

Fahnestock in Kentucky

Lieutenant Walter D. Fahnestock, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fahnestock of 17 Tyron Avenue, West Englewood, formerly of Bergenfield returned last week to Fort Thomas, Ky., where he is under the care of Army Air Forces Convalescent Hospitalization.

Lieutenant Fahnestock, a B-24 Liberator pilot and assistant operations officer for his group, was wounded last August 17 while participating in his thirty-first combat mission over the Ploesti oil fields in Romania.

For his work on this raid in which he was seriously wounded but refused all medical assistance until the mission was completed, Fahnestock was awarded a second Distinguished Flying Cross.

He acquired his first Distinguished Flying Cross during his second mission over Vienna when his plane was jumped by enemy fighter planes and two engines were destroyed.

Lieutenant Fahnestock also holds the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and a Presidential unit citation.

1-1-45

Latest Draft Call

The following registrants were inducted into the Armed Forces from Local Board No. 8, Teaneck, N. J., on January 2, 1945:

Army: Albert Theodore Kempf, 651 River Rd., Teaneck, N. J.; Henry Adolph Demsey, 165 Serman Ave., Teaneck, N. J.; Arthur Peter Petrovic, 523 Grant Terrace, Teaneck, N. J.; Robert William Bauerlein, 364 East Ft. Lee Rd., Teaneck.

Navy: Martin Morris Solomon, 1290 Sussex Road, West Englewood, N. J.

Marine Corps: Nicholas A. Castelluccio, 187 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, N. J.

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Now Staff Sgt. Tom Price

15TH AAF in Italy—Thomas J. Price, 22, son of Mr. Thomas J. Price, Pomander Walk, Teaneck, New Jersey, tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator, has recently been promoted the grade of staff sergeant.

Sergeant Price has two sisters in the service, Captain Marion Mitchell in the Women's Army Corps and Miss Helen Price serving with the Red Cross.

1-1-45

Cpl. Wolthoff Returns

Atlantic City, N. J., Cpl. John Charles Wolthoff, age 27, of 578 Catalpa Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., husband of Mrs. Lillian Wolthoff, has recently returned from service outside the continental limits of the United States and is now temporarily stationed at the Army Ground & Service Forces Redistribution Station here. While at this installation he will be given a series of tests to determine his fitness for future assignments.

Cpl. Wolthoff served 28 months as Truck Dispatcher and Motor Sergeant in the Alaska theatre of operations. He is a recipient of the following decorations and awards: American Theatre Campaign Ribbon.

During the period of his stay the returned veteran will be given a thorough medical and dental examination, occupational and classification tests together with various informal talks designed to fully acquaint the veteran soldier of present and post-war conditions and problems. This program is carried on in a leisurely fashion amidst pleasant surroundings conducive to mental and physical relaxation.

A variety of entertainment and recreational activities has been arranged to entertain the returnee in his leisure hours. This will include numerous dances, stage and radio shows, sightseeing tours, horseback riding, ice skating, table tennis, golf, basketball and bathing, fishing and sailing in season.

1-1-45

Sgt. McGuire On Bomber

Sergeant James E. McGuire, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard F. McGuire, of 705 Linden Avenue, Teaneck, is a tower operator with a veteran P-47 Thunderbomber group now blasting enemy communications, motor transports, and gun positions in support to the Fifth Army operating in Northern Italy.

McGuire enlisted in March, 1942, and was subsequently assigned to Keesler Field, Mississippi; Scott Field, Illinois; Bedford, Mass., and East Hartford, Conn. He has been overseas since October, 1942.

1-1-45

Lt. Edward Gaston Gets Bronze Star Award

First Lieutenant Edward A. Gaston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Gaston of 324 Hickory Street, Teaneck, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for distinguishing himself by "meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States." Gaston is stationed in France with the Army Field School, Englewood, and New York Artillery.

A graduate of St. Cecilia High University School of Accounting, a member of the Cyressa Club, St. Joseph's Church, Bogota, and a former employee of an accounting firm in New York City, Lieutenant Gaston entered the service in April of 1943; received his commission as a second lieutenant in July of 1942 upon completion of Officers Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and has been on overseas duty since April of this year.

Lieutenant Gaston is the nephew of Alex and Milton Gaston, two former major league baseball players.

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COMMANDS B-24



Second Lieutenant August Hannibal, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hannibal, Jr., of 1277 Dickerson Road, West Englewood, is an airplane commander on a B-24 heavy bombardment crew now in its final stage of training at the Army Air Field, Casper, Wyo.

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Completes Basic

Aviation Cadet Frederick Miller Nixon has just completed his basic flying training at the Merced Army Air Field, California. He will now proceed to an Army Advanced flying school, where he will take the final steps toward attainment of his silver pilot wings. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Nixon of 105 Shepard Avenue, West Englewood.

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Commanded by Col. Robert E. L. Eaton, Belleville, Ill., the group received its original gold-rimmed blue ribbon for an attack on the Profenig aircraft factory at Regensburg, Germany, on February 25th. The cluster was added for a mission over the Ploesti, Rumania, oil refineries on April 5th.

The citations read, in part: (For Regensburg)

"Notified to prepare maximum aircraft . . . personnel worked feverishly, enthusiastically, and with untiring intensity . . . The tremendous material damage inflicted . . . contributed greatly to the curtailment of aircraft production by the enemy at a time of great importance."

And for Ploesti:

"Under the most difficult and trying conditions on the ground and despite extremely adverse weather conditions in the air, the group . . . successfully delivered a devastating blow to the important enemy oil installations."

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First Lieutenant Robert P. Hurrel, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hurrel of 80 Johnson Avenue, Teaneck, recently enjoyed a recess from aerial warfare at an Air Service Command Rest Home in England. Lieutenant Hurrel has completed 19 missions over Nazi-dominated Europe. Before entering the Army he was employed as a bookkeeper by the Chemical Bank and Trust Company in New York City.

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Lt. Clark In England

Second Lieutenant Warren A. Clarke of Teaneck is now a member of a P-51 Mustang Fighter Group stationed in England. The 22-year-old pilot participates in heavy bomber escort, strafing, and dive-bombing combat missions supporting the Allied ground forces smashing at the Nazi homeland.

The 8th Air Force flier was graduated from Newton (Queens, N. Y.) High School in 1940, and was on his school track team. Before entering the Army he was an officer supervisor for the J. C. Penny Company, Manhattan. He took flying instruction at airfields in Texas, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the A. A. F. on April 16, 1944.

The son of Mrs. Mary B. Clark of 93 East Lawn Drive, Teaneck, Lieutenant Clark has named his P-51 fighter airplane "One Time Mary."

McClelland Dies In Pacific Zone

Mr. and Mrs. Foster F. McClelland parents of Lieutenant (j. g.) Frank Keppler McClelland, 23, have been informed by the Navy Department of the death of their son in the Pacific theatre of war. His last letter to his folks was received on December 18.

Lieutenant McClelland enlisted in the Naval Reserve in February of 1942 and trained at Notre Dame University from where he was commissioned an ensign in May of 1943. He received further training at San Diego, Calif., during the summer of 1943 and upon being assigned to a destroyer in August of that year was sent overseas. He had been serving in the Pacific area since and was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant (j. g.) last August.

While at Teaneck High School, Lieutenant McClelland was president of the Junior Student Council in junior high and was president of the Senior Student Council in senior high. He was graduated from Teaneck in June of 1939 and from Bowdoin College in Maine in January of 1943. At Bowdoin he was also a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

Prior to entering service, Lieutenant McClelland was also an Eagle Scout of Troop 90 in Teaneck and for many years served as an altar boy at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

Besides his parents, he is survived by a brother, George, who is a student at a preparatory school in New Hampshire.

1-4-45

Now Lieut. Carlson

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. (Special)—Carl E. Carlson, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Carlson, 1118 Lorraine Avenue, West Englewood, has been graduated from the Officer Candidate Department of the Transportation Corps School, New Orleans Army Air Base and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States.

Lieutenant Carlson was a student at Columbia University prior to induction. He also attended Teaneck High School.

The officer was assigned to active duty with the Transportation Corps immediately after receiving his commission. The mission of the Transportation Corps is to transport soldiers and war material to theaters of operations.

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Dr. Dana Made Captain In Overseas Service

Dr. Edward Dana, formerly of Hackensack, has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain at his station somewhere in Holland. Former resident physician at Hackensack Hospital where he also served his internship, he is attached to the Fifth Auxiliary Surgical Group as neurological anesthetist. He has been on detached service in England, Scotland, France and Belgium since his arrival overseas in July.

A native of Brushton, N. Y., he spent his boyhood with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Fagan of Mahwah. He is a graduate of Suffern N. Y. High School where he was active in athletics as a 4-letter man. He attended St. Lawrence College and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., and is a graduate of Albany Medical College.

Captain Dana received his basic military training at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., from where he was assigned to Brooke General Hospital, San Antonio, Tex., for training as an anesthetist. Later he was transferred to Dodd Field, Texas, where he received his present assignment. His wife, the former Miss Doris Unsworth of Suffern, N. Y., and their 3-year-old son, Craig, are presently residing on Beverley Road, Teaneck.

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1-11-45

Pfc. Mastron Decorated

Private First Class Kenneth A. Mastron, son of Anthony Mastron, 601 North St., Teaneck, N. J., has been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge while fighting with the 100th "Century" Division of the Seventh Army front in Eastern France.

The local soldier's division is one of the newest on the front of Lt. General Alexander M. Patch's American Seventh Army.

The 100th Division, commanded by Major General Withers A. Burress, left the United States with a high reputation earned in its training period in the Carolina and Louisiana Maneuver Areas. It was the Century Division which was called upon to provide an infantry battalion which paraded and demonstrated in New York City as part of the country's first Infantry Day celebration on June 15, 1944. Another honor paid the division in March of this year was the War Department's selection of the 100th Division to be the first organization to present the Expert Infantryman Badge to one of its members.

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1-11-45

Shakerley with 6th Army

SIXTH ARMY GROUP, FRANCE — "Part Infantrymen, part engineers and all soldiers"—that's how an officer of an engineer regiment describes the men of one of its battalions fighting with the Seventh Army in the Sixth Army Group sector in the southern Saar, with which Pvt. Richard C. Shakerley of 469 Teaneck Road, Teaneck is serving.

These combat engineers have lived up to their name in the 15 months since they landed at Salerno. In addition to doing their regular work, usually under enemy fire, they have spent more than 100 days in the line, fighting as infantry.

A lot of the infantry tricks these men know were learned the hard way—under fire. But they learned their lessons well. Just how well is shown by the three Distinguished Service Crosses and 23 Silver Stars the soldiers have won.

As a sideline to their infantry fighting, these engineer-infantrymen have built bridges too. More than 100 spans across streams in Italy and France, some of these bridges among the longest ever erected by Army engineers, show that they did this work well, too. And dozens of other tasks that fall to combat engineers have been accomplished by these soldiers in the 15 months they have been dealing the Germans double blows.

1-11-45

Corp. Paul W. Anderson

Fifth Air Force, Philippine Islands—Bombing missions have become an every day occurrence, but when an unarmed transport plane bombs Jap installations, that is news.

Corporal Paul W. Andersen of Teaneck was the aerial engineer on the C-47 transport which recently performed the first combat bombing mission in the Southwest Pacific area credited to this type plane. The mission was adjudged to be highly successful by the Fifth Air Force.

The aircraft dropped incendiary bombs on one of the Philippine islands causing numerous fires and explosions. The bombs, rolled out the door, were of unusual size which made it impossible for bombers to perform the mission.

A member of the 317th Troop Carrier Group, known throughout this theater as the "Jungle Skippers", Corporal Andersen has served in the Southwest Pacific since June 1943. He took a prominent part in the paratroops at Tagatay and Corregidor.

1-11-45



LT. GEORGE W. ALLSOP

Latest War Casualties

ALLSOP, Lieutenant George William, formerly of Bogart Street, Teaneck. (Germany)

1-11-45

GATHERED AT CORNER DRUG STORE IN LONDON



These U. S. service men gather for a chinfest about their home state of New Jersey—and an ice cream soda or two at the American Red Cross Rainbow Corner drug store in London with Irving Abramson, president of the New Jersey Industrial Union Council, C. I. O., and chairman of the National C. I. O. War Relief Committee. Abramson was in England recently to inspect relief and recreation projects financed by C. I. O. The soldiers shown with him are, left to right: Corporal William Herbert, of East Orange; Private Robert Walsh, Teaneck; Private First Class Ernest Johnson, New Brunswick; Private First Class Milton Reid, Wallington; Private First Class Al Kosobucki, New Brunswick; Sergeant Jack Henderson, Camden; Sergeant Walter Lucas, Trenton; Private First Class Frank Gignas, Jersey City; Sergeant David Epstein, Englewood; Corporal Isaac Gordon, Elizabeth; and Sergeant William Bayoso, Passaic.

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Vadillo Naval Airman

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Manager Paul A. Volcker reported that he had 14 plows at work and paid tribute to the workers who, each, put in more than 14 hours from 10 A. M. on Tuesday morning in order to keep the roads open for traffic.

1-18-45

Receives Cluster to DFC

Captain Bernard C. Diekman, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Diekman of 167 Larch Avenue, Teaneck.

Captain Diekman received the Cluster to his D. F. C. for extraordinary achievement in an attack upon enemy supply and troop concentrations near Santa Lucia, Italy. He is a pilot of a B-25 Mitchell bomber with the Twelfth Army Air Force.

The citation revealed that Captain Diekman led a formation of 12 Mitchell bombers in a precision run over the target, inflicting severe loss upon the enemy in personnel and supplies. Then leading a vigorous evasive action through continued heavy ground fire drawing away from the target, Captain Diekman returned the B-25's safely to base, it said.

A graduate of the University of Syracuse, Captain Diekman entered the Army in June, 1942. To this date he is a veteran of 70 combat missions.

1-18-45

Lt. Pasquale Greco

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, Italy—Second Lieutenant Pasquale G. Greco, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greco, 186 Hillside Avenue, Teaneck, New Jersey, is serving as officer in charge of packing and tallying-in with a Peninsular Base Section Ordnance Depot which carries 68,000 different items—from a needle to heavy artillery—on its four million square feet of floor space.

Its men take pride in servicing combat troops of the Mediterranean Theater of Operations with any of these ordnance items within 48 hours.

In its first three months at the present site the unit received 91,000 tons of supplies and distributed 42,000 tons. More than 1,600 tons of equipment were unloaded in one record day. Six hundred American officers and enlisted men supervise the work of some 2,000 Italians.

More than five tons of equipment are salvaged and renewed each day by this outfit. Eight per cent of the paper containers carrying supplies from America are saved by this unit.

Overseas 13 months, Lt. Greco wears the Mediterranean Theater Ribbon with two Battle Participation Stars. Before entering the Army, he was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, 34th Street, New York City.

1-18-45

Sgt. Oscar F. Noss, Jr.

A NINTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER-BOMBER BASE, BELGIUM.—Keeping the blunt-nosed, thick-bellied P-47 Thunderbolt fighter-bombers armed with bombs and bullets for frontline tactical operations is the principal duty of Sgt. Oscar F. Noss Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar F. Noss, 1300 Longfellow Ave., West Englewood. The 21-year-old sergeant is stationed at an advanced Ninth Air Force fighter-bomber group in Belgium commanded by Lt. Colonel James K. Johnson of Tuscan, Arizona.

Arriving in Normandy on June 17, Sgt. Noss was ready to serve the P-47s when operations were switched from England to an air strip off the beachhead. He has been awarded to bronze stars for the Western Europe Campaign and Air Offensive over Europe. For its excellent support of ground troops, his group has won special commendation from the Commanding Generals of both the First and Ninth U. S. Armies.

1-18-45

Vadillo Naval Airman

Ensign Joseph Vadillo, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erstace Vadillo of 554 Cumberland Avenue, Teaneck, was designated a Naval aviator at the Naval Air Training Base, Pensacola, Fla. He is expected home on leave this week.

He is a graduate of Teaneck High School and Montclair Academy, where he was a member of the hockey team. Before entering service in April, 1943, he attended Stevens Institute of Technology, where he was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

1-18-45

S-Sgt. John Ranges Mans Gun In 173 Hours Of Bombing

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE Bomber Station, England—Staff Sergeant John W. Ranges, waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, "Heavenly Body," is one of the airmen who has been helping to bomb military and industrial targets in Germany and enemy installations in the path of the advancing Allied armies in Western Europe.

Sgt. Ranges, 21 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ranges, 1295 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, New Jersey, flies with the formations of the 385th Bombardment Group, commanded by Colonel George Y. Jumper, Natoma, Calif. His group is a part of the famed Third Bombardment Division, the division cited by the President for its now historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of the Messerschmitt aircraft factories at Regensburg, Germany, in August, 1943.

Since arriving overseas in this toughest theatre of aerial warfare in June, 1944, Sgt. Ranges has manned his waist gun in defense of his Fortress during more than 175 hours of bombing attacks through the hostile skies over Continental Europe. Some of the objectives which he has helped bomb are the industrial targets in Berlin, Hamburg, and Munich, aircraft factories in Regensburg,

marshalling yards in Frankfurt, docks and shipyards in Bremen, tire factories in Hanover, and oil refineries in Merseburg. The sergeant has also flown in direct support of the ground forces, bombing enemy troop concentrations, rail junctions, bridges, supply dumps, and communications centers.

"Those concentrated flak guns protecting Merseburg's oil refineries gave us our roughest of some pretty rough trips," said Sgt. Ranges, holder of the awards of the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters to that medal. "Our plane was riddled with more than 170 holes of all sizes. Our radio operator was wounded, an engine shot out, and the oxygen system was knocked out, but we managed to get back to England without any further trouble."

A graduate of Teaneck High School, Sgt. Ranges was a draftsman for the Bendix Aircraft Corporation, Teterboro, N. J., before his entry into the Army Air Forces in January, 1943. He won his gunner's wings in May, 1944, at Pyote Field, Texas.

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HOME ON LEAVE



JOHN W. RANGES

RANGES IS BACK FOR LONG REST

Manned Waist Gun In European Bombings

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ranges of 1295 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, have just received word that their son, Staff Sergeant John W. Ranges, has arrived at disembarkation center in the United States, and will shortly be home to start a well earned furlough.

An official release from Eighth Air Force Bomber Command in England, shows Ranges beside the 50 caliber waist gun which he manned on an Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress, "Heavenly Body." He is one of the airmen who has been helping to bomb military and industrial targets in Germany and many installations in the path of the Allied advance in Western Europe.

Lasica, Elec. Specialist

AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD, Amarillo, Texas—William L. Lasica, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Lasica of 420 Glenwood Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has completed his course of studies as an Electrical Mechanic in this Army Air Forces Technical Training School and is rated an Electrical Specialist.

His graduation from this technical school now fits him for electrical trouble shooting while in flight. When qualified as a gunner he will become a crew member of a heavy bombardment organization. As a fully qualified crew member Gunner and Electrical Specialist he will help the Army Air Forces carry the war to the enemies homelands.

In addition to completion of the schedule of academic and practical studies as an aviation mechanic, he has been thoroughly drilled in military tactics, defense and a course of physical training that has conditioned him to meet all requirements of an American soldier,

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SENT TO FLORIDA



Petty Officer Second Class Clarence Willard Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Franklin of 27 Walnut Street, Teaneck, has reported for duty at a Navy base in Florida after a 10-day leave at home. He left Teaneck High School in June, 1943, and enlisted in the Naval Reserve in August. He received boot training at Newport, R. I., and was graduated as an aviation ordnance man from the Ordnance School in Norman, Okla. His promotion for second class petty officer came last October.

Corp. Moore in Caledonia

Corporal Walter H. Moore, nephew of Miss Margaret Monks of 173 Carlton Terrace, Teaneck, is serving with a Quartermaster Company in New Caledonia. He is a graduate of Holy Trinity High School, Hackensack, and prior to entering the service on May 2, 1942, was employed by the Bogota Sheet Metal Company as a sheet metal worker. He has served more than 22 months in the South Pacific area.

TWO Teaneck Infantrymen, Privates Robert Koch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stoll of 69 Shepard Avenue, and Stephen Uhl, son of Seabee Lieutenant and Mrs. Otto Uhl of Ayers Court, Teaneck, high school friends, had a reunion recently on the Fifth Army front in

Italy. Koch, with the 86th Blue Devil Division, learned that Uhl's 85th Custer Division was along the line and hitchhiked there during his hours off. When he arrived, Uhl was at outdoor movies behind the lines. Koch yelled to Uhl in the movie area, but at first his friend wouldn't answer, thinking it was his sergeant or lieutenant. When Koch yelled his own name, they got together over coffee and doughnuts.

—Staff Sergeant John P. Clarke, husband of Elizabeth Clarke, 59 East Forest Avenue, Teaneck, has reported to Amarillo Army Air Field, Amarillo, Texas, for reassignment after serving twelve months with the Eighth Air Force in Europe. Sergeant Clarke, who was a waist and tail gunner on a heavy bomber, completed 31 missions, and has been awarded the D. F. C., the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf clusters, and the Presidential citations.

W. ENGLEWOOD SOLDIER GETS CAPTAIN'S RANK

Hamilton, In Germany, Is With Artillery; Was An Auditor

OTHERS PROMOTED

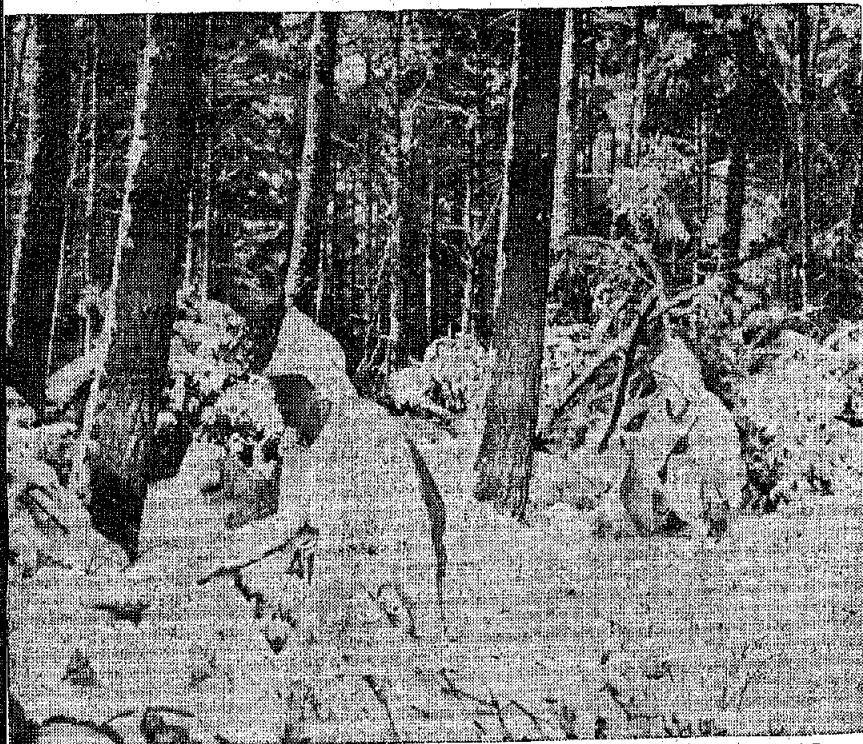
Promotion of Bergen County Army and Marine personnel to captain, technical sergeant, and corporal was announced today by the War Department.

Those promoted include:

Captain

HAMILTON, Thomas F., husband of Doris Sauer Hamilton, of 307 Shepard Avenue, West Englewood, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton of Edgewater.

WEAR NEW SNOW CAPES TO FOIL ENEMY



Associated Press Photo, from U. S. Army Signal Corps.
Pfc. Frank J. Tryska (left) of this city and Staff Sgt. Carl Rines of Teaneck, N. J., start a patrol mission through a snow-covered forest on the western front. They wear new snow capes for soldiers.

Prisoner Husband Finds Wife in Army

There's just so long that you can sit at home and wait for your husband and when Captain Reginald Milner of Teaneck was reported as a German prisoner his wife last March decided to join the Army Nurse Corps and look friend hubby up.

Investigation proved to wife Martha, a lieutenant, that her husband had been released and sent to the Lucky Strike camp in France. Air transportation was arranged and she arrived just 24 hours before her husband was all set to be on the move again.

The reunion marked a double surprise for the Teaneck pilot. Owing to the fact that he had received little mail before his liberation in May, he wasn't aware that his wife had joined the service—and upon his return to his base, he discovered that he had received his captaincy on September 28, the day after he was reported missing.

The Captain and the Lieutenant will return to the States, according to Mrs. Doris Milner, 634 Linden Avenue, Teaneck, as soon as he has papers arranging for the transfer back to this country completed.

1-28-45

Now Pfc. Fred Nicewicz

CHERRY POINT, N. C. — Marine Private First Class Fred T. Nicewicz, of 976 Alpine Drive, Teaneck, New Jersey, has been promoted from private to his present rank at the Marine Air Station here.

Before entering the service on March 3, 1944, at New York City, he was employed by the Quality Art Company at Long Island City, N. Y.

1-28-45

Pvt. Bernard Cohen

MADISON, Wis., June 19—Pvt. Bernard Cohen, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen of 636 Palisade Ave., Teaneck, has been graduated from the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Trux Field, it was announced today by the post commander.

Trained primarily as a communications technician, according to officials, the soldier also studied aircraft recognition, defense against chemical warfare, and related AAF subjects designed to fit him for combat duty. His post-graduate assignment was not announced.

1-28-45

Chaplain (Col) Kroencke Awarded Bronze Star

WITH U.S. ARMY FORCES ON NEW CALEDONIA — Chaplain (Colonel) Edward J. Kroencke, 258 Darion Place, Teaneck, N. J., has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal at the New Caledonia headquarters of Major General Frederick Glibreath's South Pacific Base Command.

Chaplain Kroencke, for many years active in charity and welfare work for the Lutheran Church with headquarters on New York City's 44th Street between 9th and 10th Avenues, is chief of chaplains for the South Pacific Area. As such, he was cited by General Glibreath "for the performance of meritorious services in connection with military operations against the enemy from August 11, to May 12, 1945."

1-28-45

MISSING



LT. MARVIN LANDER

Richard Ebel Admitted To U. S. Naval Academy

Richard Ebel, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ebel of 265 Highwood Street, Teaneck, was admitted to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis last week, after his appointment by Senator Albert Hawkes.

Ebel, 18 years old, was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1944, where he was a member of the 1943 championship Northern New Jersey Interscholastic League soccer team. He was a member of the baseball team and the Hi-Y Club.

At the time of his appointment, Ebel was training at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, Long Island.

1-28-45

Ensign Coe Assigned To Destroyer Norris

When the fast new destroyer, U. S. S. Norris, was commissioned recently at Terminal Island, San Pedro, Calif., Ensign William L. Coe, U. S. N., of 220 Lees Avenue, Teaneck, was assigned to duty on board as fire control officer.

Ensign Coe, who previously served for 2½ years on the Destroyer Bailey and for three years on the Cruiser San Francisco, was commended by his commanding officer when on the Bailey and has been recommended for the Bronze Star Medal.

A former maintenance man for the New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., he has participated in five different campaigns in the Pacific and while an enlisted man won the Good Conduct Medal.

1-28-45

BERGEN SOLDIER GETS MAJORITY; OTHERS ADVANCE

Lloyd R. Graham Promoted In Field With Engineers

TWO COMMISSIONED

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. William J. Graham of 63 Woodland Avenue, West Englewood, of the promotion of their 23-year-old son, Lloyd R. Graham, to major serving with an Army Engineer Combat Battalion somewhere in Germany.

Other promotions include:

Major

FRANDONI, Andrew Gabriel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Frandoni of 1200 The Strand, West Englewood, and husband of the former Miss Florence Hardisty of New York City.

1-28-45

Missing

LANDER, First Lieutenant Marvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lander, 170 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck. (Over Germany)

1-28-45



LT. DOUGLAS JENSEN

JENSEN RADAR OFFICER

Lieutenant Jensen has been overseas 15 months and is now serving as a radar officer at an Army Air Force base in France.

A graduate of Teaneck High School where he was a letter man in high jumping, Lieutenant Jensen attended Pratt Institute in Brooklyn and enlisted in the Army in January of 1942.

He was commissioned a second lieutenant upon graduation from Officer's Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, N. J., in November of 1943 and then attended the Radar School at New Orleans, La. From there he went to Oklahoma City and completed his Radar training at Hobe Sound, Fla.

2-1-45

Local WAC Tours With Lily Pons

BERGSTROM FIELD, Austin, Texas—Playing under the gifted direction of famed Andre Kostelanetz is the distinction which has come to Pvt. Eloise E. Herschbein of the Women's Army Corps.

Pvt. Herschbein, a violinist, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Selvin of 36 Englewood Avenue, Englewood, and attended Teaneck High School. She was stationed at this First Troop Carrier Command base several months before going to India last summer.

Last week she wrote friends here of her current musical achievement:

"I should have written you sooner, but my excuses for not having done so are so good I've got to tell them to you:

"Andre Kostelanetz and Lily Pons are touring this theater ever since Christmas Eve, their first concert, another Wac violinist and I have been touring with them as part of the orchestra. It's just about the best deal I ever got. We're seeing so much, and we are the first Wacs to be at most of these places, as we are the only ones ever to leave the Calcutta area. The string section is touring and we picked up bands at all these places.

"It's pretty tough; we fly all over, pack and unpack, rehearse, miss meals or overeat, try to keep our clothes clean and don't get our mail until we get back to Calcutta for one day in every eight—but we love it!"

Pvt. Herschbein's husband, Norman Herschbein, also is overseas. He is a staff sergeant in the Eighth Air Force in the European theater.

2-1-45

Technician James Hoover

Technician Fourth Grade James B. Hoover of 106 Circle Drive, West Englewood, was one of more than 2,000 American soldiers with the Third Infantry Division of the Seventh Army in France who recently attended the Immaculate Conception services held in Strasbourg. This marked the first time that worship services had been held in this cathedral for more than four years.

2-1-45

Lieut. Costa Bombardier

Lieutenant John J. Costa, son of Joseph Costa of 365 Beech Street, Teaneck is a bombardier in a heavy bombardment squadron in the Thirteenth Air Force Southwest Pacific area.

Since going overseas, April 5, 1944, Lieutenant Costa has actively participated in the uprooting of the Japanese from their island empire. Flying in Bomber Baron formations as he has dropped bombs on enemy bastions at Yap, the Schouten Islands, and Palau. On one combat mission in which Lieutenant Costa was lead bombardier a Japanese light cruiser was sunk. He also scored a fine bombing record on strikes against the Balikpapan gas and oil refineries. Lending aid to the advance of General MacArthur in the Philippines through the neutralizing of enemy air-dromes has added achievements to his outstanding career. With over 40 combat missions to his credit Lieutenant Costa has been presented with the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Lieutenant Costa was commissioned Dec. 4, 1943. Prior to his induction in the armed forces, he was employed by the Emerson Radio and Phonograph Company, New York City.

2-1-45

Capt. Hamilton In Germany

Capt. Thomas F. Hamilton, husband of Doris Sauer Hamilton of 307 Shepherd Avenue, West Englewood has been overseas with the Field Artillery since October, 1944 and is now somewhere in Germany.

He is a graduate of Dwight Morrow High School, Englewood, and Pace Institute, New York City. Prior to entering the service on April 15, 1940, he was employed as an auditor by the Commercial Credit Company in New York City.

Captain Hamilton received his commission on Oct. 29, 1942 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, sixth in his class at the Officer's Candidate School there. He was detained at Fort Sill and remained there for a year as a gunnery instructor.

Hamilton is the father of a 17-months old daughter, Judy.

2-1-45

Capt. Patze In Italy

Captain Richard A. Patze, husband of Mrs. George Ruth Patze of 1475 Teaneck Road, West Englewood, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Patze of Cresskill is serving as a company commander with the 338th Engineers, General Service Regiment of Peninsular Base Headquarters in Italy, important services and supply organization for Fifth Army and for ground forces and Navy in Italy.

He entered the military service as a private then received a commission in the Engineer Corps in August, 1942. Captain Patze has been overseas since April, 1943, serving in North Africa and Italy.

2-1-45

Naval Lieut. Louis Di Bella

Lieutenant Louis M. Di Bella, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Di Bella of 1266 Pennington Road, West Englewood, is stationed with the U. S. Naval Reserve in the South Pacific, where he is serving as convoy routing officer.

He is a graduate of St. Cecilia High School, Englewood, and the University of Pennsylvania, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Lieutenant Di Bella has been a member of the armed forces since Mar. 1, 1942.

2-1-45

—Flight Officers John J. O'Connor, son of Mrs. Lillian O'Connor of 578 Tilden Avenue, Teaneck, and Mark Posey, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Adriani, of 1581 Jefferson Street, West Englewood, have been assigned to Big Spring Bombardier School at Big Spring, Tex. Both received their wings last December at Blackland Army Air Field, Waco, Tex., and are assigned to duty as pilots with the department of training.

2-1-45

Attends Strasbourg Service

WITH THE THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION OF THE SEVENTH ARMY, FRANCE—George D. Shields, 264 Farrant Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., recently attended the Immaculate Conception services held at Strasbourg. This marked the first time in more than four years that worship services had been held in this famed Cathedral.

More than 2,000 American soldiers, of whom 1,200 were Third Infantry Division men, presented a congregation so large that Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Smith, Third Division Chaplain from San Antonio, Texas, assisted by regimental chaplains, was forced to deliver his sermon from two different places in order that he might be heard by all.

The Cathedral has been struck twice by bombs but no great damage had been done. Some of the stained-glass were shattered, debris lay upon the floor, but this could not overshadow the beautiful workmanship and care that had been put into building this monument to religion.

The services were ended by Holy Communion, given with a background of organ music.

The site of the Cathedral is believed to be an ancient Roman forum. It is known for certain, however, that the present building stands on the same place where King Clovis, an early French ruler, had built a church of wood and clay.

2-1-45

Ensign N. Johannessen

Neil William James Johannessen, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. W. Johannessen of 20 Franklin Road, West Englewood, has just been made an Ensign in the U. S. N.

Ensign Johannessen was also graduated from the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y., and received his commission in the U. S. Maritime Service and the U. S. Naval Reserve and a license as third officer in the Merchant Marine.

Johannessen is a graduate of Teaneck High School where he was active in wrestling and was a member of the Student Council.

2-1-45

Iglesias Downs German Bomber

An Eighth Air Force Fighter Station, England, Jan. 29—Two short bursts of machinegun fire punched out his first victory over the Luftwaffe for Second Lieutenant Victor D. Iglesias, P-51 Mustang pilot of West Englewood, combat reports filed here disclosed.

The fight occurred when pilots of the high-scoring Fifth Fighter Group broke up all attacks on American heavy bombers made by 20 Focke-Wulf 190's.

"My element leader and I started after one of them," said Iglesias, whose home is at 1068 Longfellow Avenue, West Englewood. "We chased him from about 20,000 feet all the way to the deck—almost to treetop level. As we leveled off the Jerry decided to fight me. He turned into me quickly, and followed me through a tight, climbing turn. I really had that Mustang wheeling around. I came out on his tail and gave him two short bursts. The pilot bailed out."

Lieutenant Iglesias entered the Air Force in December, 1942, after attending the University of Cincinnati for a few months. He received his wings at Victoria, Texas, in January, 1944. He was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1941.

The 855th Fighter Group, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Everett W. Stewart of Abilene, Kansas, recently reached the 600-mark in total victories to become the third highest-scoring fighter group in the Eighth Air Force. Of this total, 211 enemy planes have been destroyed in aerial combat. The 855th leads all other Eighth Air aircraft destroyed in ground-attack attacks with a total of 289.

2-1-45

SOLDIERS START PLANT AT FRONT

Bergen Officer Organizes A Foundry Crew

With the 100th Division, Alsace, France, Feb. 1 (P)—It was learned yesterday that American soldiers have started and are operating a factory by themselves within German artillery range to meet shortage in material.

The need for four-foot iron stakes used in barbed wire entanglements had become acute when Private First Class Philip Hall, Southfield, Mass., came upon a foundry near the front containing four forges that had long been out of operation.

Three New Jerseyans set to work to get the foundry running. Lieutenant Samuel Pinnell, 1311 Pennington Road, West Englewood, organized a crew of workmen. Corporal Morris Fasserella, of Atco, harnessed the motor of a captured German jeep to drive the bellows. Corporal Roy Johnson, Matawan, joined the production list.

The front-line foundry has produced 20,000 stakes so far and is turning them out now at the rate of 1,000 a day—with slight interruptions when fire from enemy guns starts delivering the wrong kind of metal.

2-2-45

FIGHTS OWN BROTHERS

Private First Class George Walz of Teaneck, who has three brothers in the German Army and whose parents are still living in that country, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service while in action in France as a member of the U. S. infantry.

The news of his award was received this week by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of 197 Elm Avenue, with whom Private Walz made his home before entering service in February of 1942.

Private Walz, a member of the 44th Division of the Seventh Army, trained in the State of Washington and was sent overseas last October.

Born and educated in Germany, Private Walz came to this country in 1925. As a naturalized U. S. citizen, Walz visited his parents in 1939 and upon his return to this country was on one of the ships that was turned back. He got out by way of Stockholm.

2-3-45

Awaits Assignment

Lieutenant Colonel Henry E. Jetter of 716 Cumberland Road, Teaneck, home from 18 months in the Southwest Pacific with a unit of the Transportation Corps, is at the Asheville, N. C., Army Ground and Services Forces Redistribution Station awaiting assignment to new duties.

Jack Daniels In Training

Jack Daniels, 18, son of Mr. Abe Daniels, 188 Shepard Ave., West Englewood, N. J. is receiving his initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

His recruit training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general Naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruit to determine whether he will be assigned to a Naval Service School, to a shore station or to immediate duty at sea.

When his recruit training is completed, the seaman will receive a period of leave.

2-4-45

Sitting in a broken chair in a miserable little cellar underneath what used to be part of a barn, Major Thomas J. (Jeff) Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis of Teaneck, told a Florida Tribune war correspondent recently that in spite of a number of hardships, he had just one complaint to make.

The 30-year-old Army officer, supply officer for his regiment in the snowy fastnesses of the Hurtgen forest, said: "I'm gripped because they've been publishing a new picture in the States showing a G. I. from our regiment eating Thanksgiving dinner. Under the picture they say it's the first hot meal the soldier had in 15 days."

"Now dammit, I'm supply officer and we just don't do things that way. No matter what's going on, our guys get at least one hot meal a day. Sometimes the hot food has to be brought up after dark, but you get around pretty well in the dark if you're quiet."

"I hope the folks at home understand because a lot of them might worry if they thought their kids were getting just one lousy hot meal in 15 days. We just don't operate that way."

The correspondent reported that the cellar which Major Davis is living in, is now only a broken heap of sticks and stones and collapsed piles of muddy hay. He also reported that the little town of Brandenberg, in which Davis lives, has enemy observation on all three sides and they can shoot at it from three sides.

"Nobody," he said, "stays in the streets more than a minute at a time. No vehicles are parked in the open and to get to the town, you have to drive like a madman over a narrow, rutty shell-torn road with Germans watching you all the way."

2-8-45

GRADUATED



Technical Sergeant John E. Protin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henri L. Protin of 360 Whitelaw Place, Teaneck, was graduated last week from the Army Air Forces Central Instructors School at Laredo Army Air Field, Laredo, Tex., and is now fully qualified to become an instructor at one of the nation's seven aerial gunnery schools.

2-8-45

T-Sgt. Joseph Benning

SAN MARCOS ARMY AIR FIELD, Texas — (Spt)—Technical Sgt. Joseph F. Benning Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Benning, 275 Van Buren Avenue, Teaneck, has been assigned to the San Marcos Army Air Field, a navigation school in the AAF Training Command.

2-8-45

Jensen Radar Officer

Lieutenant J. Douglas Jensen, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. David Jensen of 477 Sagamore Avenue, Teaneck, has been overseas 15 months and is now serving as a radar officer at an Army Air Force base in France.

A graduate of Teaneck High School where he was a letter man in high jumping, Lieutenant Jensen attended Pratt Institute in Brooklyn and enlisted in the Army in January of 1942.

He was commissioned a second lieutenant upon graduation from Officer's Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, N. J., in November of 1943 and then attended the Radar School at New Orleans, La. From there he went to Oklahoma City and completed his Radar training at Hobe Sound, Fla.

Before going to France, Jensen served for a time in England.

2-8-45

RAF Bomber Station

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England—Sergeant Alan Babbits, 22, Teaneck, New Jersey, recently entered the aerial offensive against the Reich when he participated in the Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress bombing attack on Hanover's vital marshalling yards which have been sending supplies to the Western Front.

Sgt. Babbits, Fortress ball turret gunner with the 385th Bombardment Group, commanded by Colonel George Y. Jumper, Natoma, Calif., flies with the formations of the famed Third Air Division, the division cited by the President for its now historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of the Messerschmitt aircraft factories at Regensburg, Germany, in August, 1943.

The airman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Babbits, 48 Bogert Street, Teaneck, New Jersey. A graduate of Jamaica, N. Y., High School, Sgt. Babbits was an instructor mechanic at the Rome, N. Y., Depot, before his entry into the Army Air Forces in March, 1943. He won his gunner's wings in May, 1944, at Las Vegas Field, Nevada.

Wins Third Cluster

Staff Sergeant Grant A. Hanson, 715 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, tail gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress based in England, won his third Oak Leaf Cluster for his part in raids against the Reich's transportation arteries at Kassel, Cologne, and Munster, and against oil centers at Hamburg, Politz, and Merseburg. A graduate of Teaneck High School, he was a salesman before he entered service in 1941.

2-8-45

Pvt. Bernard Cohen

MADISON, WIS., Feb. 2—Pvt. Bernard Cohen, 636 Palisade Ave., Teaneck, has been enrolled in the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Trux Field, it was announced today by the post commander.

He will take an extensive course in servicing radio equipment used on U. S. bombers and fighting planes and will be trained in defense against chemical warfare, aircraft identification, and related AAF subjects designed to fit him for combat duty.

3-8-45

Pfc. Frank Jacobs Gets Medal For Philippine Work

SOMEWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES—Private First Class Frank A. Jacobs, Dumont, has been awarded the Philippine Liberation Medal. He already holds the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon and several individual citations for excellence in his work as scout-observer in the battalion intelligence section of a crack Infantry regiment of a well-known Division here.

Inducted in Newark in May, 1942, Jacobs has spent the past fourteen months overseas. He is a graduate of Clifton High School and was employed for nine years by Bush & Walsh, Jewelers, of Passaic. He is a member of St. Clair's R. C. Church, and Junior Chamber of Commerce.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jacobs, resided until recently in Delaware. His bride of a little more than a year is the former Margaret Goodwin.

2-8-45

Sgt. Charles E. Korte

15th AAF IN ITALY—Sergeant Charles E. Korte, 28, 320 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck, N. J. is a member of a 15th AAF B-24 group recently cited by the War Department for an outstanding performance of duty during the bombing of the Florisdorf refineries at Vienna, Austria. Included in the citation were all members of the ground echelon.

As assistant crew chief of a Liberator, Korte shares the responsibility of keeping the big bomber in first class flying and fighting trim. The citation accompanying the award stressed the "ceaseless hours of toil and the highly technical skill of the ground personnel... which made the mission possible."

A graduate of Teaneck High School, Korte was employed by Sackett and Wilhelm, Lithographers in Long Island City until he entered the army in November 1942. Overseas since March, he has been authorized the European-African-Middle East Theater Ribbon with two battle stars for his part in the Italian campaign and the invasion of southern France.

2-8-45

Kerr In Pacific

Captain Kerr, U. S. M. R. R., is now stationed at a South Pacific base as communications officer of the 24th Regiment of the 4th Marine Division. Since leaving for overseas duty in January of 1944 he has participated in the invasions of the Marshall Islands and Saipan.

Captain Kerr was wounded twice during the Saipan campaign and is the holder of the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medals. He is a graduate of Bogota High School and Lafayette College.

2-8-45

PROMOTED



LT. JOHN M. JONES JR.

Gets Wings

Lieutenant Jones recently received his commission in the Army Air Corps and navigator's wings at San Marcos, Tex. He has since returned to San Marcos after spending a 10-day leave at the home of his parents.

Lieutenant Jones, a graduate of Saint Anastasia School and Teaneck High School, entered the service as an aviation cadet in June of 1943.

2-11-45



Private Frank W. Strickland, son of Teaneck Councilman and Mrs. Arthur H. Strickland, was one of four Bergen County soldiers listed by the War Department today as wounded in action in the European Area. Private Strickland, president of Teaneck High School's 1940 senior class was also an Intermural Wrestling and boxing champ at Bucknell University.

2-14-45

Lt. Arthur Miller Is Wounded In Germany

First Lieutenant Arthur W. Miller, Jr., son of Mrs. Alice Miller, 1101 Cooper Avenue, Teaneck, 26-year-old officer of Infantry, was wounded in action November 21 in Germany and is still being treated at an Army hospital in France. He wrote his parents that he is unable to disclose the nature of his wounds but that he is recovering slowly and expects to walk soon. He has received the Purple Heart.

A graduate of Teaneck High School, where he was manager of the school's 1938 football team, Lieutenant Miller worked for the Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson before entering service. He was inducted into the Army prior to Pearl Harbor and was commissioned a second lieutenant upon being graduated from the Officers' Candidate School at Fort Benning, Ga. He had been overseas 3 months when wounded.

2-14-45

Pfc. Clifford Heath

Pfc. Clifford J. Heath Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Heath of 255 Church Hill Road, West Englewood, has been awarded the Expert Infantryman Badge at Camp San Luis, Obispo, California, where he is stationed with the 86th "Black Hawk" Infantry Division.

2-14-45

Sgt. Jozseffy Helps To Rebuild Nazi Hospital

WITH U. S. SUPPLY FORCES IN GERMANY.—Sergeant Julius A. Jozseffy, son of Mrs. Rose M. Jozseffy of 844 Van Delinda Avenue, Teaneck, New Jersey, is one of the men of Company D, 346th Engineer Regiment, who recently rehabilitated a captured hospital in Germany.

The regiment, a general service unit of Brigadier General Ewart G. Plank's Advance Section, Communications Zone, has been doing mine clearance as well as reconstruction work in France.

"Much glass had been broken by the concussion caused by artillery fire, mortar fire and aerial bombardment," said Sgt. Jozseffy, "and we also had to replace more than 200 linear feet of pipe. However, all the materials were obtained from requisitioned German civilian stocks, so we saved the Army thousands of dollars in shipping costs and thousands of man-hours of labor."

Sgt. Jozseffy was inducted into the Army at Fort Dix, New Jersey, in May, 1942. He came overseas with the 346th in August, 1942 and was engaged in airdrome construction and other pre-invasion work in the United Kingdom. He landed in France June 28, 1944 and took part in mine clearance as well as reconstruction work in the Normandy peninsula after the fall of Cherbourg.

The regiment rehabilitated buildings for the Supreme Allied headquarters on the Continent. It later maintained 50 miles of roads on the historic Red Ball highway operated by Gen. Plank's Advance Section, and also cleared more than 17,000 mines from the Paris area alone.

2-14-45

NIXON GIVEN WINGS

Lieutenant Frederick Miller Nixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miller F. Nixon of 195 Shepard Avenue, West Englewood, recently received his commission and pilot's wings upon completion of single engine fighter pilot training at the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School, Luke Field, Arizona.

He is a graduate of Teaneck

High School, class of 1942 and entered the Naval Air corps in January of 1943. He transferred to the Army Air Forces in Oct. 30, 1943.

Lieutenant Nixon is now spending a 10-day leave at the home of his parents, at the conclusion of which he will report back to Luke Field to await further assignment.

2-14-45

Now Navigator Jones

Lieutenant John M. Jones, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones of 802 Frances Street, Teaneck, recently received his commission in the Army Air Corps and navigator's wings at San Marcos, Tex. He has since returned to San Marcos after spending a 10-day leave at the home of his parents.

Lieutenant Jones, a graduate of Saint Anastasia School and Teaneck High School, entered the service as an aviation cadet in June of 1943.

2-14-45

Lt. Walter Fahnestock Is Awarded Silver Star

Lt. Walter D. Fahnestock Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Fahnestock, of 17 Tryon Avenue, West Englewood, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action over the Ploesti oil fields August 14, 1944.

Lieutenant Fahnestock, a B-24 Liberator pilot and assistant operations officer although seriously wounded by flak, refused all medical attention or aid until the mission had been completed.

He has already received the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and a Presidential Unit citation. He is at present convalescing at Fort Thomas, Ky.

2-14-45

Lt. Riedel In Training

Lt. Ernest Riedel Jr., son of Mr. Ernest Riedel of 292 Gifford Place, Teaneck, N. J., has arrived at George Field where he will receive specialized training in Troop Carrier tactics.

This training with the C-47 transport plane will emphasize preparations for glider towing, paratroop and parajump dropping and Troop Carrier formation flying.

Lt. Riedel attended Columbia University and won his wing at Hondo, Texas, on January 6, 1946.

2-14-45

Pvt. Grahamer Ends Basic Capt. Ringe Convalescing

Private Richard C. Grahamer, son of Mrs. John Grahamer, of 816 Willow Street, Teaneck, has completed basic training with an Armored unit and is stationed at the Armored Replacement Training Center at Fort Knox, Ky. awaiting orders to combat duty.

A surgeon, an architect, and a politician disputed which belonged to the oldest profession.

The surgeon claimed the distinction, because, Eve was made from Adam's rib. That, he contested, was surgery.

"But," said the architect, "before the advent of Adam order was made out of chaos. That was architecture."

"Admitted," said the politician, "but who created the chaos?"

—L. & N. Employees' Magazine.

2-14-45

Two Local Men With B-29's Based In The Marianas

HEADQUARTERS, XXI BOMBER COMMAND, GUAM - (Delayed) - Two men from Teaneck, New Jersey are among the ground specialists of a B-29 organization based in the Marianas who took up the unfamiliar task of air base construction in addition to their regular duties, and who have received a special commendation from Brigadier General H. S. Hansell, Jr., Commanding General, XXI Bomber Command.

With the aviation engineers absorbed in the priority task of completing the giant airstrip, ground echelons were called upon for the unusual assignment of building administrative and service facilities as well as living quarters. Men whose regular jobs were those of clerk-typists, medical technicians, truck drivers and chemical warfare instructors, moved in on the area of battle wreckage and, in less than 20 weeks, B-29 Superfortresses were bombing Tokyo from the completed Marianas base.

"You carried on your official work with efficiency above the usual under rugged conditions," General Hansell said. "In addition, with hard labor, ingenuity, and a kind of stubborn will that typifies the spirit of American pioneering, you made with your own hands a place to live and a place to work, overcoming obstacles which were not foreseen."

The Teaneck men are:

Sergeant John M. Mayer whose wife, Mary, and mother, Mrs. Katherine Mayer, live on South John Street. Prior to entering the service in March, 1941, he was employed by Englewood Hospital at

Englewood, New Jersey. A brother, Philip, is serving with the Army in the European theatre.

Technical Sergeant Bernard A. Legacy whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander J. Legacy, live at 119 Oakdene Avenue. He was graduated from high school in Washburn, Wisconsin in 1939, and entered the service in September, 1940. A brother, Rubert, is serving with the Army in the European theatre.

2-15-45

Now Sgt. Dietrick

Marine Sergeant Peter J. Dietrick, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dietrick, 190 Oakdene Ave., Teaneck, N. J., has been promoted to that rank at El Toro, Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Ana, Calif., where he is a mechanic in a fighter squadron.

2-15-45

S-Sgt. Everett Jones Returns From Pacific

NEWPORT, Ark., Feb. 15.—Marine Staff Sergeant Everett R. Jones, 23, veteran of nine months' service in the South Pacific war theater, is now assigned as an aviation mechanic with the service squadron, at the large U. S. Marine Corps Air Facility near here.

He is the son of Mrs. C. H. Hal-John, 764 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, N. J., and enlisted in the Corps November 26, 1940. The youth has served in Samoa, New Hebrides, New Caledonia, Guadalcanal, the Fijis and New Zealand.

Jones holds the Presidential Unit Citation for the First Marine Air Wing, having been in combat on Guadalcanal from Oct. 9, to Dec. 13, 1942.

He was wounded Nov. 13, 1942, when an enemy shell exploded nearby, and shrapnel entered his left leg and right foot. At the time, Jones was at the Henderson Field auxiliary air strip, and was interestedly watching a dogfight between our planes and enemy ships.

It was a good fight, with Major Joe Foss, Marine air ace, taking a big hand. Twenty-one enemy ships attacked, and all were brought down by our fighters, says Jones.

The Marines got a big laugh out of finding papers on a downed Jap pilot indicating that Henderson Field was in Japanese hands.

2-15-45

Ensign Joseph Borst

Kenneth Joseph Borst, son of Mr. Michael J. Borst of 974 Darion Ter., Teaneck, N. J., was commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve and designated a Naval Aviator recently at the Naval Air Training Base, Pensacola, Florida.

Having completed his intermediate training at the "Annapolis of the Air," he will be ordered to duty either at an instructor's school for further training or at an operational base.

Prior to entering the Naval service, Ensign Borst attended Syracuse University for two years.

Fire Controlman Schomaker

Among those graduating from an intensive course of Fire Controlman training at recent Great Lakes Service Schools exercises here was William P. Schomaker, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. August J. Schomaker, 1015 Warren Parkway, Teaneck, N. J.

This Bluejacket was selected for his specialized training on the basis of his recruit training aptitude test scores. Graduates from the twenty specialized courses taught at the Service Schools are sent to sea, to shore stations, or to advanced schools for further duty.

Corp. Engel Graduates

Corporal Ernest E. Engel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl H. Engel, of 1310 Princeton Road, West Englewood, has been graduated from the Army Air Forces Central Instructors School at Laredo Army Air Field, Laredo, Tex., and is now fully qualified to become an instructor at an aerial gunnery school.

2-15-45

"Swede" Lindholm

Cornelius "Swede" Lindholm Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Lindholm, of 1095 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, a junior at Lehigh University, has been elected captain of the 1944 wrestling team and will lead the Engineers into the 41st annual Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association championships to be held Feb. 9-10 at Lehigh.

One of the most popular men on the campus, Lindholm is undefeated in dual competition to date, and on him Lehigh is pinning its hopes for an individual championship. Weighing 145 lbs., Lindholm has been competing in the 155-lb. bracket, but will drop back to his proper division for the tourney.

Besides being an outstanding wrestler, Lindholm is a star soccer and baseball player, and has won his varsity award in all three sports. As a forward on the soccer team last fall he captained the Brown & White booters and during the summer he was acting captain of the baseball team, thus making him one of the few to captain three sports in the recent history of the University.

RINGE Captain Charles L. Ringe Jr. of 4112 Winthrop Road, Teaneck, flight surgeon with the Army Air Forces for 17 months in Alaska, and injured when his plane crashed, is convalescing at the Valley Forge General Hospital at Phoenixville, Pa.

2-15-45

ENDS TRAINING



Elizabeth Backer Seaman First Class, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Backer of 56 Genesee Avenue, West Englewood, recently completed training at Hunter College and Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa. A graduate of Teaneck High School, Seaman Backer will be reassigned after a short furlough at home.

2-15-45

T-Sgt. Jane Kraft Wears Meritorious Service Badge

HEADQUARTERS, AAF SERVICE COMMAND, Italy.—Technical Sergeant Jane Kraft of the Women's Army Corps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Kraft, 600 Chestnut Avenue, Teaneck, New Jersey and formerly employed as a secretary in New York City, recently was authorized to wear the Meritorious Service insignia.

The insignia is a gold wreath badge worn on the right sleeve. It is similar in design to the Meritorious Service plaque awarded to her WAC company for its "superior performance of duty" during the first six months of 1944.

For the past year and a half in North Africa and Italy the company has handled communications and vital supply information at this headquarters—control center for Air Service activity in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

2-15-45

KILLED IN ACTION



First Lieutenant Denniston Averill of Englewood, husband of the former Dorothy George of West Englewood, was killed in action December 20 in Belgium. Lieutenant Averill, company commander in an Armored Division of Patton's Third Army, was a Teaneck High School athlete and honor student. Besides his wife he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Bess D. Averill of Englewood and a 7-month-old son whom he never saw.

2-15-45

Teaneck Marine Is Killed on Iwo Jima

The first Bergen County Marine to lose his life in the battle of Iwo Jima was reported this week.

He is Staff Sergeant Henry W. Wolber of Teaneck, 24, husband of Mrs. Kay Wolber, 78 Ayers Court, Teaneck, a member of a Marine Corps demolition squad, who, according to word received by his wife, the former Kay Neumuller of Teaneck, died of wounds received February 23. Sergeant Wolber, holder of a Presidential Citation, was a veteran of Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Vella Levella and New Caledonia.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Wolber Sr. of Utica, N. Y., Sergeant Wolber, prior to his enlistment in the Marine Corps in January, 1942, served a previous 4-year enlistment and spent 1 year in the Hawaiian Islands and three years at West Point, N. Y., attached to the Military Police. For the 3 months he was out of service, before he re-enlisted, he was employed by the Bendix Aviation Corporation in Teterboro as a guard. His death occurred 2 years and seven months to the day he and Miss Neumuller were married.

Sergeant Wolber upon re-entering service in 1942, was stationed at Washington, but was later transferred to the paratroops and trained at North Carolina. He was overseas 14 months, having participated in Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Villi-LaVilli, New Caledonia, and had been awarded the Presidential Citation, when he was sent back to the United States to train with the demolition squad. He went overseas again last July.

2-22-45

Lt. Erickson In France

Lieut. Albert J. Erickson, 26, husband of Grace Bracker Erickson of 1081 Trafalgar Street, West Englewood, is serving with a Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron somewhere in France.

Lieutenant Erickson entered the service in July of 1942 and received his commission in the Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kansas, in March of 1943. He was stationed in Kansas, Texas, Louisiana, and California before going overseas in February of last year with a mechanized cavalry unit which arrived in France shortly after D-Day.

Lieutenant Erickson was wounded while on reconnaissance patrol near Brest, France on September 9 when a sniper's bullet hit his canteen, causing it to explode and driving steel fragments into his hip and leg. He was flown to England the same day and hospitalized here for several months. He rejoined his outfit in December and has been in combat since.

Lieutenant Erickson is a graduate of Teaneck High School and Bergen Junior College. He is the father of a 3-year old son, Albert Jr.

2-22-45

REV. EMIL BAYER OF TEANECK NOW FIELD CHAPLAIN

Former Methodist Pastor Assigned To Eagle Pass Army Post In Texas

HIS 3RD LOCATION

Captain Emil G. Bayer, former pastor of the Teaneck Methodist Church, has been made Protestant Chaplain of the Eagle Pass Army Air Field, Texas, it was announced today.

Captain Bayer served as chaplain at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., and the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center before being sent to Eagle Pass, Texas.

A graduate of the Army Chaplain's School, Harvard University, he won a B. A. degree from Weylan College. His Bachelor of Divinity degree came from Drew University where he also received an M. A. degree in theology. He entered the ministry in 1920 and served as a Seaman First Class in the last war. His wife, Mrs. Eleanor Bayer, lives at 122 Ayers Court, West Englewood.

Jones In Arkansas

Marine Staff Sergeant Everett R. Jones of Teaneck, veteran of nine months of service in the South Pacific, has now been assigned as an Aviation Mechanic with the service squadron at Newport, Ark.

Sergeant Jones participated in battles in Guadalcanal, Samoa, New Hebrides, New Caledonia, the Fijis, and New Zealand.

He wears the Presidential Unit Citation for the First Marine Air Wing, having been in combat on Guadalcanal from October 9 to Dec. 13, 1942, the Purple Heart for wounds received when an enemy shell exploded nearby and shrapnel entered his left leg and right foot. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Halbohn of 764 Cedar Lane, Teaneck.

2-22-45

Corp. Lloyd Kennedy Arrives In England

Corporal Lloyd E. Kennedy, of West Englewood has arrived at an English Air base in England recently according to a letter received by his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Kennedy of 443 Maitland Avenue, West Englewood.

Corporal Kennedy, a radio-gunner on a Flying Fortress entered the service in July, 1943. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School and attended Radio Technical School in New York City.

2-22-45

S/Sgt. Christensen

Staff Sergeant Arthur H. Christensen of West Englewood, recently returned from the E. T. O. Theater of Operations, has reported for duty with the Army Air Forces Training Command at Langley Field, Va.

Sergeant Christensen wears the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen of 120 Tryon Avenue, West Englewood.

2-22-45

IN SERVICE NEWS



CAPT. EMIL G. BAYER



S/SGT. E. R. JONES

Lt. Richard Habel Given Air Medal For Bombing

For operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific with the 13th A.A.F., Second Lieutenant Richard T. Habel, son of Mrs. Frank K. Habel, 179 Johnson Avenue, Teaneck, has been presented with the Air Medal. The presentation took place at an advanced 13th with the Air Medal. The presentation took place at the Moluccas.

A bombardier on a B-24 Liberator, Habel participated in Bomber Baron (5th Group) strikes that supported the Philippine liberation forces through heavy bombardment of enemy supply and bivouac areas, and neutralization of air-dromes, and the destruction of Japanese shipping. Overseas since July of 1944, he was flown strikes against targets in Palau, the Celebes, and Borneo.

Lieutenant Habel entered the A. A. F. November, 1943. He attended aerial gunnery school at Tyndall Field, Florida, and bombardier school at Victorville, California.

2-22-45

"Skid" Johnson Graduates From General Staff School

Major Arnold R. (Skid) Johnson, the Teaneck ace who earned the Silver Star in one hour of combat back in 1942, has been graduated from the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Johnson was a pilot in the 19th Bombardment Group which pounded Japanese air and naval bases in New Britain early in the war. He himself accounted for 13 Jap planes, a submarine, a cruiser, and three transports. Besides the Silver Star, he wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and a four-citation Presidential streamer.

Major Johnson will be stationed at Las Vegas, Nevada.

2-22-45

Lt. Iglesias Is Given Oak Leaf Cluster Award

An Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal has been awarded to Lieutenant Victor D. Iglesias for meritorious service in aerial flight while serving with a P-51 Mustang fighter station in England.

Lieutenant Iglesias has destroyed one Focke-Wulf 190 during aerial combat. He received his wings and commission in January, 1944. He lives at 1268 Longfellow Avenue, West Englewood.

2-22-45

Lt. McLaughlin Awarded Air Medal For Missions

Lieutenant James J. McLaughlin, veteran of more than 20 combat missions over German-held Europe, was recently awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight." Lieutenant McLaughlin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. McLaughlin, 866 Estes Avenue, Teaneck. He is stationed with the 15th Air Force in Italy.

2-22-45

2-22-45

Teaneck Marine Is Wounded at Iwo

Private Passantino, 23, a member of the Fourth Marine Division, was wounded in the battle for Iwo Jima on February 26, his parents have been notified. Recently they received a letter from their son with this news.

According to his letter, he was just fine and as well as ever, but his biggest concern was for those back home. Then he added, "Oh, before I forget, if you haven't received a telegram as yet you will in the near future telling you I was wounded, or words to that effect. Don't pay too much attention to it because it wasn't anything serious. A bullet went through my back and shoulder and came out. So you see it wasn't much..."

Private Passantino, a graduate of Teaneck High School, class of '41, enlisted in the Marine Corps in August 1942. At Teaneck High, he was active in many school activities, but was outstanding in art work. He did a great many cartoons for the school paper and also drew many of the pictures for the year book. He was also a member of the V. F. W. Drum and Bugle Corps in Teaneck.

2-22-45

S-Sgt. Harold Emtage Gets Air Medal For Achievement

Staff Sergeant Harold L. Emtage, aerial gunner of Teaneck, has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in the Southwest Pacific Area from August 28, 1944 to October 30, 1944.

Sergeant Emtage took part in sustained operational flight missions during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These flights included bombing missions against enemy bases and aided considerably in the recent success of the Southwest Pacific Theater of Operations.

Sergeant Emtage, a graduate of Teaneck High School, has been overseas for the past 2 years and has been in the service for 3 years. He is the son of Mrs. Agnes E. Knapp of 845 Williams Avenue, Teaneck.

2-22-45

Hartmeyer in Finance Dept.

Walter A. Hartmeyer, husband of the former Miss Marjorie Fernandez of 319 Crestview Place, Teaneck, is stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Ind., where he is with contract termination in the fiscal section of the Finance Department of the Infantry.

He entered the service in May of 1943. A graduate of Newton, L. I., High School and Columbia University, Mr. Hartmeyer was a Certified Public Accountant in New York City prior to entering the service. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club in Jamaica, L. I. A brother, Harold, is serving with the Army somewhere in the South Pacific area.

2-22-45

More Laurels For S-Sgt. T. Anderson

15TH AAF IN ITALY—Staff Sgt. T. C. Anderson, 25, of 283 Pleasant Place, Teaneck, N. J., has been awarded the Bronze Star for "meritorious service in direct support of combat operations"

The citation further reads, "As Ordnance Section Chief of this squadron, his technical ability and leadership has been of outstanding value to the organization. Arriving in this theater, Sgt. Anderson found that there were no shop facilities to properly maintain the ordnance equipment which was so sorely needed for successful combat operations. By his own initiative Sgt. Anderson set out to build an ordnance shop. Within a short time the shop was completed and he was able to carry on the ordnance maintenance work efficiently."

Formerly employed at a Hoboken shipyard, Sgt. Anderson enlisted in the Army in April of 1941, and was graduated from the ordnance school at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland.

For the past 32 months the Sergeant has been overseas serving with the oldest heavy bombardment group in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. The first Flying Fortress group over Europe, this unit recently became the first heavy bombardment group in the Army Air Forces to have down 400 combat missions.

Sgt. Anderson has earned the European-African-Middle East Theater Ribbon with six battle participation stars and also wears the Distinguished Unit Badge.

2-24-45

Captain Hurrle Receives Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster

B-17 Flying Fortress "Lady Anne", Captain Robert P. Hurrle son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hurrle, 80 Johnson Avenue, Teaneck, has had a combat career of more than 25 missions. The 22-year-old flier has been presented with his fifth Oak Leaf Cluster for achievement during bombing attacks on Nazi military and industrial installations. He is a member of the 94th Bombardment Group which was cited by the President for bombing the Muhlentbau aircraft assembly plant at Brunswick, Germany.

Captain Hurrle is a graduate of Teaneck High School. Before enlisting in the Army Air Forces in August, 1942, he was employed as a bookkeeper for a chemical company in New York.

2-24-45

Pvt. Von Spreckelson Is Seriously Wounded

According to the word received by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Von Spreckelsen, of 174 West Street, West Englewood, their son, Private Fred Von Spreckelsen Jr. was seriously wounded in action in the European Theater of Operations. Private Von Spreckelsen, a graduate of St. Cecilia's High School, trained with the infantry at Camp Robinson, Little Rock, Ark., and was sent overseas last December. The telegram from the War Department was received Friday.

2-27-45

Lt. Greco In Italy

Pasquale G. Greco, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greco of 186 Hillside Avenue, Teaneck, is serving with an ordnance company of Peninsular Base Headquarters in Italy, service and supply organization for the Fifth Army and for ground forces of the U. S. Army Air Forces and Navy in Italy.

2-27-45

Award Meritorious Plaque To Private Philip Lins

WITH THE DIXIE DIVISION ON MOROTAI—(Special Release) —For outstanding devotion to duty in operating supply dumps under combat conditions, the 31st Infantry Division Q M company of which Pfc. Philip Lins of Teaneck, N. J., is a member has been awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. Lins, a supply man, has been overseas more than a year, seeing action at Wakde-Sarmi and Morotai.

2-27-45

Air Medal Presented To Mother Of Lt. Houghton

The Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters was recently presented to Mrs. Ethel D. Houghton of 258 Schley Place, Teaneck, for her son, Lieutenant Clyde A. Houghton, who has been reported missing in action.

2-27-45