

Five Genevans End Service With Honorable Discharges

Geneva — Five young men from this city are ending their military service with honorable discharges, relatives and friends are informed.

Fred Melito has returned home after three years in the Armed Forces, nineteen months of which was spent overseas. He received his honorable discharge Jan. 12 at Camp Blanding, Fla. He has been in Belgium, France, Germany, England and Luxembourg and wears four stars.

His brother, Frank J. Melito,

R. M. 1-c, was home on leave for fifteen days and has returned to Virginia where he expects to be discharged within a month. It was the first time the brothers had met in thirty-one months.

Frank Melito has served in both theatres of war, in Italy, Africa, West Indies, Cuba, Pacific area and other places, such as Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Japan and China. He also participated in the liberation of the Philippines and wears the Philippine Liberation ribbon.

The young men are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Melito, Tampa, Fla., formerly of Geneva.

Community Projects Enlist Collegians

With mid-year examinations completed, Nazareth College students are now turning their attention to participation in community projects.

During the recent campaign for the Infantile Paralysis Fund, students took an active part in collecting contributions in local theaters. Each student also was contacted by the college committee for her personal donation.

Over \$50 has been turned in at this date, with more expected for the final report.

In response to the Bishop's urgent appeal for clothing for the war-stricken peoples, the Fremin Mission Unit turned over a large assortment of clothing contributed by the students.

Originally a rummage sale for the benefit of the Missions was planned, but this project was changed so the college could participate more actively in the recent drive.

6,500 at Louvain U.; Vast Losses Cited

Brussels — (CIP) — Monsignor Hubert Van Wagonghem, Rector of the University of Louvain, has revealed that about 80,000 books and 3,000 complete magazine collections were lost when the Germans set the Louvain University Library on fire in May 1940, and that the damage suffered by the University in 1940 is estimated at \$5,500,000 and the damage suffered in 1944 (air raids etc.) at \$2,330,000. Louvain has at present 6,500 students almost as many as the other Belgian universities together.

4 Score and 10



MONS. JAMES J. GRIFFIN

Monsignor Griffin Of Corning Marks 90th Birthday

Corning — Beginning the day by celebrating Mass at 7:30 a. m., the Rt. Rev. Magr. James Griffin, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church noted his 90th birthday on Saturday, Feb. 2.

Dean of the Catholic clergy in Corning, Monsignor Griffin has a special place in the hearts of his parishioners and has a host of friends in the city. Until the last few years one of Monsignor Griffin's chief delights was to stop to talk with children on his daily walks. He always left them with happy smiles on their faces.

Monsignor Griffin, who received his education at St. Bonaventure's College, came to St. Mary's Church as pastor in November, 1920, after having served in many other parishes. He became a monsignor in February, 1932.

Nurses in First Meeting Hear of Puerto Rican Work

Geneva — First social meeting of the recently organized Geneva unit, National Council of Catholic Nurses drew an attendance of 45 last evening at the Hotel Seneca. Rev. Edward Bowen, C. S. S. R., of our Lady of the Lake Retreat House of Lochland Road was guest speaker.

Yellow and white bouquets and white tapers were used in the table decorations.

Mrs. Edmund Linehan, chairman of the dinner, presided, and welcomed seven veteran nurses who have been in the Armed Forces of World War II, one of them still being on active duty. Mrs. Thomas E. Quigley was also a guest of the group.

Community singing was enjoyed during the program.

Rev. Edward K. Hill, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, and Rev. Robert Pennessy, assistant to the pastor at St. Stephen's Church, and moderator of the Nurses group spoke briefly to the members.

In an interesting informal talk, Father Bowen described some of his experiences in Puerto Rico, dwelling particularly on the subject of hospitals and the nursing profession in that country. The

more serious side of the subject was softened by the relation of several humorous incidents which were thoroughly enjoyed by the group.

The dinner committee included Mrs. Linehan, chairman, and Mrs. William Rogers and Mrs. John Devaney.

Engagements

Geneva — Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCarthy, 31 Sherrill street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen W., to Thomas P. Donahue, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Donahue, of Elmira, N. Y.

Miss McCarthy is a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Elmira, and is engaged in private nursing. Mr. Donahue has recently been discharged from the Navy. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mrs. John J. O'Malley, 11 Folger street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Marie E. O'Malley, to Lieutenant James J. Kane, U. S. N. R., son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Kane, 57 Alliance Avenue, Rochester, N. Y. The wedding will take place on Feb. 28, at St. Francis de Sales Church.

Bishop Teaches Psychiatry Montreal — (NC) — Bishop Gerald Barry of Peterborough, Ont., gave a special two-week course in "Social Psychiatry," at the School of Social Science, University of Montreal.

T/S Stephen Buckley, 312 William street, who received his honorable discharge at Fort Dix, N. J., has returned to his home. He has been in the Armed Forces for thirty months and overseas for two years with the Medical Corps in New Guinea and Luzon. He plans to return to Niagara University next week to take a pre-medical course.

T/Sgt. Joseph Heffernan, 289 William street who has been with the 256th Field Artillery in the European Theatre for the past nineteen months received his honorable discharge at Fort Dix, N. J., and arrived home on Saturday, Jan. 26. He participated in action in Central Europe, Northern France, and the Rhineland area and has several campaign honors. He joined the Army on Feb. 15, 1943.

T/4 Theodore L. Velt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore C. Velt, 494 Exchange street, arrived recently aboard the steamship Kota Baroe from Manila. He is at Camp Stoneham, Cal., and expects to come east for his discharge about Feb. 10.

He served in New Guinea and the Philippines with the 300th Specialized Signal Group. He plans to continue his studies at Hobart College.

Card Party Listed

Scipio Center — The Rosary Society of St. Bernard's Church, Scipio Center, will hold a card party at 8:00 o'clock Friday evening in the Grange at Sherwood. Mrs. Dennis Lacey is in charge of the committee arranging the party. Refreshments will be served.

Mother's Club To Knit Afghan

Auburn — A meeting of the Mothers Club of St. Alphonse Church was held on Friday evening in the Parish House. Mrs. Mary Murray, public health nurse, was the guest speaker. In charge of refreshments were Mrs. Helen Lanphear, Mrs. Margaret Mullaney and Mrs. Helen Szczyk.

Mrs. Florence Holzkner, president, presided at the business meeting.

Plans were made for members to knit an afghan during the Lenten season. This afghan will be used in a later project. Mrs. Evelyn Matthews, chairman, had asked that all members donate scraps of yarn and give their services.

Mrs. Margaret Laper will be chairman of the next meeting which will be a covered-dish supper. A card party will be held during February with the following in charge: Mrs. Marie Richards, Mrs. Margaret Laper, Mrs. Emily Ineich, Mrs. Veronica Majeski and Mrs. Margaret Mullaney. A prize was awarded to Mrs. Emily Ineich.

Auxiliary Enjoys Party

Auburn — The Knights of Columbus Auxiliary held a card party on Tuesday evening, Feb. 5, at the Oxburn Hotel. Mrs. Joseph O'Donnell and Mrs. Fred Woods were co-chairmen, assisted by Mrs. Dennis Renahan, Mrs. Thomas Engle, Mrs. Joseph Stapleton, Mrs. Raymond Glancy and Mrs. Edward Secuar.

'Breviary' for Laymen

Rome — (RNS) — A "breviary" for laymen, composed by Giovanni Papini, noted Italian author of "The Life of Christ," has been published in Milan. The book consists of 366 quotations from great Catholic thinkers — one for each day of the year — and a short comment on each by the compiler. The quotations are from the works of Catholic lay writers of all nationalities.

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