



Bergen Evening Record Photo.
The mother and the bride of Lieutenant William Mikolasy of 205 Webster Avenue, Englewood, wait for more details on how their man bombed Sfax in Tunisia Saturday in a daring daylight raid. The mother is Mrs. Jennie Mikolasy, and the bride of five months is the former Miss Margaret Flannery of 71 Garden Street, Teaneck.

Flier Mikolasy Of Englewood Leads Bombers To Axis Port

Wife Is Thrilled To Hear Of His Exploits In Tunisia — Mother's Proud Of Him And Other Aviator Son

By LEE BRODERICK

This is the mother of two flier-fighters speaking: "I am so proud; both my boys are making good."

This now, is the recent bride of one of them; "I was so thrilled to hear from him so far away."

FIRST BIG ATTACK

The bride is the wife of Lieutenant William Mikolasy of Englewood who helped loose a load of bombs on the waterfront installations at Sfax, about 70 miles southeast of Sousse in Tunisia Saturday in the first mass attack by bomber planes on that Mediterranean seacoast town.

Until a late hour last night the mother and the wife waited to hear more of this raid in which their man had participated among United Nations patrols striving to keep Axis forces from consolidating their positions in the Bizerte-Sousse sector.

Then as she sat before the radio, waiting for some inkling of how her son had been a hero, Mrs. James Mikolasy told how a second son only Thursday had been flown alone in a plane from his station in the British West Indies to take the toughening pre-flight course at the Navy School at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"Yes," she said, "I should be mighty proud of two such boys."

OVER BY CHRISTMAS, 1943

The former Miss Margaret Flannery of 71 Garden Street, Teaneck, had little to say but nod her head. She had heard from a newspaperman that her husband wanted this message delivered: "Give my love to my wife and tell her the war will be over 1 year from Christmas, and I mean all over the world."

She said, "If he said that then I

Action-Craving Sea Dog, 22, Swaps Into Navy Air Training

Young Finnell, Of Teaneck And Pearl Harbor, Starts Schooling With 25 From Here

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 7—Seaman Henry J. Finnell Jr., of Teaneck, N. J., who survived Pearl Harbor and today shows 3 years' service with battlewagons of the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets, is gearing himself for swifter action here at this Naval Air Station service school.

The 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Finnell of 315 Sherman Avenue, is one of 26 Bergen County, N. J., men who are learning to become fighting bluejackets of the air.

BEST ATHLETE THERE

"I have seen action once and I would like to get into it once again," Finnell said grimly.

But for the present Finnell, like the other 25 from Bergen County, is attending classes here to become a skilled member of Uncle Sam's sea-going forces.

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White Into Navy Service

The Bergen Evening Record's Circulation Department lost its second man in a month to the colors today as Thomas White, 22, of Court Street, Hackensack, left for service in the Navy.

First to go was William Roth of Highland Street, Teaneck, drafted in July and now somewhere in training in Oklahoma. Roth is 21 years old and makes his home on Highwood Street.

White is the third man in that department to enter the service since war was declared. The first was Seaman Everett I. DeVoe of the crew of the U. S. S. Texas, now at sea.

White and Roth both worked as drivers in the Ridgewood area.

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TEANECK FLIER LISTED MISSING

Rockefeller Believed Lost In Far East Action

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Washington, Aug. 8 — The War Department made public today the names of 83 Army officers and 68 enlisted men previously reported missing in action in Far Eastern, Australian, and South Pacific areas, and included the name of Aerial Photographer Robert Allan (Rocky) Rockefeller of 1092 Stasia Street, West Englewood, N. J.

The Departments' tabulation of men from 35 States does not include the names of Army men presumed to be missing in action in the Philippines and Java.

Nor does it indicate if the War Department holds out hope that Rockefeller may be a prisoner of war. This determination must wait on an exchange of lists through the Geneva Conference.

Rockefeller, a private first class with the Army Air Forces, was reported missing in action June 9 when his mother Mrs. Augusta A. James of 1092 Stasia Street, West Englewood, first was notified.

His mother at the time expressed confidence that her son was alive and would be found.

His father, a World War veteran, died 10 years ago after a 9-year illness from wounds suffered in World War I as a Navy man on the S. S. Levinshan.

Rockefeller moved his family and 1-year-old son Robert Allan from Hamilton, Mont., where the flier was born, to Jersey City so he could be attended at Veterans Hospital in the Bronx. He died there in July, 1932.

Rockefeller's twenty-second birthday was June 2. He attended Dickinson High School in Jersey City and then Teaneck High School where he was varsity cheerleader. The lost aviator enlisted just about 2 years ago in the Army Air Corps. He trained at Mitchel Field, Hempstead, N. Y., and at Langley Field, Va.

Rockefeller studied aerial photography at Denver, Colo., where he was graduated last December.

His mother, who remarried five years ago had not seen her son for 16 months. His last known station was at a base in Australia where he arrived March 15.

LOST IN ACTION



PVT. ROBERT A. ROCKEFELLER

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Two Teaneck Men Get More Training

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Newport, R. I., Aug. 3—Melvin J. Kohlreiter and Franklin W. Rothe, both of Teaneck, have qualified here after training and tests, for advanced instruction. Kohlreiter is being instructed for rating as Naval Aviation Machinist's Mate and Rothe as a Naval Radioman.

Kohlreiter is 13 years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kohlreiter of 2 Schley Place, Rothe is 20. His home is at 283 Pleasant Place.

Kohlreiter, a graduate of Teaneck High School, was employed by the Western Electric Company in Clifton when he enlisted in the Naval Reserve.

Rothe also is a graduate of Teaneck, and of New York Electrical School and the United Radio and Television Institute. When he enlisted in the Naval Reserve for war service he was employed as electrical maintenance man for the Appleman Art Glass Works, River Edge.

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