

COMMENDED



S/SGT. GEORGE HOFFMAN

HOFFMAN, TEANECK, WINS COMMENDATION

His Vehicles Were Only Ones Properly Equipped

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

A U. S. Ninth Air Force Bomber Base, European Theater of Operations, July 19 — Staff Sergeant George Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hoffman of 53 Copey Avenue, Teaneck, has received a commendation from General Brereton, the Ninth Air Force Commanding General. "For Sergeant Hoffman's keen foresight, shown in recent mobile maneuvers, the vehicles under his supervision were the only ones found with complete equipment which was essential to the efficient execution of pending maneuvers."

Sergeant Hoffman modestly received this very high commendation from General Brereton after it had been endorsed by the Commanding General of the IX Bomber Command and the Commanding Officer of Sergeant Hoffman's group.

Sergeant Hoffman is in charge of his squadron's vehicles and has the responsibility of seeing that they are in operational status at all times. Recently, on his own initiative, he had all his vehicles painted and re-lettered. His squadron's vehicles contrasted so greatly with the other squadrons' that they in turn painted theirs in defense of pride.

Sergeant Hoffman is a member of the veteran "Tiger Strips" Marauder bomber group which has been bombing Nazis targets constantly for a year.

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Finn Overseas

Sergeant Robert T. Finn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Finn of 540 Cumberland Avenue, Teaneck is now overseas being given a course designed to bridge the gap between training at home and actual air force combat conditions. Before entering the service Finn was employed as a brakeman on the New York Central Railroad.

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PERRY PROMOTED

Paul A. Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Perry of 1515 Windsor Road, West Englewood, has been promoted to the rank of corporal at the Infantry Replacement Training Center at Camp Blanding, Fla. He entered the service in 1943 while going to Newark College. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School.

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Lind, Teaneck, Is Promoted To Colonel In Signal Corps

Hoffmann, Leonia, Is Named To Captaincy; De Block And Trautwein Win Ensign Commissions

Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, July 20—Promotion of Charles W. Lind, 42, of 680 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., to the rank of lieutenant colonel has been announced by the headquarters of a Signal Service battalion at an invasion base in England.

Colonel Lind is the commanding officer of a United States Army signal center sending a multitude of military messages to our invasion armies by every known means of electrical communication.

MADE IMPROVEMENTS

Co-ordinating the activities of various detachments of a battalion which is strategically spread throughout Great Britain, Colonel Lind is responsible for the numerous messages vital to the successful completion of military operations on the continent.

Colonel Lind was employed as a tester by the New York Telephone Company for 20 years before going into active service with the Army. He joined the National Guard in 1927 and received his commission as a reserve officer in 1937. He reported for active duty at Fort Dix in October, 1940, and was assigned to duty in the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth and Camp Crowder for three years prior to leaving for overseas duty.

Colonel Lind attended Stuyvesant High School's New York City, graduating in 1920. He is married to the former Charlotte Gask. They have two children, John, 18, and Elizabeth, 12.

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M'CRANE GETS POST

Kings Point, N. Y., July 20—John Aloysius McCrane, son of Mrs. J. McCrane of 747 Mildred Street, Teaneck, N. J., has been appointed a cadet-midshipman for officer training in the United States Merchant Marine Cadet Corps. He has been assigned to the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N. Y., for 4 months basic training, after which he will serve for a minimum of 6 months as a Deck Cadet-Midshipman aboard the merchant ships delivering vital war supplies to the far-flung battlefronts. When he completed his sea time he will return to the Academy for 12 months advanced training. Upon graduation he will be qualified to serve as a third officer in the Merchant Marine or go on active duty as an ensign in the Naval Reserve.

McCrane is a graduate of Xavier High School in New York City and while in high school he was a member of the R. O. T. C. for 3 years. He was captain of the football team and was class president in his first, second, and third years of school.

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Knaust Rating Higher

Advancement in rating to Yeoman second class for Henry J. Knaust, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knaust, 1188 DeGran Avenue, Teaneck, has been announced by the Navy's Armed Guard Center at New Orleans, La. Knaust, who entered the Navy Sept. 18, 1942, was employed as a fireman in the Teaneck Fire Department before he joined the service.

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SWITCHES UNIFORM



Electrician's Mate third class Edward Mooney of 251 De Graw Avenue, Teaneck, who has been given a medical discharge from the Navy Seabees, will shortly resume his duties as a member of the Teaneck police force.

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THERE ON D-DAY



Lloyd E. Owen, third class soundman, of Hillside Avenue, Teaneck, a former employee of the Western Electric Company, is shown aboard the 83-foot rescue cutter on which he served during the invasion of France. His vessel, together with ships of the Coast Guard Invasion Rescue Flotilla, saved more than 500 Allied invaders from perishing in the English Channel on D-Day and during the critical days that followed.

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