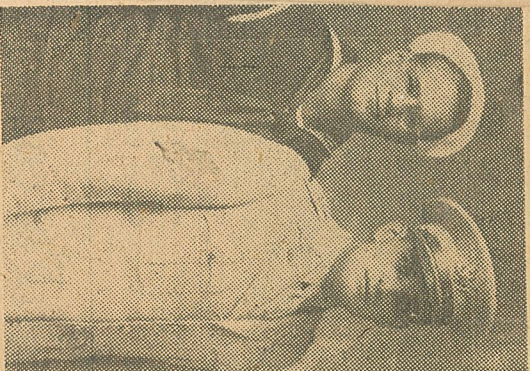


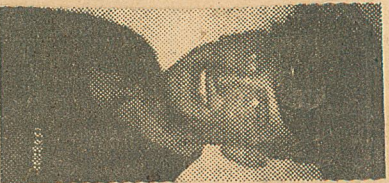


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BROTHERS IN THE U. S. ARMED SERVICES

who just ended visits with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Sabella, of Highland avenue, are shown above. They are Seaman Second Class Anthony C. Sabella, at the left, and Lieutenant Vincent J. Sabella, who recently completed a course at Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Lieutenant Sabella is a former teacher in the Niagara Falls school system and a graduate of St. Lawrence university. Seaman Sabella is a graduate of Canisius university and is now at the U. S. Naval Training Station at Sampson, N. Y. He will soon enter the Navy Physical Institute school.



Edward Glass, Mary's high school and Niagara university, where he was a member of the football and basketball teams. He enlisted in the Marines in January, 1942, and has seen service overseas in both England and North Africa. Home on a furlough in February, he returned to Quantico, Virginia, and from there was transferred to Oceanside, California.

Recently promoted to the rank of corporal was John H. Golding, husband of Mrs. John Golding, of Ransomville, N. Y. Corporal Golding received his training in California and he is now serving overseas, somewhere in the Pacific.

Lieutenant John A. Galbraith, who has been spending several days in town, was graduated recently from the Army Air Forces Navigation school at Hondo, Texas, receiving his navigator's wings and the commission of second lieutenant. A former Carborundum employee, he is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Frost, 129 Sixty-second street.

Newly arrived from the AAF Airplane Mechanics school, Sheppard Field, Texas, was Private First Class Robert Potte, son of Mrs. Harriet Potte, 2211 Weston avenue, who was transferred to the Dodge City Army Air Field, Kansas.

Dominick Marchetti, formerly of 2421 Grand avenue, has been ordered to active duty at a naval air station for aviation instruction. Upon completion of this duty, he will start his course of training as a naval aviation cadet.

football at the Niagara Falls high school, from which he graduated in 1938. He was a member of the Raold Annudsen ski club at Coladan, N. Y., and prior to entering the armed forces was employed as a maintenance man by the Gilman Panfoid company. Cadet Demorest, a graduate of the La Salle high school in 1938, played football and softball and was on the staff of the school paper. Prior to his appointment as an aviation cadet he was a chemist and technician with the Electrode corporation, of this city. Both cadets completed their elementary flight training at Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Frederick J. Romilly and John R. McIntyre, of Niagara Falls, were recent aviation cadet inductees. Patrick D. George, of this city, enlisted in the navy.

Local Navy inductees included Walter R. Scholtz, Frank A. O'Donnell, Leroy J. Barr, Howard R. Strupe, Everett R. Cooper, Charles H. Metzler, Edmond M. Despres, Salvatore C. Covello, Carl D. Sanders, Vincent A. Falbo, William D. Cannhath, Edward Cutler, Frederick E. Heaslip, Michael J. Hogan.

Mrs. Etilda M. Kwapis has just received word that her husband, First Lieutenant Henry J. Kwapis, who is stationed in a general hospital somewhere in India, has been made chief assistant to the dental surgeon in the Department of Oral Surgery.

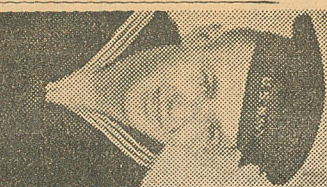
Private First Class Harold Schultz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Canberry, 1050 Ontario avenue, is serving with the United States Army Engineers in North Africa. After his induction on September 3, 1942, he received his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Camp Gruber, Oklahoma. He went to England in February of 1943 and has been in Africa since April, 1943. On September 2 he will spend his twenty-seventh birthday in Africa.

Steven T. Fliss has been promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant. Before he enlisted in the service in November, 1941, he was a student at Niagara university. Lieutenant Fliss is stationed with the Fourth Ferrying group in Memphis, Tenn.

Aviation Cadet Edward D. Maday, 26 son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Maday, of 412 Twenty-fourth street, and Aviation Cadet John N. Demorest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Demorest, of Sanborn, N. Y., have arrived at the army's basic flying school at Garden City Army Air Field, Garden City, Kansas. The cadets, who have completed 60 hours of primary training, will take nine weeks of intensive air and ground schooling at Garden City, after which they will be assigned to advanced schools for the final phase of their instruction. Cadet Maday was a letterman in

Private First Class David Hutzul, of 2747 Lockport street, has been promoted to corporal at the Ordnance Unit Training Center, Florida, Mississippi, where he is assigned to Company D, First Battalion, 304th Ordnance Regiment (Base).

He is the son of Mrs. Paraska Hutzul, of the Lockport street address, where his wife, the former Ann Sardella, and daughter, Carol Ann, reside. Prior to entering the service Corporal Hutzul was a chauffeur.



Seaman First Class John E. Burns, Jr., of the Navy Seabees, has arrived safely somewhere in the South Pacific. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burns, of 2992 Porter road, he enlisted July 25, 1942, and was called to active duty October 15, 1942. Until December 23 he was stationed at Camp Endicott, Davidsville, Pa. I. Before his call to the navy, he worked with his father.

Corporal John J. Chirrio, who was recently promoted to that rank is at the present time stationed at Camp Ono, California, with the 533rd Quartermaster Battalion (Service). Corporal Chirrio, who is the husband of Elsie M. Chirrio, of Cedar avenue, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chirrio, of Rochester, N. Y., received his basic training at Camp Young, Calif. Cpl. Chirrio

Graduated on April 3 from the Armament school at the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Lowry Field, Colorado, was Staff Sergeant Americo Bonanni, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bonanni, of 912 Twenty-second street. Entering the service on March 18, 1941, he has seen duty at Camp Lee, Va., Key Field, Meridian, Miss., and Tynhall Field, Fla., and was enrolled at the Armament school on January 10, graduating in April as an aerial gunner. Staff Sergeant Bonanni attended North Junior high school and Trotter Vocational school. He was formerly employed as a storeroom clerk with the Niagara Junction Railway company.

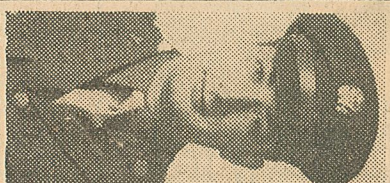
Private Hugo C. Muller was recently graduated from the Relotype Maintenance school at Chanute field, Ill., and is now stationed at McDill Field, Tampa, Fla. Before entering the army, he conducted his own music store at 910 South avenue.

Although he has been in the army only three months, Private First Class Charles N. Overholt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Overholt, of this city, was graduated Monday from the Army Air Forces Flexible Gunner school at Fort Myers, Fla., with high honors.

Now qualified as an aerial gunner, he will become a member of one of the thousands of bomber crews which will be sent overseas in a few weeks to battle the Nazis or Japs wherever they are. He will receive his crew training at an operational training field in this country. Hundreds of gunners are graduated each week from the school, which is located near Fort Myers. The course lasts five weeks and covers everything from BB and skeet-shooting to firing from the power-operated turret of a large B-34 bomber on special missions over Gulf of Mexico.



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branches of the army as Corporal Angelo Morinello, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Morinello, of 537 Fifteenth street, who is with the Engineer Amphibian regiment popularly known as the "Gape Cod Commandos" at Camp Gordon Johnston, Carrabelle, Fla.

Recently promoted to his present rank, Corporal Morinello has served in the Commandos ever since they were organized at Camp Edwards, Mass.

Private Ernest Shimonau, of 454 Twenty-seventh street, who was inducted recently, has been assigned for training to the Medical Replacement Training Center at Camp Robinson, Ark. His training will embrace 11 weeks, after which he will be assigned for duty to some Medical department organization.

Air Cadet Harold F. Lindhurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lindhurst, of Ransomville, N. Y., has received his certificate for primary training at Visalia, Calif., and is now taking his basic training at Chico, Calif., with the United States Army Air Corps Cadet Lindhurst was graduated from the Wilson, N. Y., high school in 1937 and before entering the service was employed as a pressman by the Gilman Panfoid corporation.

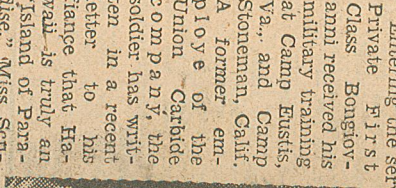
H. F. Lindhurst Colonel C. P. West, commanding officer of the Army Air Forces Basic Flying school at Courtland, Alabama, recently announced the promotion of Corporal Anthony Butski, Jr., to the grade of sergeant in the United States Army Air Forces. Sergeant Butski is the son of Anthony Butski, of 3335 Ely avenue.

Serviceman Calls Girl from Hawaii

In Niagara Falls on Saturday, the New Year "ushered in" an overseas call from a Falls serviceman, stationed in Hawaii, to his fiancée, several days ago.



Miss Scutere, of 1124 East Falls street received a telephone call in her home from San Francisco, California. She was informed by the California operator that her fiancée, Private First Class Frank Bongiovanni had made arrangements to speak to her from Hawaii, at appointed hour.



The much-awaited call came through, at exactly 5:30 p.m., Eastern War Time, on New Year's Day. The call was limited to five minutes and Miss Scutere said that, considering the many thousands of miles through which the voices had travelled, she was overjoyed, as the call had seemed like a local one.

Entering the service in April, 1942, Private First Class Bongiovanni received his military training at Camp Eustis, Va., and Camp Stoneman, Calif. A former employee of the Union Carbide company, the soldier has written in a recent letter to his fiancée that Hawaii is truly an "Island of Paradise." Miss Scutere has been the recipient of many Hawaiian souvenirs, including rare perfume and an exquisite hand-painted tablecloth.

Falls Men With Armed Forces



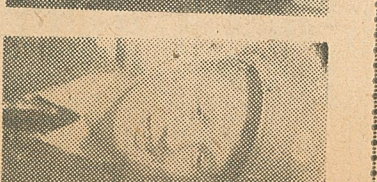
Samuel Gale



Robert Roupp



Patrick O'Sullivan



Harold Miller

The Niagara Falls young men pictured above are currently completing courses destined to acquaint them with the finer points of modern warfare. Aviation Cadet Samuel I. Gale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gale, San Antonio, Texas, Aviation Cadet Center. Apprentice Seaman Robert W. Roupp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Roupp, of 1336 Maple avenue, has been selected to attend the fire control school at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station at Great Lakes, Ill.

Private Patrick A. O'Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. O'Sullivan, of 1616 Tenth street, is enrolled as an aviation cadet at the Army Air Base at Haringen, Texas. Also a cadet at Haringen, Texas is Private Harold W. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, of 3202 Michigan avenue.

Serving in one of the newest



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J. HARRIES

By BETTY

Both Dora E. and Mildred E. Jordan, members of the Women's Army Auxiliary corps, have completed their basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and have been promoted to the rank of technician, fifth grade, which is equivalent to that of corporal in the army. They have been selected for specialist training at the United Radi-Television Institute at Newark, N. J.

Prior to their enlistment, Dora was employed as representative of the New York Telephone company and Mildred was in the office department of the Electro-metallurgical company. They are the daughters of Otto Jordan.

The young women also have a brother stationed at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., and another brother who was inducted into the army Saturday.

* Sergeant James Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Richards, of 2410 Twenty-fourth street, is spending an enjoyable and well-earned furlough at home after serving overseas for the last year. He was employed at the Stredted Wheat plant before leaving for the army with the first volunteers from this city in November, 1940.

* Sgt. Richards will report to Camp Cook, Calif., for further orders. He has another brother, George, who is with the Army Air Force in Florida.

* Promotions are coming thick and fast for our young men in the armed forces. This morning's mail brought the following information from the various camps and training stations:

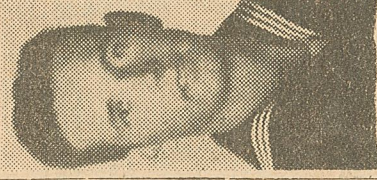
Aviation Cadet Joseph E. Hickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hickey, was recently commissioned second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces at Turner Field, Albany, Georgia.

Peter J. Spalino, of 1521 Walnut avenue, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant and Donald M. Christie, of Youngstown, N. Y., from private first class to corporal technician. Both are members of the station complement at Fort Niagara.

Albert A. McMenney, of the Leuthel hotel in Elk place, has been promoted to the rank of technician fifth grade and is assigned to the 32nd evacuating hospital at Camp Barkeley, Texas.

Willis B. Cronkhit, of 33 Main street, has been promoted to staff sergeant with the 228th station hospital at Camp Blanding, Fla.

John Donald DeBiase, of 1122 LaSalle avenue, has been commissioned a second lieutenant at the Field Artillery Officers Training school at Fort Sill, Okla., and has been assigned to the school at Fort



G. W. Collins, who was trained at Galveston, Tex., was employed by the American Salesbook company before entering the service.

* Seaman Second Class Russell J. Pulvino, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pulvino, of 469 Fifth street, has been granted leave after completion of his basic training at the United States Naval Training station, Sampson, N. Y.

* Corporal Walter Bilobran, son of Mrs. Emma Hatalaka, of 534 Twenty-seventh street, has been enrolled in a special course of instruction at the Signal corps' school at Camp Murphy, Fla.

* We've lots of information today, too, about service men from this city who have recently been graduated from specialists schools in various parts of the country. These include:

* Private First Class Warren D. Noonan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Noonan, of 329 Sixth street, who was graduated as a skilled aircraft mechanic from the school of the Army Air Forces Technical Command at Seymour Johnson Field, North Carolina, private Noonan, who was inducted, November 16, 1942, attended the Niagara Falls high school and before enlisting in the service was employed by the Aluminum Company of America.

* Private First Class Samuel E. Clementis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Clementis, of 1710 Thirteenth street, was graduated from an intensive course in airplane mechanics at the Army Air Base in Lincoln, Neb.

* Private Joe E. Able, a former employe of the American Salesbook company, was graduated from the Armament school at the Army Air Forces Technical Training command at Lowry Field, Col.

* Ronald E. Camann, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Camann, of R. F. D. No. 1, is receiving training in the Aircraft Mechanics course operated by the AAF Technical Training Command at the Academy of Aeronautics at LaGuardia Field, N. Y.

* Auxiliary Marjorie Wolven, daughter of Mrs. Mary Wolven, of 256 Fifth street, has begun her basic training at the Second WAAC training center at Daytona Beach, Fla.

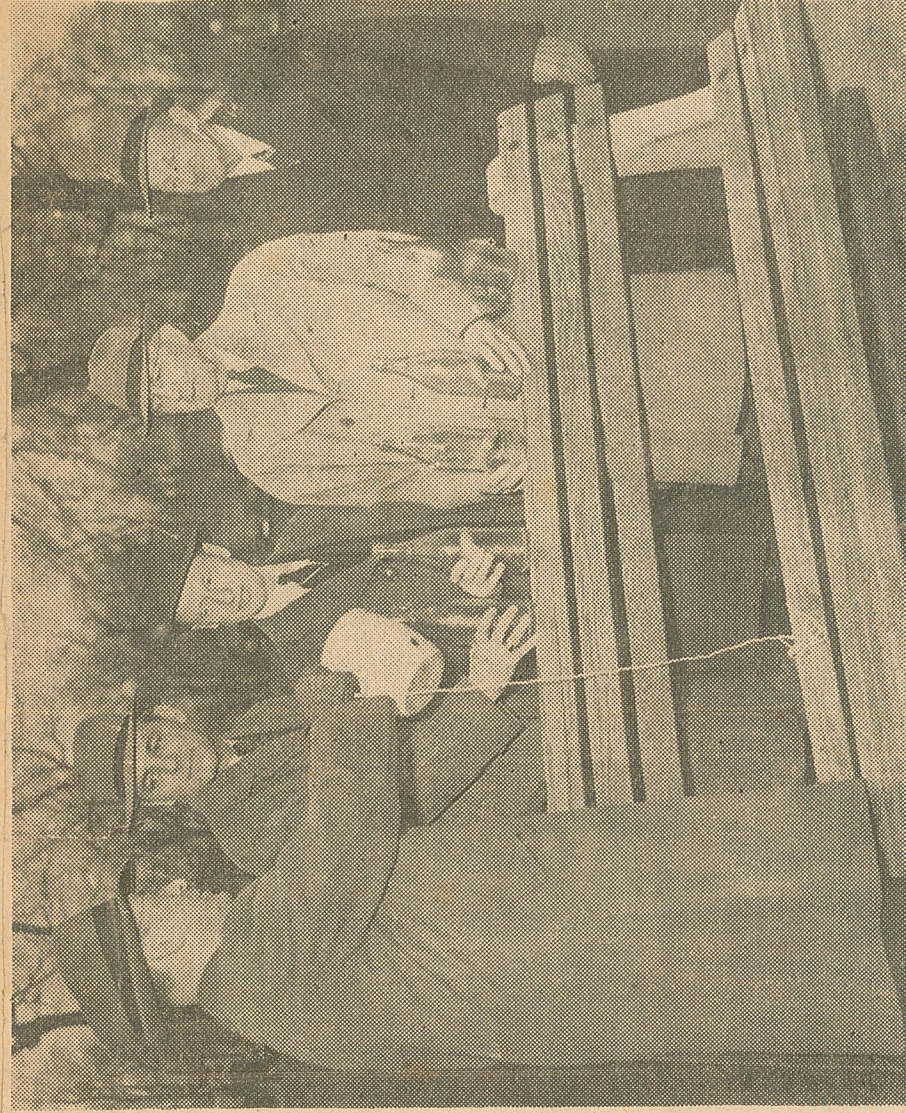


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Francis L. Giles; Mayor George R. Inglis, of Niagara Falls, Ont.; John E. Lawson, president of the Niagara Falls, Ont., Chamber of Commerce, and Tracey G. Levee, head of the Niagara State Reservation police department.

The large crowd that witnessed the taking of the water saw in the act a symbol of the unity and friendship existing between this country and Canada.

NIAGARA FALLS WATER will be used May 9 by the Dionne Quintuplets, of Callander, Ont., to christen five freighters in the Walter Butler Shipyards at Superior, Wis., next Sunday, and local and Canadian officials are shown in the above picture collecting the five bottles of water which the famous "Quims" will use from the brink of the American falls at Prospect Point yesterday afternoon.

Those shown, reading from left to right, are Mayor Stephen A. Lamb of this city; Police Justice



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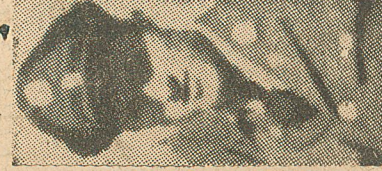


First Christmas greetings from overseas came to the Gazette today from Corporal John B. Babi, A.P.O. 758, c/o Postmaster, New York City.

Sergeant Howard Ferchen, now located "somewhere in Africa," is associated with the United States Army publication "Stars and Stripes." The son of Mrs. E. A. Gates, of 815 Bellevue avenue, Sergeant Ferchen enlisted in February, 1940, and trained at Camp Stewart, Ga., going overseas in March, 1942. He was promoted to his present rank last October 1.

Charles M. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Beighley, of Youngstown, O., and husband of Mrs. Dorothy M. Jones, of 562 Memorial parkway, has arrived at the field artillery replacement center at Fort Sill, Okla., where he will receive his basic training. He was inducted into the armed forces September 18, 1943.

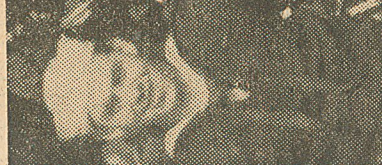
George M. Tuttle, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tuttle, of this city, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States at Fort Benning, Ga. He is a graduate of the Niagara Falls high school and Cornell university.



Bruno Figura

Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Figura, of Ransomville, N. Y., are serving with the nation's armed forces. They are

Private Bruno Figura, Seaman First Class Henry Figura and Sergeant Paul Henshel. Private Figura, a graduate of the Wilson, N. Y., high school, is attached to a coast artillery company in Rhode Island and is expected home on furlough soon. He was previously employed by the E. I. duPont de Nemours and company. Seaman Figura, who is now stationed somewhere in Cali-



Henry Figura

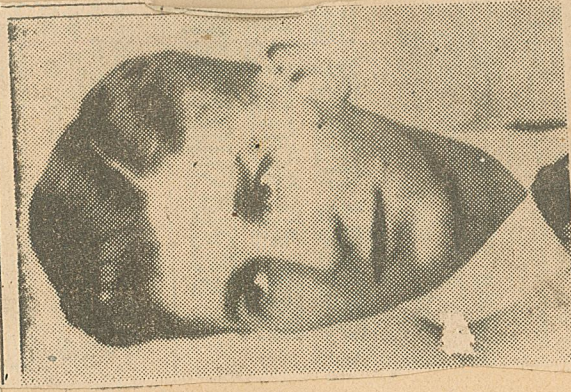


Paul Henshel

fornia with the Navy's Seabees, is a former student of the Wilson high school and was previously employed at the Lake Ontario Ordnance works before his enlistment in December, 1942. Sergeant Henshel, a half brother of the Figura boys, is now at Camp Bowie, Texas, where he is assigned to an ordnance company. He was employed at the Union Carbide company's plant before he joined the army two years ago.

Among the cadets now stationed at the Army Air Forces Pre-flight school for pilots at San Antonio, Texas, are Joseph T. Bulak, of 421 Twenty-third street, and Richard J. Krueger, of 656 Elmwood avenue.

Gabriel R. Martinez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Martinez, of 474 Twenty-second street, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States at Fort Benning, Ga. He is a graduate of Niagara university.



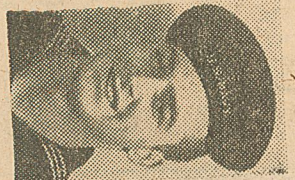
SURVIVES ORDEAL — Radioman Third Class James H. Lowes of 1332 Linwood avenue, this city, who, with three companions, was trapped for two and a half days in the radio room of their bombed ship when the vessel was bombed off Salerno, Italy.

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By BETTY J. HARRIES

Theodore Albert Miller, statistical clerk in the classification division of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Miami Beach, Fla., has been promoted to the rank of corporal. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel T. Miller, 2451 Ontario avenue, he received his first promotion on January 1, when he was advanced to the rank of first class private, and his second on April 1, when he became corporal.

Joseph Grant Goodwin, seaman second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Goodwin, 3805 Pine avenue, has completed his basic training at the submarine school, submarine base, New London, Conn., for duty with our growing fleet of underses fighters.



J. G. Goodwin

Seaman Goodwin will be entitled to wear the twin dolphin insignia of the submarine service after further experience aboard a submarine during which he must demonstrate to his commanding officer that he is fully qualified to carry out the duties of his rate.

The insignia is regarded as a mark of distinction throughout the navy.

Goodwin was graduated from the Niagara Falls Senior high school three years ago. He joined the navy last August and went to Great Lakes, Ill., for preliminary instruction.

"I consider the submarine service the best there is in all respects," he said recently, "on account of thorough technical training, added pay, fine show and better advancement."

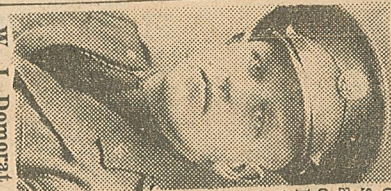
Private Dominick Cirillo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Cirillo, 491 Seventy-seventh street, this week started his recruit drill in the Basic Training Center at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., a unit of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command.

Reporting there from the Nashville, Tenn., Army Air reception center, Private Cirillo will undergo four weeks of orientation, marching, gas mask and bayonet drill, target practice and physical training. He then will be assigned to duty or sent to a technical school for special training.



Cpl. Boland

Lawrence P. Boland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Boland, of 1880 South avenue, was recently promoted to the rank of Corporal in the United States Army Air corps. He is a graduate of the Niagara Falls Senior high school and attended Niagara university, Cornell university, and formerly employed as an accountant with the Walter S. Johnson Building corporation.



W. J. Donorat

Recently promoted to the rank of sergeant is William J. Donorat, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Donorat, of 270 Fourteenth street. A graduate of the para-chute infantry, he is now stationed in North Carolina with that division.

In a recent letter to his family from the office of the regimental command, he was highly commended for his exceptional conduct as a soldier.

Sergeant Donorat was formerly an employe of the Carborundum company.

Aviation Cadet Albert P. Schug, husband of Mrs. Frances E. Schug, of South avenue and son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schug, of Lafayette circle, is receiving his basic flight training at the Enid, Okla. home, Army Flying school. Cadet Schug received his pre-flight training at the San Antonio, Texas, Aviation Cadet center and his primary flight training at Silkeston, Missouri.

Before enlisting in the Army Air corps in September, 1942, Cadet Schug was employed by the National Bisonty company. Two brothers of Cadet Schug are also in service. Captain Edward Schug is stationed at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, and Sergeant Arthur Schug is stationed with the Canadian Ordnance corps at Kingston, Ont.

Missing



Corporal Roy S. Johnson

Corporal Roy S. Johnson, of R. F. D. 47, is at present attending the Antiaircraft Artillery school at Camp Davis, North Carolina.

Private first class John R. Mateer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward V. Mateer, of 425 Ninth street, who has been missing in North Africa since February 12, according to a telegram received from the adjutant general in Washington, D. C. Well known in athletic activities here and active in affairs of the Y.M.C.A., he enlisted in the United States Army on Feb. 14, 1941.

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Private First Class Stanley Labus, who saw real action in Sicily, wrote the following letter to the Niagara Falls Gazette and enclosed his picture: "I am a Falls boy, and I am the son of Mr. Martin Labus, who lives at 224 Fifteenth street, Niagara Falls. I was employed at the Carborundum company before entering the army. On February 3, 1942, I was inducted in the service and received my basic training at Camp Croft, South Carolina.



Stanley Labus

I, Private First Class Stanley "Duke" Labus, am writing you from the hot corner in Sicily, where things are pretty hot at the present. I am with the Seventh Army under General Patton, who is all blood and guts and a very smart leader.

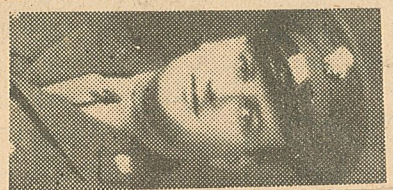
"On July 10, 1943, at 2:48 Saturday morning, I was one of the first Yanks to make the beachlanding on the mighty fortress of Europe, Sicily, which led the spearhead of the American forces, which penetrated deep into the Axis stronghold without much difficulty. I have been in many of tough engagements and scraps but always manage to come out on top—"Thank the Lord."

"I am writing, sir, not to brag about myself that I am fighting here, but it's just that I haven't much time to write to inform all my relatives and friends that I am here in Sicily fighting. So by your paper writing a script about my whereabouts, they will know where I am and my reasons for not writing to them. If they all know and care to write me, I'll sure appreciate it, because mail to any soldier overseas is a morale-builder and keeps us fellows in good spirits.

"I sure would like to hear from the home town, so if you should have time to print my picture and write a script about me, my address is as follows: P. F. C. Stanley S. Labus; Company E, 157 Infantry, A. P. O. 45, care of postmaster, New York, N. Y.

"(P. S.) This campaign here in Sicily will be over soon and we probably will get a chance to rest, so if any of the people from the Falls have books and magazines they are not using please have them send it to me. I'll distribute it through my company. I and the boys from my company thank you. "P. F. C. Stanley "Duke" Labus."

Sergeant Mario Centofanti, son of Mrs. Amelia Centofanti, 622 Twenty-second street, is now stationed at Camp Stewart, Ga., where he is studying to be a radio operator. He has also secured training at Fort Eustis, Virginia, and at Camp Davis, North Carolina. Prior to his induction on May 29, 1942, Sergeant Centofanti was an employe of the Mathieson Alkali company. He is a Troit Vocational high school graduate. A local well-known guitar player, he was a member of Cliff Fielding's orchestra. Centofanti once played with Tommy Dorsey's band on a coast-to-coast hook-up and also performed with Gene Krupa's orchestra.



M. Centofanti

Dean, of this city, were accepted as aviation cadets.



Staff Sergeant Robert J. McKnight

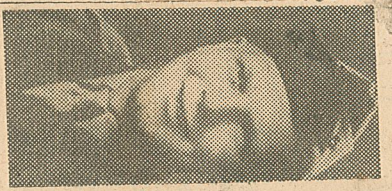
Staff Sergeant McKnight entered the army on February 10.

Genevieve Marie Cecula, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cecula, of 244 Portage road, was recently sworn into the U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve as a private. She is a graduate of the Niagara Falls high school and prior to enlisting in the service was employed as a billing clerk. Two of her brothers are in the army. Edward Cecula, sergeant, is stationed at Fort Tilden, N. Y., and John Cecula, staff sergeant, is in Alaska.

Private First Class Thomas T. Bell, whose local address is 324 Thirty-eighth street, is attending the Antiaircraft Artillery school, Camp Davis, North Carolina.

Thomas G. Carlisle, of Sanborn, N. Y., has been promoted to commanding officer at the Fourth Perryng group, Memphis, Tenn. He is a pilot.

Stephen S. Dojka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix A. Dojka, of this city, has satisfactorily finished the first part of his aviation training at the 318th College Training Detachment at the Utah State Agricultural college, Logan, Utah.



Corporal Thomas E. Rice

Corporal Thomas E. Rice, of the United States Marine corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Rice, 3208 Hyde Park boulevard, is stationed somewhere in the Pacific. He was shipped overseas in February. While in training Corporal Rice received honors as an expert rifle-man and was awarded a medal for marksmanship.

Prior to enlisting for marksmanship, he immediately after Pearl Harbor was attacked, he attended Niagara Falls high school and was an employe of the Gilman Randold company.

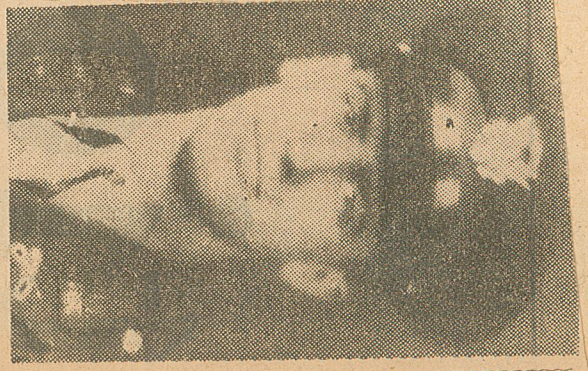
Earl Richard Vogel, 490 103d street, Niagara Falls, was a recent navy inductee. George H. Davis, Vincent A. Caterina and Walter B.



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LIEUTENANT (J. G.) ROCCO LAROCCA, who was commissioned in the Naval Reserve Dental corps while attending Temple University School of Dentistry at Philadelphia. He left recently for active duty. He will undergo his indoctrination period at Sampson Naval Training Station, near Geneva, N. Y.

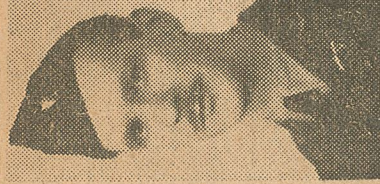
Mr. Larocca resided with his wife and daughter at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Mondri, 605 Twenty-ninth street. He is a graduate of the Niagara Falls high school and Niagara university.



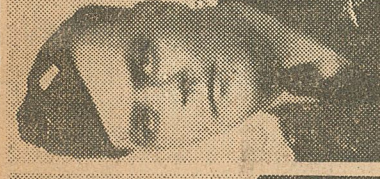
LIEUTENANT ROBERT L. WALCH, JR.

who recently received his commission at Fort Knox, Ky., in the medium tank maintenance school. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Walch, Sr., of Whirlpool street. He has the honor of being the first member of the Class of 1943 at Niagara university to receive a commission. He is a graduate of the DeVeaux school, this city.

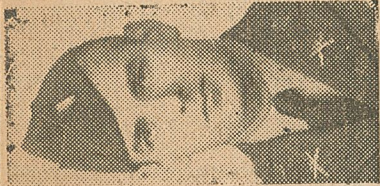
At the graduating exercises at Fort Knox, Lieutenant Walch had the honor of having his mother pin his commission bars on his uniform. Mrs. Walch has returned from Fort Knox, where she attended all of the ceremonies pertaining to the awarding of the commissions to the men of the same company as her son. Mrs. Walch is the president of the Niagara Falls Zonta club.



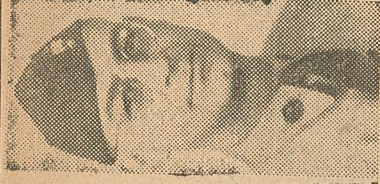
Lt. Koehler



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Lt. Bonhurst



Lt. Greiner



Lt. Houchins



Lt. Smith

NEWLY-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS IN GUARD UNITS—These new commissioned officers will lead their Niagara Falls companies into field training maneuvers at Camp Smith, Peekskill, N. Y., this week and next when the 74th Regiment, New York Guard, is called into active service.

Pictured above, from left to right, are Lieutenant Elmer E. Koehler, of Company A; Lieutenant Richard C. Bonhurst, of Company L; Lieutenant

Timothy Moriarity, of Company L; Lieutenant Ray E. Greiner, of Headquarters Detachment; Lieutenant Russell Houchins, of Company M, and Lieutenant Douglas M. Smith, of Company M.

With the exception of Lieutenant Bonhurst, who was promoted from second lieutenant, the new officers have received their commissions within the last few months, working up from the ranks to their present posts.



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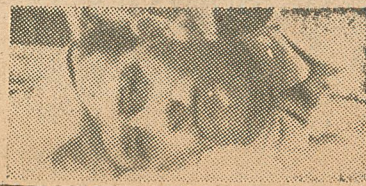


Falls Soldiers Wounded, Missing

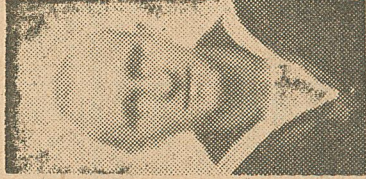
One Niagara Falls soldier has been reported wounded in action and another missing in announcement made by the War department today.

Private Fay C. McIntyre, son of Mrs. Emma McIntyre, of 151 Seventy-seventh street, was wounded in action in the North African theater, which includes Sicily. A graduate of La Salle high school, Private McIntyre is a member of the paratroops and won his wings at Fort Benning, Ga., early this year.

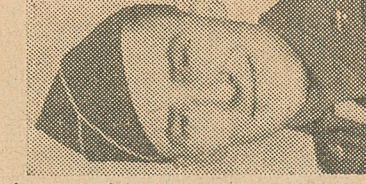
Private Frank Strangis, son of Mrs. Julia Strangis, 2210 Mackenna avenue, has been reported missing in action. He was serving in the North African area, including Sicily.



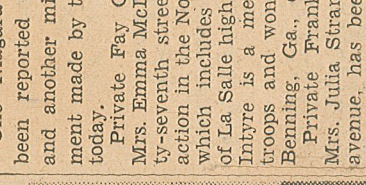
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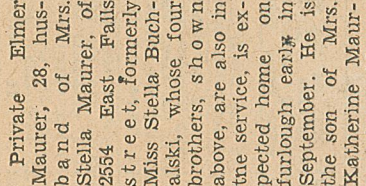
Four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Buchalski, 2554 East Falls street, are in the service of their country.

Private First Class Matthew Buchalski, 19, is stationed at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, where he is taking a Signal Corps course. For a short time he was stationed at Atlantic City, N. Y. Prior to entering the service on April 23, 1942, he was employed by the International Paper mill.

Leo Buchalski, seaman second class, of the Seabees, recently spent a ten-day furlough at home and is now serving overseas. After entering the service, he secured his training at Camp Peary, Virginia, and Camp Endicott, Davisville, Rhode Island. Seaman Buchalski is a former member-employee of the Carborundum company.

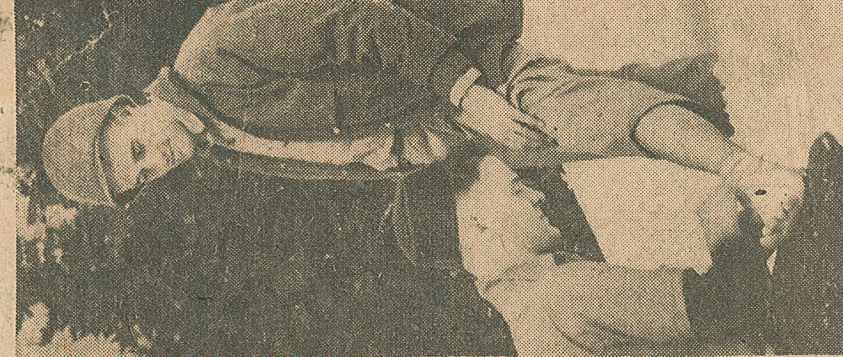
Somewhere in England is Private First Class John Buchalski, who was inducted into the army on November 13, 1942. He obtained his training at St. Petersburg, Fla., and at Denver, Colorado, where he took a course in pharmacy. Prior to his induction, Private Buchalski was employed by a local Johnnie Ryan company.

Felix Buchalski, 23, is stationed somewhere in the South Pacific. He attended service schools in Tennessee, Miss., and Georgia and is a graduated radio operator and mechanic. While in training, Private First Class Buchalski received a medal for sharpshooting. Prior to his entrance into the service, he was an employee of the Union Carbide company.



Loran M. Dawley, of 2405 Wilcox avenue, has been promoted to the grade of technical sergeant at Camp Stewart, Ga. He has been in the army 1 year and three months and is a radio repairman.

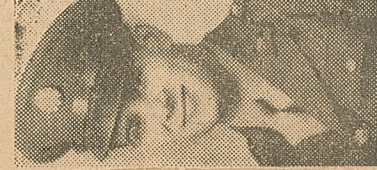
Soldier's Sprained Ankle Treated on Mountainside



SOMEWHERE IN ALASKA, Oct. 16.—The buglar having his ankle bandaged on a snow-covered Alaskan mountainside is Rod K. Meyer, 128 66th st., Niagara Falls, N. Y., field music first class, who was with a hiking detail of Alaska marines. G. A. Treudt, Granville, Ill., pharmacist's mate, second class, is applying the bandage. (Official U. S. Marine Corps Photo.)



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J. Palermo

Joseph J. Palermo and Salvatore Palermo, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Palermo, of 464 Nineteenth street, have recently been promoted to the rank of corporal.

Inducted on December 14, 1942, was Joseph Palermo, who is now a radio operator with the Headquarters company, Fourteenth Armored Force, at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. He is a former employe of the Great Lakes Carbon company.

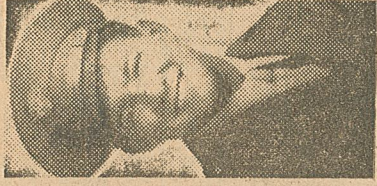
Connected with the office staff at Drew Field, Tampa, Fla., is Salvatore Palermo, who entered the service on December 24, 1942. Before his induction, he was employed by the E. I. duPont de Nemours company.

Edmund J. Sullivan, 20, son of Mr. Edmund T. Sullivan of 7916 Buffalo avenue,

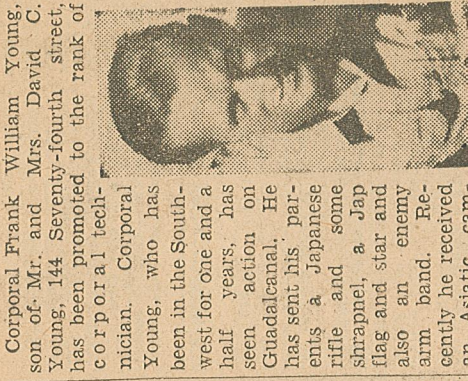


E. J. Sullivan

was a member of the seventeenth class of aviation cadets to graduate from the Advanced Twin-Engine Army Flying school, Columbus, Miss., on August 30. He received the silver wings of a flying officer and commission of second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces. Lieutenant Sullivan entered pilot training in June, 1942, and attended flying schools at Lafayette, La., and Greenwood, Miss., before his graduation from the advanced flying school at Columbus.

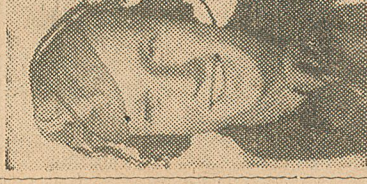


S. Palermo



Frank Young

Corporal Frank Young, who has been in the Southwest for one and a half years, has seen action on Guadalcanal. He has sent his parents a Japanese rifle and some shrapnel, a Jap flag and star and also an enemy arm band. Recently he received an Asiatic campaign ribbon. Of the two and a half years that he has been in the service of his country, Corporal Young spent one year in New Caledonia. After entering the army, he secured his training at Camp Lee, Virginia, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. A LaSalle high school graduate, he attended Niagara university for some time and was employed by the Chisholm-Ryder company.



C. E. Crowley

Among the skilled young Axis-blasters who won their silver bombardier wings and second lieutenant commission appointments at Midland and Army Air Field, Texas, one of the West Texas Bombardier Quadrangles, were Richard G. Dunkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunkin, Leathes hotel, and Charles E. Crowley, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Crowley, 713 Eighth street, both of whom are shown above.

Engaged in the last phase of their training before they actually get behind the controls of an army plane, three Niagara Falls and vicinity men are now stationed at the Army Air Forces Preflight school for pilots at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, the nation's largest pool for air crew trainees. These are Aviation Cadets George H. Kehoe, 2427 Whitney avenue; Adrian F. Segarra, Route 47, Military road and Alexander L. Blackwell, of Ransomville, N. Y.

Privates First Class Lloyd J. O'Connor, son of Mrs. Margaret O'Connor, 607 Twenty-ninth street, and Roy E. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel T. Shaw, 2663 Whirlpool street, have been graduated in the Army Air Force Training Command at Seymour Johnson Field, North Carolina.

After attending Niagara university, Private O'Connor was employed by the American Sales Book company. He entered the army on December 17, 1942.

A graduate of Allentown, Pa., high school, Private Shaw was a machinist for the Kimberly Clark corporation, of this city, prior to entering the service on January 16, 1943. His wife is residing at 1126 Haerberle avenue.

Private First Class John P. Ross, son of Mrs. John Ross, of 1515 1/2 Ashland avenue, has been graduated by the Communication department of the Armored school, Fort Knox, Kentucky.



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Decorated

Found fully qualified for aviation cadet training by the officers of the Aviation Cadet examining board in Buffalo is Oliver Dan Horton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Horton, of 161 Fifty-ninth street.

The 18-year-old youth is a Senior at LaSalle high school and has another brother, Richard A. Horton, in the service. Richard joined the Air corps as a gunner last July and at present is recovering from wounds received while on duty in Australia at the army hospital, Army Air Base, Topeka, Kansas.



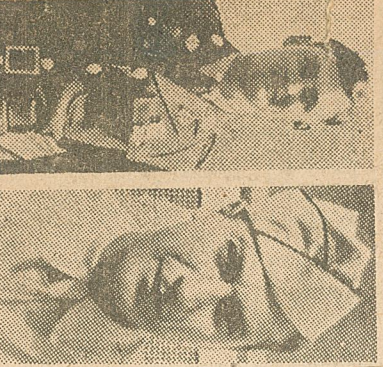
Seaman Second Class Robert William Wilkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Wilkinson, of 263 Tenth street, has returned to the United States Naval Training Station at Sampson, N. Y., after spending a seven-day furlough with his parents. A graduate of the local schools, he was formerly employed by the R. W. Wilkinson International Graphite corporation. His father, who served with the Nineteenth Battalion of St. Catharines, Ont., in the first World War, is the holder of a medal for honorable service.

Francis Phillips, a former member of the police department, is now a sergeant with a Military Police Aviation unit at Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., according to word returned with the death of his brother-in-law, Charles Heard, seven, who succumbed, police said, groaning "He fed me fire, he gave me fire water to drink."

The charge was placed against Traylor last night after, District Attorney Leo J. Hagerly asserted, he admitted mixing a quantity of rat poison with some soda pop the child drank. The boy died Sunday. The prosecutor quoted Traylor as saying he didn't intend to kill the boy, but only to make him ill so that Traylor's estranged wife, Mary, 20, would return home.

Medical Examiner Rocco N. De-Dominicis said an autopsy showed Heard died of poisoning.

Promoted



Richard L. Axteill, son of Mrs. Esther Axteill, of Main street, who has been promoted from the rank of corporal to that of sergeant at Fort Lewis, Wash., where he is stationed. Sergeant Axteill left Niagara Falls with the National Guard in 1940.

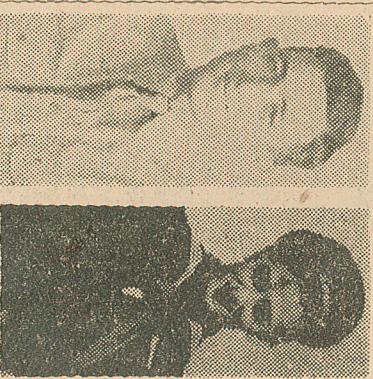
Samuel Corsaro, son of Mr. Joseph Corsaro, has been promoted to the rank of corporal. Inducted into the armed forces on May 8, Corporal Corsaro is now stationed at Camp Gordon, Georgia, with the Land Destroyer Battalion.

He is the husband of Mrs. Vera I. Phillips, of Third street.

After his induction February 1, Sergeant Phillips was sent to Miami Beach and from there was transferred to a Military Police Investigators school at Fort Custer, Mich., where he was advanced to corporal. He served 12 years with the National Guard here before joining the police department.

Private Walter G. Wade, of 1402 Pine avenue, has been graduated as a chauffeur and truck driver from the Chauffeurs school at Camp Grant, Ill.

Three Niagara Falls young men were included in a class of 425 men graduated from the school for machinist's mates at the United States Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., on Monday. The graduates, with their new ratings, are: Joseph A. Futho, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Futho, 1974 Mackenna avenue, machinist's mate second class; John Murphy, 20, son of Mrs. Mary Murphy, 34 A street, fireman first class, and Joseph A. Russell, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Collins, 6 A street, machinist's mate second class.



S. Paonessa L. J. Paonessa

Brothers in the service—and both have seen overseas duty—are the Paonessa brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Paonessa, of 1608 Pine avenue. Sergeant Sam J. Paonessa, who was recently promoted to that rank, has been stationed in Hawaii since January 14, 1941, he received his training at camps in Alabama, Arkansas and California. Second Class Petty Officer Louis J. Paonessa, whose wife resides at 1203 Thirteenth street, has been a member of the United States navy since October 15, 1942. He has already seen action in the Atlantic ocean and the Mediterranean sea.

Post headquarters at Fort Niagara announced two promotions and the transfer of another young man from this city or vicinity. They were: Richard Schweitzer, of 537 Ninety-second street, who was promoted from sergeant to staff sergeant; Richard C. Stone, of Youngstown, N. Y., who was promoted from private to corporal, and Private Frederick H. Norris, of 4010 Carroll street, this city, who was transferred to Corona, L. I., for duty with the Ordnance Service Command Shops.

Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson as "a fine body of men," another large class of potential combat pilots has departed from the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center to take advanced training at primary flying fields.

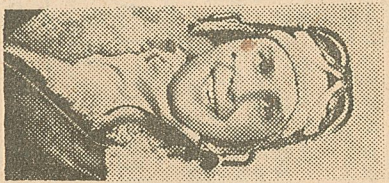
Members of the class included 196 from New York state of whom four are from Niagara Falls and vicinity. They are Aviation Cadets August John Cenninara, 1305 Willow avenue; Frank Donna, 2204 Woodlawn avenue; Edward D. Maday, 412 Twenty-fourth street, and Aviation Cadet John N. Demorest, Box 12, Sanborn.

One of several thousand American women enlisted in the armed forces this month, Auxiliary Bernice I. Blufft has arrived at the Fourth WAAC Training Center, Fort Devens, Mass., to begin her four weeks of basic training. Auxiliary Blufft is a graduate of Titusaca, N. Y., high school and has been employed in defense work by Bell Aircraft.

Members of the first basic pre-meteorology class to study at Hamilton college under the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command program to train weather officers for Army Air Forces Combat units is Earl G. Richardson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Richardson, of 678 Ninety-first street.

On completion of the 12-month course at Hamilton, Private First Class Richard on will be eligible to attend one of five universities conducting advanced meteorology courses under AAF Technical Training Command supervision. When he graduates from the advanced course he will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces and assigned to a tactical unit of the AAF.

Aviation Cadet Harry Corey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Corey, of Ferry avenue, has left for Atlantic City, N. J., where he will start his basic training in the United States Army Air corps.



Chester Psyka

Having graduated from the primary flying school at Coleman, Texas, Chester J. Psyka, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Psyka, of this city, has completed the first part of his flight training to be inducted into the Army Air corps. Cadet Psyka will be assigned to a basic flying school for advanced training.

Vernell R. Chatterton, husband of Mrs. V. R. Chatterton, of 2936 Lincolnwood avenue, was graduated this week from the aviation mechanic's course at the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command school at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C.

William T. Taylor, son of James J. Taylor, of Lewiston, N. Y., qualified as a rifle sharpshooter at the training center at Fort McClelland, Ala., recently.



Francis J. Gravino

Francis J. Gravino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pasquale Gravino, of 448 Seventy-seventh street, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant at Robins Field, Ga. A member of the armed forces since November 17, 1942, he received his basic training at Fort McClelland, Ala., and is now attached to the military police at the Georgia camp.

A brother, Vincent A. Gravino, is just beginning his basic training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Morie V. Willis, of this city, recently graduated from the link

Trainer Instructor school at the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Chanute Field, Ill.

Lieutenant Walter Palaszynski, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Palaszynski, of 1929 Cudabeck avenue, has taken up new duties at the Army Air Base at Hill Field, Ogden, Utah.



Donald R. Smithson

and Mrs. Frank Smithson, of Ransomville, N. Y., after 15 weeks of study has been given the rating of electrician's mate in the United States Navy and has been assigned to San Diego, Cal. A graduate of the Wilson high school, he was a former employe of the Niagara Falls Power company.

Lieutenant Guy P. Caterina, of 1144 Niagara street, is now stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky., where he is assigned to the Dental corps. His father, Vincent Caterina, resides at 1133 Michigan avenue.

William J. Waggoner, of 1634 Weston avenue, Joseph R. Valentino, of 1344 North avenue, and Felix Szecepanski, of 3614 Highland avenue, are now stationed at the Marine corps recruit depot at Parris Island, S. C., where they are receiving recruit training.

John W. Boother, of 4209 Washington street; Richard J. Hollinger, of 2105 Sixteenth street; Walter Kirkbride, of 639 Thirty-fourth street, and Richard M. Perry, of 131 Fifty-eighth street, have begun their pre-flight course at Maxwell Field, Ala., where they will receive instruction to qualify as pilots in the Army Air corps.

James T. Andrews, of Youngstown, N. Y.; Vincent L. Zelones, of 2491 Michigan avenue, and Thomas Hoey, of 927 Ferry avenue, have completed their basic training at the Naval Training Station at Newport, R. I. Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andrews, will attend a school for summer's mates; Zelones, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Zelones, will attend a school for aviation ordnance men and Hoey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hoey, will attend a school for the armed guard.

Ronald C. Banks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banks, of Michigan avenue, has left for Atlantic City, N. J., where he has entered basic training as a cadet in the Army Air corps.



Private First Class Joseph L. Zafuto, of 2411 Ferry avenue, who has been awarded the Purple Heart decoration after being wounded in action in North Africa.

Falls Soldier Receives Award

Joseph L. Zafuto Presented with Purple Heart.

Private First Class Joseph L. Zafuto, son of Mrs. Rose Zafuto, of 2411 Ferry avenue, has been awarded the Purple Heart decoration for bravery in action in the North African campaign, it was learned here today.

The youth, who is now in a British hospital recovering from wounds received in the engagement, in his first letter to his mother since December 26 told of receiving the medal.

Private Zafuto, while at the British hospital, was the soldier from this city who was visited by Nurse Maria Gorick, who for 12 years was a nurse in the Niagara Falls schools and who is now serving with the United States Army. Gorick, with a group of other American nurses, was inspecting a British hospital when she met Private Zafuto, whom she remembered as the youth that she had known while he was a pupil at the Niagara street school here.

Discharged



William A. Robinson, of Lewiston, N. Y., 16-year-old veteran of World War 2, who was given an honorable discharge from the United States Navy recently because he was under age. The youth plans to reenlist in the navy when he passes his seventeenth birthday next January.



COMMISSIONED ENSIGNS—Garnet C. Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cunningham, of 2420 Linwood avenue, and Constanz Fourth street, have been commissioned ensigns in the United States Naval Reserve at the completion of midshipman's school on the campus of the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind.