Lansing Street, has received word that his sons, Pharmacist Mate John M. Flynn and Gunner's Mate Robert Flynn, serving in the South West sector recently enjoyed a three days' reunion aboard a tanker. Both boys report that they are fine but extremely busy. John is 22 years old and Bob is 20 years of age.

S/Mgt. Anthony E. DeMalo, Clark Street, has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight over enemy territory. He is attached to the 15th AAF Fortress Airborne Corps in Southern Italy. DeMalo has been with the forces since November 2, 1943.

Pfc. George Falat, France Street, recently returned from overseas duty and is now stationed at Lake Placid. Falat entered the service on October 5, 1940, and has been overseas for 14 months with an infantry unit in the Central and Southwest Pacific theater of operations, taking part in the Philippine campaign.

S/Mgt. James Cullen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cullen, No. Fulton Street, has reported to Atlantic City after eight months of service in the European theater of war. Cullen served as a gunner on a B-24 Liberator while overseas and took part in 17 combat missions. He wears the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the European theater ribbon with two battle stars and the Good Conduct ribbon for his exploits overseas. Cullen entered the service on April 1, 1942.

Corp. Murray Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Sullivan, is at an Air Base in Oran, Algeria.

He is an airplane mechanic in the North African Division of the Air Transport Command.

T/5 Matthew Dziukowski, son of Mrs. Rose Dziukowski, Chase Street, is a radio man attached to an Army radio station somewhere in the Mediterranean Theater and John Marcyko, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marcyko, Perrine Street, has been promoted to the grade of sergeant. Sgt. Marcyko is with the 15th AAF in Italy.

Pfc. Richard L. O'Hara of the Army and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. O'Hara, Fitch Avenue, is a truck driver with the 403rd Aircraft Gun Battalion on duty in the Po Valley in Italy. The unit has been credited with 550 days in combat and the battalion has fired 115,000 rounds in the Italian campaign. O'Hara landed at Oran, Algeria, on May 11, 1943, and participated in the defense of Palermo, Sicily.

Stephen Walsh, 24 1/2 Hamilton Avenue, has completed his recruit training at the Sampson Naval Training Center and is home on leave.

Staff/Mgt. John M. Gruney, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gruney, Seymour Street, has informed his parents that he came safely through the battle for Iwo Jima and is now at a rest camp. He has been in the Marine Corps for three years. Corp. Joseph F. Gruney, brother of John, is at Okinawa and has been in the service two years.

Sgt. Henry F. DeFavero of the Army has been awarded the Bronze Medal for "Meritorious Achievement." He is one of five sons serving with the forces. His brother, Pvt. Francis, the youngest of the boys, was wounded in action. DeFavero has been in the army since December 18, 1940.

Staff Sgt. Thomas Kirwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Kirwin, No. Division Street, has returned to Trux Field, Madison, Wis., after spending a furlough at his home. His brother, Staff Sgt. James D. Kirwin, is with a medical Detachment of the Armed forces in Italy. Pfc. John F. Brennan, who is spending a 30 day furlough with his father, Thomas Brennan, of Holley Street, was the guest of the Utopia Club at the Osborne House on Sunday. Brennan who received wounds in the Luxembourg sector will leave on Friday for the U. S. Army Hospital at Camp Butler, N. C.

## They Are Three of a Kind



THESE THREE ARMY NURSES, Misses Nellie, Catherine and Thelma, who are all in the 31st Evacuation Hospital, "somewhere in France," while their brother is in an Army engineer unit in the Philippines. The daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Smith, of St. Rose's, are all in the 31st Evacuation Hospital, "somewhere in France," while their brother is in an Army engineer unit in the Philippines. The daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Smith, of St. Rose's, are all in the 31st Evacuation Hospital, "somewhere in France," while their brother is in an Army engineer unit in the Philippines.

## Knights List Third Degree in Auburn

Auburn—First and second degrees were conferred upon large classes of candidates on Sunday afternoon by Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus. Arrangements are progressing for the conferral of the third degree on Sunday afternoon, May 6, in Holy Family Church, where the direction of the ceremony will be by Joseph Foley of Utopia.

The major degree will be conferred upon a class of 300 candidates from Councils in Auburn, Geneva, Newark, Seneca Falls and Waterloo of the 55th District of which Francis C. Oud is a representative.

A major program at the Council Hotel for the candidates and officers will follow the ceremony. Fraternity E. Woods, 2400 1/2 Main St., of Auburn is a general sponsor of the program.

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## Auburn Weddings

MURRAY - Mahaney  
King Perry - Miss Genevieve Murray, daughter of Edward Murray, and James Mahaney, son of Mrs. Jeremiah Mahaney, both of King Perry were married on April 2 in the Church of Our Lady of the Lake.

The Rev. Joseph Maloney performed the ceremony assisted by Rev. A. J. Gieger of Rochester. Mrs. Francis Mahaney and Jerry Mahaney were the attendants. Francis Mahaney and Edward Murray were ushers. Following a dinner and reception for 80 guests at the home of the bride the couple left for a wedding trip to Connecticut and New York City.

## St. Alonzo

Glenon - Ryan  
Mr. and Mrs. John F. Glenon, 214 Seymour Street, announced the marriage of their daughter Agnes to Sgt. Joseph L. Ryan, son of Mrs. Thomas Ryan, 4 Vandewater Avenue, on Thursday morning, April 13, in St. Alonzo Church. Rev. John B. Crowley performed the ceremony. Mrs. Joseph Ryan, sister of the bridegroom, and Leo P. Glenon, brother of the bride, were the attendants.

## Robot Bomb Injures Two Patients and Nurse

Two patients and a nurse were injured as a bomb exploded in the operating room of the St. Alonzo Hospital. The bomb was a robot bomb, a type of bomb that is designed to explode when it is triggered by a robot. The robot was triggered by a nurse who was standing near the bomb. The bomb exploded, injuring two patients and a nurse. The robot bomb is a type of bomb that is designed to explode when it is triggered by a robot. The robot was triggered by a nurse who was standing near the bomb. The bomb exploded, injuring two patients and a nurse.

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