

CADETS ADVANCE TO FLIGHT NEXT

3 From Bergen County Complete Course

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Chapel Hill, N. C., Apr. 1.—Three Bergen County cadets have been advanced to primary flight training at the Naval Reserve Aviation Base at Peru, Ind., after completing the 3-month course here at the Navy Pre-Flight School. There are:

WEST ENGLEWOOD — William P. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett W. Brown of 641 West Englewood Avenue.

If they successfully complete this second phase and 3 additional months of advanced flight training, they will be eligible for commissions.

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ROBERT RUDIN JR.

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Studying Photography

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Pyle, Tex., Apr. 5.—Robert Rudin Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudin of 1311 Sussex Road, West Englewood, is studying advanced aerial photography with the 19th Bombardment Group, 93rd Squadron of the Army Air Force at this Air Base. A 1940 graduate of Teaneck High School, Rudin also was graduated from Bergen College last June. He entered the Air Force in November. After a short time at Atlantic City, Rudin was stationed at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., for a 3-month course in photography, which he completed in March.

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REPORTED KILLED



LT. NEIL TAKALA

4-1-43

2 FLIERS KILLED, 1 IN AUSTRALIA

Takala Dies In Action, Park Youth In Crash

Lieutenant Neil Thomas Takala of Teaneck, well known in athletic circles in the County, died in action in Australia, March 28, according to word received yesterday by his family from the War Department at Washington, D. C.

Takala, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Takala, 224 Elm Avenue, Teaneck, left his position as a teacher at Bloomfield High School to enlist in the Army Air Corps in March, 1941. He received his commission at Selma, S. C., Dec. 12, 1941, and a few days later was transferred to the Pacific Coast. He boarded a transport bound for Australia during the Christmas holidays.

Only 3 weeks ago his family received a cablegram which reads: "Still enjoying Aussie hospitality. Everything O. K. Feeling fine."

Takala started his athletic career at Teaneck High School, where he played all three major sports. He also played semipro football with the Teaneck Red Devils, and caught for a number of the County's semipro baseball teams. Before he enlisted, he worked as a referee in a number of high school football and basketball games and as umpire in baseball games.

He was graduated from Montclair State Teachers College in 1938 after a brilliant athletic career. He was catcher for the school's baseball team, and fullback and captain of the football team. In addition, he was cocaptain of the wrestling team.

At the College he was also a member of the Senate, men's discussion society, and the Psychology Club. Upon graduation, he began his duties as a teacher at Bloomfield High School. After enlistment more than a year ago he received his training at air fields in Camden, S. C., and Craig Field in Alabama.

He observed his 28th birthday March 22.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Takala; seven sisters, Lorraine and Anna of the Teaneck address; Mrs. Gertrude Olsen of Bogota, Mrs. Minnie Foran of Morsemere, Mrs. Mary Bell of Bogota, Hilda Takala of New York City, Mrs. Mabel Moore of Connecticut, and one brother, Walter, of the Teaneck address.

From The Men At The Front

Gentlemen:

Received a copy of the Defense News, Vol. 1, No. 3 and certainly enjoyed it. Was surprised to see the number of men in the service from Teaneck. Guess it's increased considerably since then. Nice to read about the sincere and extensive work being done at home. Just know that everyone is pitching in. Well after all that's Teaneck.

My best to all of you and would certainly appreciate hearing from you again.

A proud Teaneckite
Fred J. Aeschback AMMI-G
V. C. Fleet, Post Office,
New York

Fellow Townsfolk:

Thanks a lot for my copy of "Teaneck Defense News." It is a welcome sight to see the name of Teaneck in print after you have been away from it a while so I am hoping that you will keep me on your mailing list.

I have made several moves since original location at Hamilton Field, Calif. and consequently the "News" did a little traveling also before it caught up with me, so I had best give you my latest address. Thanking you again, I am,

Sgt. A. J. Lahmann
913th Engineers, A.F. Hdq. Co.

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PROMOTED



Promotion to Lieutenant (junior grade) for Charles J. Alfke Jr. (above), 2 years in United States Navy service, has just been announced from North Africa. Graduate of the Wharton School of Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania, Lieutenant Alfke is the son of the executive vice-president of the Hackensack Water Company. His home is in Teaneck.

4-4-43

Armed Forces Get 475 More

Arthur D. Egan of Teaneck's Honor Roll Committee reports that 475 men and women have joined the armed forces since Nov. 8 when the honor roll on the grounds of the municipal building was dedicated, and that a total of 1987 were in the service of their country on April 1, 1943.

Egan said that a new list to include the 475 is being printed for the octagonal Honor Roll in accordance with the plan to make revisions periodically. The names of the five who have died in the service of their country will be given the position of honor on a separate panel.

Only names of men and women who actually were themselves residents of Teaneck at the time they entered actual service are included on the Roll. Names are not added until active service has begun. Reserves are not included.

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This might come under sports, because Campbell "Soup" Stevenson was in the list, but it's general news because it's Teaneck's latest draft list. Soup, who made All-County football and baseball teams, and Ken Schmalenberger, another Teaneck High athlete, a student at William and Mary College this year, left last week for Newark and induction in the Army.

Others included Elmer Behrens, David Caughlan, Charles Currey, William Graham, Jr., Michael Halligan, William Kloeber, Walter Lynch, Fred Stafford, Angelo Cafarelli, Joseph Calabrese, James Gambella, Robert Hall, Allen Hensell, John Hooks, William Jeanig, Theodore King, Kenneth Masstrom, Alfred Podesta, Harold Stiltzman, John Stuart, Edward Zucchi, George Holler, William Murphy, Walter Salminen, John Powers, Srd., George Myles, and Ted Thompson.

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Boyle's Dry Martini Blasts Renault Plant And 10 Nazis

Teaneck Copilot Has Second Narrow Escape From Death As His Camera Deflects German Shell

The battle-scarred Flying Fortress Dry Martini and its 10-man crew of cocktail kids went berserk like a sea salt on shore leave, over Paris yesterday and set a record for bombers in shooting down 10 Nazi fighters over the southwest Paris plant of the famed Renault works.

CAMERA IS HIT

Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle of Teaneck, co-pilot of the plane he brought back to its near-London base last January 13 with its pilot dead and another crewman wounded, had his second known close call from death.

Radioed reports before midnight last night declared that only the camera Boyle poised before his face saved his life by deflecting the enemy-fired 50-mm shell which crashed the windshield and sprayed some of the fighters in a rain of fine glass.

The Dry Martini, a veteran of missions over Nazi-held France and Germany, returned to its home field looking like a sieve with 60 shell holes, some as big as a pumpkin and with no one hurt more than for scratches.

In its January assault on Lille in northwest France, Boyle took over the stick when the Fortress spiraled out of control with Nazi planes after it. Boyle lifted the plane out of its nosedive and raced the ship back to England, miles behind the squadron.

It was not until the ship gained the channel that Boyle shook off pursuit. He himself was wounded, and the ship was decommissioned.

The first thing Boyle said as he lifted his shattered camera from the plane, was "I'm sure I got some good pictures."

His mother said today, "I think that kid has a charmed life, but I

am jittery all the same. Hear anything about Joe Gorman?"

Mrs. J. J. Boyle of 539 Standish Road, Teaneck, referred to Second Lieutenant Joseph E. Gorman of Ridgfield Park, copilot of the Fortress Problem Child, one of the 133 bombers which rained bombs over Paris.

When he returned from the raid, Gorman said: "Even from 25,000 feet, Paris sure looks good in the spring."

The Dry Martini's crew led by Captain A. V. Martini of San Francisco, had its own hero in Second Lieutenant James Moberly of Moberly, Mo. He shot down 3 of the 7 Nazi planes.

Gorman is the son of Police Sergeant and Mrs. Joseph Gorman of 190 Brinkerhoff Street, Ridgfield Park.

"We could see the Eiffel Tower sticking up there, so pretty", Gorman said, "Gosh, I hope to see that baby from the ground some day."

Gorman is a graduate of St. Francis Parochial School, Ridgfield Park High School and Alfred University. He entered the service in December, 1941. He has been overseas since October of last year.

Major Paul D. Brown of Orange led one of the flying fortress bomber groups in their Renault raid yesterday.

"I think pictures will show we've beaten the bombing of Vegesack," he said upon their return from the successful mission.

New Jersey air fighters figured in news all over the map yesterday.

TWO HITS IN ONE RUN

Down in New Guinea, Second Lieutenant Milton Rupper of Jersey City, bombardier on a flying fortress group's raid Saturday on Japanese warships at Kavieng, New Ireland, was credited, in a communique from General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters, with two full hits in one run.

Their plane ran through a hail of anti-aircraft fire and was damaged, but its pilot said he saw the enemy vessel's stern slide toward the water. It was only bombardier Rupper's second mission. He was formerly an armament officer.

In North Africa, included in the crews of a flight of Mitchell bombers officially credited with sinking three enemy ships by low-level skip-bombing was Sergeant Peter Rokotz of 224 Monroe Street, Passaic.

Allied Headquarters revealed yesterday the squadron had sunk an enemy troop ship and two merchant vessels.

You just let a string of bombs walk right up the side of a ship and over it," one airman said in describing the new type of bombing attack.

BERGEN WOMEN ENTER SERVICE OF THE NATION

Leave Civilian Posts For Responsibility In War Work

RECENT GRADUATES

Miss Lucile Graf, 21, daughter of Mrs. Marcelle Graf and the late Walter L. Graf of 24 Chestnut Street, Teaneck, has been sworn into the Waves and is awaiting call to report for training as a pharmacist's mate.

Miss Graf gave up her position as secretary in the gynecology and obstetrical service at St. Vincent's Hospital, New York City, to enlist. Before that she worked at Medical Center in Jersey City, first as a laboratory technician and later as head of the tuberculosis research department.

She is a graduate of St. Francis School in Ridgfield Park, Holy Angels Academy in Fort Lee, and the Paine Hall School in New York City. She is the leader of Girl Scout Troop 12 at St. Francis Church, Ridgfield Park, and both she and her mother are air raid wardens in their district in Teaneck.

Mrs. Graf is employed at Bendix Aviation Corporation, and Robert Graf, Lucile's brother, is a Naval Aviation Cadet, awaiting call for training. He is a sophomore at Columbia University where he majors in chemical engineering.

Miss Graf is following family tradition with her interest in medicine. Her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Ernestine J. Bendeler, 74, of Cliffside Park, has practiced obstetrics for 45 years in Hudson and Bergen Counties. She received a gold medal from the State government for her long service.



LUCILE GRAF

4-6-43

3 Bergen Men Advance
(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Camp Lee, April 6—The Army's Quartermaster Corps Officer Candidate School graduated three Bergen County enlisted men as second lieutenants here Friday. They are: TEANECK — Joseph James Steinke of 17 Westervelt Place. Twenty-seven other men from New Jersey also were commissioned in this class and await assignment to tours of duty.

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Dudley P. Thorne of Bogota (left) and Joseph Steinke of Palisades Park, formerly of Teaneck, have been commissioned second lieutenants in the Army. Lieutenant Steinke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Steinke of Westervelt Place, Teaneck, and the husband of the former Miss Alice Fleuger of 434 Second Street, Palisades Park.

6 FROM BERGEN HURT IN ACTION

War Department Lists Tunisia Casualties

The War Department in Washington today released its casualty roundup with six Bergen County enlisted men wounded in battle on the Tunisian front. One Teaneck resident was home 2 weeks before before official channels cleared a telegram to his family with information he had been wounded.

The official listing shows the name of this man, Private George T. Jackel, among the 44 in this State and 650 in the nation.

Wounded In Action

BECKER, Staff Sergeant Charles W., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Becker of 1299 Sussex Road, West Englewood.

JACKEL, Private George T.; husband of Mrs. Anne E. Jackel of 77 Jasper Avenue, Teaneck.

Sergeant Becker was a member of the first Infantry detail to set foot in Africa. He was in the thick of the North African campaign until March 31, when he fell wounded.

His parents received his letters regularly, but they do not know where he was hurt or how seriously. They were notified he was wounded by telegram from the War Department May 12. Mrs. Becker said she was told she would hear in 15 days from the Department as to his condition, but she has received no word yet.

Becker was voted the most popular boy in his Teaneck High School graduating class of 1936. He entered the service in January, 1941, and trained at Fort Bragg, N. C., for 1 1/2 years. He was promoted to Sergeant at Bragg, but was made a Staff Sergeant when he landed overseas, last November.

JACKEL BACK HOME

In his last letter home, he wrote he was feeling better and urged his parents not to worry. He wrote little about his activities but he indicated always he had been on the march. As soon as they received word he was wounded, the Beckers wrote him to tell him they knew, but Mrs. Becker does not believe he has received the letter yet.

Becker was president of his senior class at Teaneck High School, where he was a member of the track team, Speakers' Bureau, Playcrafters, and a member of the sophomore and junior class cabinets. He attended Bergen College for 2 years.

Jackel has been back in this country since April 28, and is at Halloran General Hospital on Staten Island.

FIRST TO LAND

He arrived home unexpectedly just 2 weeks before his wife was notified he was wounded. By the time she received the telegram from the War Department, she already had seen her husband. He spends his week-ends in Teaneck with his wife, and returns to the Army hospital during the week.

A member of the first Infantry division to invade North Africa last November 8, Jackel fought along the Mediterranean until April 4, when he was wounded.

Jackel entered service last June 12, received his training at Fort Meade, Md., and left for overseas duty in October. His wife is the former Miss Anne Fortune of Jersey City. He is the son of Mrs. Lillian Jackel of The Bronx, N. Y., and he has 2 brothers in service. Corporal Howard Jackel is with the Coast Artillery in Hawaii, and Sergeant Robert Jackel is with the Infantry at Fort Jackson, S. C.

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WOUNDED



SGT. CHARLES BECKER

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IN NEWS OF ARMED FORCES



FIRST LT. ROBERT ROHRS



SEAMAN 1ST CLASS SHERWOOD

Lieutenant Rohrs, Teaneck, Will Start Combat Training

Son Of Major In Chemical Warfare Division At Florida Base To Become Fighter Pilot

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Tallahassee, Fla., Apr. 8.—Recently commissioned First Lieutenant Robert Rohrs of Teaneck, N. J., was to arrive at this Army Air Force base later today for combat training as a fighter pilot. He is the son of Major Frank A. Rohrs on duty with the Army's Chemical Warfare Division at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Tex.

Lieutenant Rohrs enlisted last March and reported to Maxwell Field at Montgomery, Ala., in June for preflight training. He took primary training at Douglas, Ga., basic at Gunner Field, Ala., and he earned his commission at Marianna, Fla., airbase at the end of advanced training.

He was a member of Teaneck High School's 1939 graduating class. His parents live at 887 Garrison Avenue, Teaneck. Major Rohrs was a first lieutenant in the Chemical Warfare Division in the last war.

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TEANECK LEGION TO UNFURL FLAG, DEDICATE ROLL

Legionnaires And Their Children In Service To Be Honored

RITES TOMORROW

Teaneck Post 128, American Legion tomorrow night will receive a service flag from the board of trustees at a service flag and honor roll presentation at the Post Rooms, 817 Garrison Avenue, Teaneck. Township Manager Paul A. Volcker will make the presentation and Post Commander Clyde R. Halstead will accept the gifts.

Members of the Post who will be honored for their services in this war are Valentine J. Burger, Reginald Rowland, Curtis G. Pratt, Eric R. Livvergren, Frank De Rosa, Harry McBride, and William H. McFarland.

A scroll bearing the names of 80 sons and daughters of members of the Post and Auxiliary also will be dedicated. Of this number, 13 were members of the Squadron 128, Sons of the American Legion.

Proceeding the dedication ceremonies a dinner will be held at the Post Hall. Reservations are sold out. Among those to be honored also are:

William Conklin Jr., Raphael Falvey, Charles A. Thorwald, John Miller, husbands of members of the Auxiliary, William E. Commons, Thomas J. Davila, George Gutzwiller, William E. Guthrie Jr., Stanley R. Kapp, George G. Lamberson, Eugene Kilmurray, Edward R. MacDonald Jr., Raymond J. MacDonald, Warren P. Feter, Ralph Henry Schmidt, William G. Travers, members of the Sons of the Legion.

William H. Boumont, Henry G. Henry Jr., George L. Berghorn, Mary Birch, Ralph F. Bosc, L. H. Breitenstein, Albert P. Brun, J. William Byrne, Fred Cramer, Edward Cramer, Edward J. Cramer, Joseph J. Daly, Louis M. DiBella, Robert J. Dietz, Martin J. Deuph, Fredrick J. Deutch, George E. Ebert, George C. Flackman, Henry W. Fredericks Jr., William T. Gishman, Andrew Gabel, Robert Graf, Lucille Graf, George G. Galt, Herbert F. Goff, August Hennibell, Jid, August B. Hoeselbach, Henry G. Hyde, Arthur L. Kimmell, Albert J. Kilmurray, Frank W. Kilmurray, Wilbur F. Kilmurray, Joseph J. Kilmurray, Hugo G. Kilmurray, Helen M. Leslie, William Mels, Peter Moorey Jr., William J. Mooney, Austin McVaine, Richard McDowell, Andrew F. O'Neill, Jr., Robert J. O'Neill, Oscar B. O'Neill, Jr., Irvin S. Pachman, Robert S. Phillips, Anthony W. Pierce, Stanley Raymond Morris Rich, Leo Rich, Ben Rich, William P. Roemer Jr., Arthur C. Rolle Jr., Charles L. Steel Jr., Donald F. Stein, Donald W. Sargent, Oliver F. Sargent, George Dewey Shields Jr., Edwin Charles Shields, Howard F. Thurman, Thomas Charles Wanta, Charles P. Weisenmuller, D. West Jr., F. West, Raymond W. Wild, James D. Wild, William D. Wilson Jr., Allen G. Cobb, children of Legion members.

'Dry Martini' Is Really Dynamite

By the Associated Press.

WITH THE U. S. EIGHTH AIR FORCE SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, April 12.—The Flying Fortress Dry Martini, of which Lt. Joseph B. Doyle of Teaneck, N. J., is co-pilot, was credited today with bringing down 10 enemy fighter planes April 4 during a bombing raid on the Renault plant outside Paris.

Air force authorities expressed belief the Dry Martini probably had set a new record for the number of planes brought down by a single bomber in this theater.

All together, 48 enemy planes were reported shot down during this raid—equal to the second highest bag since the bombing campaign started here last Aug. 8, the Eighth Air Force announced. The record toll of enemy fighters remains 52 in the Vegesack raid of March 18.

In addition to the 10 planes, the Dry Martini also shot the propeller off another, but this one was not counted on the theory its pilot might have been able to land safely.

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Mrs. Robert Winthrop Cummings Jr. of Spokane, Wash., announces the birth of a girl, Constance Winthrop Cummings, April 7. Her husband, the late Lieutenant Robert Winthrop Cummings Jr. was killed in a plane crash last September in Key West, Fla. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Cummings of 1109 Bromley Avenue, West Englewood.

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Damrose, Doyle Graduated
(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Bainbridge, Md., Apr. 12—Seamen Second Class John P. Damrose of Ridgely Park, N. J., and Maurice Doyle of Teaneck, have completed boot training here at the Naval Training Station. They will receive specialized instruction. Damrose is the husband of Mrs. Eleanor Damrose of Ridgely Park. Doyle is the son of Mrs. Maurice Doyle of Merriam Road, Teaneck.

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Nelson Promoted
Private Walter Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nelson of 182 Church Street, West Englewood, has been advanced to Private First Class and is now stationed at Fort Logan, Colorado, where he will attend school. Private Nelson recently completed his Basic Training in Miami Beach with the Army Air Force. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School and was employed with the East River Savings Bank before entering the Army in January of this year.

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BOYLE HONORED
Teaneck Resident Gets Official Acclaim From A. A. F.
Lieutenant Joseph E. Boyle of Teaneck, co-pilot of the flying fortress, "Dry Martini", received official acclaim from Army Air Force authorities today, who credited the bomber with shooting down 10 German fighters in the raid over Paris April 4. They said the "Dry Martini" had probably established a record for the number of planes shot down by a single bomber in this theater.
The action, in which Boyle was injured slightly, had been reported previously.

Three Teaneck Men Killed, 2 Overseas, 1 In Crash Here

Webb Dies In Action In Tunisia; Becker With Army Air Forces; Schweiger On Routine Flight

The war struck hard in Teaneck today when the War Department reported three boys from there killed. One met death during a routine training flight in this country; the others in action overseas.

PARENTS NOTIFIED

Private First Class Walter G. Webb, of the Infantry, was killed in action in Tunisia, according to the telegram received yesterday by his parents.

Sergeant Pilot John L. Becker was killed in action with the Army Air Force.

The telegram received by his parents Saturday morning did not tell where he was killed. He was based in England and had been on bombing raids over the continent.

Air Cadet Robert J. Schweiger was killed on a routine training flight, according to a telegram sent from Bush Field, Augusta, Ga.

Private Webb, son of a World War I veteran, had been in service 8 months when he was sent to North Ireland and then to North Africa where he has been in the thick of battle under General Patton. He was 25 years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morton W. Webb of 10 Brinkerhoff Avenue.

A graduate of Teaneck High School, where he was a member of the varsity basketball team, Private Webb was also graduated from Oberlin College where he majored in business administration. He was a member of the second contingent to leave from Teaneck.

His father, who saw action in France with the Field Artillery during the last war, and was a member of the 79th Division which fought in the Argonne Forest in the St. Mihiel sector, is a member of Teaneck's American Legion Post 128.

Shortly before entering service, Private Webb's engagement to Miss Doris Lubben of Bogota was announced. He is survived by his

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parents and one sister, Elaine Webb. He was active in athletics, devoting most of his spare time to tennis and swimming. He taught Sunday School at the Methodist Episcopal Church of Teaneck and was a Boy Scout patrol leader. His parents last heard from him on March 14. He and his family have lived in Teaneck since 1927.

Sergeant Pilot Becker, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Becker of 40 Garden Street, West Englewood, was killed March 27, according to the telegram from the War Department. The former R. C. A. F. pilot had received his transfer to the United States Army Air Force on February 23, 1942.

WITH R. C. A. F.

He won his gold wings with the Royal Canadian Air Force at St. Hubert Field in Montreal last August and was assigned overseas.

He enlisted in the R. C. A. F. in Ottawa a year and a half ago after he failed to meet the requirements for the Army. Before he enlisted with the R. C. A. F. he was a civilian pilot and was known for his stunting.

His father owns a hardware store on Teaneck Road, West Englewood. The family has lived in West Englewood for 19 years and Sergeant Becker attended Teaneck High School where he played varsity football.

Becker's most hair-raising adventure was described a few days before his death. Meeting other R. C. A. F. fliers in London's American Red Cross Washington Club, he said:

TELLS OF CRASH LANDING

"My best adventure was running into dirty weather, running out of gas, and running along the ground on the ship's belly. First of all I couldn't get my wheels down. So I stayed up and fussed. Then the flaps refused duty. Visibility was only 60 feet. I was in touch with the field and they kept telling me, 'now you've got the left wheel down' and 'now the tail wheel's up' and so on."

"At last I tightened my straps and made a stab at landing. The plane started to overshoot and next thing I knew she was upside down and I was hanging out of the cockpit in the straps and quite helpless. I'd shut off the engine so she didn't fire up."

"The fire brigade came out and started chopping at the fuselage with their axes and every chop got nearer to my neck. I felt like a Thanksgiving turkey. I stayed at least 5 minutes upside down and couldn't stand up when they cut me free."

Air Cadet Schweiger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schweiger of 140 Johnson Avenue, was killed with a classmate when their planes cracked up 15 miles south of the training field on April 9.

He enlisted in the Air Force last February and after a short stay at Nashville, Tenn., he was transferred to Maxwell Field, Ala. He then was moved to Avon Park, Fla.

He was to receive his wings in 3 weeks and had just had his twenty-fifth birthday. A graduate of New Brunswick High School, he continued studies at Bergen College in 1940 and 1941. Schweiger was a member of the Y. M. H. A. where he had made a reputation as an outstanding handball player.

Before his enlistment he was manager of Phoenix Knitting Mills, Statesville, N. C.

His parents today recalled that he had always set his heart on being a flier. He was slated for a commission immediately on completion of training. Lieutenant-Colonel Henry C. Huglin, commanding officer at Bush Field, extended the sympathy of the entire command on the accident which cut short the boy's flying career. A guard of honor is accompanying the body to his home. Funeral details will be announced later.

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THREE TEANECK BOYS KILLED IN SERVICE



JOHN BECKER



WALTER G. WEBB



ROBERT J. SCHWEIGER

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LUPTON MADE SERGEANT
(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Camp Campbell, Ky., Apr. 13 — Corporal Donald Lupton of Teaneck, N. J., has gained new rank here as staff sergeant in Headquarters Company of an armored regiment. He is a Teaneck High School graduate and worked as an accountant before he enlisted last October 23. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lupton, live at 593 Tilden Avenue, Teaneck. Lupton is 21 years old.

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LT. NORMAN J. ORBE

**Norman J. Orbe
Is First Lieutenant**

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Fort Bragg, N. C., Apr. 13—Second Lieutenant Norman J. Orbe of 167 Norma Road, Teaneck, an instructor in field artillery at this Army base, has been promoted to first lieutenant.

His wife the former Miss Marjorie Jane Adair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Adair, also of Teaneck, is making her home at nearby Fayetteville.

Orbe enlisted February last year and after a period of training at Fort Dix, was sent to the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., where he qualified as a second lieutenant. Since last September he has been at this reservation.

He is 27 years old and a Princeton University graduate. He was a member of the Cannon Club at Princeton.

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Waves' headquarters announced commissions given two other Bergen County women. One is Ensign Mary Elizabeth Birch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Birch of 327 Warwick Avenue, West Englewood.

Miss Birch was graduated from the College of New Rochelle with an A. B. degree. She worked as a personnel assistant before her enlistment. She was graduated from college with honors in English and as a member of Kappa Gamma Phi, honorary scholastic society for Catholic college women.

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**Kleiner, Meloy
Get More Training**

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Sioux Falls, Apr. 14—Privates Joseph H. Kleiner of Maywood and Arthur R. Meloy of Teaneck have been promoted to Private First Class and assigned to the Army Air Force Training Command Technical School for instruction in radio operation and mechanics. Kleiner is the son of Mrs. Helen Kleiner of 189 Prospect Avenue,

Maywood, and Meloy is the son of Mrs. Rose Meloy of 513 Crotini Place, Teaneck.

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Skid Johnson Gets Silver Star For Dropping 4 Zeros At Rabaul

Captain Arnold R. (Skid) Johnson of Teaneck, Bergen County's number one air ace, has been decorated with the Silver Star for a smashing blow at Jap Zeros over Rabaul, New Britain, in the southwest Pacific last October 9.

The Associated Press in a delayed report dated April 2 said today many other New Jersey Army men had been decorated for the gallant but foredoomed fight to hold the Philippines, the smashing victory in

the Coral Sea, and the Papuan campaign that decimated a Japanese force of many thousands of troops.

The wired report carried Johnson's rank simply as Lieutenant. His father said his son who is credited with an official bag of 10 planes and sorties on a submarine and a number of Jap battleships, has gained rank of captain since leaving the southwest Pacific for home and a tour of Army Air Force bases in this country.

The Associated Press reported Johnson's citation followed General MacArthur's review of the gallant stand of the Flying Fortress he piloted over Rabaul.

"After an early-morning bombing attack on the enemy base at Rabaul, New Britain, October 9," it read, "a single Flying Fortress was sent out on a photographic and reconnaissance mission to record the damage done. Lieutenant Johnson was her pilot. After completing the mission, the plane was set upon by 4 Zeros. Johnson handled the B-17 so ably that his gunners were able to shoot down 2 of the Japanese fighters and drive off the other two in a bristling battle that lasted a full hour."

Johnson is a member of the 19th Bombardment Group of the Army Air Force, most decorated and celebrated of any in the Army Air Force and itself decorated early this year at a Texas airbase.

The bomber pilot returned home last December and left his home at the end of the Christmas holidays for new duties as an instructor at the Pyote, Tex., Army Air Force base. He was promoted there last February 22 to his present rank.

Today he is teaching combat tactics to some 400 Flying Fortress pilots at the Ehrata, Wash., Army Air Force base near Seattle.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Neil Johnson of 572 Kenwood Place, Teaneck. His father is a township fireman.

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Krumbach Is Captain

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Del Rio, Tex., Apr. 19—Otto Krumbach, 23, of 89 Sherwood Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has been promoted to be a captain in the Army Air Force.

For 15 months he served as an instructor at Stockton Field, Calif., transferring to this field as an instructor of light bombers.

At Teaneck High School he earned his football letter and later he worked in the advertising department of the New York Sun.

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**Major Murphy Surgeon
With Filers Down Under**

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
San Francisco, Calif., Apr. 20—Major George E. Murphy, who interned in medicine at Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck, N. J., is on duty somewhere in Australia as a group flight surgeon with the Army Air Force. He earned his majority last January 10 and flew to his Aussie base from the West Coast in recent weeks.

He is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and the Georgetown University School of Medicine. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army's Medical Department. He completed his internship in July, 1942, and was called to the colors.

His first assignment was to the Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Medical School. He also attended the School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field, Tex., where he earned flight surgeon rating.

4-20-43

Ganzenmuller Called
Private George Ganzenmuller, of Teaneck, member of the Army Enlisted Reserve Corps, was called to active duty from Northwestern University in Chicago and he has reported to Fort Custer, Mich. A member of Teaneck High School's 1942 graduating class, Private Ganzenmuller was studying at the School of Journalism at Northwestern University. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Ganzenmuller of 18 Brinkerhoff Avenue.

**Edwin Van Houten
Promoted To Sergeant**

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Camp Phillips, Kans., Apr. 14—Private Edwin J. Van Houten Jr. of 1219 Sussex Road, West Englewood, has been promoted to a corporal in the Army Signal Corps. He was drafted last December 9 and is 22 years old.

4-14-43

**3 Bergen Boys Report
To Bainbridge, Ga.**

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Bainbridge, Ga., Apr. 14—Three Bergen County, N. J., aviation cadets have been assigned to this Army Air Force field for basic flight training. These cadets who completed pre-flight training at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., are as follows:
TEANECK—Robert C. Jares, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jares.

Jares is a graduate of Brooklyn (N. Y.) Technical High School and is a former Brooklyn Polytech student. He was a machine operator before joining the Air Force May 9.

4-14-43

14 NAVAL CADETS GO TO PREFLIGHT SCHOOL IN SOUTH

**Bergenfield Trio, 2 Each
From Hackensack And
Maywood Included**

TRAIN IN GEORGIA

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Athens, Ga., Apr. 14 — Three fledgling fliers from Bergenfield, and four others from Hackensack and Maywood are among the 14 Bergen County, N. J., Naval Aviation Cadets who have begun preflight training at this indoctrination school. They are:

TEANECK—Robert Louis Wolpert of 114 Griers Avenue.
WEST ENGLEWOOD—William Fred Davis of 1288 Hudson Road.

4-14-43

3 Bergen Bombardiers Receive Commissions

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Midland, Tex., Apr. 22 — Three Bergen County, N. J., bombardiers were graduated today at 2 of the schools of the West Texas Bombardier Triangle of the Army Air Force. These local men commissioned as second lieutenants and the fields of their training are as follows:
WEST ENGLEWOOD—Russell E. Wahl, of 77 West Forest Avenue, his field of final training in the study of every known type of aerial missile.

4-22-43

Studies As Gunner

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Mineola, N. Y., Apr. 22—Corporal John L. Dahl Jr., of Teaneck, N. J., has been graduated as an aviation mechanic at the Roosevelt Field School of the Army Air Force. He is to continue his training as an aerial gunner. His parents live at 664 Teaneck Road, Teaneck.

4-22-43

9 Bergen Pilots Win Wings At Randolph Field Ceremony

Terminello Of Hackensack; Houghton, Seifert Of Teaneck; Keilt, Englewood Included

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Randolph Field, Tex., Apr. 22 — Hundreds of new fighting pilots were graduated here today from this Army Air Force Gulf Coast Training Center's ten advanced flying fields with commissions as second lieutenants.

AT DIFFERENT FIELDS

Nine in this year's fifth class of fighter fliers are from Bergen County, N. J., and won their wings at these Texas fields: Lubbock, Ellington at Houston, Eagle Pass, Moore at Mission, Pampa; Foster and Aloe, both at Victoria, and Brooks at San Antonio.

FRANK—Clyde A. Houghton of 258 Setlor Avenue, Aloe; and George J. Seifert of 264 Churchhill Street, Brooks.

Before these officers are assigned to combat duties they will go to postgraduate flying schools for instruction in the types of planes they will handle in contact with the enemy.



LT. CLYDE A. HOUGHTON

4-22-43

Kenny In Special Training

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Miami, Fla., Apr. 26—Donald A. Kenny of Teaneck, N. J., employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph company in New York at the time of his enlistment in the Navy last November, is training here for specialized duty against the U-boat.
The 26-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Kenny of 570 Tilden Avenue, Teaneck, is enrolled at the Sub-Chaser Training Center. Kenny, now seaman second class, attended Teaneck High School.

4-26-43

Ruddy First Lieutenant

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Camp Chaffee, Ark., April 26—Second Lieutenant Robert J. Ruddy of 467 Beverly Road, Teaneck, N. J., has been promoted to rank as first lieutenant in an ordnance maintenance battalion of an armored division at this Army post. He has been battalion adjutant since last October 10. He is a St. Cecilia High School graduate and worked as a cashier. He first was commissioned last October 3 upon graduation from Officer Candidate School.

4-26-43

Baser Commissioned

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Miami Beach, Fla., Apr. 27—Private Fred R. Baser, son of Fred C. Baser of 1156 Margaret Street, West Englewood, N. J., has been commissioned a second lieutenant here upon graduation from the Army Air Force Officer Candidate School. His duties will be in administrative and supply operations.

4-27-43

2 Win Commissions

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Miami Beach, Fla., Apr. 28—Warrant Officer Raymond Goldstone of West Englewood, N. J., and Sergeant George W. Kopp of River Edge, have been commissioned second lieutenants in the Army Air Force for administrative and supply operation duties. Goldstone is the son of Mrs. Ida O. Goldstone of 354 Winthrop Road, West Englewood. Kopp's mother, Mrs. Martha Z. Kopp, lives at 260 Manmouth Avenue, River Edge.

4-28-43

3 Aviation Cadets To Begin Primary Flying

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Chapel Hill, N. C., Apr. 27—Promotions to primary flight training have come to 3 Bergen County, N. J., Naval aviation cadets at this University of North Carolina pre-flight school. Local men and the fields to which they have been assigned are:
TEANECK—Daniel P. Paul, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Paul of 426 Woods Road, Peru, Ind.
WEST ENGLEWOOD—Ray Edward Benzenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Benzenberg, Peru.
Burdett attended Sayville, N. Y., High School and Westminster College. Paul excelled in football and baseball at Teaneck High School. Benzenberg is a member of the 1938 class at Teaneck.

4-27-43

16 Air Cadets Sent To Maxwell Field

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Montgomery, Ala., Apr. 28—The Nashville, Tenn., Army Air Force Classification Center has assigned
TEANECK—Richard T. Habel of 170 Johnson Avenue; Reinhold R. Minney of 634 Linden Avenue; and James S. Williams of 144 Queen Anne Road.
These cadets will get 9 weeks of training at Maxwell Field before they actually begin flight instruction.

4-28-43

Seven Bergen Seamen Start Boot Training

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Great Lakes, Ill., Apr. 27—Seven Bergen County, N. J., apprentice seamen have reported for boot training at this Naval Training Station. Local men are:
WEST ENGLEWOOD—Harold H. Strzeman, 27 of 14 East Forest Avenue
WORTENDYKE—Norman W. Proctor, 18 of 56 Oak Hill Road
Each of these recently enlisted recruits face weeks of intensive training in seamanship and Naval customs.

4-27-43



STUART L. MORRILL

Morrill On Coast

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Gardner Field, Calif., Apr. 28—Aviation Cadet Stuart L. Morrill of West Englewood, N. J., has completed basic flight training here at this Army Air Force field. He attended Peekskill, N. Y., Military Academy and was accepted as a cadet out of Camp Stewart, Ga. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Morrill of 321 Rutland Avenue, West Englewood.

4-28-43

Wagner Aerial Gunner

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Fort Myers, Fla., Apr. 27—Sergeant Maurice Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wagner of 310 Gifford Place, Teaneck, N. J., was graduated here the other day as an aerial gunner in the Army Air Force. He has been in the Army 10 months.

4-27-43

Sends Photo to Parents



Pvt. Robert Pohley

The above photograph, taken in England, was sent by Pvt. Robert Pohley, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Pohley, 49 Robinson st., Teaneck, for their 35th wedding anniversary, which was celebrated Monday. Pvt. Pohley also sent a cablegram of congratulations. He has been stationed in England for the past year with the Engineering Corps. He has been in the Army for 1 1/2 years. His wife, Frances, resides in Connecticut.

4-28-43



LT. GEORGE J. SEIFERT

4-23-43

Josephine Iorio At Gulfport

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Pompton Lakes, Apr. 26—Second Lieutenant Josephine R. Iorio of Teaneck, N. J., a graduate of the Holy Name Hospital and head nurse at the duPont plant here is on duty at the Gulfport, Miss., Army Air Force Station Hospital. She is a graduate of Leonia High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Iorio of 184 Larch Avenue, Teaneck.

4-26-43

Lieutenant Ruddy, Teaneck, To Marry Lillian F. Murphy

First Lieutenant Robert J. Ruddy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ruddy of 467 Beverly Road, Teaneck, will be married tomorrow at 5 P. M. in St. James's Church, N. Y. C. to Miss Lillian F. Murphy, daughter of Mrs. Helen Murphy of New York City. The Rev. Father Keene will officiate.

Miss Mildred Murphy will be her sister's maid of honor and Donald Ruddy of Teaneck will be his brother's best man.

After a wedding trip, the couple will go to Camp Chaffee, Ark., where Lieutenant Ruddy is stationed.

5-1-43

MR. BAYER FETED AT A FAREWELL

Teaneck Cleric Leaves For Army Duty

Approximately 150 parishioners and associates gave the Rev. E. George Bayer, minister of the Teaneck Methodist Church, and Mrs. Bayer a farewell party last night. First Lieutenant Bayer, granted a leave of absence from his pastorate for the duration, will report Thursday to the Harvard University Chaplains School, preparatory to assuming duties in the Army Chaplains Corps.

The Rev. Mr. Bayer came to Teaneck 5 years ago from the Suffern, N. Y. Methodist Church. He has been in the ministry 22 years. His wife and their two children have moved into an apartment at 120 Ayers Court, West Englewood, where they will reside until after the war.

The guest of honor was presented with a gift by E. Dewey Frech on behalf of members of the congregation.

Mrs. Louise Hallock of Bogota, choir director, sang solos, and duets were given by Mrs. E. Dewey Frech and Mrs. Louise Hasbrouck. A double quartet also entertained. Participating were John Waldron, Nathan E. H. Allen, William Sigley, Dr. Russell Biddle, R. Ernest Denton, J. Carter, J. Gay, and C. Leslie.

Mrs. George Baker arranged the affair, assisted by Mrs. A. W. Holcomb, Mrs. Helen Brotherton, and Mrs. George O. Haden.

"Continue Thou" has been chosen by Mr. Bayer as the theme of his farewell sermon to be delivered at 11 o'clock.

Members of the congregation are to provide their own box suppers for a family hymn sing to be held at 6:30 P. M. tomorrow.

5-1-43

14 Report For Flight Training At Colgate

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

New York, May 3—The Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board of the Third Naval District with headquarters here announced today that 14 recently inducted cadets have reported for flight training at Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y.

TEANECK—George Gordon Lamberson of 384 Birch Street; Edward Reginald MacDonald Jr., of 1116 Trafalgar Street; Leo B. Mazer of 361 Sherman Avenue; and Wilfred Joseph Kraus of 840 Eater Avenue.

WEST ENGLEWOOD — Harold Clayton Hartwick of 308 Briarcliffe Road.

Five in this group attended Teaneck High School. They are Lamberson, MacDonald, Mazer, Kraus and Hartwick.

5-3-43

West Englewood Resident Cited For Icarus Service

Roth, Of Alicia Avenue, Manning .50-Caliber Gun, Sprayed Sub's Deck, Helped Capture Crew

When the Coast Guard cutter Icarus, depth-charged a Nazi U-boat off the Carolinas several months ago and captured its 33-man crew, Second Class Petty Officer Howard Roth of Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, manned one of the .50-caliber machine guns that sprayed the raider's deck when it bobbed to the surface.

COMMANDER WON CROSS

Lieutenant Commander Maurice D. Jester, cutter commander, was cited for the Navy Cross for this distinguished service and Roth along with others of the crew were commended in a letter from the Navy Department for the seizure.

Roth was assigned to the Icarus Sept. 16, 1941, and kept this station until he was ordered to technical school in Brooklyn last February.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Roth, he enlisted Aug. 12, 1941, leaving work in the maintenance department of R. K. O. Theater. He was graduated from Teaneck High School.



HOWARD ROTH

5-4-43

Four Of County Are Now Pilots

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Blytheville, Ark., May 4 — Four Bergen County men were among the aviation cadets graduated at this Army Air Force field as pilots of the powerful 2-engine bomber-type aircraft, with commissions as second lieutenants. They are:

John E. Johannessen, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Johannessen, 20 Franklin Road, West Englewood; a 1938 graduate of Teaneck High School, where he played baseball and basketball.

5-4-43

Byrne Completes Nine-Week Course

Columbus, O., May 4—Lieutenant William J. Byrne of 570 Whitthrop Road, West Englewood, has completed a 9-week course in the Army Air Force Pilot School (Specialized 4-Engine) at Lockbourne Army Air Base. He is qualified to pilot a flying Fortress.

5-4-43

Colpitts, Teaneck, Prisoner Of Japs, His Family Learns

Had Been Reported Missing In Action In Philippines; Last Letter Home Before Pearl Harbor

First Lieutenant Walter W. Colpitts II, of West Englewood, 26-year-old Army Air Force pursuit ship pilot, is a prisoner of war of the Japanese, the War Department reported in Washington yesterday.

FATHER WITH O. D. T.

He is the son of Charles B. Colpitts, associate director of the Office of Defense Transportation in Washington. The father's parents live at 283 Warwick Avenue.

Colpitts first was reported missing in action in the Philippines last July 31. Since then his parents have heard nothing from him. His mother believed him alive and in hiding at the time.

Last letter home was dated a few weeks before Pearl Harbor when Colpitts served at Nichols Field near Manila in Hawaii.

The 1934 Teaneck High School honor graduate is in service about 4 years. By the time the Japs strafed Pearl Harbor, Colpitts already was on ground duty convalescing from injuries suffered when his plane overturned.

His assignment then was to visit one field after another in surveys for the A. A. F. of southwest Pacific airbases. He is believed to be one of the few with thorough first hand knowledge of fields in that war area.

At Rutgers University he was graduated as a bachelor of science in business administration 5 years ago. He served on the New Brunswick campus as a cadet second lieutenant in the Reserve Officer Training Corps.



LT. WALTER W. COLPITTS

5-4-43

Wilber Advances To First Lieutenant

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Orlando, Fla., May 7.—Promotion of Second Lieutenant Edwin L. Wilber of West Englewood to the rank of first lieutenant was announced here at the Army Air Force School of Applied Tactics.

Wilber is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Wilbur, of 115 Evergreen Place, West Englewood.

The officer is a graduate of West Virginia University and previous to joining the Army was a newspaperman.

At this school he is a member of the Analysis and Allocation section. He has been in service 16 months.

5-7-43

First Lieutenant and Mrs. Anthony W. Sylstra have left for Fort Harrison, Indianapolis, Ind., where Dr. Sylstra will be stationed with the Army Medical Corps. Mrs. Sylstra, the former Miss Marjorie Potts, has been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Potts, on Johnson Avenue.

Fireman Second Class Thomas Maxwell is spending a leave at his home, 200 Cranford Place, after completing boot training at the Naval Training Station at Baltimore, Maryland.

5-7-43

Ensign Franklyn Breitenstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Breitenstein of 198 Johnson Avenue has been promoted to Lieutenant (j. g.) He is stationed at Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa. Lieutenant Breitenstein was graduated from the Teaneck High School and Newark College of Engineering.

5-7-43

Teaneck's Contingent Off Monday Morning

Teaneck Local Draft Board has announced the names of selectees who will leave Monday at 9:30 A. M. from American Legion head

quarters on Garrison Avenue. They are:

TEANECK, WEST ENGLEWOOD—Milton Rodin, Clifford Lonsigetti, Edwin Bruckner, Arthur Hoffmann, Joseph Saracine, Edmund Widomuth, Frank Kenney, Leo Lukas, Eric Rasmussen, Herbert Rolben, Joseph Reika, Duncan Whyte Jr., Francis Hot, Bernard Silverman, Harold Powers, Carl Brinkmann, Paul Krumdick, Stanley Alston, Georges Dadaub, William Mally, David Davis, Louis de Leon, Conrad Manns, Theodore King, Henry Walker, William Schner, Matthew MacLennan, Edward Gluck, John Quinn, Donald Lewis.

5-10-43

Kraft In Training

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Greenwood, Mass., May 17.—Second Lieutenant Frank Xavier Kraft of 800 Chestnut Avenue, Teaneck, recently reported at this Army Airfield for basic flying training. Kraft has a brother in the Navy and a sister recently promoted to a sergeancy in the Waac.

5-17-43

Walker Reports To Dix Monday

Henry R. Walker, 23, of Teaneck, who was inducted in the Army Enlisted Reserve Corps April 13, has been called up for duty and reports at Fort Dix next Monday. He is the son of Mrs. Bertha C. Walker of 532 Glenwood Avenue, Teaneck. He worked for Warner Brothers in Newark.

5-17-43

COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING

Private Walter J. Polker Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Polker, 188 Cranford Place, Teaneck, has completed basic training in the United States Marine Corps at Parris Island, S. C., and is now attending Aerology School at Cherry Point, N. C.

5-17-43

PROMOTED



CORPORAL JAYNE KRAFT

JAYNE KRAFT WINS WAACS PROMOTION

Teaneck Girl Made Acting First Sergeant in Florida

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Daytona Beach, Fla., May 7.—Miss Jayne Kraft of Teaneck, N. J., recently promoted to rank as corporal in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps at this Waac Center has been assigned duties as acting first sergeant. She is 21 years old.

Corporal Kraft has two brothers in service. One is Second Lieutenant Frank K. Kraft on duty with the Army Air Force at Maxwell Field in Montgomery, Ala. The other is Second Class Petty Officer Thomas J. Kraft, a pharmacist's mate on duty with the Navy at a West Coast station.

These three are the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kraft of Chestnut Avenue, Teaneck.

Miss Kraft arrived here December 31. Before her enlistment she worked for the Greater New York Safety Council, Inc., in New York City. She is a 1939 graduate of Teaneck High School.

5-17-43

3 Sailors Captured By Japs; Soldier Is Killed In Tunisia

Navy List Of 1,044 Prisoners Includes 11 Who Were On Ships Which Disappeared In Java Sea

The Navy Department in Washington released its first prisoner list of the war yesterday and at the same time revived speculation as to the fate of the three American warships which vanished in the Java Sea more than a year ago.

Three men among the 1,044 officers and enlisted personnel listed as captives of the Japs are from Bergen County but none saw action on the cruiser Houston, the destroyer Pope, or the submarine Perch, which disappeared without any trace in the disastrous battle of the Java Sea.

At the same time the War Department notified the family of a Garfield enlisted man he had been killed in action in Tunisia.

The Navy offered no comment on its inclusion of the names of 11 crewmen of the three ships but the inference is clear that the ships did not go down with all aboard.

These men are named in reports:

Prisoners of War
DONOVAN, Seaman First Class John Francis, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Donovan of 144 Prospect Terrace, Teaneck.

ONLY 16

Donovan wanted to get into the Navy so badly, he induced his parents to give him the required parental consent. That was 3 years ago when he was 16.

Soon he was to have a mark-size job out for him as one of the defenders of Corregidor.

Precisely a month before Corregidor fell, he wrote home on April 7, 1942, "To this date I'm still safe. Don't worry about me."

His mother heard next from the Navy Department on May 12, six days after the fall of Manila's rock-ribbed fortress that her son then was in a Jap prison camp on the Philippines.

When the aircraft carrier U. S. S. Lexington was sunk in August, 1941, Donovan who served the Navy Air Force as aviation machinist on the Lexington, volunteered for duty in China but he was ordered to the Philippines.

FAINT HOPE

His mother said today she is relieved to know her son is living. Waiting for the word from him that never did come in more than a year, Mrs. Donovan held only to a shred of hope he might eventually come up among lists of the living.

She cabled her son, but has received no answer but even though she cannot get replies she is confident her news from home may provide him some cheer.

Donovan's father served in the last war in the New York Rainbow Division. His commanding officer was General Douglas MacArthur, then a colonel of infantry.

Sailor Donovan was assigned to the Philippines in August, 1941.

PRISONER



JOHN DONOVAN

5-17-43

From returned nurses Mrs. Keschner learned that her son had been working day and night in a hospital of 7000 patients.

"It means so much to have an address from the War Department," she said. "We cabled him immediately." Another son is in camp in California.

A budding career in the movies was interrupted when Paul Lange, 21, son of Alfred Lange, 827 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, a tall, handsome boy with wavy hair, went into the army and landed in the Coast Artillery. A Christmas letter from Corregidor, written a month before Pearl Harbor, was the last his parents heard until they received a telegram from the War Department the other day saying he is a prisoner of the Japanese.

"The Philippines was where he wanted to be because an uncle was a prosperous mining engineer there," said Mrs. Lange, the soldier's stepmother. "His letters were delightful. The only thing he didn't like about the army was



Pvt. Paul Lange.

the clipped haircut. At school his mind had been set on a career in the movies. While living for several years in Mexico City he had bit parts in pictures that were made at Monterrey. It's a great relief to know that he's alive and that we can write to him."

5-17-43

Dr. Paul I. Bookstaver Wins Naval Lieutenant (J.G.) Rate

Teaneck Health Officer's Son Is Assistant Surgeon At Brooklyn Base Hospital

Dr. Paul I. Bookstaver of Teaneck has received his commission as a Lieutenant (J.G.) in the Navy Medical Corps and is on active duty at the Naval Base Hospital, Brooklyn, as assisting acting surgeon.

BELLEVUE GRADUATE

Bookstaver, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Barnet S. Bookstaver of 183 Norma Road, Teaneck, was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1936. He received his A. B. degree from Columbia University in 1940 and 2 years later was graduated from New York University College of Medicine at Bellevue Hospital.

His father, Teaneck Township Health Officer, is also a Bellevue Hospital graduate.



LT. PAUL BOOKSTAVEN

5-17-43

West Englewood Wave, Duke Chatted Of Our Asparagus

Ensign Mary Birch Says She Found Dancing With Windsor A Pretty Heavenly Experience

To Ensign Mary Elizabeth Birch of West Englewood went the heavenly honor of dancing with the Duke of Windsor—and my dear, it was simply divine.

The boy knows his way around a dance floor, says this brown-haired starry-eyed 22-year-old college graduate.

DUCHESS THERE TOO

It all happened over at White-law Reid's Madison Avenue mansion in Manhattan, now the Women's Military Service Club.

The Duke and Duchess were both there.

Ensign Birch was asked by the committee to ask the Duke if he'd dance. She was introduced in the grand manner by expert Grover Whalen. It was like a dream walking, my dear, but simply like a dream walking.

"Would you like to dance?" said Ensign Birch. "I would like to very much," the Duke replied. So they

did. And what did they chat about while they danced? The beautiful asparagus they grow down in South Jersey. The Duke is fresh from a visit there.

Ensign Birch, a Wave since last November is fond of tennis, swimming, and ice skating. She prepared at St. Cecilia and received her A. B. degree at the College of New Rochelle 2 years ago.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Birch, live at 327 Warwick Street, West Englewood. Her father was an ensign in the Navy in the last war.

5-17-43

DANCED WITH DUKE



This is Ensign Mary Elizabeth Birch, the girl who danced with the Duke of Windsor at the Women's Military Service Club in New York Saturday night. She is a Wave and a resident of West Englewood.

5-17-43

Miner Strike Angers Flier; He Doesn't Like War Either

Cocktail Kid Boyle, Already Twice Wounded, Says Coal Situation Here Galls Men Abroad

Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle of Teaneck, one of the cocktail kids in the Flying Fortress Dry Martini, twice demonstrated he can really get mad.

CITES WAR CASUALTIES

Now comes word to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Boyle of 639 Standish Road, Teaneck, that he and others he knows are exercised over the coal strike. Here is what he wrote:

"That coal strike is galling a lot of people I know. We have a lot of friends who would be alive today if they had simply decided not to fight. But although they disliked fighting more than they would mining coal, they fought anyway, figuring it had to be done."

The Nazis can testify to the rage this twice-wounded, thrice-decorated Fortress copilot can develop.

The most recent sting of his wrath they felt April 4 over the

Renault works in southwest Paris where the Flying Fortress shot down 10 Nazi fighter planes and set a record for bombers. Boyle was copilot of the 10-man plane cocktail kids.

Then last January 13 in north-west France Boyle's Dry Martini dumped bombs on heavily industrial Lille, splintered and lagged behind its squadron and then took a nose-dive apparently done in.

The pilot was killed in this brush with the enemy. Boyle brought the plane out of its dizzy dive and raced it cross-channel with four Nazis in full pursuit. That time Boyle was wounded.

A month ago on the Dry Martini's rampage, Boyle got superficial scratches about the face.

He wrote his mother two slugs missed him by inches shattering the windshield and the camera he held. The spray of glass cut his face. The crew returned intact but the plane looked like a sieve with 60 bullet holes.

Boyle has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Order of the Purple Heart, and most recently with an Oak Cluster of that Order. And, he wrote home, the whole business is really funny.

"I am getting a lot of ribbing," he said. "My pals tell me that when the government gives you the Purple Heart, all you have to do is go over to Joe Boyle and get it from his storehouse."

The War Department listed Boyle's name among those of 18 other New Jersey Army men wounded in action.

5-18-43

HIS PARENTS GET VICTIM'S WINGS

Schweigers Of Teaneck Honored By Army

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schweiger of 140 Johnson Avenue, Teaneck, parents of Robert J. Schweiger who was killed when he crashed in training as an aviation cadet 6 weeks ago, said today they are in receipt of a posthumous award of silver wings and two letters of appreciation and condolence, one of them directed by General H. H. Arnold, Army Air Force chief, and the other from General George O. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff.

Brigadier General W. W. Welsh, commanding the Army Air Force at Maxwell Field, Alabama, wrote: "General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, has directed that the enclosed wings be presented to you in honor of Aviation Cadet Robert J. Schweiger, who gave his life in training to become a pilot in the Army Air Forces. This insignia would have been his badge of achievement on the completion of his training.

"You can rightly share the pride which would have been his on receiving those wings. The Army Air Forces presents them in honor to his memory."

The letter from General Marshall reads in part: "Robert J. Schweiger has made the great contribution to the American way of living. He died while serving as an American soldier and his sacrifice will not be forgotten by those who are determined to bring this terrible struggle to a victorious conclusion."

Schweiger and his companion were killed instantly April 9 when their trainer plane cracked up 15 miles south of Bush Field near Augusta, Ga. Schweiger's companion was pilot on the flight. The local boy himself was in training as a pilot. He was 25 years old and attended Bergen College 2 years ago.

5 10-43

HOME LOOKS GOOD

"We went by way of Lisbon," Anderson said, "and we spent 20 hours in that city because of motor trouble. Pan-American Airways gave us a guide and we saw all the sights before we took off again for Ireland."

From Ireland he went to Bristol, England, and then to Cardiff, Wales, where the War Shipping Administration supplied the men with quarters and food. After spending 20 days in Wales, they were sent to Liverpool, England, where they boarded a Honduran ship for home.

"Home looked pretty good," Anderson said, "in fact the first sight of land which we knew was the United States, looked like the best place in the world, although the day we arrived was cloudy and foggy."

Anderson, the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Anderson of 405 Maitland Avenue, West Englewood, had wanted to go to sea since he was old enough to listen to the stories of the sea his father told. Mr. Anderson served during the last war and for several years afterwards as a captain in the Merchant Marine, and he has encouraged his son about sea training for years.

The 6-foot-8-inch merchant seaman went to Teaneck High School until his sophomore year when he attended Admiral Billard Academy in New London, Conn. He went to school at the Academy for 3 years, and spent his summers as a seaman on merchant ships. He is anxious to get back to sea again and expects to leave within the next few weeks.

5-10-43

Enrolls As Mechanic

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Biloxi, Miss., May 12—Private John E. Protin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henri Protin of 360 Whitelaw Place, Teaneck, N. J., was promoted to the grade of private first class this week and enrolled in Kessler Field's huge B-24 Liberator mechanics school. The course runs 17 weeks.

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IN TRAINING



Auxiliary First Class Evelyn Parsons of Teaneck, N. J., has reported at Arkansas Polytechnic College at Russellville for training in administration in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. She completed 4 weeks basic training at the Third Training Center at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Auxiliary Parsons is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin La Salle of 127 Grayson Place, Teaneck.

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DONALD ANDERSON

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Teaneck Sailor Says Drills Aboard Ship Saved His Life

Practice Made Perfect, Anderson Says, And Real Thing Went Well—Picked Up After 8 Hours Adrift

Routine lifeboat drills will never be a cause for complaint from Deck Cadet Donald Anderson of the Merchant Marine who today described his first encounter with a Nazi submarine.

Back at his home in Teaneck just 2 months after having a merchant ship torpedoed from under him, Anderson said that because of all the practice drills, each man automatically went to his post calmly and quickly when the real thing came.

ON WAY TO AFRICA

"It went like clockwork and we had all the lifeboats lowered in less than 10 minutes," Anderson said. "The torpedo felt like a heavy thud when it hit," he said, "and when we compared notes later we found that every man below and above decks said the same three words, 'This is it.'"

"We were on our way from New York to Africa, and when we were about 450 miles northwest of the Azores, we had trouble with our engine and had to leave the convoy we were with," Anderson relates. "It was the thirteenth of March at about 8:30 at night when we were hit. It's funny, but all the men were uneasy from the beginning of the trip as if they sort of expected we'd be hit. It didn't even seem very much of a shock when it hit, and we all went to our posts as we had dozens of times in our drills."

"I'll say one thing for the commander of that submarine, he did let all the lifeboats get away before shooting the second torpedo which sent the boat down," Anderson said. Adrift for only 8 hours, Anderson said it was the happiest moment of his life when they sighted a neutral ship which picked up all the survivors.

LIGHT IS SIGHTED

"It was so dark when we were in the lifeboats that we tied all the boats together and decided to wait until morning to choose our course. Our Navy radioman had managed to send an S. O. S. before he left the ship, and we all hoped that one of the ships in the convoy we had left would pick it up. We had small transmitters in our lifeboats too, and we kept signalling from there."

"About 3:30 in the morning we sighted a white light coming toward us and we thought it was one of our destroyers, but it was a Portuguese ship on its way to Lisbon. We shot two red distress flares and the ship started to go away from us, thinking we were a German submarine. Then our Navy signalman got busy with some of the equipment he had brought with him and he told them we were Americans. About an hour later they picked us all up and the captain of the Portuguese ship explained that he had been stopped by several German submarines and he didn't want to stop for another."

First stop for Anderson and the rest of the crew was an island in the Azores, the island of Fayal, where they had to stay for 27 days until they were taken to Ireland by Clipper. They were supplied with clothing and food by the American consul at Fayal, and Anderson said that they arrived just at the end of the rainy season when it was cold, raw and damp. They stayed at a hotel there where many of them had to sleep in the halls. They were taken away in three groups by Clipper.

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Sewers Here Make Altar Linens For Teaneck Chaplain In The Field

A request from Lieutenant Colonel Edward J. Kroncke of Teaneck, chief chaplain in the South Pacific area, yesterday was filled by members of the sewing unit of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Teaneck, when they made altar linens for temporary field churches.

The group, directed by Mrs. George Errick, received a letter from Colonel Kroncke, thanking them for the linens they sent him last year for a Protestant Temple in New Caledonia, and he asked them to make more for altars he will set up in fields and on board ships.

"I'm the envy of all the chaplains in this area," his letter read, "and I need more for my field services." With this request, the women went

to work and made several altar pieces yesterday. His wife is a member of the church, and sews with the group.

Mrs. John McKean of Alpine Drive, Teaneck, was hostess yesterday to the group, which meets Tuesdays to sew for the Red Cross.

Colonel Kroncke, whose home is at 958 Darlen Terrace, Teaneck, is a former minister of a Lutheran Church at 422 West 44th Street, New York City, and is executive secretary of the Metropolitan Lutheran Innermission Society. He writes his wife that he has preached to some Teaneck boys and many Bergen County boys in the South Pacific area. He has preached in the native churches, on board ship, and in the middle of fields.

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PROMOTED



LT. PAUL A. WALNES

WALNES TO GET POST IN TEXAS

O'Neill, Hackensack, Now A Sergeant

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Camp Berkeley, Tex., May 21—Recently commissioned Second Lieutenant Paul A. Walnes of Teaneck, N. J., will report here for new duties as an officer next Monday. He won his rank May 12 after three months in the Officer Candidate School at this Army post. Walnes is with the Army Medical Administrative Corps.

Walnes who served for 17 months in the Panama Canal Zone is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alie Walnes of 253 DeGraw Avenue, Teaneck. They have another son, First Sergeant Robert Walnes, serving with the Army at Nashville, Tenn.

Lieutenant Walnes is a 1936 graduate at Bogota High School.

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MARINE NONCOM IS INDUCTED BY TEANECK V. F. W.

Sgt. Mehl, Home From Guadalcanal, Talks At Post Session

ACCEPT 2 OTHERS

Marine Corps Sergeant Henry Mehl of Teaneck, just home from active duty in Guadalcanal, last night was accepted as a member of Captain S. T. Schoonmaker Post 1429, V. F. W., of Teaneck, with two other Teaneck boys who are now on duty in the South Pacific.

Appearing in person, Sergeant Mehl told members of the Post that one of the most important duties of everyone on the home front should be writing to men who are in service overseas.

Also inducted were Harry A. Killian and Isaac Hornstein, veterans of World War I, and Edward Rudolph Gogolen and John Charles Bostrom, both in service in the South Pacific fighting area.

Special services were held for former Commander James Franklin, who was presented with his warrant aide de camp to the Department Commander, as recognition for his activities in World War II. Franklin is instructor in military science, C. A. A., in Bergen College, and is drillmaster to the Teaneck Auxiliary Police of the Defense Council. Former Department Commander Henry A. Giegold of Dumont made the presentation with Commander Francis Kelly and former Commander Carl Kellgren assisting.

Delegates chosen to attend the State Encampment at Newark on June 26, 27, 28 and 29 are Klemm, McCaffrey, Kellgren, James Franklin, and Alfred Martin, George Bettis, and Commander Kelly.

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Leibrecht A Corporal

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
Hartlingen, Tex., May 23—Promotion of John J. Leibrecht Jr., 21, of Teaneck, to the rank of corporal was announced here at the Army Air Force Gunners School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Leibrecht of 568 Martense Avenue, Teaneck. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School and before his enlistment last September, was associated with Wright Aeronautical Corporation of Paterson.

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LT. ROBERT G. BOLINDER

Bolinder Of Teaneck Is Awarded His Wings

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

La Junta, Colo., May 22—Robert Gordon Bolinder, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Harry Bolinder of 123 Evergreen Place, West Englewood, N. J., was graduated here yesterday as a second lieutenant and pilot in the Army Air Force. He enlisted in February, 1942.

Bolinder was graduated from Teaneck High School 3 years ago and attended Newark College of Engineering. He trained for his wings at Santa Ana, Calif.; Sequoia Field, Visalia, Calif., and Chico, Calif.

He will remain at this airbase for combat flight training of B-26 bombers.

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Major Willis Assigned To Personnel Duty

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Washington, May 25—Major Ora G. Willis of Teaneck, N. J., has been assigned here to the G-1 (Personnel) Section at headquarters of the Army Ground Forces. Willis attended the University of Kansas and was commissioned a second lieutenant at his graduation from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y. His military education also includes attendance at the Infantry School Regular Course at Fort Benning, Ga.

Willis was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in 1936, to captain in 1940 and to his present rank in 1942.

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Grady, Teaneck, Studies Mechanics

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

La Guardia Field, N. Y., May 24—John R. Grady, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Grady of 43 Cranford Place, Teaneck is receiving training in the aircraft mechanics course of the Army Air Force here.

Recently promoted to private first class, Grady was a student at Teaneck High School when he entered the service in March.

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Silver Wings For P.F.C. Christensen

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Panama City, Fla., May 24—P. F. C. Arthur Christensen Jr., whose wife resides at 120 Tryon Avenue, West Englewood, wears the silver wings of an aerial gunner in the Army Air Force at the end of training at the Flexible Gunnery School here at Tyndall Field.

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Tilson Commissioned

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Luke Field, Ariz., May 27—Thomas J. Tilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Metelli of Ogden Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force after completing a course at the Army Air Force Single Engine Flying School here.

Receives Training

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Greeley, Colo., May 27—Private First Class William L. Breckwoldt, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Breckwoldt of 77 Oakdene Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has arrived here for a clerical training course of the Army Air Force Technical Training Command.

2 Graduated

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Lowry Field, Colo., May 27—Private Samuel Leon Glover of Teaneck, N. J., and Walter Thomas Koeng of Bergenfield have been graduated from the armament school here. Private Glover is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glover of 242 East 18th Street, New York City. Private Koeng is the son of Walter Koeng of 49 Van Houten Street, Bergenfield.

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"The Sarge is always right, no matter what he tells the men to do," writes Patrolman Arthur Agnor of Teaneck, now a first class private in the Army Military Police at Fort Riley, Kansas, in a letter to Patrolman E. Norton of the police force.

"He just came in the tent and said to get out and lie in the gutter—so we did. We didn't know why he gave that command, but we climbed down in a sewer and in another minute a tornado went right over us."

According to the patrolman's letter, many people were hurt in the tornado, but thanks to the Sergeant, his group of men were uninjured.

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LT. BOYLE MISSING IN ACTION



Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle of Teaneck (above) who had two narrow scrapes with death in the Flying Fortress Dry Martini, today is reported missing on his latest flight, this time as pilot of another Fortress.

Cocktail Kid Lost On Raid, But Parents Don't Give Up

Boyle Of Teaneck, Who's Been Through Scrapes Over Paris, Lille, Listed As Missing

By LEE BRODERICK

The cocktail kid of the Flying Fortress Dry Martini: "If I'm ever listed as missing, Mom, don't ever give up."

The father of the 24-year-old kid: "I'm not going to count him out yet. He's been through a lot of close scrapes and he'll probably come out of this one given the 50-50 chance you talk about."

The Associated Press: "Lieutenant Boyle, pilot of the Dry Martini, is missing in a recent raid in which he flew on another ship."

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Teaneck Graduate Now Airplane Mechanic

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Roosevelt Field, N. Y., May 27—Herman F. Ernst, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman A. Ernst of 332 Van Buren Avenue, Teaneck, was graduated here as an airplane mechanic in the Army Air Force.

Ernst recently was promoted to corporal and is a graduate of Teaneck High School. He was a mechanic's helper for Eastern Air Lines before entering the Army.

Rice Commissioned

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Corpus Christi, Tex., May 27—John Charles Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Rice of 135 Highgate Terrace, West Englewood, N. J., has been commissioned an ensign in the Navy after his graduation from the Naval Air Training Center here.

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3 DECORATION MAN

The kid is Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle of 539 Standish Road, Teaneck, twice-wounded and thrice-decorated copilot of the Dry Martini which last April 4 went on a 10-minute spree over the Renault works in Paris and bagged 10 Nazi planes for a 1-day Fortress record. Boyle was scratched about the face that time.

Over the steel city of Lille in northwest France last January 13, Boyle had the devil's own time but he pulled out of that one too with blood pouring from cuts in his face and leg, his pilot dead beside him, and two of his crewmen wounded.

The Nazis shelled the bomber until it looked like a giant sieve with holes as big as a 10-ten gallon hat. The plane took a nosedive and its motor gasped, sputtered and then breathed new life as Boyle coaxed it at hedge-hop height to level off and race away. The plane was chased across the channel by four enemy fighters.

13 attack over the French Pittsburgh, "... and things were rough but I am not superstitious."

Another time he wrote, "I have had some unexpected adventures but a fair share of luck."

Boyle's luck apparently ran out when they yanked him from the Dry Martini and sent him on an operational in the unnamed Fortress.

Wired reports today gave but meager news of this latest sortie by the low-headed Teaneck terror but unofficial sources give him a 50-50 chance for safe landing within the enemy's lines.

D. F. C. GIVEN

For bringing the Martini home from Lille he got the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Military Order of the Purple Heart for being wounded in action. For the April 4 attack over Paris, he got the Oak cluster to the Purple Heart.

The Martini that flew over Paris was the third edition of the Fort named for Captain Allen V. Martin, its pilot, who now is on ground duty after 25 operations. The other Martinis were shelved into the junk heap.

Boyle must have cracked up in the period from May 13. That day he wrote his mother, Mrs. Joseph Johnstone Boyle, "Thanks, Mom, for the Mother's Day greeting. Should have been the other way around. But you know the sentiment was there just as it is the other 364 days. Put in another working day today. Always glad to have another behind me, but I'm not at all superstitious—this was the thirteenth...."

DIDN'T LIKE STRIKE

In a letter before this Boyle took a swipe at the coal miners. He said the strike is galling a lot of his friends who dislike fighting more than they would mining coal but they fight anyway.

Boyle showed an early interest in aviation and he took the aviation course at Teaneck High School where he was graduated 9 years ago.

He went on to Bergen College and after a year matriculated at Lehigh University, in Bethlehem, Pa., to be graduated in 1939.

Shortly after Pearl Harbor was bombed, he enlisted in the Army Air Force. That was Dec. 20, 1941. He was commissioned at the Greenville, Miss., Flying School last July 26 and went overseas in October.

MORE PRAYERS

Boyle has a brother, Technical Sergeant Bruce Boyle at Lakeland, Fla., with the Army Air Force meteorological division. His sister, the former Ruth Boyle, is married to Ensign Ralph Wright, on duty with the Navy at a station in North Africa.

He was born just before the last war ended, on Aug. 25, 1918, at Dawson in Yukon Territory of Canada, where his father was at work in the gold-dredging business.

When Boyle was hurt at Lille, his friends prayed for him at church.

"In our church," said Mrs. Boyle at the time, "we've all said a little prayer for Joe and that's what pulled him through, I guess."

Joe had written, "Prayers are never to be underestimated."

This ends in a little prayer for Joe.

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Elliot Promoted To Be A Captain

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Camp Edwards, Mass., May 27—William H. Elliot of 1065 Wilson Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has gained rank of captain here in the Army Engineer Corps. He entered service as a second lieutenant with the Officers Reserve Corps last July, and in October was promoted to first lieutenant.

A graduate of New York Military Academy, Elliot is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Elliot of the Teaneck address. His wife and baby daughter are living nearby.

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Air Cadets Train At Maxwell Field

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Montgomery, Ala., May 27—Nine Bergen County, N. J., aviation cadets have reported here at Maxwell Field for training as pilots in the Army Air Force. The local men who gained their training designation at the Nashville, Tenn., Classification Center are as follows:

TEANECK — Robert P. Hurler of 80 Johnson Avenue; and Thomas F. Mirabito of 289 Queen Anne Road.

TENANTLY — John R. Mason of 55 George Street.

These men enter upon 9 weeks of training toward their silver wings and a commission.

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Klimm, Belanger

Meet For A 'Hello'

Bosom pals since their grammar school days, First Lieutenant Frank Klimm and Ensign Harold LeRoy Belanger of Teaneck met in their

home town again last week-end for the first time in over a year, just in time to say "hello" before they both left for active duty. They were inseparable friends in grade school and Teaneck High School for years.

Lieutenant Klimm, son of Police Lieutenant and Mrs. Frank Klimm of 624 Tilden Avenue, is with a fighter squadron in the Army Air Force and has left for parts unknown. Ensign Belanger will leave in a few days for active duty as a dive-bomber pilot for the Navy. His home is at 550 Ortani Place.

Ensign Belanger has his degree of bachelor of mechanical engineering from the College of the City of New York, and he is a member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering society.

Lt. Klimm attended New York University for 3 years studying to be a mechanical engineer, but he enlisted in April, 1942, before finishing his education.



ENSIGN HAROLD L. BELANGER



LT. FRANK KLIMM

MIKOLASY SIGNS FOR NAVAL DUTY AND AIR COURSE

His Brother A Prisoner
Of Axis After Battle
In Tunisia Nov. 28

TEANECK GRADUATE

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Corpus Christi, Tex., June 1 — Naval Aviation Cadet Theodore Owen Mikolasy, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sander Mikolasy of Englewood, N. J., has been transferred here to the Naval Air Training Center upon completion of the primary flight training course at the Naval Air Station at Glenview, Illinois.

He follows the air career blazed by his brother, now a prisoner of war of the Axis. Lieutenant William Mikolasy, 25, a navigator with the Army Air Force in Tunisia, took part last November 28 in the mass bombing of Sfax, important Mediterranean harbor, and later was reported a prisoner.

Cadet Mikolasy is a graduate of the Teaneck High School, and served in the British West Indies as a Seaman First Class, before beginning his career at the Navy's Pre-Flight School at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C.

After passing the advanced flight training course at Corpus Christi, Mikolasy will pin on wings as a Naval Aviator to be commissioned as an Ensign in the Navy or a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

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Lieut. Johannessen

Now At Geiger Field

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Spokane, Wash., June 1 — Second Lieutenant John E. Johannessen of 20 Franklin Road, West Englewood, is now on duty here at Geiger Field. He has been in the Army since March 2, 1942. He was an expert shipping and actuarial man.

Yale Alumnus

Graduates O. C. S.

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Port Benning, Ga., June 1 — Sherman P. Glendining of Teaneck, N. J., has been commissioned a second lieutenant here upon graduation from the Army's Infantry Officer Candidate School which he entered as corporal. He enlisted last September 24.

Glendining is a graduate of Yale University. His parents live at Wellesley, Mass.

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3 From Bergen Get Commissions

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Fort Monmouth, June 1 — The Army Signal Corps Officer Candidate School at this post has graduated three Bergen County enlisted men as second lieutenants as follows:

TEANECK — Thomas C. Armstrongs, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Armstrongs of 36 Brinkerhoff Avenue.

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Ritter Attends School

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Syracuse, N. Y., June 2 — Corporal Henry Ritter of 127 Grayson Place, Teaneck, N. J., has left the Army Air Force base at Syracuse University to attend Army Rail Transportation School at Mississippi State College, Starkville, Miss. Former bus dispatcher for the East Side Omnibus Corporation in New York for 10 years, Ritter entered the Army last July.

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Leaves Of Tree Of Death Fell On Attu: We Threw 'Em

Made-In-U. S. A. Ill Omens Needled Doomed Garrison In New Twist Of Nerve War

Washington, June 10 (AP)—One of the broadest hints on the extent to which our armed forces are coupling psychology with bullets is the report that our planes dropped imitation kiri leaves on the Japanese at Attu.

The kiri is a Japanese tree the leaf of which resembles that of our own catalpa. The Japanese have a superstition that when its leaves fall prematurely they foretell death or other impending disaster. The name "kiri" sounds like the Japanese word for death, as in "harakiri".

WEARING SKINS THIN

This is according to the Office of War Information, which reveals that its research workers dug up the Japanese superstition and also that the paper leaves dropped on the enemy on Attu bore a terse message in Japanese, presumably

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advising them to surrender.

Officials said there is considerable promise in these tactics, particularly against the Japanese. It's pointed out that the average Japanese soldier is a creature of beliefs rather than of thought or reasoning. He believes implicitly in his divine mission, his invincibility, and his superiority.

Some day, somewhere, it's contended, there'll come a time when this fabric of faith will dissolve about the ordinary Japanese soldier. The kiri leaflets are probably only one of many little pin pricks which are being thrust against his morale.

Such psychological warfare is pretty hush-hush around Washington, but in the field it goes hand in hand with shells and bombs and military force. It's a weapon. It's used all the time. It's used on the Italians and on the Germans as well as on the Japanese.

Jensen Made Instructor
(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)
New Orleans, La., June 5 — Second Lieutenant J. Douglas Jensen of Teaneck, N. J., last Wednesday completed a course here in the Army chemical warfare school and has been assigned as an instructor of enlisted men in the Signal Corps. He was commissioned at Fort Monmouth, N. J., last November. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. David Jensen, live at 427 Sagamore Street, Teaneck.

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Hamm Of Teaneck Studies Vehicles

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Fort Knox, Ky., June 18 — Private First Class Philip C. Hamm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hamm of 146 Lindbergh Boulevard, Teaneck, N. J., has arrived here for training in the Armored Force Wheeled Vehicle Department.

Teaneck Resident Named Honor Man

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Great Lakes, Ill., June 18 — George Helmstetter Jr., 28, of 48 Park Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has been graduated from recruit training as honor man of his company at this Naval Training Station. He is a graduate of Ridgefield Park, N. J. High School and attended Pace Institute in New York City.

Formerly a junior accountant with the American Sugar Refining Company, Brooklyn, N. Y., he joined in April as an apprentice seaman. As a result of his averages on aptitude tests, Helmstetter has qualified for one of the Navy's storekeeper schools.

The honor man left for a nine-day leave last Tuesday with his wife, Mrs. Catherine Helmstetter, and young daughter, Judith Ann. His parents are the George Helmstetters of 149-36 Fifteenth Drive, Whitestone, N. Y.

Cadet Training At Miami Beach

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Miami Beach, Fla., June 18 — Private Bernard H. Cadell of 1300 Hudson Road, Teaneck, N. J., is taking basic training here at the Army Air Force Technical Training Command School.

Before entering the Army Cadet was a Junior at George Washington University. His brother, Herbert Cadell, is an aviation cadet.

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TWO GRADUATED AS ARMY PILOTS AT NAPIER FIELD

Royer Of Wood-Ridge,
Braun Of Teaneck Win
Lieutenant's Rank

ENTERED IN 1941

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Dothan, Ala., June 2 — Donald Gordon Royer of Wood-Ridge, N. J., and Albert Leonard Braun of Teaneck, N. J., have been graduated here at Napier Field as pilots and second lieutenants in the Army Air Force.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan L. Royer of 108 Hackensack Street, Wood-Ridge, Royer is a graduate of the Rutherford, N. J., High School. He was employed by the Eastern Air Lines in New York City before he entered the armed service Jan. 29, 1941. He is married to the former Miss Margaret Irene Gilligan of Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., and is the father of two girls.

Braun is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Charles Braun of 1365 Milford Terrace, Teaneck. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School and attended Bergen College. He worked for an electrical appliance store in Paterson until he entered the armed service Sept. 29, 1941. He was accepted for Army flying training April 27, 1942.



LT. ALBERT L. BRAUN

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Promoted To Captain

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Washington, June 5 — Lieutenant Eric Livfvergren of West Englewood, N. J., has been promoted to captain in the Army Military Police here. A veteran of World War 1, Livfvergren received his commission last November at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and took refresher courses at the Provost Marshal General's Training Center in Battle Creek, Mich.

His family lives at 289 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood. He has two sons, Eric Jr., and Bruce. He is a former adjutant of Teaneck Post 128, American Legion. A graduate of the New York University College of Engineering, Livfvergren was an active member in the New York University Alumni Club of Bergen County before entering the service.

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LT. THOMAS J. TILSON

Tilson in California

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

San Francisco, Calif., June 7 — Thomas J. Tilson, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Metelf of 696 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., recently commissioned a second lieutenant, has been assigned here to the Hamilton Field Army Air Force tactical unit. He is with a P-39 Airacobra P-39 tactical unit as pilot. Tilson was graduated 2 years ago from Teaneck High School, where he was quarterback of the varsity football team, and enlisted last August 14. He won his officer rank at Luke Field, Arizona.

Lethbridge Advances

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Chapel Hill, N. C., June 7 — Naval Aviation Cadet Donald Lethbridge, son of Councilman and Mrs. Berry B. Lethbridge Sr. of 134 Summit Avenue, Hackensack, N. J., has completed an 11-week course at the Navy's preflight school here and has been advanced to primary flight training at the Squantun Squantum, Mass., Air Station.

At Hackensack High School he was a member of Honor Society and editor of the undergraduate newspaper.

Another in this preflight class to be graduated is Cadet Wilcox King Longtin, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Longtin of 784 Hartwell Street, Teaneck. He has been ordered to the Bunker Hill, Ind., Air Station for primary flight training.

At Teaneck High School three years ago he was active in football, wrestling, and baseball.

Lieut. Wittman Goes To Administration School

Richmond, Ky., June 8 — Lieutenant Edith M. Wittman of Teaneck, N. J., commissioned a third officer in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps at Fort Des Moines, Ia., May 23, has been ordered here to the Waac Administration School. She enlisted January 12.

After completing her basic training she was sent to Nacogdoches, Texas, Army Administration school. She is assigned as an instructor at this Waac branch where 600 auxiliaries are in training to do desk work in the Army.

Before enlisting Lieutenant Wittman was confidential secretary to Mrs. Barclay Douglas of Brooklyn. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stefan Wittman of Brooklyn. She attended Teaneck High School.

R. W. Loh Into Basic Course

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Bainbridge, Ga., June 8 — Raymond W. Loh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Loh Sr., 811 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, N. J., is assigned to basic flight training here as an Army aviation cadet. He completed pre-flight training at Maxwell Field,

Ala., and his primary training at one of the many fields throughout the southeast.

Loh joined the Air Force last October 19. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School, where he represented his school in the state wrestling meet and won the title. Later he attended Lehigh University.

J. W. Bonneville Graduated

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Jacksonville, Fla., June 8 — James Warren Bonneville of 125 Ayers Court, West Englewood, N. J., recently was graduated from this Aviation Machinist's Mate School.

He enlisted in the Navy last August 14 and was sent to Newport, R. I., for indoctrinal training before being transferred to this training center.

Bonneville is now a qualified mechanic and will probably see service with a Naval air unit.

Jost, Saviet Graduated

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Carlisle Barracks, Pa., June 7 — Captain Charles F. Jost of 339 Innes Road, Wood-Ridge, N. J., and Lieutenant Stanley Saviet of 880 Garrison Avenue, Teaneck, were graduated here yesterday from the Medical Field Service School. Jost is in the Sanitary Corps and Lieutenant Saviet is in the Dental Corps, both in the Medical Department.

Cadet Weiss Reports At Athens

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Athens, Ga., June 8 — Naval Aviation Cadet William Weiss Jr. of Teaneck, N. J., has reported here to the Navy Pre-Flight School for training as a flier. Weiss is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weiss of 707 Chestnut Avenue. He was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1943, and completed C. A. A. primary training at Martin, Tenn.

2 Graduated As Gunners

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Fort Myers, Fla., June 8 — Sergeant Roy H. Weidlich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph W. Weidlich of 14 Second Street, Hackensack, N. J., was graduated here as an aerial gunner in the Army Air Force. He has been in the Army 17 months and worked as a research worker. Another in this class of gunners is Sergeant Carl Bernstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bernstein of 985 Teaneck Road, Teaneck. He worked as a printer before he entered Army ranks 9 months ago.

HART TO TAKE COURSE

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Great Lakes, Ill., June 7 — John W. Hart, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hart of 18 Earriet Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., has been selected for 16 weeks of instruction here as fire-controlman at the Naval Training Station.

H. T. Templin Starts Basic

Peccos, Tex., June 8 — Aviation Ca-

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

det Heinz H. Templin, son of Mrs. Ottilie Templin of 320 Fabry Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., has arrived here for basic training as a student in the Army Air Force. Before he joined the Army, Templin was an employee of the Watson-Flagg Machine Co., at Paterson, N. J.

H. J. Woltke Promoted

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Camp Carson, Colo., June 8 — Harold J. Woltke of 668 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., has gained new rank here as sergeant. He was drafted last October 19 and attended Teaneck, N. J., High School.

GRADUATED



Harold V. Reilly Jr. (above), whose father's entry into the Army as a Major was announced yesterday, was graduated from the R. O. T. C. course at New York Military Academy last Saturday and now awaits orders from Washington. At the Academy he excelled in horsemanship and military science. The Reillys make their home in Teaneck.

Jares Wins Commendation In Air Cadet Show

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Bainbridge, Ga., June 9 — Robert C. Jares of Sagamore Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has been awarded a commendation for outstanding performance in an interflight hurdling competition at an air show put on by cadets at this Army Air Force Basic Flying School.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jares, he took first place in the hurdle contest, representing Flight B which scored the highest number of points for the entire show.

Jares has now been transferred to the Army Air Force Flying School at Columbus, Miss., to continue pilot training. He took his pre-flight course at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., and then was ordered to Arcadia Field, Fla.

Before his enlistment Jares was employed by the Wright Aeronautical Corporation at Paterson. He attended Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn.

PROMOTED



Detective-Lieutenant Theodore Morgan (above) of Teaneck, on duty with the Coast Guard somewhere in the Southwest Pacific, has been promoted to lieutenant senior grade. Morgan was busy chasing down a lead on the now 6-year-old Redwood murder case when the Coast Guard called him last July 21. He left for an undisclosed destination from the Coast Guard's Barge Office Station August 1 as a lieutenant junior grade.

NEW ENSIGN



ENSIGN R. W. WILSON

ENSIGN AWAITS CALL TO ACTION

West Englewood Man Receives Commission

Ensign Rodney Wallace Wilson, 20, of West Englewood, is home on leave awaiting call to active duty with the Navy. He received his degree of bachelor of science and his commission as a Navy Ensign June 9 from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Ensign Wilson was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1938 at the age of 15. He attended Bergen College for a year and a half and received the presidential-at-large appointment to Annapolis in 1940. His home is at 17 West Englewood Avenue.

Sergeant Kraft Wins Promotion As Instructor At Daytona Beach

Jayne C. Kraft, of Teaneck, has just been promoted to the rank of first sergeant in the Waacs at Daytona Beach, Fla., where she serves as drill master and instructor. Her rank is the highest non-commissioned rank in the Waacs.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kraft of 600 Chestnut Avenue was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1939. Before her enlistment Dec. 29, 1942, Sergeant Kraft was employed by the New York Safety Campaign Committee in New York City, where she did stenographic and clerical work.

Miss Thoren at Des Moines

Ann G. Thoren of 142 Canoe Street, Teaneck, is now a top sergeant in the Waacs stationed at Des Moines, Iowa, doing administrative work. Sergeant Thoren graduated from Dickinson High School, Jersey City, in 1932 and then went to business. She was doing cost accounting work when she entered the Waacs in August, 1942.

Miss Marks A Sergeant

Barbara J. Marks of 17 West Englewood Avenue, West Englewood, is now a sergeant doing administrative work for the Waacs in a new camp, called Branch 7, at Alpine, Texas, near El Paso. She graduated from West Orange High School in 1937 and then attended Olivet College in Michigan for a year. She then went to business for a few

years doing clerical work for a publishing house in New York. In 1942 she left business and took a one-year course in Bergen College, Teaneck. In February, 1943, she enlisted in the Waacs and received her basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and additional instruction at Denton, Texas.

Miss Roemer At Kilmer

Margaret M. Roemer of Roemer Avenue, West Englewood, is now stationed at Camp Kilmer, New Brunswick, doing clerical duty in the Waacs. Auxiliary Roemer was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1932 and then was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company, with whom she remained until she entered the service of the army on Mar. 29, 1943. At the time of her enlistment she was head of the clerical staff in the Englewood office of the Prudential.

Miss Gay In Boston

Ann K. Gay of 275 Washington Street, Teaneck, is now doing service somewhere in the area of Boston as a Waac. She is a graduate of Teaneck High School. She was engaged in personnel work before enlisting in the Waacs on May 12, 1943. She completed her training in a Waacs school in Texas.

Miss Maiocchi In South

Mary C. Maiocchi, 114 Shepard Avenue, West Englewood, is at the new camp of the Waacs in Orlando,

AT DAYTONA BEACH



JAYNE KRAFT
Teaneck

Florida. After graduating from Teaneck High School she designed and made ladies' slippers. She enlisted in the Waacs on Oct. 25, 1942.

Another Promotion

For Jayne Kraft

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Daytona Beach, Fla., May 14—Miss Jayne Kraft of Chestnut Avenue, Teaneck, on duty with the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, gained her second promotion in recent weeks here the other day. She rose in rank from corporal to sergeant.

6-14-43

AT FORT DIX



Second Lieutenant Gertrude Eckhardt (above), executive secretary of Bergen County Tuberculosis & Health Association, is with the U. S. Army Nurse Corps at Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix.

6-14-43

Lakeland, Fla., June 23—John A. Moore, 26, of West Englewood, N. J., has been promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant at this Army Air Force base.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore of 147 East Forest Avenue, West Englewood. The former Miss Marie Elizabeth Uthell of New Milford, N. J., is with her husband. They were married December 26 at St. Marks Episcopal Church, Teaneck, N. J., 3 days after Moore won his commission at Camp Lee, Va., Officer Candidate School.

Moore was graduated from Teaneck High School and was president of the Second District Democratic Club of Teaneck before he was inducted into the Army June 15, 1941.



SGT. CLIFFORD M. WOLFF

CLIFFORD WOLFF ON MISSING LIST

But W. Englewood Parents Are Hopeful

Sergeant Clifford M. Wolff, radio operator on a Flying Fortress, whose home is in West Englewood, today was officially listed by the War Department as missing in action over the Central Pacific fighting area, but his parents, who expected him home on a furlough this month, feel that a mistake has been made.

In his last letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolff, received just a week before June 15, when the telegram from the War Department came, Sergeant Wolff told them he'd see them when the corn was ripe. Throughout his letter he talked about the time when he'd be able to see them and talk over old times.

"We just don't feel that anything serious has happened to him, and we're holding fast to the hope that he may have started home on his furlough and it wasn't marked on the records," Mrs. Wolff said today.

"In his last letter he also said that he and the crew of his Flying Fortress received the Air Medal, so we believe he really saw some action," she said.

Until Monday of this past week his family had no idea where he was fighting. Their first information came from a buddy of their son who is home on furlough in Cleveland, Ohio. He wrote to Sergeant Wolff at his home, believing that Wolff was also home on furlough, and when Wolff's parents told him their son was missing in action, he replied and gave the added information that they fought together in Guadalcanal.

He said they had fought in the Solomons since August, 1942. He and Wolff met at Scott Field, Ill., in August, 1941, where they both were stationed with the Army Air Force. Wolff graduated from radio school there and served as instructor until February, when they were both sent to Morrison Field, Palm Beach, Fla., for specialized training, the nature of which has never been revealed to Wolff's family.

In June of last year they left Florida and went to Hawaii where they stayed for 2 months. They separated then and left at different times for Guadalcanal. They met again on Guadalcanal and saw each other frequently until the furlough of the Cleveland boy separated them.

Wolff was just 30 years old this month, and his mother said that he hoped to make the Air Force his career even after the war. He was turned down because of poor eyesight when he tried to enlist in the Air Force in 1940, and determined to get in some way, he enlisted in the Field Artillery in October, 1940 at Fort Sill, Okla. Almost a year later, in August, 1941, he received his transfer to the Air Force and was sent to Scott Field.

"When he was graduated from radio school in Scott Field and was told he would remain there as an instructor he was very disappointed," his mother said, "and he was much happier when he was sent to Florida and then to combat duty."

6-14-43

Boyle, Gorman Given Air Medals For Operations Over Nazi Europe

The cocktail kid of the Flying Fortress Dry Martini, Second Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle of Teaneck, and his pal, Second Lieutenant Joseph E. Gorman of Ridgefield Park, were listed today by the War Department as decorated with the Air Medal among the 28 men from this State to be cited for operations over Germany and German-held Europe in recent months.

Boyle, now a prisoner of war in Germany, already wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, its Oak Cluster, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart. For Gorman, it is his first citation.

Boyle who drove the now retired Martini through hell's fire twice and then cracked up in another plane Army Air Force together and fought together. Gorman was copilot of the Fortress Problem Child and Boyle of the Martini April 4 when both took part in bombing the Renault works in Paris.

That was the day the Martini set a record slapping 10 Nazi planes out of the sky in a matter of 10 minutes to set 1-day Fortress record. Boyle caught flying glass in his face but soon recovered from these superficial scratches.

Boyle was co-pilot of the Martini January 13 when its pilot was killed, two members of the crew wounded and Boyle himself cut about the head when the ship did a dizzy dive over the French steel city of Lille.

Boyle grabbed the controls, levelled the Fortress and raced 4 Nazi planes over the channel. The Martini was grounded looking like a sieve.

Boyle took another ship on a raid May 17 and as his letter home indicates, had to bail out.

Gorman is the master of the greatly publicized Prop Wash, a cocker spaniel, that serves as the mascot for the Problem Child on all its operational flights. This dog takes to the air like a duck to water and soon may figure as entrant in the annual show of the London Kennel Club.

Gorman is the son of Police Sergeant and Mrs. Joseph Gorman of 190 Brinkerhoff Street, Ridgefield Park. He has served in the same heavy bombardment group as Boyle throughout their training.

Gorman is a graduate of St. Francis Parochial School and Ridgefield Park High School. He enlisted in the Air Force December 30, 1941 and was first at Maxwell Field, Ala. He took primary training in Arcadia, Fla., and basic at Greenville, S.C. He was commissioned last July 28 at Columbus, Miss. He left for England October 19.

At Maxwell Field, Gorman became friends with Flight Officer Fog Raven of the Royal Air Force, also in training there. The day Gorman left to go overseas, Raven arrived in Ridgefield Park for a visit. He stayed 5 days with the Gormans before he returned to Maxwell Field as an instructor.

On Mother's Day this year, Gorman visited Raven's mother at her home in Christchurch, England as a proxy for the English aviator.

to be captured by the enemy, wrote his mother, Mrs. Joseph Johnstone Boyle of 539 Standish Road, all the news she wanted to hear in edited terseness received last Saturday.

"Thanks to that same kind Providence that I have known before, I am alive, healthy, and completely unscathed," he wrote in the air mail message.

"We were shot down over France. I bailed out, landed safely, and will be in the good company of former pals from here on out. All my love."

This letter was postmarked May 24 exactly a week after Boyle parachuted into enemy-held land.

Boyle and Gorman enlisted in the

6-24-43

Teaneck Post Marks Father's Day By Visiting Servicemen's Parents

Father's Day was celebrated yesterday by Schoonmaker Post 1429, V. F. W., Teaneck, by visiting parents of some of the boys in service. Commander Francis J. Kelly called it Fathers and Sons Day.

Kelly made the rounds with Fred Klemm, past commander; George Bettis, chief of staff; Harry Weriz, historian, and Alfred P. Martin, senior vice-commander.

They called on Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Boyle, 539 Standish Road, parents of First Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle, U. S. Air Force, a prisoner in Germany. Mrs. Boyle had written a letter to her son in the prison camp and received a reply from him in his own handwriting on a post card, stating that he was well and was not hurt.

He bailed out over France and was taken to Germany, where he met pals who had flown in his outfit but were taken prisoner before him.

Lieutenant Boyle was made a member of the Schoonmaker Post in absentia.

Carl Anderson, gunner's mate 3rd class, U. S. Navy was also made a member of the Post. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Anderson, 42 Intervale Road, and is a graduate of Teaneck High School, class of 1940. He has been at sea for more than

a year in the Atlantic and the Pacific.

Two veterans of World War 1 joined the Post. Robert P. Aiken 510 Cumberland Road was in a machine gun battalion of the 27th Division in France. Eric F. Berndt 204 West Englewood Avenue was in the 7th Field Artillery of the 1st Division and served 2 years in France and in the Army of Occupation in Germany. He went through five battle engagements.

Berndt came into this country on a German merchant ship during the First World War before we entered the conflict. He joined a National Guard Regiment in New York and when we entered the war signed up for foreign service and was sent to France.

After the Armistice, Berndt, who had been given his American citizenship while in France, was sent to the Rhineland with the Army of Occupation, and upon receiving his honorable discharge visited his parents in Germany.

He then returned to the country of his adoption and has lived here since.

6-24-43

Goes To Illinois

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Glen View, Ill., June 23—Naval Aviation Cadet Robert L. Wolpert of 114 Griggs Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., having completed his training at the Naval Air School at the University of Georgia, at Athens, Georgia, now continues his studies here at the Naval Air Station. His previous training was at the North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, Texas.

6-23-43

Mrs. Boyle's Birthday Gift: The Cocktail Kid's Still Alive

Mother, Who Never Gave Up Hope When Flier Was Reported Missing, Hears He's Prisoner in Germany

The mother of the cocktail kid of the marauder Dry Martini got a birthday gift she'll never forget.

The birthday was Saturday and on that day came notice from the War Department that Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyle, copilot of the now retired famous Flying Fortress, is a prisoner of war in Germany. He had previously been reported missing in action, flying a ship May 25.

1 KILLED

The kid often wrote his mother, Mrs. Joseph Johnstone Boyle of Teaneck if they ever reported him missing in action, he'd be all right and his mother, for one, believed him.

Boyle won the Distinguished Flying Cross for bringing the Dry Martini home from Lille in France and the Military Order of the Purple Heart for being wounded in action. For the April 4 attack over Paris he got an Oak cluster.

Mrs. Boyle said the notice from the War Department was like an answer to her prayers.

"Maybe if everyone all over the world," she said, "keeps praying as hard as we did for our son and the other boys, this war would be over soon."

"Joe wrote us from England and told us time and time again that he believed prayer would help us both through anything, and I know he must have prayed as hard as we did," Mrs. Boyle said.

Twice wounded and thrice-decorated, this copilot of the Dry Martini, wrote in his last letter home, "If I'm ever listed as missing, Mom, don't ever give up." The Boyles didn't give up hope for a minute, but Mrs. Boyle said today that it was a mighty hard 4 weeks since she was told he was missing in action.

"We did have some unofficial letters from his friends in England, which gave us some hope that he was still alive, but what really kept us going was the way all of Joe's friends told us they were sure nothing had happened to him. Everyone has been wonderful, and I hope that many other mothers can receive the same good news I did."

6-24-43

Templin Cadet Captain

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Pecos, Tex., June 28—Army Aviation Cadet Heinz H. Templin, son of Mrs. Ottilie Templin of 320 Fabry Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., has been appointed a Cadet Captain commanding a squadron of cadets taking basic training at the airbase here. Templin is a former employee of the Watson-Flagg Machine Company, Paterson.

6-28-43

WOUNDED



CORP. RAYMOND STRALL

Strall, an infantryman, was wounded in action in North Africa March 28. His parents say he left for overseas duty last October, and that he was in the first group of Americans who invaded North Africa. One of his buddies was the second American to land on African soil during the war, he parents said.

Strall wrote a letter home which was received April 26, telling his family he was wounded and 20 days later on May 16 they received the Department telegram notifying them their son was wounded in action. Another letter advised Mr. and Mrs. Strall their son had been awarded the military order of the Purple Heart medal for being wounded in action. He described the medal in a short sentence and assured them he was all right.

His letters repeat he is recuperating but his mother is not calmed by it, because as she says, "He would say he is all right no matter what happened to him. He's been that way since he was a little boy. He always says not to worry."

His brother, Corporal Felix F. Strall is with the Signal Corps in India. Following a custom they started when they were small, the two brothers sent their mother a bouquet of flowers for Mother's Day this year, although they were both overseas. His two older brothers, Benjamin and Stephen Strall served with the Army in the last World War.

Strall entered the service in January, 1941, and received his training at Fort Bragg, N. C., with the Rangers.

6-29-43

CAMP LEE GIVES QUARTERMASTER BARS TO 3 HERE

Tuite, Teaneck; Cuttillo, Garfield; Britting Of Park Commissioned

23 FROM NEW JERSEY

Three Bergen County men were among the 763 officers commissioned today at the Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Va., according to an announcement by Brigadier General George A. Hovnan.

They were William Augustus Tuite, 181 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck; Thomas Cuttillo, 225 Harrison Avenue, Garfield, and Howard Victory Britting, 37 Ridgely Avenue, Ridgely Park.

There were 23 other men from New Jersey on the list.

Hoffmann Promoted

To Tech. Sergeant
Technician Corporal Clarence J. Hoffmann of 1100 Anna Street, West Englewood, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hoffmann from somewhere in Africa that he has been promoted to technician sergeant in the maintenance corp. of the armored regiment to which he is attached.

Sergeant Hoffmann has been with the regiment since December, 1942. He received his training at Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Bragg. His brother, P. F. C. Elmer Hoffmann, is with our forces in England.

6-29-43

At Navy School

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Chicago, Ill., June 29—Two Bergen County, N. J., bluejackets are here at the Navy Pier school learning ground crew duties for the Navy Air Force. They are:

WEST ENGLEWOOD — Wallace W. Cornelius, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Schurenke of 1342 Pennington Road.

They are being instructed in repair and maintenance of aircraft and will qualify for petty officer rating.

6-29-43

At a U. S. Bomber Station in England, (AP) June 23—Twenty-four-year-old Major Louis W. Rohr of Teaneck, N. J., pilot of the American Flying Fortress "Pappy", brought in his crew and ship safely here after bombing the synthetic rubber plant of the Germans at Huls yesterday. Their bombs sent up columns of gray smoke 6,000 feet in the air.

The major said that the going had not been so rough but that the anti-aircraft fire had been heavy. His co-pilot, Maj. Eugene Lavier of Rochester, N. Y., made his first raid on the trip. "We got our target all right," he reported. "The flak ahead of us looked like a wall."

Rohr has been in the Army Air Force 3 years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rohr of 844 Queen Ann Road, Teaneck. He graduated from Teaneck High and Bergen Junior College. He has a wife and a 7-month-old son.

6-29-43

Esslinger Trains

At Florida Post

Lieutenant Junior Grade, Robert A. Esslinger of the Coast Guard, son of Mrs. C. A. Esslinger of 943 Prince Street, Teaneck, left for St. Augustine, Fla., today, to attend an advanced training school of the Navy. He had been in service on the Pacific coast and was home on a 10-day furlough.

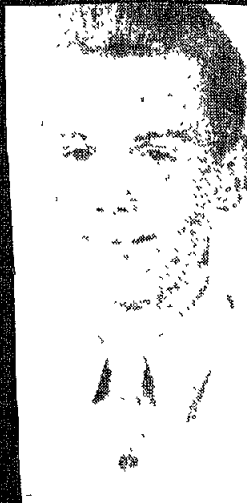
Another son, Captain Arthur C. Esslinger of the Army Aviation Ordnance Corps has been in Puerto Rico for more than 2 years. He was a reserve officer, having been a member of the R. O. T. C. at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Bucknell Student

Leaves For Fort Dix

Frank William Strickland, son of Councilman and Mrs. Arthur Strickland of Teaneck, left today for Fort Dix. He was a student at Bucknell University, for 3 years when he enlisted on June 4. He was a member of the R. O. T. C. and the reserve corps. At college he was a member of the boxing and wrestling teams and won his letter as a soccer player.

6-29-43



ROBERT P. RANGES

RANGES, 24, DIES IN SOUTH PACIFIC

Teaneck Pilot, School Clerk's Son, Killed

A West Englewood troop transport pilot and a Lyndhurst veteran of the fight for Attu are the latest to be named today in War Department casualty lists, the one as killed in action in the southwest Pacific and the other as wounded.

Killed In Action

RANGES, Flight Officer Robert Paul; 24, son of District School Clerk and Mrs. John H. Ranges of 1295 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood.

Wounded In Action

TIRGRATH, First Lieutenant Howard L.; 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Myrte Tigrath of 321 Page Avenue, Lyndhurst.

Also reported as killed in action is Staff Sergeant Clement Frantz, Flying Fortress gunner of North Bergen, and great grandson of the late Captain Clement Frantz of Dumont, where the gunner's great-aunts still make their home.

Advice the gunner died came Monday to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Frantz of 1311 Forty-third Street, North Bergen.

Frantz enlisted in the Army Air Force in October, 1941, and had been overseas 11 months serving for a period in Palestine. His parents believe he was on duty in the south Asia area when he died.

Ranges was serving with the Southwest Pacific Troop Carrier Transport Service when he died May 12. His family has not heard how he died. The flight officer enlisted in November, 1941, and came into rank as flight officer last October at Napier Field, Ala.

Ranges left for overseas duty in March. His letters home had been postmarked from New Guinea.

A brother, Private First Class John W. Ranges, is with the Army Air Force Bombardier School at Pyote Field, Tex.

Tigrath's family first disclosed last Monday their officer-son had been wounded in battle, and today came through with information indicating he might have led a 16-man detail in storming intrenchments on Attu.

He wrote his mother about his experiences, "Some of them were good, some bad but all interesting and I haven't regretted any of them."

Tigrath had been in Alaska since April. Before that he was in Ireland and as he awaited passage to North Africa he was recalled home for officer training.

6-29-43

J. J. Moones' Two Sons Completing Training

Two Teaneck brothers, Merchant Marine Cadet Robert Moone and Private Donald Moone, are serving with the armed forces. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Moone of 975 Teaneck Road.

Cadet Moone, who has just returned to his training center at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y., after a 2-week furlough, has completed his basic training and has qualified for the rank of purser. He expects to leave for active duty soon.

Private Moone is near the end of basic training in the Army at Camp Croft, S. C., and has volunteered for paratroop duty.

6-29-43

Wurtmann Commissioned

Arthur Wurtmann, 269 Edgemont Terrace, Teaneck, the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Wurtmann, received his commission as an ensign in the Navy. Ensign Wurtmann was graduated from Teaneck High School 1939 and attended Nichols College, Dudley, Mass. for 2 years. He was holding a Government position in Washington when he entered the Navy.

6-29-43

Teaneck Soldier Cartoonist Draws Cards For Buddies

A Teaneck service man, who used to run his family's electric bill sky high when he stayed up all night perfecting himself in cartooning, now sits up nights somewhere in England, designing special V-mail greeting cards for his buddies.

DID 200 OF THEM

When Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Botyos, parents of Technical Sergeant Leo Botyos, received delayed Easter cards from their son this week-end, they learned also that he has been designing all types of cards for the other men in his Signal Corps outfit, who find it difficult to buy any kind of greeting cards in England.

In a letter to his family, Sergeant Botyos explained that when the men saw the first card he designed for himself they requested copies for their own use and he now finds that he has to stay up all night to draw his cards. He drew more than 200 cards on V-mail stationery before he thought of mimeographing them to save time. Now he designs several types of cards and mimeographs them for his buddies.

His first attempt, the Easter card for his mother, caricatured himself with a bouquet of flowers for his mother in his hand. Below him were rabbits, one held a sign saying "Happy Easter from Somewhere in England".

It was this card that made the hit. When he saw it, Lieutenant Colonel Eugene Moodispaw, his

commanding officer, requested five cards for his children at home in Silver Springs, Md.

One card to Colonel Moodispaw's daughter, Jean, showed a rabbit broadcasting over a microphone, saying "Overseas Flash — Happy Easter". On the inside of the card, Colonel Moodispaw wrote:

"Dear Jean, Sergeant Botyos, my chief clerk, deserves credit for this drawing."

Of all the praise he received, this comment meant the most to Sergeant Botyos, his mother said.

Sergeant Botyos, whose home is at 531 Spring Street, Teaneck, is a graduate of Teaneck High School, and was employed with the International Nickel Company of New York until several months before he entered service. He became a Teaneck fireman and served his probationary period at Headquarters Company before he left for the Signal Corps in August, 1941.

His brother, George, a member of the Teaneck Police Department, said that he liked cartooning so much that he took night courses in commercial art. He only did it as a hobby, and never tried his hand at commercial cartooning.

6-9-43

15 Complete Course In Signal Corps

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

New Brunswick, June 9—The second group of Teaneck High School Army Enlisted Reserve Corps men completed its prescribed Signal Corps course today and reported at once for active duty.

In this class, there were 15 Bergen County men as follows:

WEST ENGLEWOOD—Robert C. Flickman.

Those Signal Corps trainees are a section of the 2,000 being instructed by the Rutgers University Engineering, Science and Management War Program.

6-9-43

Lt. Dieckman Arrives For Training As Pilot

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Greenville, S. C., June 11—Recently commissioned Second Lieutenant Bernard C. Dieckman Jr., of 187 Larch Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has arrived here at the end of furlough, for operational training as a pilot in the Army Air Force. He won his wings at Freeman Field, Seymour, Ind., May 28.

A brother, Private Donald F. Dieckman, has been assigned from Fort Dix, N. J., to Camp Croft, S. C. He attended Georgetown University and served in its Reserve Officer Training Corps.

6-11-43

Three From Here Enroll For Carnegie Tech Study

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

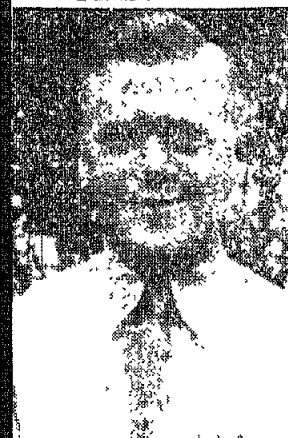
Pittsburgh, Pa., June 11 — Three Bergen County, N. J., soldiers are enrolled here at Carnegie Institute of Technology in the basic engineering course of the Army Specialized Training Program as follows:

TEANECK—William M. Byrnes of 303 Carlton Terrace.

Byrnes has been named A. S. T. P. representative in charge of publications on the Army-Civilian Activities Committee. He attended Washington and Lee College for 1½ years before entering the Army.

6-11-43

PRISONER



CORP. RAYMOND E. JOHNSON

JOHNSON, Corporal Raymond E., 25 son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson of 127 Hillside Avenue, Teaneck.

Johnson's parents learned yesterday in a telegram from the War Department of their son's whereabouts. They believe from the address provided that he is in Germany.

They heard also unofficially through letters, telephone calls, and post cards from people throughout New Jersey who heard a short-wave broadcast May 15, that Johnson is either a prisoner of the Germans or has been moved to Germany.

Mrs. Johnson said she first received a telegram from the War Department March 22. This declared Johnson to be missing in action. A month later she received a telegram saying that he had been taken a prisoner of war by the Italians. She heard nothing further from the War Department until yesterday.

During the past few weeks she has received 15 cards, letters, and telephone calls from people who heard the broadcast which said he was now in Germany.

No word has come from Johnson since he was taken a prisoner. Father Quigley of St. Anastasia's R. C. Church of Teaneck, brought Mr. and Mrs. Johnson one message from the Vatican in Rome, informing them that their son was in a transit camp in Italy and they were permitted to send him a cablegram of 25 words.

Johnson is 25 years old, a graduate of the Dickinson High School of Jersey City and the New York School of Banking. He was employed by Chase National Bank until he entered the service in January, 1941. He trained with the Infantry at Fort Bragg, N. C., and landed in North Africa with the first invasion.

His letters home never told much about the fighting he saw, his mother said, but he did say he lost everything he owned on his trip across, indicating his ship had been torpedoed.

One brother, Andrew A. Johnson, is training with the Navy at Camp Peary, Va.

6-25-43

Finn Promoted

To P. F. C. At Keesler

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Bliloxi, Miss., June 11—Private Robert T. Finn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Finn of 540 Cumberland Avenue, Teaneck, was promoted to the grade of private first class this week and enrolled at Keesler Field's huge B-24 Liberator mechanics school of the Army Air Force.

6-11-43

Holmer Raise To Corporal

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Camp Carson, Colo., June 18 — Private First Class Warren Lee Holmer of West Englewood, has been promoted to corporal in the field artillery here.

6-16-43

Blackledge Advances

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Chapel Hill, N. C., June 25—Naval Aviation Cadet Lloyd Richard Blackledge, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Blackledge of 756 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, N. J., has completed pre-flight training here and has advanced to primary flight training at the Glen View, Ill., Naval Air Station. He attended Bogota, N. J., High School and Bergen College.

6-25-43

Teaneck Flier In Ruhr Raid

Maj. Rohr Pilots Fort—
Army Vet at 24

By Associated Press.

AT A U. S. BOMBER STATION IN ENGLAND, June 22—Columns of grey smoke puffed 6,000 feet into the air today above the synthetic rubber center of Huis after American Flying Fortresses had made their first attack on the Ruhr, returning fliers said tonight.

Maj. Louis W. Rohr, of Teaneck, pilot of the Fortress "Pappy" who led the squadron from this station described the raid as "not so rough," although he said the flak was intense.

Maj. Eugene C. Lavior of Rochester, N. Y., Rohr's co-pilot, who was making his first raid, said: "We got our target all right" and

he described enemy flak as "looking like a wall in front of us at times." The fighters, he said, concentrated on head-on attacks but didn't press them home closely.

Maj. Rohr, although only 24 years old, has been in the Army Air Forces more than 3 years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rohr, 844 Queen Ann rd., Teaneck, and also has a sister, Anne, living at home.

The flier was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1936, and from Bergen Junior College in mid-term in 1939, entering the Army the day after Christmas of that year. He received his primary training at Tulsa, Okla., then was transferred to Randolph Field, Tex., and received his commission at Kelly Field, Tex.

In civil life Maj. Rohr worked in the machine shop at Peerless Moulded, Inc., 477 Teaneck rd., but even as he worked he was studying at night and spent his spare time, if any, learning to fly at Teterboro Airport. This aviation enthusiast, his father said last night, started at an early age, and at 16 the major was flying planes.

He has a wife and a 7-months-old son, Louis Ralph, who live in San Antonio, Tex.

6-22-43

Flier Listed as Killed Still Alive to Mother

Letter Received
After War Dept.
Wire Buys Hope

By SALLY MacDOUGALL,
World-Telegram Staff Writer.

A mother's faith that her son is still alive is strong enough to combat the fact that his name is on a list of soldiers killed in action in the Southwest Pacific made public today by the War Department.

The soldier's name is Flight Officer Robert P. Ranges, 24, of the Army Air Force, who had been flying transport planes in New Guinea and Australia. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ranges, 1396 Alicia Ave., West Englewood, N. J.

"We don't accept the War Department news. We feel there must be some mistake," Mrs. Ranges said. "We are keeping our belief that he is alive and that the good news will come. His letters have been so lively and cheerful, especially the one that came after the War Department telegram."

In Line for DSC.

"In a letter we received shortly before that news he told us he had made 33 combat flights since March and that he had been told he was in line for the Distinguished Service Cross. Then this bolt out of the blue. We just can't accept it. After that telegram came we had another cheerful letter from him."

"Dear Mom, don't ever worry about me," he wrote in that last letter. "Things here aren't nearly as bad as you might think."

"That's what we're holding to," the mother said. "We just can't believe that he is not alive. We expect the good news to come."

Flight Officer Ranges, fair, five feet 10 and slender, won his first tennis cup when he was a student at Teaneck High School. Tennis continued to be his chief recreation until he left this country. He got his wings last October in Texas. The two other sons in the family also are in the service. Edwin, the eldest, is in the navy and John, the youngest, is taking bomber crew training in Texas.

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