Pilot Promoted, Sergeant Given Service Honors

Auburn — Lieut. Donald Donnelly, USAAF, son of Mrs. Mayrose Donnelly of North Street has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. He is a graduate of Holy Family High School and was a student at Niagara University when he entered the Air Corps on July 21, 1943. He has served in India and at present is with the 20th Air Force in the Pacific.

First Sgt. Jack Hickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickey, Walnut Street, is now entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Wreath as the result of his unit being awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. Hickey has seen action in almost a dozen operations in the Southwest Pacific. At present he is with the Sixth Army on Luzon.

Pfc. Michael A. Pacelli, Van Anden Street, has reported to Lake Placid. He has just returned from 19 months service overseas with the 4th Infantry and has participated in the campaigns of Normandy, Northern France, the Rhine and the Battle of the Bulge. Pacelli entered the service in May, 1942.

Lieut. Donald O'Brien, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. O'Brien, Bradford Street, is now an assistant communications officer of an amphibian tractor unit of the famed Fifth Amphibious Corps, now in a rehabilitation area of the Marines. O'Brien has served in New Zealand, Guadalcanal, Bougainville and Guam and more recently in the battle of Iwo Jima. He has been with the Marine Corps since February 1942.

Corporal Vincent Montone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Montone, Washington Street, is with the Ninth Air Force Service Command Unit in Germany. Montone entered the service in October, 1941, and has been overseas for more than a year. He has been awarded four Bronze Service Stars for participation in campaigns on the continent.

Daniel G. Doyle is in Hawaii with the armed forces as assistant field director with the American Red Cross. Doyle served in the infantry as lieutenant colonel until April 10, 1945, when he was returned to inactive duty. Mr. Doyle is a graduate of Auburn schools and Syracuse University, and taught in Auburn public schools before his enlistment in the army.

Capt. Paul L. Kleintjes, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kleintjes, Florence Street, has been promoted to that rank as of June 5. He is in the Philippine Islands with the U. S. Army Engineers. Capt. Kleintjes has been in the service for 42 months, 15 of which he served with General Patton's Third Army in the ETO. He hopes to meet his brother in the Philippines in the near future, his brother is the Rev. John Kleintjes who is serving as Navy chaplain with the Navy in the Philippines.

Ship is Named in Honor of Cardinal O'Connell

South Portland, Me. — The aircraft repair ship William O'Connell, named in honor of the late Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, was launched here today in the presence of many dignitaries representing church and civil authorities.

Mrs. Mary O'Connell Ryan of Brighton, Mass., a niece of the Cardinal, acted as sponsor. The Most Rev. Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, was represented by the Very Rev. John J. Wright, Chancellor. Minor J. Tobin, president of the shipbuilding firm, stated it during that the ship would be built here, adding that Cardinal O'Connell "served us well."

THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL

Just before this picture was taken an impressive number of Allied servicemen attended Mass within the Cathedral of Christ he King at Reykjavik, Iceland. Pictured on the steps of the Cathedral, following Mass, are, left to right: Chaplain Raphael J. O'Malley, O. S. B., of St. Benedict's Abbey, Atchison, Kans., who is on duty with American troops in Iceland; Bishop Johanes Gunnarsson, Vicar Apostolic of Iceland, and Elise Lavelle, N. C. W. C. News Service Staff Correspondent, who is presently in Iceland. (NC Photo)

Geneva Servicemen Earn Service Award, Promotions

Geneva — Captain Joseph E. DeSio was recently awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred DeSio of 103 La Fayette avenue, and has been in the Army since July 16, 1941 and is in the European Theatre.

The text of the citation is as follows:

"Captain Joseph E. DeSio, Field Artillery 311th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy from 13 November, 1944, to 25 April, 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout this extended period of combat, Captain DeSio performed his duties as battalion supply officer in a most commendable manner. Frequently, he exposed himself to enemy fire in the accomplishment of his missions and at such time his aggressive action and sound judgment he adequately supplied his unit regardless of the hazards and adverse conditions involved. The continued courage and devotion to duty displayed by Captain DeSio reflect great credit on the armed forces of the United States."

Mrs. George O'Malley, 241 Washington street, has received word of the promotion of her son, General Lieut. George E. O'Malley, to the rank of First Lieutenant. He is with the United States Infantry and has been overseas for sixteen months. He is now at Newport, England.

Stephen Malley, son of Mrs. John A. Malley of Albany, formerly of Geneva, is a recruit at the U. S. Naval Training Center at Sampson.

Pfc. Fred H. Cocco, 19 Clinton street, arrived in Boston on August 29 aboard the Cayuga Victory and is expected to arrive at his home soon.

Pfc. Harry Cummins of the U. S. Marine Corps who has been stationed in the Pennsylvania Club, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Capozzi, North Wadsworth street. She is with the Depot Quartermaster Group and returns on September 6 to resume her duties.

Howard Fleming, 151 William street has been promoted from Fireman First Class to Electrician's Mate Third Class. He is stationed somewhere in the Admiralties in the South Pacific area.

Geneva Weddings

Bianch — Jankowiak

Geneva—St. Stephen's Church was the scene of a lovely summer wedding Tuesday, August 28, when Miss Genevieve Imelda Bianch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard R. Bianch, 260 Washington street, became the bride of Joseph Jankowiak, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jankowiak of Rochester and brother of Rev. Valentine Jankowiak of St. Francis de Sales Church. Father Jankowiak performed the ceremony. White gladioli were used in the altar decorations for the occasion.

Miss Eleanor McCall of Newark was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were the bride's sisters, the Misses Betty, Bernice and Irene Bianch.

Henry Jankowiak of Rochester, brother of the bridegroom was best man, and the ushers were Walter Jankowiak, brother of the bridegroom, and Worth Randall.

After a wedding breakfast and a reception at the Seneca Lake Country Club, the bride and bridegroom left on a trip to Canada, and upon their return will reside at 2010 Culver Road, Rochester.

Named Cathedral Rector

Chicago — The Very Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. Hayes, prominent of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary at Mundelein, Ill., has been appointed rector of Holy Name Cathedral here. He succeeds the Rt. Rev. Joseph P. Morrison, who has resigned the pastorate of the Immaculate Conception Church, Highland Park.

Chaplain, 2 Auburn Sailors Serve in Japanese Waters

Auburn — Lieut. Comdr. John F. Welsch, USNR of Pulaski St., a chaplain with the Navy, was serving aboard the USS Bon Homme Richard, one of the 20 aircraft carriers in an armada of 133 combat ships that aided in forcing the surrender of Japan. Father Welsch who has seen much active service in World War II was in the Battle of Midway in the early part of the war.

Michael T. Mikkowicz, ship's cook, third class, of the Navy serves aboard the U. S. Lind, one of the 133 warship armada which helped to force the surrender of Japan. The Lind was commissioned last September and has been active in operations off Luzon, Formosa, French Indo-China, Tokyo Bay, Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

Charles E. Bergan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Bergan, 229 East Genesee Street, is a pharmacist's mate on board the large hospital ship Benevolence at Tokyo and is assisting war prisoners now being evacuated from the clutches of the Japanese along Japan's coast. Bergan has been in the Navy more than two years, serving his apprenticeship at Sampson. His wife and two children make their home in Auburn.

Francis Cuddy Named To State K. of C. Post

Auburn — Francis C. Cuddy has been appointed chairman of the Insurance Committee of New York State Council, Knights of Columbus. The appointment was announced Friday by State Deputy Joseph M. Foley of New York. A new Council committee which will function this year is one that will arrange for the 50th anniversary observance next February. Mr. Cuddy is a past grand knight of Auburn Council and a past district deputy of the order.

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