

SULLIVANS GIVEN RELIGIOUS MEDAL SENT FROM POPE

Presentation by Archbishop Spellman; Honored in N. Y. Cathedral.

New York—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Sullivan of Waterloo, Ia., whose five sailor sons died in the sinking of the U. S. Juneau, Monday possess a silver religious medal given to Archbishop Francis J. Spellman by Pope Pius XII.

The archbishop presented them the medal and rosary beads Sunday after they attended a high mass at St. Patrick's cathedral and said, "I know of no one else who deserves them more."

He told Mrs. Sullivan he had been informed officially that her sons received holy communion three weeks before they were reported lost.

"That gives me real consolation," said Mrs. Sullivan. "I have worried and worried about it. Dad tried to make me stop fretting. So did our pastor back home. Now this news lifts a weight right off me."

Will Light Candles. She told the archbishop: "I am going back to the cathedral again to light candles—one for each of my boys—and pray again."

Msgr. Joseph F. Flannelly, rector of the cathedral, said at the mass: "A brave man must be a good man because if he is not morally good he cannot be brave. The Sullivan boys were brave. They must have been good because they had a good mother and father."

"We will offer this mass for the repose of their souls. We will not pray for Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan but rather pray that the rest of the married men and women of America may be inspired by them to realize their responsibilities."

Given New Courage. Mrs. Sullivan said after the mass that the visit to the cathedral had given her new courage.

"It's the first cathedral I ever entered," she said. "I'll never forget this day. It's given me new courage. And the congregation joining in the singing with the choir when the organ began to play 'The Star-Spangled Banner' at the end of the mass—wasn't that just glorious?"

Monsignor Flannelly greeted the Sullivans and their naval escort.

Lieut. K. I. Taylor, at the center door on Fifth avenue, just before the mass. He later told the congregation—including many men and women in uniform—that the Sullivans were present.

"I deem this an unusual occasion," said the rector, "I welcome to this congregation the father and mother of the five American heroes whose names are known around the world."

Pontifical Requiem Mass Here Tuesday

Tribute to the service and sacrifice of Waterloo's five fighting Sullivan brothers will be paid here Tuesday morning in a pontifical requiem mass at St. Mary's Catholic church, beginning at 10:30 a. m. Rev. Fr. Rafael Grahl, pastor of St. Mary's church, said a sermon by Archbishop Francis J. L. Beckman, of Dubuque, would follow the mass, honoring not only the five Sullivans, missing in action since Nov. 14, but also the other northeast Iowans of the Catholic church who have given their lives in world war II.

The mass will be broadcast by radio station KXEL, Waterloo.

Assistants Named.

Names of those assisting Archbishop Beckman in the requiem mass Tuesday were announced Monday by Rev. Fr. Grahl. They will include: Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. P. Martin, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic church, acting as arch priest; Rev. E. J. Dougherty, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic church, and Rev. N. J. Lentz, pastor of St. John's Catholic church, as deacons of honor; Rev. S. J. Mauer, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church, Cedar Falls, as deacon of the mass; Rev. Kenneth N. Ryan, assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church, as subdeacon; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. V. Casey, of Dubuque, as master of ceremonies.

Music for the mass will be sung by the senior choral club of St. Mary's.

Parents to Hear Radio. The Sullivans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Sullivan, who have been in New York and other eastern cities since Jan. 29, will hear the Waterloo mass by radio, while in New York as guests of the navy department.

Attending the service here will be the five boys' sister, Miss Genevieve Sullivan; Mrs. Albert Sullivan, wife of the youngest brother; the Albert Sullivans' young son, Jimmy, who will be 2 years old Saturday; and Miss Pearl Schroeder, of Waterloo, who was a girl friend of Joseph Sullivan before he and his brothers went into the navy in January 1942.

Mrs. George Abel, grandmother of the five Sullivan boys, will be unable, because of illness, to attend

the mass, but will listen to it by radio at the Sullivan home.

Rev. Fr. Grahl said Monday that St. Mary's church auditorium would seat between 400 and 500 persons. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were spending Monday in the New York area, visiting war production plants, and will remain there thru Tuesday, according to a letter received here Monday.

Pittsburgh on Itinerary.

They will leave Tuesday night for Newport, R. I., to spend Wednesday there; will go to Hartford, Conn., for Thursday; and will spend all day Friday in Pittsburgh, Pa.

The letter said the parents will be in Chicago Saturday, guests at a USO center, and expected to reach Waterloo late Saturday night or early Sunday.

They will remain here until Thursday, Feb. 18, when, accompanied by their daughter, Genevieve, they will entrain for Portland, O., where Mrs. Sullivan is to christen the navy tug Tawasa at the shipyard of the Commercial Iron works.

The navy department has arranged an extensive personal appearance tour for the Sullivans, during which they will visit war plants and shipyards to encourage greater production for victory.

Will Be Paid While Absent.

Sullivan, a conductor on the Illinois Central railroad for 33 years, had not intended being away from his job so long.

"But I've just gotten a letter from the railroad vice president," Sullivan said in New York Monday. "He thought the tour was an excellent idea and he said I'd be paid for all the time I'm absent."

Mrs. Sullivan has no regrets that her sons joined the navy.

"I'd want them to do it again; it made men of them," she said. "I have a little grandson, Jimmy, who

is almost 2, and when he gets old enough, I want him to join."

Five Star Sullivan Club in Indiana

(Courier Special Service)

Anderson, Ind.—As a tribute to Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sullivan of Waterloo, Ia., the employees of the Pierce Governor company here have organized a "Five Star Sullivan club," the first such group of war workers commemorating the five Sullivan brothers with a "Work to Win" organization.

For each gold star in the Sullivan family service flag, workers are offering a specific pledge. Voluntarily they are signing up to (1) strive for greater accuracy and speed, (2) avoid accidents, (3) be punctual, (4) improve mental attitudes and (5) keep in good physical health.

The idea for a Sullivan club was originated Jan. 27, in the inspection department, but promotional activities could not be started for several days due to necessary delay in securing printing posters, and organizational material. During this time it was learned that the Sullivan family was being sent on a tour of war production plants and a letter of invitation is being forwarded from the first "Five Star Sullivan club."

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have already commended the group in a wire as follows:

"In regard to the club you have formed to speed liberty. It is a great honor to have this club named the Five Star Sullivan Brothers club. Thanking you for your sympathy. Very sincerely, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sullivan."

Aside from the simple act of signing pledge cards, the Sullivan club is already making plans to take active steps for the prevention of unnecessary absenteeism, as well as promoting other definite "work to win" ideas.

Interpreting War Moves

By GLENN BABB

General MacArthur has moved from his brilliant reconquest of Papua to a new phase of the New Guinea campaign with a speed and vigor which promises no rest for the Japanese struggling to maintain a grip on the big island above Australia.

Within the past fortnight it appears MacArthur has established a strong concentration of air and land forces just to the southwest of Lae-Salamaua in northeastern New Guinea, largely by use of the air transport which played such an important part in Papua.

There is no doubt this has the enemy badly worried.

He showed this Saturday when he

sent some 70 planes—a formidable force for that theatre—against the allied base at Wau, 35 miles southwest of Salamaua.

They were crushingly defeated by American Lightnings, Airacobras and Warhawks, which downed or damaged 41 of the enemy fighters and bombers without loss of their own.

It was the most striking demonstration yet given of American air superiority in the Australia-New Guinea war zone.

Now that General MacArthur has

been able to move his air bases farther north future attempts to reinforce and supply the Japanese forces holding the Lae-Salamaua area are likely to be still more costly.

And those garrisons are going to want help badly before long, because already they are confronted by the same relentless offensive action by which the Australians and

Americans destroyed some 18,000 of their comrades in the Buna-Gona sector further south.

TO START WAVE TRAINING.

Miss Bette Kinion, 300 Clay street, daughter of Mrs. Doris Kinion, county relief director, will leave Wednesday night for Stillwater, Okla., where she will begin her indoctrination period as an enlistee as a yeoman in the Waves.

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When the Army called for men to volunteer, even before Pearl Harbor, the instant response broke all previous enlistment records. Now the President has authorized 150,000 volunteers for the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps—immediately. The sooner these women are trained, the sooner the men they replace can help to win battles.

Tens of thousands of WAAC auxiliaries and officers already are enrolled. They are proving that the American woman can do a man's job in a man's army and do it magnificently. They are taking over important duties in the Air Forces, the Signal Corps and other branches of the Ground Forces and the Service of Supply. Some already are serving abroad.

Before this crucial year ends, the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps will need more officers than there were in the Regular U. S. Army in 1939.

Days are passing—days vital to American victory. If you have been thinking about joining the WAAC, the time to do it is **at once**. If you are a healthy United States citizen, age 21 to 44, inclusive, any race, color or creed, go to the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting and Induction Station today, and get full information on the openings, pay, promotions and training in the WAAC. Total War won't wait. Your country needs you now!

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