

## Hohmeister Finishes Basic

Frank Charles Hohmeister, 18, seaman 2c, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hohmeister, 1166 Alicia Av., West Englewood, has completed basic training at the Submarine School, Submarine Base, New London, Conn., for duty with our growing fleet of undersea fighters.

Seaman Hohmeister will be entitled to wear the twin dolphin insignia of the Submarine Service after further experience aboard a submarine during which he must demonstrate to his commanding officer that he is fully qualified to carry out the duties of his rate. The insignia is regarded as a mark of distinction throughout the Navy.

The new submariner was a graduate of Teaneck High a year ago. After entering the naval service last September, he was given preliminary instruction at Great Lakes, Illinois training station.

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## Egan Promoted to S/Sgt.

Arthur D. Egan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Egan, 96 Lees Ave., Teaneck, has been promoted to staff sergeant, it was announced by the commanding general of the A.A.F. Eighth Fighter Command. Staff Sergeant Egan is a radio operator and inspector at a fighter station. He was graduated from Keystone radio technicians school, Pittsburgh, Pa., and attended advanced radio school at Cranwell, England. He was recently awarded the Good Conduct Medal.

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## Now Captain George Bayer

Mrs. E. George Bayer of 122 Ayers Court, West Englewood, has received word that her husband, who is stationed at the Aviation Cadet Center at San Antonio, Texas has been promoted to the rank of captain.

Chaplain Bayer who is on leave of absence from his post as pastor of the Teaneck Methodist Church, DeGraw Avenue, Teaneck, enlisted in November, 1943. He served at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., before being transferred to Texas.

He is a veteran of World War 1 where he served with the Navy. His two children, David, 15, and Catherine Anne, 12, are students at Teaneck High School.

## S/Sgt. Frank Battipaglia

Italy—Frank F. Battipaglia, of 42 Copley avenue, Teaneck, New Jersey, has been promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant, from that of Sergeant, according to a recent announcement from his unit headquarters. Sergeant Battipaglia, who has been a member of the United States Army Air Force since July 9, 1942, is the husband of Mrs. Helen Battipaglia of Teaneck. He is a graduate of the Lincoln grammar school, North Bergen, New Jersey.

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—Corporal Paul Pappalardo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Pappalardo of 10 Hamilton Road returned last week to Camp Cooke, California after a 23 day furlough spent home visiting his parents. His brother, Corporal Frank Pappalardo is serving at Camp Polk, La. Both receive copies of the Teaneck Post each week.

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## Now T/Sgt. John Protin

15th Army Air Force in Italy—John E. Protin, 28, of 360 Willow Place, Teaneck, New Jersey, has been promoted to Technical Sergeant, it was announced by the 15th Army Air Force.

A right waist gunner-engineer, Sgt. Protin is stationed in Italy with a B-24 Liberator Bomber group commanded by Col. Thomas W. Steed, of Etowah, Tenn. He has participated in repeated aerial assaults against Ploesti, Vienna, Sleyr, Toulon and other strategic targets in the network of German industrial centers throughout southern Europe.

Sgt. Protin entered the Air Corps February 27, 1941, and studied airplane mechanics and flexible gunnery before coming overseas.

By Sgt. Harold DeLong

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## Sheard Finishes With V-12

HAMILTON, N. Y.—Warren Sheard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Sheard, 94 Munn Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., has completed his training with the Navy V-12 Unit at Colgate University and left for advanced training at the Supply School at Harvard University July 1.

Sheard attended Rutgers University before entering the Colgate V-12 unit for the basic course in July, 1943. In the V-12 at Colgate he has been a squadron leader, a platoon leader, a messenger on the Dean's List. He was graduated from Teaneck High School.

## Awarded Oak Leaf Cluster

15th Army Air Force—Second Lieutenant Roland S. Tremble, 22, whose wife, Mrs. Jane Tremble, resides at 315 Johnson Avenue, Teaneck New Jersey, has been awarded the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, it was announced by the Fifteenth Army Air Force.

In the words of the citation, the award was made "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

Lieutenant Tremble, a navigator on a B-24 Liberator Bomber, is stationed somewhere in Italy. He is a member of a Liberator Bomber Group, commanded by Colonel Thomas W. Steed of Etowah, Tenn.

7-3-44

—Private W. Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson of 45 Orchard Terrace, West Englewood, has returned from Italy, after 18 months of service in the Mediterranean area, and is now hospitalized at the England General Hospital in Atlantic City.

As a platoon leader carrying a "walkie-talkie", Nelson was wounded about the head by artillery fire at Mt. Cairo, in the Cassino sector, according to a letter received by his mother.

Private Nelson has seen active duty with the infantry at Casablanca, Oran, Algiers, Bizerti, Tunis, Salerno, Naples, and Cassino. He wears the Purple Heart and several campaign ribbons.

Nelson is a graduate of Teaneck High School and worked at Wright's Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson, before being inducted in January, 1943.

7-3-44

—Corporal John J. Corris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Corris, of 34 State Street, West Englewood, has arrived home from MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla. Corporal Corris is a radio man in the Army Air Force.

A 1941 graduate of Teaneck High School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Te-III News, school weekly, Corris was a reporter for the Hudson Dispatch in Jersey City before entering the service.

—Frank C. Hohmeister, seaman second class, of 1166 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, has completed basic training at the Submarine School, Submarine Base, New London, Conn., and is ready for duty aboard a ship.

Seaman Hohmeister was a graduate of Teaneck High School a year ago. After entering the naval service last September, he took his preliminary instruction at the Great Lakes, Illinois, naval training station.

—Seaman First Class Joseph A. McCulley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. McCulley of 59 Robinson Street, Teaneck, has completed his training at yeoman's school, Newport, R. I., and is home on furlough awaiting reassignment. McCulley was the only one in his class at Newport to receive a first class seaman's rating.

McCulley joined the Navy last December 8. He was graduated from Teaneck High School last June.

—Seaman First Class Walter P. Reilly Jr., recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Reilly of 400 Beverly Road, Teaneck. He has been transferred to a New York base after completing service with a mine sweeper outfit outside of Boston.

7-3-44

## Sgt. Dunning Missing

Sergeant Henry Dunning Jr., 19-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Dunning Sr., of Teaneck, who is now listed as a German prisoner of war, had been missing since April 29 when he did not return from his second mission over Germany. He has been overseas since the middle of April of this year.

A graduate of the Teaneck High School, class of 1942, Sergeant Dunning entered the Army Air Force in March 1942, while employed by the Bendix Aviation Corporation in Teterboro. While in Teaneck High School, he was a member of the school's championship football team in 1941.

He received basic training at Miami Beach, Fla., and was then sent to the Army Air Force Mechanical School, at Gulfport, Miss. From there he was sent to Torado, Texas, for aerial gunnery training and then to Dalhart, Texas, for combat crew training. After that he left for overseas duty.

7-3-44

## Teaneck Chaplain Receives Honors

With the Army, South Pacific—A commendation has been given Chaplain (Colonel) Edward J. Kroencke, Chief Chaplain of the South Pacific Area for nearly two years, by Lt. General Millard F. Harmon, commanding U. S. Army forces in the South Pacific.

Chaplain Kroencke, whose home is at 958 Darien Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., was cited for his inspiring guidance and stimulating performance of duty, which are invaluable in fostering and developing the spiritual and moral strength of troops in the South Pacific.

The commendation continues, "Sparing no effort to meet the vital spiritual demands which constitute an integral part of discipline and esprit de corps, you have displayed brilliantly and imbued in your associates an appreciation of the responsibilities involved under the tension of combat, the strain of isolation and the monotony of rear area bases.

"In addition to your administrative duties, you have provided the highest type of religious guidance and moral counsel as chaplain for Protestant personnel in the theater headquarters. Your understanding and wisdom in this period from October 8, 1942 to June 1, 1944, have been a source of profound inspiration to the officers and men with whom you so outstandingly and nobly served."

7-4-44

Carl John Andersen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Andersen, 851 Palisade Avenue, Teaneck, has been promoted to the grade of Gunner's Mate second class in the U. S. Navy.

Andersen returned recently to active duty aboard a U. S. vessel after a 17-day leave at home. He entered the service in July, 1942.

His brother, Private Paul Andersen, is serving somewhere in the Pacific with the Army Air Corps. Paul entered the service in January, 1943, and has been overseas for the past year. Both boys are graduates of Teaneck High School.

7-5-44

Lieutenant Robert B. Bicher Jr. of Hackensack, Army Air Force navigator who returned to this country last month after traveling through enemy territory for three weeks to escape capture by the Nazis after his plane was shot down over Austria. He has the Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster and a War Department citation for service in numerous missions over Germany.

Lieutenant Bicher, who also qualified as a co-pilot and bombardier, was commissioned June 9, 1943, at Hondo Field, Tex. He is a graduate of Hackensack High School. He enlisted in the Air Force in Newark on April 6, 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Bicher of Berry Street, Hackensack.

Reported missing last May 10, he showed up 3 weeks after the day his plane was shot down. He and the other eight crew members who escaped with him traveled by night and hid by day in enemy territory.

7-5-44

## Become Ensigns In N. Y. Ceremony

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record). New York, July 5—James Francis Burns Jr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Burns, of 542 Kenwood Place, Teaneck, has been commissioned an Ensign in the United States Naval Reserve, after completing a 15-week officers training course at the New York United States Naval Reserve Midshipmen's school.

Ensign Burns and his fellow officers of the 18th graduating class took their oath of office before Captain John K. Richards, U. S. N., Commanding Officer of the school. The ceremony was conducted in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, largest gothic cathedral in the world.

Also in the graduating class were Robert F. Morten, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Morten, of 338 Vandellinda Avenue, Teaneck; William W. Witt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arthur Witt, of 17 Fairmount Avenue, Hackensack; and Melvin W. Gelber, son of I. B. Gelber, of 50 Second Street, Hackensack.

7-5-44

## Join In Observance

Two Teaneck men took part in a special Independence Day mass held in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Rome before 300 Fifth Army soldiers. Corporal Harry J. Hakim of 472 Teaneck Road served as an acolyte and Private William J. Mooney served as honorary guard. An appeal was made for an early peace and tribute was paid to all those who died in battle.

7-5-44

## Gottschalk Is Oversens

Sergeant George F. Gottschalk, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mendez Gottschalk of 131 Pinewood Place, Teaneck, has arrived overseas, according to a report from an Air Service Command Station somewhere in England.

7-5-44

## George F. Hay Made Ensign On Graduation

George F. Hay Jr., 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hay of 174 Evergreen Place, West Englewood, was graduated Tuesday from the Naval Training Station at Plattsburg, N. Y., and received the rank of Ensign.

Ensign Hay, a graduate of Teaneck High School, was a member of the County championship track team, winning both the 100 and the 220 yards. He enlisted in the Navy in December, 1942, after passing the V-1 exam. He then entered Nichols Junior College in Massachusetts from where he was graduated in May of last year.

After passing the V-12 exam he went on active duty as of July 1, 1943, and attended Tufts College in Medford, Mass., where he took both his business and Naval degrees. He transferred to Plattsburg in March of this year. His future plans are as yet confidential.

His father is running as a candidate for State Assembly on the Democratic ticket.

7-5-44

## TEANECK CAPTAIN GETS D. F. C.



Captain Ray Wild, of Teaneck, (right) here receives congratulations from Colonel William Reid after receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross from the colonel at informal ceremonies at an Eighth Army Air Force Bomber Base in England.

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## Hay Graduates

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7-8-44

## Commend Private Elze

Action by Private Herbert N. Elze, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Elze, of 40 West Englewood Avenue, West Englewood, a squad leader in a rifle platoon somewhere in Italy stopped enemy gun fire from the front and both flanks long enough for his platoon to withdraw and reorganize their line with which they advanced and neutralized enemy resistance, it was announced in a June issue of the 45th Division News.

Elze first yelled in German to the enemy ordering them to surrender. When he saw there was no response he stood up and unloaded several magazines of bullets from his tommygun in face of enemy fire, killing two Germans.

Elze attended Teaneck High School where he played baseball and soccer previous to entering the service he was a partner in his father's business in Teaneck.

He has been overseas since August, 1943, and was reported wounded in action in Italy on March 1.

7-8-44

## Captain Robert J. Davis

Lieutenant Robert J. Davis of 617 Albin Street, Teaneck, has been promoted to the rank of captain at Boca Raton Army Air Field, Fla., where he is a personnel officer. Mrs. Davis, the former Julia Sixtus of Cresskill, and their 16-month-old daughter are living at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

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Also in the graduating class were Robert F. Morten, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Morten, of 333 Vandelinda Avenue, Teaneck.

7-8-44

## Rae Carlsen Promoted

Rae A. Carlsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carlsen of 277 Herriek Avenue, Teaneck, has recently been promoted to Pharmacist's Mate second class at her station at the United States Naval Hospital in Oakland, Calif.

She enlisted in the Waves in May, 1943, on the Coast, while visiting in Sun Valley. After completing boot training at Hunter College in New York she was assigned to the Naval Hospital at San Diego, Calif., and was transferred to her present base in September of last year.

Her brother, Private Harry Grant Carlsen, is at present stationed with the Army Air Corps, at Truax Field, near Madison, Wis.

## Calligan 2nd. Lieutenant

John J. Calligan son of Mr. and Mrs. John Calligan, 420 Beverly Road, Teaneck, was commissioned a second lieutenant and received the silver wings of the Army Air Forces at Victorville Army Air Field, California, July 1.

7-8-44

## Lt. William Nemecek Killed Over Germany

The first member of Calvary Methodist Church of Dumont to be lost in this war is Lieutenant William Nemecek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nemecek of 44 Depew Street, Dumont, who was killed going over Germany as a pilot, according to an official telegram received by his parents from the War Department Saturday.

Lt. Nemecek, a member of the 1940 graduating class of Dumont High School had evidently decided to go in for aviation while still in school for he is mentioned in the year-book as a member of the Aeronautics Club during his second, third and fourth year—this being the only activity that he is listed under. He was designated as being "very quiet."

He was an active member of the Epworth League of Calvary Methodist Church. He had been overseas since May of this year.

In addition to his parents, he leaves a sister Antoinette and a brother, Joseph, the latter being a sophomore in Dumont High School.

7-8-44

## Latest Draft Call

Registrants to report for induction on July 17, 1944, at the American Legion Club House, at 8:30 A. M.:

Mark Jackisky, 325 Willow Street, Teaneck; Patrick De Vincentis, 269 Ft. Lee Rd., Teaneck; Fairfield N. Stone, 330 Matland Ave., W. Englewood; Marvin Stone, 330 Matland Ave., W. Englewood; Justin Lee Baker, 304 Beech Street, Teaneck; Theodora D. See Jr., 182 Roosevelt Place, Maywood; Vincent Noroski, 313 Teaneck Road, Teaneck; John Mangini, 33 Park Street, Ridgefield Park; Raymond B. Hilton, 242 Forest Ave., W. Englewood; Thomas F. Thompson, 84 Oakdene Ave., Teaneck; Oscar Olsen, 570 Standish Road, Teaneck; Charles D. Minard, 361 Ennis Road, Wood Ridge; Henry O. Forrest Jr., 586 Ramapo Road, Teaneck; Walter P. Heady Jr., 194 East Ft. Lee Rd., Teaneck; John G. Plog, 705 Saffern Rd., Teaneck; Robert W. McDonell, 84 Church Street, W. Englewood; Warren Shadek, 776 Queen Anne Rd., Teaneck; Alan Neil Richter, 1169 Sussex Rd., Teaneck; George Paul Bodger, 487 Palmer Ave., Teaneck; Joseph Daniel Toomey Jr., 929 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck; Donald Gusman, 1236 Kensington Rd., W. Englewood; Brar Wren, 501 Park Ave., East Orange, N. J.

Charles P. Hoffmann Jr., 376 Edgewood Ave., West Englewood, was inducted June 29th.

7-8-44

## Follows Mother's Footsteps

Seaman Second Class Veronica Marie Malone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Malone, of 1096 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, will be graduated this month from the Naval Training School at Cedar Falls, Iowa, and will receive the rank of petty officer third class.

A graduate of Teaneck High School in the class of 1941, Seaman Malone, was formerly employed with the Morton Sundour Interior Decorators, Madison Avenue, New York City. She entered the Waves on March 23 and took her boot training at Hunter College, New York City.

Her brother, Frater Bertrand Malone, a student at White Friar's Hall, Washington, D. C., expects to be ordained next year.

Seaman Malone's mother is a veteran of the First World War, having served as a Yeoman Second Class at the Fleet Supply Base in Brooklyn. Mr. Malone received a medical discharge in the first war.

7-8-44



S. 2/C VERONICA M. MALONE

## TEANECK WAVE JUST LIKE MOM

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3-10-44

Robert K. Phillips, son of Mrs. Robert Phillips, 748 River Road, Teaneck, who was recently promoted to petty officer, second class, has been awarded the air medal, his mother reported today.

3-10-44



P/M RAE A. CARLSEN

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LT. JOHN J. CALLIGAN

## CALLIGAN WINS FLIER'S WINGS

### Teaneck Man Commis- sioned In California

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Prior to enlistment, Lieutenant Calligan was graduated from the Holy Trinity High School in Hackensack and attended Bergen Junior College in Teaneck. Later he was employed as a clerk in New York.

3-10-44

Captain To Major  
RUDIGER, Harry George, former-  
ly of 1111 Emerson Avenue, Teaneck.  
(Signal Corps)

3-10-44

## TEANECK MARINE ADDED HIS NAME

### That's How Escher Met Buddy In Pacific

Sergeant Warren G. Escher, of Teaneck, who returned home recently after a year and a half in the South Pacific with the Marine Air Corps, tells of meeting a former Teaneck friend, Robert Spitzer, while both were stationed somewhere in the Elia Islands.

"I was looking over the front of another traveling bomber, similar to my own, to see the names of the crew and the messages written there



SGT. W. G. ESCHER

when I noticed Spitzer's name written on the fuselage. Being unable to locate Spitzer, I added my name and address," Sergeant Escher remarked.

It was about a month later before the two Teaneck buddies were able to get together for the first time since they had left Teaneck. Spitzer had been able to contact Sergeant Escher after looking over the front of his plane and seeing Escher's name and address added

beneath his own, Sergeant Escher explained.

Sergeant Escher, who has been stationed in the Marshall Islands, Samoa, and the Ellice Islands since he was sent overseas a year and a half ago, remarked that now that he is home again he is letting off the steam he saved up while in the Pacific area.

While training for his position as crew chief in a fighter squadron, Sergeant Escher was stationed at Parris Island, S. C.; Quantico, Va.; the Jacksonville Naval Air Base, Fla.; and later at San Diego, where he remained until he was sent overseas.

Previous to his induction into the service on February 22, 1941, the Marine sergeant was employed at the Edgewater plant of the Aluminum Company of America. In 1938 Sergeant Escher graduated from the Teaneck High School, where his mother, Mrs. Marie A. Escher, has been an employee for several years.

Sergeant Escher, who formerly lived at 1571 Walden Street, West Englewood, and who is spending his month's leave at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. C. Clarie of Ridgefield, spoke of his short stay in San Diego after returning to the United States.

While at the San Diego Marine Base, he met three Teaneck Marines who were waiting for shipment overseas. They were William Joy, William Herzog, and Rudolph De Canio.

3-11-44

### **Corporal Corris Back From Florida**

Corporal John J. Corris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Corris, of 34 State Street, West Englewood, arrived home yesterday from MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla. Corporal Corris is a radio man in the Army Air Force.

A 1941 graduate of Teaneck High School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Te-Hi News, school weekly, Corris was a reporter for the Hudson Dispatch in Jersey City before entering the service.

7-1-44



S. 1/C JOSEPH M'CULLEY JR.

### **Teaneck Resident Completes Training**

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McCulley joined the Navy last December 8. He was graduated from Teaneck High School last June.

7-1-44



## VFW Member Is Missing In Action

Tribute was paid two members of Teaneck's V.F.W. Post 1429 at the last meeting of that organization. One is missing in action and the other is wounded.

Private First Class Kenneth Francis Walsh of 328-61st Street, West New York, serving with the Infantry in Italy was reported missing since July 1. He served with the Infantry brigade under Commando Charles Kelly of the 36th Texas Division.

Walsh had joined the post through James J. Kennedy of Teaneck with whom he was associated in business. He had recently returned to action after recuperating from injuries received at the battle of Salerno for which he had been awarded the Purple Heart.

Sergeant John Somers of 191 Park Avenue, Teaneck was wounded serving with the Infantry in the invasion of Normandy.

Three new members were accepted at the meeting, two in person and one by proxy. Present was Robert W. Hill, Yeoman First Class of 17 West Englewood Avenue who served with the Coast Guard in the invasion of Salerno.

Present also was Storekeeper

7-13-44

## SECOND FLYING CROSS TO ROHR

### Teaneck Lt. Col. Made 28 Combat Missions

Lieutenant Colonel Louis W. Rohr, Teaneck Flying Fortress pilot with 28 combat missions to his credit, has been awarded his second Distinguished Flying Cross in less than a year, it was announced today at his Eighth Army Air Force Bomber Station in England. He is operations officer of his bomb group which has won high honors in bombing records in the roughest theater of air operations in the war.

Awards listed today:

Distinguished Flying Cross

ROHR, Lieutenant Colonel Louis W., son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris S. Rohr, 844 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck.

7-14-44

Third Class George R. DeMott of the Navy who has been serving on convoy duty in the Atlantic. A graduate of the 1943 class of Teaneck High School, he is the son of William H. DeMott of 931 Teaneck Road who also served with the Navy on convoy duty in the First World War, on the U. S. S. Finland.

Mr. DeMott, recently discharged from a Veteran's Hospital in Georgia, was present to see his son inducted.

Installed by proxy was Charles Austin Hunter, Electrician's Mate first class of 377 Hickory Street, Teaneck who served in the South Pacific with the Seabees. He is now stationed in Rhode Island.

## "Lucky" Jordan Is First Airman To Land In France

Captain Conrad N. Jordan, 27-year old pilot of 229 Larch Ave., Teaneck, N. J., returned to his home base today after landing in France and establishing another precedent. Captain Jordan, a flight commander in the B-26 Marauder Group, commanded by Col. Richard T. Coirer, Jr., of San Antonio, Texas, was not only the first airman of this group to land on French soil, but he was also first of the group to land on English soil. After the transatlantic flight which brought this Group's planes to the European Theatre of Operations some months ago, Capt. Jordan's plane was the first to land in England.

Known around the base by the sobriquet, "Lucky", the Captain seems to have a penchant for the number 'one'. His landing in France was on one engine.

While carrying out a sortie near Cherbourg in support of ground operation on the Western Front, the captain, his crew, and their Marauder "Grunt and Groan" ran into flank. This was on the day that the Ninth Air Force's mediums plastered German troops entrenched on high ground ringing the great French transatlantic port—the most concentrated aerial bombardment any single area has received since the invasion began.

There wasn't much visual satisfaction in the bombing because they were blasting their way to areas where the Nazis were digging in.

The captain went on to say that he was "amazed" at the prodigious amount of military equipment about. "It was all over the place; guns, shells, crates, gliders, armored vehicles and mechanized equipment—everything you can think of. We met a lot of American infantrymen there. Most of them hadn't been up to the front yet, but they were sure leading a rough life on that landing strip."

Because of the constant German strafings in that area, the fox-hole is an indispensable part of the infantryman's living quarters, he recovered the country-side. The boys pick them up and line their fox-holes with them. They take a lot of pride in their trenches, claiming to have the only silk-lined fox-holes in the world.

"The whole area has pretty much of a hangover from the fight which took place there. It looks haggard, all pock-marked and full of shell craters. They had just had a spirited dog-fight around there before we landed. But we didn't see any aerial activity, except the evidence of the good fighters we've got. Those peashooter boys have really got control of things. And were the French people glad to see us." Captain Jordan went on to say he was overcome by the amiability of the French.

7-13-44

## Mary Russell Now A First Lieutenant

Mary Russell, Army Nurse Corps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Russell, of 1185 Stasia Street, West Englewood, who is stationed at the Bronx Area Station Hospital in New York, has been promoted to the rank of a first lieutenant. Lieutenant Russell entered the service in April, 1943, and received her basic training in the Harlem General Hospital.

Her brother, Private First Class Edgar Russell is now serving overseas with the U. S. Army and has seen action in Northern France with the invasion troops there.

7-14-44



LT. RALPH H. GRANO

Lieutenant Grano, whose parents live in West Englewood, was awarded the Air Medal with other crew members of the B-24 Liberator "Ten Aces and a Queen" for flights over enemy territory despite adverse conditions.

A co-pilot stationed with the 15th Air Force in Italy, Lieutenant Grano has flown over 29 missions to date over the Balkans, Germany and Italy. He and his crew have been overseas for six months in the Mediterranean and Caribbean area.

Lieutenant Grano was formerly employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, and was one of its first employees to enter service. He was commissioned Aug. 30, 1943 from the Southwestern Training Center at George Field, Ill. Before entering the Air Force he was a sergeant in the 104th Engineers at Fort Dix, N. J. He is a graduate of Hackensack High School and Bergen College.

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### 3 Complete Training For Actual Fighting

Captain Otto A. Krumbach and Flight Sergeant Stanley De Lafayette Jr., of Teaneck, and Sergeant LeRoy J. Brizzolara of Old Tappan, recently completed a course designed to bridge the gap between training in the United States and combat.

The announcement of the three Bergen County men who arrived in England recently was released from the Headquarters Air Service Command in England.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Krumbach of 89 Sherwood Avenue, Teaneck, Captain Krumbach, will next be posted at a station from which the American fighting planes can cover the bombers and ground forces participating in occupied Europe. Before entering the Army, the Teaneck captain was employed as a secretary by the New York Sun.

Flight Officer De Lafayette, husband of Mrs. Rosemarie De Lafayette of 91 Oak Street, Teaneck, was a student in engineering at Columbia University, New York City, before entering the Army Air Forces. Sergeant LeRoy Brizzolara is the son of Mrs. Cavalli of Old Tappan.

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## Gray, His Transport Blasted In Invasion, Now In Teaneck

Commander Of Susan B. Anthony, One Of 15 Ships Sunk In Channel, Didn't Lose A Soldier

Commander Thomas L. Gray of Teaneck, whose transport the Susan B. Anthony was sunk as the invasion of France opened on June 6, is back at home in Teaneck visiting his family and saying little about his experiences last month.

### RIDGEFIELD MAN ON BOARD

Also on the transport was Chief Warrant Officer John Wernli of Ridgefield, who has been a member of the ship's crew for 10 years.

The Susan B. Anthony was one of 15 Allied vessels lost in the invasion attack, according to an announcement yesterday from London, which said that the small number of losses is indicative of a veritable triumph. Commander Gray's transport,

carrying troops to France, sank in the English Channel without the loss of a single soldier. Fifty or more of the naval personnel aboard still are unreported, but most are believed safe. The soldiers were saved by rescue ships which swarmed to the scene. Not a Navy man left the ship until all soldiers were off.

"It was a perfect example of what a troop transport should do when sinking," declared the navigator, Lieutenant W. H. Hutcheson of Flushing, N. Y. "The rescue job certainly rates with that of the President Coolidge in the South Pacific and the skipper, Commander Gray, did a beautiful job."

Few soldiers even got their feet wet and they were saved with field packs and small arms.

"My men were so well trained to meet emergencies that three of them came over the side with their pockets full of wrenches," Chief Warrant Officer Wernli said.

### NO PANIC AMONG TROOPS

"There was no panic among the troops or naval personnel. Every one was taken off in orderly fashion. The most serious injuries among the soldiers were a few broken legs."

An explosion occurred near the stern somewhere. We lost all power immediately. We tried to pump out the hold, but the water was coming in too fast," Lieutenant Hutcheson recalled.

Commander Gray, who commanded his ship when it was the Grace Santa Clara, brought the 8,101-ton transport through the invasions of North Africa and Sicily before France.

He was given active duty by the Navy soon after Pearl Harbor when the Santa Clara was changed to the Susan B. Anthony by the Navy, and he now has 20 years of naval service to his credit. He said that the perfect discipline of all the soldiers was what made it possible to save them all.

His wife and 8-year-old daughter, Mary Ann, live at 876 Grange Road, Teaneck.

In Washington, the Navy announced that commanding officers of six of the seven United States ships sunk in the invasion survived, although two of them were wounded. Eight British ships were sunk.

The other United States ships sunk were the destroyers Glenmon and Corry, 1,700 tons; destroyer Meredith, 2,200 tons; minesweeper Tide, 890 tons; destroyer escort Rich, 1,400 tons; and fleet tug Partridge, 840 tons.

## CAPTAIN'S RANK FOR COMBAT TO TILSON, TEANECK

20-Year-Old Flier Has Almost 200 Fighting Hours To Credit

### WEARS AIR MEDAL

Thomas J. Tilson of Teaneck, who has had about 200 hours of combat in his Mustang fighter since he went to England last December, was promoted to the rank of captain on June 25. Captain Tilson was presented the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters by General Whalen last May.

Mrs. Emma McTelli of 696 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood, the mother of Captain Tilson also received a letter last March from Brigadier General E. R. Quesada, Commanding General of an Air Force unit in England, stating how proud she should be of her son, who is only 20 years old.

Captain Tilson, in a letter to his mother, mentioned recently that at that time he had four Nazi planes to his credit. He has been in the service since August of 1942, later receiving his commission and wings at Luke Field, Arizona. He is a graduate of Teaneck High School, class of 1941, where he was quarterback on the varsity football team.

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## JEEP HOOD AN ALTAR

Mass In Marianas Described By West Englewood Marine

Mass in the Marianas with a jeep hood as the altar base was described by Private First Class George Passantino, Marine, in a brief V-mail letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Passantino of 99 Bogert Street, West Englewood. He said:

"Just a few minutes ago I had a chance to go to mass—it was a sight and as you only read in stories. The altar was set on the hood of a jeep with a shell-pocked cliff in the background. The white of the chaplain's robe stood out in



PFC GEORGE PASSANTINO

contrast to the gummy Marianas. The chaplain himself is a man I could write pages about."

"At present I can't tell you anything except that I'm here in the Marianas."

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PFC. EUGENE A. COLE

#### Cole, Teaneck, In New Guinea

Word has been received that Private First Class Eugene A. Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Cole, 400 Morningside Terrace, Teaneck, has arrived safely in New Guinea. He is with the parachute glider infantry.

He entered the service in February, 1943, and received basic training at Camp Mackall, N. C., and Camp Polk, La. Before entering the service he was an inspector at Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson.

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LT. JOSEPH A. FITZPATRICK

#### Fitzpatrick Wins Another Promotion

Lieutenant Joseph A. Fitzpatrick, U. S. N. R., son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Fitzpatrick of 360 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck, recently was promoted from Lieutenant (junior grade) to Lieutenant. After 23 months of duty at Naval Operations Base at Newport, R. I., Lieutenant Fitzpatrick is being transferred to duty in the Pacific area, according to his sister, Mrs. E. Clancy of 360 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck.

Lieutenant Fitzpatrick has two brothers in the service, Vincent, who is attached to the military police corps with General Eisenhower's Headquarters in England and Robert, on duty with the Seabees in Alaska, as well as a brother-in-law, Eugene Clancy of the Seabees, recently returned from New Guinea and now on duty in California.

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CAPT. C. F. BREWSTER JR.

#### LANDED ALONE, PAVED THE WAY

#### Brewster, Of Teaneck, Cited For Bravery

Captain Charles Fred Brewster Jr., Teaneck Infantryman who landed alone on Japanese-held Vella Lavella in the Solomon Islands and made it possible for his entire regiment to land there successfully, has been cited for bravery and outstanding performance, it was learned today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fred Brewster of Sherman Avenue, Teaneck.

Intelligence officer for his regiment, Captain Brewster was alone on the island for 2 days.

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#### William R. Haust Commissioned As Flier

William R. Haust, son of Mrs. W. R. Haust of 665 West Englewood Avenue, West Englewood, has been graduated from the Maria (Tex.) Army Air Field and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces.

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## CARROLL WINS ANOTHER RATING

#### Teaneck Resident Named Master Sergeant

Harry G. Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Carroll, 8 Livingston Place, Teaneck, who is serving as a non-commissioned officer in charge of the A-2 section of the 13th A.F. Fighter Command in the South West Pacific, has been promoted from technical to master sergeant.

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M/SGT. HARRY G. CARROLL

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#### TEANECK SERGEANT SIGNS REGISTER



An Eighth A. F. Fighter Station, England, July 19—Corporal Jules Slaboski (left), of Bayonne, N. J., looks on as Staff Sergeant Arthur D. Egan Jr., of Teaneck, N. J., signs the States' register at the new Red Cross club on a P51 Mustang base. The two girls in uniform are W. A. A. F.s, comparable to the W. A. C.s in the U. S. A. A. F., giteses of the enlisted men. Sergeant Egan is a ground radio operator. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Egan Sr., of 96 Lees Avenue, Teaneck, and is engaged to Miss Suzanne Olcott, of 74 Carleton Street, East Orange, N. J.

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## COMMENDED



S/SGT. GEORGE HOFFMAN

## HOFFMAN, TEANECK, WINS COMMENDATION

His Vehicles Were Only Ones Properly Equipped

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

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

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

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

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

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## Finn Overseas

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

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## PERRY PROMOTED

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

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## Lind, Teaneck, Is Promoted To Colonel In Signal Corps

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

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

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

## MADE IMPROVEMENTS

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

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

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## M'CRANE GETS POST

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

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

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## Knaust Rating Higher

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

7-20-44

## SWITCHES UNIFORM



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

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## THERE ON D-DAY



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

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## Lieut. David Mazer Given Oak Leaf Cluster To Medal

Second Lieutenant David B. Mazer, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Mazer of 1301 Sussex Road, Teaneck has received the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while on combat missions over Germany and enemy-occupied Europe.

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## Lambregtse At Altus

Aviation Student Henry E. Lambregtse, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lambregtse, W. New York, and husband of Mrs. Ethel J. Lambregtse, 984 Palisade Ave., has reported to the AAF Training Command's advanced flying school at Altus Air Field at Altus, Oklahoma, to begin the final nine weeks phase of his pilot training.

After flying 70 hours in two engined training planes and taking 70 lecture-hours of combat subjects in ground school, will be awarded the silver wings of an AAF pilot and appointed a flight officer or commissioned a second lieutenant. From Altus he will either go on to train with the multi-engined bombers or fighters that he will ultimately fly in combat zones, or he will be sent to Central Instructor's School at Randolph Field, Texas, to learn how to instruct other young men training for their silver wings.

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## Teaneck Infantryman Kills Two Germans Himself

With the Fifth Army, Italy—When his infantry rifle platoon was pinned down by enemy machinegun fire from the front and both flanks Private Herbert N. Elze, Fifth Army squad leader from Teaneck, New Jersey, appealed to the Krauts to give up and made them sorry they refused to comply.

Rising to his feet, the lanky Jersey lad unloaded several magazines of bullets from his Thompson submachinegun in the face of heavy enemy fire. This action permitted the platoon, a unit of Fifth Army's 45th "Thunderbird" Division, to withdraw and build up a skirmish line, from which the men pushed forward to overcome the German resistance.

Elze killed two Krauts in the engagement.

Private Elze, 28, lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Elze, 40 West Englewood Avenue, Teaneck. He has been in the army a year and a half and overseas since last August.

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—Mary Russell, Army Nurse Corps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Russell of 1165 Stasia Street, West Englewood, who is stationed at the Bronx Area Station Hospital in New York, has been promoted to the rank of a first lieutenant. Lt. Russell entered the service in April, 1943, and received her basic training in the Harlem General Hospital. Her brother, Pfc. Edgar Russell, is now serving overseas with the U. S. Army and has seen action in Northern France with the invasion troops there.

7-20-44

## Capt. Brewster Given Citation

The parents of Captain Charles Fred Brewster Jr. have been notified that their son has been cited for landing alone on Japanese-held Vella Lavella in the Solomons and making it possible as an intelligence officer for his entire regiment to land.

The citation sent Mr. and Mrs. C. Fred Brewster of Sherman Avenue states:

For exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from August 13 to October 20, 1943 at Vella Lavella, Solomon Islands. Captain Brewster arrived at the enemy-occupied island two days in advance of full scale landings and in constant danger of being discovered by the Japanese, reconnoitered proposed objectives and planned an efficient defense system. While leaving a patrol to intercept enemy troops approaching the advance parties hide-out, he personally accounted for 3 of the 27 Japanese who were killed. As a result of his courage and superior reconnaissance, the Infantry regiment of which he was intelligence officer accomplished its mission in a minimum of time. After the landing operation he organized and directed reconnaissance patrols along the beaches, established a strategic system of observation posts covering the approaches to the combat perimeter, and shrewdly evaluated information concerning the enemy. Captain Brewster's outstanding performance of duty contributed materially to the successful occupation of Vella Lavella.

In the South Pacific for close to two years, Captain Brewster entered the Army in February, 1941. His brother, John Brewster, was killed early in the war with the Maritime Service.

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## Morse Now at Camp Cooke

Pvt. Alfred G. Morse, of 52 Shepard St., Teaneck, N. J., son of Mrs. Catherine Morse, Teaneck, and a member of the 41st Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, Mechanized, now in training at Camp Cooke, California, won honorable mention here recently in the 11th Armored Division's orientation essay contest, entitled "Why We Fight." Troops of all outfits of the Thunderbolt division were eligible to compete in the contest for awards of three-day passes to their winners, and for the grand prize—a \$50 war bond—and a second division prize of a \$25 bond. Several score soldiers contributed essays.

The contest, arranged by the Division Orientation Office, was part of its duties in helping to keep soldiers informed of the issues of the war and the progress of world events; and of their opportunities for off-duty education.

The best essays were used as a basis of discussion of the "Why We Fight" theme in a regular weekly orientation hour scheduled by all outfits in the division. The War Department requires at least one hour weekly of these discussions of current events and their significance.

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## Eight Men from Teaneck At Great Lakes At Once

Eight Teaneck, N. J. men are receiving their initial naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Their "boot" 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 recruits to determine whether they will be assigned to a Naval Service School or to immediate active duty at sea.

Their recruit training completed, these men will spend a period of leave at home. They are: Clayton A. Carlson, 19, 998 Belle Ave.; William A. Dippel, 18, 515 Sagamore Ave.; Ronald T. Johnston, 17, 487 Claremont Ave.; and John D. Rosshelm, 18, 299 Van Buren Ave. John E. Allen, 18, 1481 Gaylord Terrace; James R. Juncker, 17, 1857 Taft Road; Cameron D. Neulen, 18, 360 Warwick Ave.; and William J. Walsh, 18, 177 Selva Ave.

## Two Teaneck Men Take Part In Mass In Rome

With the Fifth Army, Italy—Two Teaneck, New Jersey, men took part in a special Independence Day mass held in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Rome, Italy, before 300 soldiers of the Fifth Army.

Corporal Harry J. Hakim, of 472 Teaneck Road, acted as an acolyte, and Private William J. Mooney served as an honorary guard.

Appeal was made for early peace, and tribute was paid to those who have died in this war.

Father Ernest F. Miller of Ononowoc, Wisconsin, sub-deacon, said freedom was introduced by signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 and told his listeners the present war was caused by denial of freedom to oppressed persons. He said the American flag is the symbol of a free country and the blue flag with the white cross is the symbol of religion.

In attendance were members of six Fifth Army anti-aircraft battalions.

7-20-44

## Teaneck Boys in Texas

Perrin Field, Texas (AAF Training Command Pilot School)—Three aviation cadets from Teaneck have arrived at this basic pilot school for 10 weeks of intensive training which will lead to their graduation as flying officers in the Army Air Forces.

The group includes Richard W. and J. Orth, 863 Williams Ave.; Orth, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard John Ritchie, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil G. Ritchie, 713 Norma Court; and John J. O'Connor, 19, son of Mrs. Dorothy O'Connor, 578 Tilden Ave.

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## Tells of Mass in Marianas Conducted From Jeep

In a letter to his parents and Mrs. Matthew Passantino, 69 Bogert Street, West Englewood PFC George Passantino states that he attended Mass in the Marianas, that seemed so fantastic than realistic.

"The altar was set on the back of a jeep with a shell-pocketed car in the background. The white the chaplain's robe stood out contrast to the grimy Main. The chaplain himself is a man could write pages about."

"At present I can't tell anything except that I'm here, the Marianas."

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## 2nd Flying Cross Given Lt. Col. Rohr On 28th Mission

For meritorious action on May 30th on his 28th bombing mission Lieutenant-Colonel Louis W. Rohr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris S. Rohr of 844 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck has been awarded his second Distinguished Flying Cross within a year.

The former Bergen College student won the Silver Star for gallantry for the role he played in the Schweinfurt mission in October 1943.

A report from the Eighth Army Air Force Bomber station in England, where he is operations officer of his bomb group states:

Heavy barrages of anti-aircraft fire met the formation of big bombers as they neared the target, but by skillful piloting, Colonel Rohr evaded the shell fire and led his group to the objective without mishap. As the bombardier of the lead plane was preparing to release his bombs, it was discovered that the plane's automatic flying mechanism was not working properly. This meant that the pilot would have to remain at the manual controls, working in perfect co-ordination with the bombardier in order to effect the bomb run. With flak bursting all around them the approach to the target was made, at the exact altitude and air speed required, enabling the Fords to drop their bombs. For this the young officer, who has been stationed in England since the early days of the Eighth Air Force's assaults on Nazi Europe, was decorated.

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—Cadet Robert Rouault, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Rouault of 915 Prince Street, Teaneck, has completed primary training at the Naval Air Station, Dallas, Tex., and has been ordered to the U. S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. There he will continue basic and advanced work which will qualify him as an Aviation Pilot.

Cadet Rouault is a graduate of Teaneck High School and attended Villanova College, Villanova, Pa. —Mr. and Mrs. Louis Okun of 1 West Eighty-Fifth Street, New York City, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Doris S. Okun, to Ensign Robert Elliot Siegel, Naval Reserve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Siegel of 85 Edgmont Place, Teaneck. Miss Okun was graduated from the Bently School in New York in 1941, and is now a senior at Bucknell University. Her fiancé received his B. S. degree from Bucknell University last October. He was commissioned at the Naval Supply Corps School at Wellesley, Mass., and is at an amphibious training base in Maryland.

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## Mooney To Return To Police After Fighting Nippons

Old Man Morpheus robbed Edward Mooney of 251 DeGraw Avenue of a citation for his participation in the Battle of Tarawa. Electrician's Mate 3/C Mooney, a fighting Seabee, who is going to return shortly to the ranks of the Teaneck police force, of which he has been a member for 15 years, related this week that he was one of 12 volunteers who removed drums of gasoline from a dump while under Japanese fire at Tarawa.

"I felt a little jittery," he said, "after that was over so I crawled into some packing boxes and went to sleep. I forgot to turn in my name as being one of the volunteers, but the others received a citation."

Although originally starting out with the Navy, he was transferred to the 18th Marines, Second Division at Camp Elliot, San Diego, on June 1, 1943, just before leaving for overseas. Holder of the Presidential Citation, Mooney said his division was bombed by Japanese for six solid weeks during the battle of Tarawa.

He received an injured ankle during a Jap raid, but he could hobble around, so he just kept right on working. He had to give in, though, after a bad attack of Dengue fever which took 50 pounds off of him in 2 weeks. He has been hospitalized since January and was recently given an honorable medical discharge.

Mooney enlisted on September 30, 1942 and took boot training at Bradford, Va. He took Seabee training at Davisville, R. I., and further training at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif., before going to Camp Elliott where he changed to the Marines.

He first landed at New Caledonia and then trained at Melbourne, Australia, and Wellington, New Zealand. His first bit of actual construction work, came in the New Hebrides from where he joined a task force for the Gilberts.

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Bernard C. Dickman Jr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Dickman of 167 Larch Avenue, Teaneck, has been promoted to first lieutenant according to an announcement from the Twelfth Air Force in Italy. Lieutenant Dickman is a B-25 pilot, and resides at Yonkers. His group recently was cited by the War Department for outstanding support of the British Eighth Army in Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns and the American Seventh Army in Sicily.

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Robert H. Taylor, who received his commission as a lieutenant in the Army Air Forces at ceremonies at West Point last April, has arrived safely in England after stopping at Iceland where the leaking gas tank of his bomber was repaired, according to a letter recently received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Taylor of 389 Warwick Avenue, West Englewood.

Previous to his enlistment in the Army Air Forces, Lieutenant Taylor had been a student at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., where he was taking an engineering course. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, national fraternity. Lieutenant Taylor was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1942.

Shortly after leaving college during the winter of 1943, Lieutenant Taylor was stationed at Atlantic City. Since then he received training at Pennsylvania State College; Nashville, Tenn.; Maxwell Field, Ala.; and Alabama.

7-27-44

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### S/Sgt. William Crider

Staff Sergeant William T. Crider, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Crider, 104 Sherwood Avenue, Teaneck, recently was awarded the Expert Infantryman Badge by Major General James I. Muir, Commanding General, 44th Infantry Division, during a Division review at Camp Phillips, Kansas.

Sergeant Crider was one of less than 100 men to win the award of nearly 10,000 who were eligible. To win the Badge he completed a 25-mile hike in eight hours, a nine mile hike in two hours, passed rigorous physical fitness tests, fired an expert score on the rifle range, and showed a thorough knowledge of Infantry combat tactics.

He attended Teaneck High School, and was a longshoreman employed by the International Car Loading Company before his call to active service as a member of the National Guard in 1940.

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### Missing Over France

Second Lieutenant Henry G. Hyde, son of Mr. Henry Hyde of 295 Churchill Road, West Englewood, is reported missing over France.

Lieutenant Hyde, pilot of a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter plane, and who had 38 missions to his credit, volunteered June 7 to go on a mission over France and fly at a low altitude, strafing the enemy. This was the mission from which he did not return.

A graduate of the Teaneck High School, Lieutenant Hyde attended Bergen College and enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in August of 1941. He transferred to the American Air Force in February of 1943 and went overseas three months prior to the day on which he was reported missing.

### Navy Cadet Tidwell

Naval Aviation Cadet Eugene Virgil Tidwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tidwell of West Englewood, has been transferred to the Naval Air Training Center at Pensacola, Fla., after successful completion of the primary flight training course at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill.

After passing the advanced flight training course at Pensacola, Cadet Tidwell will be commissioned as an ensign in the Naval Reserve or as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Cadet Tidwell is a graduate of Dwight Morrow High School at Englewood.

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### McCrane In Marine Corps

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

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

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### Latest Draft Call

Local Board No. 6, Teaneck, N. J., announces that the following registrants have been notified to appear for induction on August 1, at 8:30 A.M., at the American Legion Club House, Garrison Ave., Teaneck, N. J.:

Stanley Francis Galvin, 132-4th Street, Ridgefield Park, N. J.; Leonard Theodore Quackenbush, 144 Prospect Terrace, N. J.; West Englewood, N. J.; Frank Eugene Fasce, 78 Chestnut Street, Bergenfield, N. J.; Theodore Peter Muir, 1473 Teaneck Road, West Englewood, N. J.; Edwin Harold Huegel, 28 Sheffield Ave., Englewood, N. J.; Gordon Edward Johnson, 185 Salvago Ave., W. Englewood, N. J.; Lloyd Schacter, 599 Queen Anne Rd., Teaneck, N. J.; Eugene Francis Williams, 7 Marjorie Court, Teaneck, N. J.; Harold Carl Haase Jr., 99 N. Cedar Lane, Teaneck, N. J.; Ernest Kenneth Lains, 157 West Forest Ave., Teaneck, N. J.; Thomas Robert Steimle, 541 Englewood Ave., Teaneck, N. J.; Richard Fred Wach, 591 Lucy Ave., Teaneck, N. J.; Kenneth Charles Barthold, 295 Winthrop Rd., West Englewood, N. J.; Joseph Riordan, 200 Harding Ave., Teaneck, N. J.

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### Air Patrol Cadets Recruit Members

Civil Air Patrol Cadets, 221-4 of Bergen County, with local headquarters at School 2, Teaneck, will open the second in a series of recruiting drives this week. Flight Officer Stephen Ferriol announced at a regular meeting at the school last night.

In outlining the program of the Cadets for the summer, Ferriol said that the recruiting will be carried on at Cadet headquarters, 151 Engle Street, Englewood, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday nights, and also Saturday afternoons. All interested are welcome to attend a cadet meeting any Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. at School 2, said Ferriol.

A new series of courses will begin as soon as there are enough new members to warrant them. They will include military discipline and courtesy, organization of the Army, A. A. F., and Navy vessel identification from the air.

Advanced courses now in progress are meteorology and radio code. Military drill is conducted.

Flight and tactical field maneuvers have been planned twice a month. These maneuvers give all an opportunity to work around aircraft to accept opportunities to fly, and to learn the duties of a soldier in the field.

Ferriol said that several social events have also been planned, among them an all-Cadet show patterned after the A. A. F. show, "Winged Victory", and a series of drill competitions at which this squadron will challenge other squadrons throughout the State.

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## IN ENGLAND



LT. ROBERT TAYLOR

## TAYLOR ARRIVES AT ENGLISH BASE

### W. Englewood Man Had To Stop For Repairs

Robert H. Taylor, who received his commission as a lieutenant in the Army Air Forces at ceremonies at West Point last April, has arrived safely in England after stopping at Iceland where the leaking gas tank of his bomber was repaired, according to a letter recently received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Taylor of 360 Warwick Avenue, West Englewood.

Previous to his enlistment in the Army Air Forces, Lieutenant Taylor had been a student at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., where he was taking an engineering course. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, national fraternity. Lieutenant Taylor was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1942.

Shortly after leaving college during the winter of 1943, Lieutenant Taylor was stationed at Atlantic City. Since then he received training at Pennsylvania State College; Nashville, Tenn.; Maxwell Field, Ala.; and Alabama.

After his graduation from the air base at West Point, he was stationed at Westover Field, Mass., and Mitchell Field, Long Island, N. Y.

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## LT. FAHNESTOCK GETS PROMOTION AT ITALY BASE

### B-24 Pilot Decorated For Action There; Others Raised

#### LIST NEW TITLES

Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Fahnestock of 17 Tryon Avenue, West Englewood, have received word that their son, Walter Dunlap Fahnestock, has been promoted to first lieutenant. He is now on duty in the Italian theater of operations. Lieutenant Fahnestock is the holder of the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster. He is the pilot of a B-24 Bomber and has been overseas since April, 1944. He received the Air Medal for action over Italy during the early part of the American drive in that sector.

Fahnestock, 20, graduated from Dumont High School and was employed by Bendix Aircraft Corporation before enlisting in the service in January. He received his commission at George Field, Ill., in November, 1943. He recently completed his 26th mission over enemy territory.

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## KILLED



LT. IRWIN DOBROW

Lieutenant Dobrow had recently been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious service in combat. His father, Harry Dobrow, has been the proprietor of a stationery store at 1364 Teaneck Road for more than 10 years.

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## KNIGHT OF BROOM

That Teaneck Buck Private Gave Sergeant Snappy Answer

With the Fifth Army, Italy, July 31—A buck private from Teaneck, N. J., may get no medal for risks under fire but to all fellow privates he's a hero with "mission accomplished."

He is Harold Anderson who serves as a machinegunner with the 85th "Custer" Division on the Fifth Army front in Italy.

Detached recently to sweep a narrow street in front of a building in which his outfit was quartered, Anderson was swinging his broom furiously as a German shell came whistling over and burst within hearing of his "top kick."

The first sergeant stuck his head out the door and admonished, "Why aren't you under cover? You know Jerry shells this area every day about this time."

"Of course," replied Anderson, "but keeping this street clean may be worth a man or two a day," and he continued brushing.

No more sweeping details were sent out that week.

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## NAMED WAC OF THE WEEK



Camp Killmer, July 29—A 28-year-old technical sergeant, Margaret M. Roemer, of 720 Roemer Avenue, West Englewood, who in civilian life supervised two branch offices of an insurance company, has been named Camp Killmer's eighth "Wac of the Week".

T/Sgt. Roemer is now secretary to Major Melvin M. Bernstein, post adjutant. She came to this post in May, 1943, as a private and earned promotion to her present grade in less than a year.

Prior to her enlistment she supervised Prudential Insurance Company offices in Englewood, N. J.,

and Nyack, N. Y. She was associated with the company for ten years, rising to her important supervisory job in which she was responsible for the work of 40 men and women. She was also responsible for the payment of claims resulting from the death of policy holders.

T/Sgt. Roemer is a graduate of the Teaneck High School and attended Columbia University. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Roemer, also of 720 Roemer Avenue, West Englewood. One brother, Warrant Officer (j. g.) William J. Roemer Jr., has been in the Navy for fifteen years.

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