

Throngs Attend Rites In Auburn as War Ends

Auburn—Prayers of thanks were offered in the Catholic Churches of Auburn on Tuesday evening, August 14, immediately following the announcement that the war was finished.

Prayers at Seneca Falls Mark War's End

Seneca Falls — St. Patrick's Church was filled to capacity on Tuesday evening, August 14, when the joyous news of Japan's surrender came through the air. People of all ages seemed to feel that it was their first duty to express their gratitude to God for the cessation of hostilities.

Following the suggestion of the Rev. John P. O'Beirne, pastor, made at the Masses on the previous Sunday, a large percentage of parishioners attended Mass and received Holy Communion on the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, as a mark of thanksgiving.

Throngs of people crowded the churches until nearly 11 p. m., expressing their gratitude that peace had come. On Wednesday morning, the Feast of the Assumption, special prayers were also offered in thanksgiving to God.

Peace has come only through sacrifice it was observed. More than 234 men from Cayuga County gave their lives that peace might come to the world. Nearly ninety of these men were Catholics. Hundreds of Auburnians were wounded during the conflict, and many have received medals for their acts of bravery during the conflict.

Mundelein College Head Chicago — (NC) — Sister Mary Josephine, B.V.M., has been appointed to succeed Sister Mary Justitia, B.V.M., as president of Mundelein College, here.

Servicemen Have 'Found' Religion Says Fr. Woloch

Aboard a Carrier in the Western Pacific — The pilot returning from a mission to his "base" aboard his carrier literally comes in on a wing and a prayer.



Fr. Woloch — looking on and praying for the pilot's safe landing aboard.

The prayers of Father Woloch, who is senior chaplain on this big flat top, are constantly with the men in the air as well as those on the ship. For whenever planes are taking off, whenever they are out on a mission, whenever they are coming back, Father Woloch is at flight quarters — and flight quarters is prayer time for the chaplain.

Chaplain Woloch, who left his parish at St. Casimir's Church, Elmira, in 1941, to enter the Navy, has returned to the Pacific after service in Newport, R. I., and Quoddy Village, Maine, following a previous tour of duty at Pearl Harbor Midway and other central Pacific islands.

After almost four years of duty, the chaplain is convinced that "the men in service have not as many failed, lost their religion."

"On the contrary," he said, "many have found their religion."

As an example, Father Woloch pointed to the eagerness with which a priest is met when he pays a visit to a smaller vessel which does not "rate" a regular chaplain.

To hold services and hear confessions, the chaplain frequently has himself ferried above the waves from his carrier to a nearby destroyer or other craft in a sack-like breeches buoy.

"The men," he related, "just about mob you. You would think I were the paymaster instead of the priest."

Father Woloch is a native of Auburn, where his mother, Mrs. Rose Ann Woloch, lives at 48 Pulaski St. He attended Kanti College, Erie, Penna., and St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

Upon being ordained in 1932, he was assigned to the Mt. Carmel Church, Rochester, and thence to the St. Stanislaus Church in the same city, where he remained five years before being transferred to St. Mary's Church, Corning, in 1938 and was later transferred to St. Casimir's.

The chaplain recently visited the leper colony in Hawaii, made famous by the martyred Father Damien, and met a nun, Sister Carmelita, who used to be stationed at Mercy Hospital in Auburn.

Would Destroy War Seeds New York — Vic. Adm. Emory S. Land, chairman of the U. S. Maritime Commission: "We must feed and clothe those made destitute by war, not only from the standpoint of humanity, but from the standpoint that empty stomachs, naked bodies and disease are the seeds of more war."

Men Can Keep Peace London — Winston Churchill: "The atomic bomb brought peace but men alone can keep it."

Silver Star, Other Service Honors Earned by Auburnians

Auburn — Four veterans from this city have received recognition for service and gallantry in action, the service news roundup reveals this week.

Lieut. Thomas D. Stapleton, USNR, M.C., has been serving overseas for the past 19 months with the Fourth Marine Corps Division, participating in four amphibious operations. He has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart and the Presidential Citation. He has been in the service since June, 1942. Lieut. Stapleton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stapleton, Park Place. His wife and two children make their home at 758 State Street.

Lieut. Gerard A. Sherwin, U. S. A. Paratroops, has been awarded the "Silver Star Medal." He has been in the service since

August 12, 1942, and overseas since November, 1944, participating in the New Guinea and the Philippine campaigns. He is the son of David Sherwin, Camp Street. His wife makes her home on East Lake Road.

Pfc. Joseph Piccaro, a veteran of 36 months overseas in the European Theater where he served in the 101st Airborne Division, returned to the United States this week aboard an Air Transport Command trans-Atlantic plane. Pfc. Piccaro has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, ETO Ribbon with eight campaign stars, Presidential Unit Citation and the Good Conduct Medal. He will spend his furlough at his home at Grover Street.

Sgt. E. F. Sarnicola, U. S. Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Sarnicola, recently completed his tour of combat flying duty with 33 missions over the Japanese Empire. He has received four Bronze Battle Stars and the distinguished unit citation which the "Billy Mitchell" group received for the strike against strongly fortified Yawala, as well as the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Five Auburnians Given Discharges

Auburn — Honorable discharges were granted to the following Auburnians this week:

Sgt. Joseph B. Masico, 28 Lansing Street.

Pfc. Joseph N. Prystal, Grant Street, an overseas veteran of the Australia and New Guinea and Philippine area.

Corp. Paul Navarro, 147 1/2 Van Anden Street, a serviceman since April, 1941.

Pfc. John W. Kula, Pulaski Street, a serviceman since 1941 who has received the Purple Heart, a Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the American Defense Ribbon and had battle stars.

Tech. Sgt. John A. Stapleton, North Street, U. S. Infantry, who has completed 35 months of overseas service in the ETO including his services in Germany. He holds the Order of the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star Medal and wears seven battle stars on his campaign ribbon.

3 Veterans Returns For Auburn Furloughs

Auburn — Home on furloughs this week are Pfc. John Quigley of the Army, overseas since October, 1944, and wounded in action in Belgium last December; Pfc. J. Colvocoello Arch Street; Harold E. Heckenbrock, a veteran of 4 1/2 months service in the ETO and a holder of the Good Conduct Ribbon, the ETO Ribbon, American Defense Ribbon and two battle stars.

Fr. Cuffney Appointed K. of C. District Chaplain

Seneca Falls — The Rev. James D. Cuffney, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, has been appointed district chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, on request of District Deputy Edward M. Leonard. Lawrence J. Doran has been chosen for the fourth term as district warden. The 55th District includes councils in Newark, Geneva, Waterloo, Seneca Falls and Auburn.

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