

RUDY PFEIFER, FOOTBALL STAR, DIES A PRISONER

Aboard Jap Prison Ship
Being Transferred
From Mindanao

REPORT 942 LOST

A prisoner of the Japanese since the fall of Bataan, Corporal Rudy Pfeifer of Teaneck, formerly of Ridgewood Park, who was All-Country, All-State football tackle in 1933, lost his life while being transferred from a prison camp in Mindanao to Japan, it was learned here today. The 30-year soldier died last December 15 when the ship he was aboard was bombed and sunk in the Subic Bay.

The War Department telegram notifying them of their son's death was received by Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Pfeifer Sr. of 317 Teaneck Road this week. They had heard from their son three times since his capture. The last card was received in March, 1944.

The last the Pfeifers saw their son was in September, 1941, when he left for overseas. He enlisted in the Army in March of that year and was home only on week-end passes. He never had a furlough.

Stationed at Clark Field in the Philippines, Corporal Pfeifer was in on the first invasion of the islands. He was with the engineers attached to the Air Corps.

BOMBED IN SUBIC BAY

According to the letter which followed the Government telegram, he was one of 1,619 prisoners to be transferred from Camp Number 2 in Mindanao. The ship left December 13 and was bombed in the Subic

Bay, near Luzon, on the 15. To date 942 have been officially reported lost.

Last April, when the lists of the liberated American prisoners in the Philippines were released, Mrs. Pfeifer wrote to General MacArthur for information. Her letter was dated April 12 and MacArthur's answer was dated the 24th. The General revealed that Pfeifer's name was among those who were transferred to Japan, but said he did not know when he had been transferred or if he had reached his destination.

Born in New York City, Corporal Pfeifer lived most of his life in Ridgewood Park and Teaneck. He was graduated from Ridgewood Park High School in 1933, the year he was selected as All-State and All-Country. At the Park high school he was a 4-year letterman in football and track. He played football under the late Carl Biggs, former Ridgewood Park coach, and upon graduating was awarded a scholarship to Syracuse University for his athletic ability. At Syracuse he was also a star tackle and had letters for 4 years in both football and track.

Upon being graduated from the University in 1933 with a B. S. degree, he taught for three years in Central High School at Binghamton, N. Y. There he was co-coach with Henry Merk, another well-known Bergen County athlete. He also substituted at St. Cecilia's for a time in math and as the football coach when Nat Pierce went to France in the 30's.

BROTHER DISCHARGED

Corporal Pfeifer's brother, Corporal William Pfeifer, who was medically discharged from the Marines last September, is also a well-known athlete. William was a 4-letter man at both Ridgewood Park and St. Cecilia's. He played football, basketball, and was on track and wrestling teams. He won a scholarship for his athletic ability and went to Fordham where he won Intermural Swimming Championship honors.

Their mother was State Champion of the Women's Bowling League in 1930.



CORPORAL RUDY PFEIFER

SKRABLE BOYS MEET IN HAWAII



CORP. RICHARD SKRABLE, SGT. EDWARD SKRABLE

Skrables Write Here Of Meeting While In Hawaii

Two of the six service sons of Mrs. Grace Skrable, of 195 E. Oakdene Avenue, Teaneck, have written that they recently met in Hawaii. They were Corporal Richard Skrable, (left) who started from Camp Lewis for Pacific service, stopping off en route, and Sergeant Edward Skrable, who has been in the islands for 3 years of his 6-year service with the Army.

Other Skrable boys serving are Pfc. Francis, in Germany; Sergeant Woodrow, now in Pennsylvania after African service; Pfc. Harry, at Fort Dix, and Pfc. William, at Fort Dix after Alaska service.

Captain Wild Leads Parade For Teaneck

Teaneck's Independence Day celebration started yesterday with flag raising ceremonies at all the eight schools and continued with the athletic events and races at the High School Athletic Field beginning at 9 A. M.

The parade started on schedule at 2:30 P. M. from Queen Anne Road and Farrant Terrace, proceeding north to Colonial Court and then into Central Park for the official observance ceremonies, beginning with the massing of the flags led by Lt. Richard Ferris of the Naval and Marine Cadets of Teaneck.

Captain Raymond W. Wild, A. A. F., holder of the Purple Heart, Air Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters and other decorations, was Honorary Grand Marshal, and with Henry B. Otersen, chairman of the Patriotic Observance Committee and Grand Marshal, led the first division of the parade, including the Teaneck Police Department, the Township Council, Board of Education, service men and women on furlough, discharged veterans, 10th Infantry Regiment and State Guard Units.

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Staff Sergeant Harold P. Bergen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Bergen, of 715 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, arrived home recently on a 30-day furlough. A veteran of 22 missions over various European targets, Bergen was a member of the Fifteenth Bomber Command stationed at Foggia, Italy. He was waist gunner on a Flying Fortress and was the recipient of the Air Medal, Oak Leaf Clusters, and five Battle Stars. After his furlough, Sergeant Bergen will report to Camp Davis, N. C., for further duty with the Army Air Force.

7-5-45

PFC Horace Spero Receives Bronze Star Medal In Italy

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—Private First Class Horace M. Spero, Teaneck, New Jersey, recently was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action in Italy.

He served on the Fifth Army front in the 168th "Rainbow" Regiment, 34th "Red Bull" Division.

His mother, Mrs. William Spero, lives at 420 Glenwood Avenue, Teaneck.

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ARTHUR O'HARA, ATHLETIC STAR, MISSING IN RAID

B-29 Pilot Shot Down Over Yokohama On His 17th Trip

TWO HERE KILLED

First Lieutenant Arthur P. O'Hara, catcher for the 1942 Teaneck High School baseball team and letterman in soccer, is missing in action over Yokohama, it was reported here today in a release from the War Department.

The 21-year-old airman, pilot of a B-29 Superfortress, had taken part in 16 missions on Japan's key cities. He was on his 17th when shot down over the target.

Yeoman Second Class Theodore Henry Geler of West Englewood and First Lieutenant Edward Vagoun of Garfield, were listed by the War Department as killed in action in the Pacific while a Bogota infantryman, Pfc. Gus A. Fazio is listed missing in that area. Four other Bergen County men are reported wounded.

Lieutenant O'Hara has been missing over Yokohama since May 29 and according to details received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. O'Hara, his ship was hit over the target but he managed to fly it to the coast of Japan before having to bail out. It is believed that all of the crew got out and a fighter pilot was seen escorting them down to protect them from strafing by Jap pilots. The letter with these details was from Lieutenant O'Hara's chaplain who gave the parents every hope their son is a prisoner.

Lieutenant O'Hara, a graduate of Teaneck High School, class '42, enlisted in the Army Air Corps while a sophomore at Dartmouth College and received his commission at Stuttgart Army Air Field, Arkansas, in March, 1944.

7-5-45

S-2C Fred Hohensee

Frederick W. Hohensee, yeoman, second class, USNR, of West Englewood, N. J., celebrated his 21st birthday recently aboard a restroyer escort in the Atlantic. He entered the Navy in February, 1943, and received his recruit training at the Naval Training Station, Newport, R. I. Besides his duties as engineer's yeoman, Hohensee stands watch on the depth charges. He is authorized to wear the American Theater and the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater ribbons.

He is married to the former Nancy Aiken, 510 Cumberland ave., Teaneck, N. J. He is the son of Mrs.

Lillian Hohensee, 17 West Englewood ave., West Englewood.

Before entering the Navy, Hohensee was employed by the Wright Aeronautical Corp., Paterson, N. J. He is a graduate of the Teaneck High School.

7-5-45

VISITED FRIEND'S GRAVE

While on his 11th mission, Lieutenant O'Hara ran short of fuel and had to head for Two Lima. In a letter to his parents, he told them of visiting the grave of Corporal Rudolph M. De Canio, one of his Teaneck buddies. Both he and DeCanio played on the high school baseball team. DeCanio, who was with the Marines, lost his life on two the beginning of this year.

Yeoman Geler was killed in action May 27 in the Philippines. According to word received indirectly from one of his friends by his wife, he was shot by a sniper. He was 25.

Yeoman Geler, son of Mrs. Anna Geler of Bogota, was graduated from Bogota High School in 1938 and was formerly employed by the Royal Indemnity Insurance Company in New York. He enlisted in the Navy in December, 1941, and was called in March, the following year. Sent overseas in June, 1942. He served in Newfoundland, Greenland and Iceland as an aviation ordnance man aboard a PBV but was grounded following a crash in Newfoundland in August, 1942. He was the only survivor and was hospitalized for more than a month.

He returned to the States in February, 1944, and was sent to California in March. He and Miss Graham were married there in April. Last September he was sent to the Pacific.

Besides his wife and mother, Yeoman Geler is survived by his father, Henry Geler and a sister, Mrs. Lynn Merrick. He was formerly a member of the Bogota Young Men's Association.

FAZIO MISSING SINCE MAY

Pfc. Gus Fazio, a member of the 132nd Infantry, has been missing since May 15 on Cebu Island in the Philippines. No details have been received.

In the Army over two years, Private Fazio has served 20 months overseas and has seen action on Guam, Fiji Islands, Bougainville, New Caledonia and was in on the mopping up on Guadalcanal. He was recently awarded the Infantry Combat Badge.

Second Lieutenant John N. Kane, 24-year-old infantryman with the 77th Division, was wounded May 14 on Okinawa. His aunt, Mrs. Mary Greenfield has received word from him that he suffered shrapnel wounds of his chest and is now being hospitalized somewhere in the Pacific. In his letter he said he was lucky to be alive.

Lieutenant Kane, a graduate of Holy Trinity High School, enlisted in the Army four years ago and has been overseas a year and a half. Besides Okinawa he has been in action on Leyte and Guam and holds the Purple Heart, the Infantry Combat Badge and was just recently commissioned on the battlefield.

7-5-45

Chaplain Kroncke Home From 2 Years In South Pacific

Colonel Edward J. Kroncke, chaplain U. S. Army, of 958 Darter Terrace, Teaneck, is home on a 45-day furlough preparatory to setting out for an unknown destination. Last week he addressed the convention of the Atlantic District of the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church at Concordia College, Bronxville, and on Sunday was the guest speaker at the morning service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Teaneck.

A veteran of the First World War, Col. Kroncke was a National Guard chaplain and inducted into the Regular Army in 1940. Before entering service, he was secretary of the Metropolitan Lutheran Inner Mission. He has lived in Teaneck for the past 15 years.

Col. Kroncke has just returned from two years in the South Pacific, where, in his capacity as Chief of Chaplains, he flew more than 100,000 miles and in two years has had only two days leave and three for illness. Under his jurisdiction at the beginning of his activities were 300 chaplains, the number increasing until there were more than 1,000.

He told the audience that not before but after the battles the G. I.s crowd the chapels giving evidence that their religion is deep and lasting. The chaplains in his command averaged 29 to 31 services a month and over the week-end hold as many as 12 services. He said that four to five chaplains a month, during the campaign of 1943, were sent home because of battle fatigue.

7-5-45

Pfc. Vincent Kelly Home

PFC Vincent L. Kelly, 298 Morningside Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., a member of the Headquarters staff of General Courtney Hodges' First United States Army, returned to the United States from Germany 30 days of rest and recuperation before returning to duty with the Army that is preparing for operations in the Pacific theatre.

Headquarters personnel of First Army arrived in New York on June 3, just three days before the anniversary of D-day, in which the First Army played a major part, being the first onto the beaches of Normandy. The First Army, which was commanded by General Omar Bradley for the invasion and for the St. Lo breakthrough, was also first into Paris, first into Germany, first across the Rhine river, first to meet the Russians, and is the first army to be transferred from the European theatre to the Pacific.

7-5-45

Sgt. James B. Hoover Is In U. S. Hospital In France

THE 127th GENERAL HOSPITAL, FRANCE—Sergeant James B. Hoover, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hoover, 106 Circle Drive, Teaneck, New Jersey, now participating in the reconditioning program of this hospital tells of his battle experiences from the invasion of Sicily to the final drive on Germany.

"As radio operator for the 441 Anti-aircraft Artillery battalion, I think the toughest job we had as at Anzio," Sgt. Hoover said. "They were four of the toughest months I have ever encountered and then the Nazi had plenty of punch. The strain was continuous and only let up when the fight was finished."

Sgt. Hoover entered the Army in July, 1942, receiving basic training at Camp Stewart, Georgia. He arrived overseas in June, 1943, to take part in the invasion of Sicily in July. He has been in five campaigns including the invasion of Southern France. He has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Silver Star Medal and the Croix de Guerre.

Before induction he was an employee of the Teaneck Post Office.

7-5-45

S-Sgt. Herzig Has Many Army Honor

Staff Sergeant Jack A. Herzig, son of Mrs. Olivia Beetha, of Union, formerly of Teaneck, is serving with the 503rd Parachute Regiment in the Philippine Islands.

A graduate of Teaneck High School, class of 1939, Sergeant Herzig enlisted in Company B, 104th Engineers, of the New Jersey National Guard Feb. 16, 1939. When the National Guard was federalized in September, 1940, he went to Fort Dix for training and was transferred to Company E, 194th Engineers at Mitchel Field, L. I., Jan. 2, 1942.

He applied for parachute duty, and June 1, 1942, was sent to Fort Benning, Georgia, for training. He received additional training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and on Oct. 20, 1942, went overseas with the 503rd Parachute Regiment.

He holds the Purple Heart, a Presidential Unit Citation, the Paratrooper's Badge, Combat Infantry Badge, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with an arrowhead and two stars; the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with an arrowhead and star; and the American Defense and Good Conduct Ribbons.

Sergeant Herzig received a letter of commendation for destroying a Japanese machinegun nest in Dutch New Guinea July 10, 1944. He formerly lived at 1077 Belle Avenue, Teaneck, and was employed as draftsman at the White Construction Company, New York prior to entering service.

7-4-45

Latest Draft Call

Registrants inducted into the Armed Forces from Local Board No. 6, Teaneck, N. J., on June 1, 1945: Samuel S. Paquin, Jr., 257 Cherry Lane, Teaneck, N. J.; Richard C. Ebel, 265 Highwood Street, Teaneck, N. J.; Arne O. Andersson, 244 East Forest Ave., West Englewood, N. J.

7-6-45

Now S/Sgt. Elting

WITH A 12TH AAF B-25 MITCHELL GROUP IN ITALY—Final Allied victory in Italy brought with it an additional honor to Richard J. Elting of

Teaneck, N. J., who was promoted to the grade of Staff Sergeant.

A radio operator and gunner in his squadron of the 340th B-25 Mitchell bomb group on an Adriatic sector of Italy, Sergeant Elting left for service overseas in March, 1945, and has served three months with his unit. His bomber squadron was one of the busiest units in the 12th Air Force during the final April offensive and effectively aided ground troops in forcing an early surrender.

The radioman trained at Scott Field, Ill., radio school and at Yuma, Ariz., gunnery school before coming overseas. His parents Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Elting, live at 65 Palmer Ave., Teaneck. Before entering the Army Sergeant Elting was a student at Teaneck High School from which he was graduated in February, 1943.

7-10-45

BERGEN OFFICER RECEIVES AWARD FOR LEADING UNIT

Four Other Soldiers Get Honors For Activity In Battle

KIRCHHOFF HURT

An infantry company, late last April, worked its way in darkness through enemy-held territory near Lauterburg, Germany, surprised a German artillery battery and captured all weapons as well as personnel totalling 386 members of the Wehrmacht. Leader of the company, First Lieutenant William A. Kirchhoff, son of Mrs. William Kirchhoff, 130 Griggs Avenue, Teaneck, has been awarded the Bronze Star for his part in the action.

Twice wounded at Nuremberg, Lieutenant Kirchhoff holds the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Silver Star Medal as well as his newest decoration.

He entered the Army four and one-half years ago, went overseas last January and now lays claim to 106 service points.

A graduate of Teaneck High School, he attended Bergen College and Donovan's Business College.

7-10-45

S-Sgt. Horbatuck

Staff Sergeant Stephan J. Horbatuck of 203 Fort Lee Road, Teaneck, recently passed through an Air Service Command in England en route to a well earned rest after 35 missions as a mechanic on a B-17 Flying Fortress.

Before his return to the States Sergeant Horbatuck was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three oak-leaf clusters, and a bronze battle star.

7-10-45

CLASS'S TOP MAN



Ensign Eugene V. Tidwell of West Englewood was graduated this week-end as top man in his class at the Navy's school for primary flight instructors at New Orleans, La.

Ensign Tidwell was presented a certificate as a qualified flight instructor by Commander Charles T. Fitzgerald, school commanding officer, who stated: "Through his fine performance here, Ensign Tidwell won highest honors in his class. He now has the important task of training the Navy's future combat pilots. We are confident he will do that job well."

Ensign Tidwell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tidwell, of 68 Harriet Avenue, West Englewood. He is a graduate of Dwight Morrow High School and was employed by the Aluminum Company of Edgewater before he entered the service. He will be assigned to the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill.

7-10-45

Lt. John Calligan Awarded Air Medal As Bombardier

TWENTIETH AIR FORCE, PACIFIC HEADQUARTERS — Second Lieutenant John J. Calligan, of Teaneck, New Jersey, bombardier of a B-29 Superfortress has been awarded the Air Medal at a XXI Bomber Command base on Tinian.

He received the award for "meritorious achievement" in Superfortress low altitude incendiary raids against Japan.

His mother, Mrs. Minnie Calligan, lives at 420 Beverly Road, Teaneck.

7-10-45

Signalman Francis Scott

Ichabod Francis Scott, 21, signalman, third class, USNR, of 272 Edgemont Terrace, Teaneck, N. J., is completing two years' service aboard a destroyer escort in the Atlantic Fleet. As a member of the signal gang, he is one of the eyes of his ship.

7-10-45

Lt. Sheets Home After Much Action

Lieutenant Chester W. Sheets, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Sheets, of 230 Grayson Place, Teaneck, arrived home yesterday on a 30-day furlough, following his recent return from Germany.

Entering the service in February 1942, Lieutenant Sheets was commissioned in Field Artillery on July 28, 1942. Assigned to the 35th (Texas) Division, he went overseas in April 1943 and was wounded in North Africa in August of the same year.

Returned to this country for treatment of shrapnel wounds of the leg and arm, he requested return to active duty and was sent to France in September 1944. He went into action again with the Ninth Army, participating in the Battle of the Bulge and the following campaigns in Belgium and Germany.

Transferred to the 938th Field Artillery with the First Army, he was wounded by shrapnel on March 31, while acting as forward observer for his battery. Before his return to this country, he was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service and the Purple Heart.

At the end of his furlough, he will report to Camp San Luis Obispo, California for further training.

Sgt. Donoghue Back With Timberwolves

Sergeant Richard Donoghue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donoghue, of 157 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck, is home on a furlough. While fighting with the Timberwolf Division, he participated in the French, Belgian, Dutch and German campaigns, and was awarded the combat Infantry badge and Purple Heart.

The 104th (Timberwolf) Division was the first to travel directly from the United States to France. A little more than a month after landing, the Timberwolves, commanded by Major General Terry Allen, went into the line, and remained in combat for over 6 months. In a campaign that was featured by continuous night attacks, the division drove through the industrial area, pushing ahead to take Cologne.

The Timberwolf Division which has never given an inch of ground, is in the United States now. While here, combat veterans will be given furloughs and then will begin training to prepare them for further battles in the Pacific against the Japanese.

7-10-45

C. P-M Mate Albert Hirt Somewhere In Marianas

SOMEWHERE IN THE MARIANAS—Chief Pharmacist's Mate Albert Hirt, 34, USNR, of Teaneck, N. J., is with the Navy's medical research unit, studying tropical diseases in the forward areas.

The unit covers 24 acres of what was dense jungle. Officers and men of the unit contributed most of the labor that went into the erection of the buildings.

Hirt, a pharmacist before he entered the service in 1942, is a graduate of Rutgers University School of Pharmacy.

Hirt is the son of Mrs. A. Hirt of 88 Maple Street, Teaneck. A brother, 1st Lt. Julian Hirt, is in the Army.

7-10-45

Lt. Warren Clark Given Air Medal For Missions

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER STATION — The Air Medal has been awarded to 2nd Lieutenant Warren A. Clark of Teaneck, N. J., is was announced recently at his Eighth Fighter Command base. The medal was presented to Lt. Clark for exceptional meritorious service in accomplishing numerous operational missions the Wehrmacht.

The 22-year-old fighter pilot, a member of the 361st P-51 Mustang Fighter Group, participated on dive-bombing, strafing and bomber escort missions, spear-heading the Allied advances in Germany.

He is the son of Mrs. Mary B. Clark of 93 East Lawn Drive, Teaneck, N. J.

Now A/FC Bruce Talbot

Recently graduated with honors from the U.S. Naval Hospital Corps School, San Diego, Calif., Bruce R. Talbot, 18, of Teaneck, N. J., has been promoted to Hospital Apprentice First Class, the Eleventh Naval District revealed today.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman W. Talbot, of 3 Dohrman Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., Corpsman Talbot was a student at Teaneck High School and a call man for the Teaneck Fire Department prior to his enlistment in the Navy in January 1944.

Talbot has been assigned to duty at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Dublin, Ga.

Pfc. Owne McGuire Is Given Purple Heart

WITH THE 38th DIVISION ON LUZON:—Pfc. Owen T. McGuire, brother of Mrs. Nellie McLaughlin, 856 Esther Ave., Teaneck, N. J., has been presented with America's Oldest Military Decoration, the Purple Heart, for wounds received while fighting the Japanese in Northern Luzon with the 130th Infantry of the 38th Division, veteran of three Pacific Campaigns.

Latest Draft List

Registrants Inducted into the Armed forces from Local Board No. 6, Teaneck, N. J., on July 2, 1945

Joseph Henry Cavaliere, 37 Sackville St., West Englewood, N. J.; George Kevin Gregory, 375 Warwick Ave., West Englewood, N. J.; John Johnston Weir Jr., 286 Frances St., Teaneck, N. J.; Raymond Jean Widman, 878 Red Road, Teaneck, N. J.; Alfred Angelo Mangini, 70 Hamilton Ave., Dumont, N. J.; Frank Joseph Restle, Jr., 563 Cumberland Ave., Teaneck, N. J.; William P. Brockmeier, 43 Franklin Road, West Englewood, N. J.; Minor L. Bishop, 1361 Dickerson Road, Teaneck.

11,000 ON-4 SHIPS

They were among the 11,000 veterans of European combat to arrive at New York Port of Embarkation Points yesterday aboard the Hermitage, the Hawaiian Shipper, the Sea Pike, and the Tristram Dalton.

One of the men who did more than his share of adding to the Fourth's glory was First Lieutenant William J. Baroni Jr., of 1295 Pennington Road, West Englewood, still wearing his O.D.'s and perspiring in the heat of a July afternoon, who modestly admitted that he had been awarded a Silver Star last month for gallantry in action.

Lieutenant Baroni, who fought with the 42nd Field Artillery Battalion in Ardennes, the Rhineland, and Central Germany since joining the outfit last January, volunteered one day as forward observer for a combat patrol of seven men. The seven soon found themselves surrounded by approximately 300 Germans who hastened to launch a counter-attack.

The West Englewood man determined that the Jerries were 20 yards beyond his own position radioed back instructions to his outfit to fire its artillery at that distance, which meant that he would be under his own fire. Baroni was wounded in the action, but the counterattack was stopped and the 42nd was able to advance.

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The latest decoration was given Sergeant Beugger, radio operator on craft of the 437th Carrier Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from January 1 to March 31 of this year.

As a combat crew member, Sergeant Beugger flew on missions which supplied the Allied forces then advancing into Germany and evacuated casualties.

Attached to the 395th Infantry Regiment, 9th Division, T/5 McCann is serving with the Army of Occupation in Germany.

His two brothers and sister also are in the Army. First Lieutenant John McCann is Troop Movement Officer with the Infantry Replacement Training Center, Camp Wheeler, Ga. First Lieutenant James McCann, A. A. F., is Post Training Officer at an Army Transport Command Base in India.

Their sister, Miss Agnes R. McCann, is an Assistant Radio Engineer with the U. S. Army Signal Corps.

7-12-45

Lt. Frank Klimm Given Distinguished Unit Badge

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER STATION, ENGLAND — The 356th Fighter Group commanded by Colonel Philip E. Tokey, Jr., of Cape Elizabeth, Maine, has been awarded a Distinguished Unit Citation for "extraordinary heroism, determination, and esprit de corps in action against an enemy of the United States on 17, 18, and 23 September 1944."

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LT. WALTER D. FAHNESTOCK

run over Vienna when, with two engines shot out by enemy fighter planes, he kept the plane aloft, completed the mission and fought his way back to base on the two remaining engines. Incidentally, no one was wounded on that trip.

During another bomb run over the Ploesti region, one of the most heavily guarded of all Axis targets, Lieutenant Fahnestock saw the mission through again, this time by managing to extinguish a fire in the bomb bay. An oak leaf cluster, equivalent to another D. F. C., was added to his list of decorations.

His other decorations include the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, presidential unit citation with one cluster, and campaign ribbons for American and European theaters with three battle stars.

A Dumont High School graduate, Lieutenant Fahnestock was employed by the Bendix Aviation Corporation before entering the A. A. F. in 1941. He received his commission as second lieutenant at George Field, Ill., and was overseas for nine and one-half months.

First Lieutenant Walter D. Fahnestock, West Englewood pilot who gained fame with the 15th Air Force in Italy where he flew a B-24 bomber and was assistant operations officer of his group, now is back at his home, 17 Tryon Avenue, on a two-month terminal leave following which he will be retired from the active list. He has numerous decorations.

Lieutenant Fahnestock was assigned to a number of raids on the Ploesti oil fields of Romania, over which he was wounded last August while on his 31st mission. On this raid he was hit in both legs and in the right arm. His oxygen mask was knocked off by flak at 23,000 feet, but he still refused help until the mission was completed and he was flown back to base by his co-pilot. As a result of this action, he was awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

A Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded the lieutenant for a bomb

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Ensign Tidwell Top Man At Air Instructor's School

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Local Sailor Hero Of USS Franklin

John P. Sipila, fireman, first class, son of Agnes Sipila, 242 Hemlock terrace, Teaneck, N. J., was one of the heroes aboard "Big Ben" the new famous carrier U.S.S. FRANKLIN whose miraculous survival of an aerial bombing in the Pacific has become one of the most dramatic sea stories of the war.

The ship which the Japanese boasted they had sunk now is safely back in New York.

The FRANKLIN was operating 60 miles off Japan with a fast carrier task force on the morning of March 19. Many of her planes were on deck, loaded with bombs, rockets and machine-gun ammunition, preparing to take off.

It was at this, her most vulnerable moment, that a Jap dive-bomber streaked down out of the clouds and released two 500-pound bombs. Within a minute the bombs had started a train of fires and explosion which for hours scorched and shattered the carrier's frame. Resulting fires were fed by thousands of gallons of aviation gasoline.

In this dark hour, when it seemed the FRANKLIN must be abandoned her crew wrote one of the brightest chapters in the long history of Naval heroism at sea. With 341 shipmates killed, 431 missing, and 300 wounded, those who were

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SSgt Henry Muller Enjoys The "Post"

A telephone call the first thing Monday morning which made the Teaneck Post staff happy, was from Charles Muller of 285 Hickory Street, Teaneck, saying that he and his wife had just received a letter from their son, Staff Sergeant Henry H. Muller, asking him to be sure to notify the Post of the change in his address so that he would continue receiving the paper which he enjoys very much.

Staff Sergeant Muller has been in the army for three years, 27 months of which have been spent overseas. In this letter, dated June 12th, he writes that his work of late has been repairing the planes which had accomplished the bombing of Germany and hastened the bringing of V-E Day.

Last August, Staff Sergeant Muller was cited for the exceptionally speedy repair of certain planes which were very important to the war effort at that time.

S/Sgt. Muller is a graduate of Teaneck High School, and although he says nothing in his letter about coming home, his parents are hoping that he may be granted a furlough since he has not been home in almost three years.

His present address, in case any of his buddies should want to write him is: Staff Sgt. Henry H. Muller, 82388231, 898 Air Engineer Squadron, APO 149, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

7-12-45

Sgt. Donoghue Home From Service with Timberwolves

Sergeant Richard Donoghue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donoghue, of 157 Sherman Avenue, Teaneck, is home on a furlough. While fighting with the Timberwolf Division, he participated in the French, Belgian, Dutch and German campaigns, and was awarded the combat infantry badge and Purple Heart.

The 104th (Timberwolf) Division was the first to travel directly from the United States to France. A little more than a month after landing, the Timberwolves, commanded by Major General Terry Allen, went into the line and remained in combat for over 6 months. In a campaign that was featured by continuous night attacks, the division drove through the industrial area, pushing ahead to take Cologne.

The Timberwolf Division which has never given an inch of ground, is in the United States now. While here, combat veterans will be given furloughs and then will begin training to prepare them for further battles in the Pacific against the Japanese.

7-14-45

Former H. S. Star Missing In Action Over Jap Territory

The War Department announced this week that another athletic star of Teaneck High School was missing in action over Yokohama, First Lieutenant Arthur P. O'Hara Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. O'Hara of 217 Grayson Place. He was catcher for the 1942 High School baseball squad and letterman in soccer.

The 21-year-old airman, pilot of a B-29 Superfortress, had taken part in 16 missions on Japan's key cities. He was on his 17th when shot down over the target.

Lieutenant O'Hara has been missing over Yokohama since May 29 and according to details received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. O'Hara his ship was hit over the target but he managed to fly it to the coast of Japan before having to bail out. It is believed that all of the crew got out and a fighter pilot was seen escorting them down to protect them from strafing by Jap pilots. The letter with these details was from Lieutenant O'Hara's chaplain who gave the parents every hope their son is a prisoner.

Lieutenant O'Hara, a graduate of Teaneck High School, class '42, enlisted in the Army Air Corps while a sophomore at Dartmouth College and received his commission at Struttart Army Air Field, Arkansas, in March, 1944.

While on his 11th mission, Lieutenant O'Hara ran short of fuel and had to head for Iwo Jima. In a letter to his parents, he told them of visiting the grave of Corporal Rudolph M. De Canio, one of his Teaneck buddies. Both he and De Canio played on the high school baseball team, DeCanio, who was with the Marines, lost his life on Iwo the beginning of this year.

7-12-45

Seaman Francis Donovan Prisoner Of Japanese

A prisoner of the Japanese for 38 months, his whereabouts unknown since the liberation of American prisoners in the Philippines, Seaman First Class John Francis Donovan reported a prisoner in Japan.

Donovan, just 21, was captured May 6, 1942, on Corregidor where he was a member of a patrol squadron at an air base.

Mr. and Mrs. John Donovan of 144 Prospect Terrace, had feared that their son might have been aboard one of the Jap transports sunk in the China Sea while transferring prisoners. In all the time he has been interned they received just five cards from him, and in a card they received in January he said he had received his first mail from them. He was in Camp 4 in Manila.

The notification that he is now interned in Japan was received from the Government. Instructions stated that they may write him as often as possible but the messages must be typewritten and not more than 24 words.

Seaman Donovan left Teaneck High School in 1941 to enlist in the Navy. He was a member of the High School Band and the V.F. W. Drum and Bugle Corps.

7-14-45

Sgt. Hugh, W. Englewood, Becomes European Producer

Bergen County G. I. Produces Musical With Comedy That Draws Laughs From 50,000 Spectators

Section 8, in G. I. lingo, generally refers to persons who are mentally unstable, but for the 50,000 service men and women in the E. T. O. who have seen the musical revue of that name produced and directed by Sergeant Edwin C. Hugh of West Englewood, veteran Broadway actor, Section 8 has come to mean an evening of hilarious entertainment.

FEATURES SANDLER

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7-14-45

OFF TO PACIFIC



On his way to the Pacific to show the Japs what a Navy fighter pilot can do is Ensign Allen C. Miner who recently passed a 16-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Miner, 634 Linden Avenue, Teaneck. Ensign Miner, a former employee of the Wright Aero Corporation at Paterson, enlisted in the Navy Air Corps in April, 1943, received his wings at Pensacola, Florida, in January, 1944. At San Diego he will report for further assignment.

7-14-45

SISTER COMMISSIONED, HE'S PROMOTED



ENS. CLAIRE BLACKLEDGE LT. (J. G.) L. R. BLACKLEDGE

Navy Nurse Commissioned, Brother Raised In Rank

**Blackledge Family Of Teaneck Figures In The Day's
News Of Promotions**

A Teaneck Navy nurse was commissioned an ensign and her brother was promoted to lieutenant (j. g.) in the Naval Reserve it was announced today by the Navy Department.

AT PACIFIC BASE

Ensign Lloyd Richard Blackledge, at a base somewhere in the Marianas, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant junior grade, while his sister, Claire, received her commission as an ensign in the Navy Nurse Corps. They are the son and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Blackledge, 756 Cedar Lane, Teaneck.

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Lt. W. McCaffrey Reports For Duty

Lt. William R. McCaffrey, Jr., of the 14th Air Force who enjoyed the distinction of having some of his many decorations pinned on by Major General Claire L. Chennault, who has just retired as commander of that force, leaves today (Thursday) after a 30-day furlough at home to report to Atlantic City. Lt. McCaffrey's decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross and five air medals. In the army more than three years, he has served overseas in the China area for 14 months.

While home, his engagement to Miss Jean Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Becker of 558 Wyndham Road, Teaneck, was announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

Lt. McCaffrey reported that he has been receiving this paper regularly—it taking about a month for the paper to reach the China-Burma area and sometimes arriving in batches—but he was most grateful to be able to keep up with the news of the boys from home.

He has two brothers in the service, Ensign James McCaffrey, whom he had not seen for about 19 months and who has also just been home on leave and Air Cadet Donald, now stationed at Pawtuxent, Md.

All three are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. McCaffrey, Sr., of 1085 Cumberland Avenue, West Englewood.

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Carlos Acosta On Escort

IN THE ATLANTIC—Carlos Jose Acosta, 20, motor machinist's mate, third class, USNR, of Teaneck, N. J., is serving aboard a destroyer escort of the Atlantic Fleet. He was a member of the commissioning crew, and just recently his ship celebrated her first anniversary at sea. He sees that all pressures are kept at the proper level and, in case of trouble, helps put the engine back in working condition.

Acosta entered the Navy in November, 1942, and was trained at Newport, R. I., and Richmond, Va.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Acosta, 351 Griggs ave., Teaneck. He has two brothers in the Navy, Raymond, Jr., 21, an apprentice seaman, in the V-12 unit at Drew University, Madison, N. J., and George, 18, seaman, second class, on board a destroyer.

He attended Teaneck High School.

Mother of Hero Receives Medal

HEADQUARTERS, ATLANTIC OVERSEAS AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND, NEWARK, N. J., July 13—The Air Medal, with two Oak Leaf clusters, posthumously awarded First Lieutenant Raymond W. Loh, last Friday, was presented his mother, Mrs. Frank J. Loh of 811 Queen Anne road, Teaneck. The presentation was made by Maj. Aubrey G. Halls, Chaplain, representing Brig. Gen. William E. Farthing, Commanding General, Atlantic Overseas Air Technical Service Command, at a ceremony at the Officers Club in Weequahic Park.

The citation stated the award was "for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific area from 4 January 1944 through 2 November 1944 during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations included escorting bombers and transport aircraft, interception and attack missions and patrol and reconnaissance flights. In the course of these operations strafing and bombing attacks were made from dangerously low altitudes, destroying and damaging enemy installations and equipment. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lt. Loh during these flights are worthy of recommendation."

Pvt. Baker At Air School

KEESLER FIELD, Biloxi, Miss., July 9—Pvt. Edward R. Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Baker, 535 River Road, Teaneck, N. J., has enrolled in the world's greatest educational program—one of the AAF Training Command's airplane mechanics training courses at Keesler Field.

The training he will receive in the mechanics school will cover basic airplane and engine mechanic operations. The technical course will extend over a period of approximately 76 days and will include instruction on the electrical systems, engine operation, fuel and oil systems, propellers, structures, instruments and basic inspection. This will qualify him for additional specialized training in the maintenance of heavy bomber or cargo planes.

7-19-45

Now Sgt. Edward Brazill

KELLY FIELD, TEXAS—Edward B. Brazill whose home is at 1091 Lambert Road, Teaneck, N. J. has been promoted from corporal to sergeant at the San Antonio Air Technical Service Command, Army Air Forces, here.

Sgt. Brazill is assigned to the 1926th Signal Company Depot (Avn) and is serving as Radio Repairman with his organization. Before entering the Army on April 6, 1943, he was a student at Manhattan College in New

7-19-45

S-Sgt. Ken Keller Given Decoration

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—Staff Sergeant Kenneth W. Keller, 34, of Teaneck, New Jersey, recently was awarded the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in action on the Fifth Army front in Italy.

He is supply sergeant with the 85th Mountain Infantry Regiment of the 10th Mountain Division.

The citation stated, in part:

"When after a mountain infantry battalion had secured its objective and the pressing need of supplies became of paramount importance, Keller, acting beyond his duties, tirelessly reconnoitered and established a supply route for the entire battalion when all other attempts of a like nature had failed and after battalion reconnaissance had reported all roads impassable and under hostile observation.

"Leading a jeep convoy, Keller directed them through a heavy concentration of interdictory fire and over a road which had been mined, delivering much needed ammunition and rations which were a determining factor in the successful repulsion of a counterattack that night," the citation concluded.

He entered military service on February 4, 1943. His wife, Blanche Keller, lives at 175 Tryon Avenue, Teaneck.

7-19-45

Lt. Fahnestock On Terminal Leave

First Lieutenant Walter D. Fahnestock, West Englewood pilot who gained fame with the 15th Air Force in Italy where he flew a B-24 bomber and was assistant operations officer of his group, now is back at his home, 17 Tryon Avenue, on a two-month terminal leave following which he will be retired from the active list. He has numerous decorations.

Lieutenant Fahnestock was assigned to a number of raids on the Ploesti oil fields of Romania, over which he was wounded last August while on his 31 mission. On this raid he was hit in both legs and in the right arm. His oxygen mask was knocked off by flak at 28,000 feet, but he still refused help until the mission was completed and he was flown back to base by his co-pilot. As a result of this action, he was awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

A Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded the lieutenant for a bomb run over Vienna when, with two engines shot out by enemy fighter planes, he kept the plane, fighter planes, he kept the plane aloft, completed the mission and fought his way back to base on the two remaining engines. Incidentally, no one was wounded on that trip.

His other decorations include the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, presidential unit citation with one cluster, and campaign ribbons for American and European theaters with three battle stars.

A Dumont High School graduate, Lieutenant Fahnestock was employed by the Bendix Aviation Corporation before entering the AAF in 1941. He received his commission as second lieutenant at George Field, Ill., and was overseas for nine and one-half months.

7-19-45

PhM Edward H. Moore

ABOARD A HEAVY CRUISER IN THE PACIFIC—Edward H. Moore, pharmacist's mate, first class, USNR, son of Mrs. Mary S. Moore, 173 Carlton ter., Teaneck, N. J., is serving aboard this ship.

Moore was a sales manager for a utility company at Hackensack, N. J. He is property and account technician, in charge of medical supplies. In action he cares for the wounded.

7-19-45

Tuite Set For Navy Job

Among those graduating recently from an intensive course of Basic Engineering training at Service Schools here was Edward T. Tuite, 20, son of Mrs. Anna Tuite, 181 Sherman Ave., Teaneck, N. J.

His training has been designed to fit him for a specialized Navy job in the long Pacific war ahead, and also for skilled work in industry when peace comes.

Graduates from the ten courses taught here at the Service Schools are sent to sea, to shore stations, or to advanced schools for further duty.

7-19-45

Lt. Avellanet Serves As Port Officer In England

HEADQUARTERS, U. S. NAVAL FORCES IN EUROPE, LONDON, England, June 18 (Delayed)—Lt. Alphonse Avellanet, USNR, whose wife, Mrs. Helene Avellanet, lives at 605 Maple Ave., Teaneck, N. J., serves at one of the U. S. Navy Port Offices operated throughout the United Kingdom during the war against Germany as foreign bases for Naval Armed Guard sailors who manned guns on U. S. merchant ships.

Located in scattered out-of-the-way ports these offices (known as NavPo's) operated under strictest security regulations, assisting thousands of officers and men of the Armed Guard with their problems on this side of the Atlantic.

As soon as a merchant ship drops anchor in a United Kingdom port, a Port Office representative climbs aboard. First, mail is distributed, then Naval gunners are paid in English currency. Inspections and reports follow.

Port Offices often handled special problems before V-E day, such as caring for survivors of American ships damaged in enemy action, storms or accidents, or arranging ambulances and hospitalization for

injured seamen.

These offices will remain open, since maintenance crews must be kept aboard the ships, even though the guns will no longer fire at enemy targets.

7-19-45

Jenson Aboard Destroyer

WITH THE ATLANTIC FLEET—Richard Irving Jenson, 20, fire controlman, second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Jenson, 210 Lees Avenue, Teaneck, N. J., is serving aboard a destroyer escort.

A graduate of the New Utrecht High School, he entered the Navy in November, 1942, and attended fire control schools at Newport, R. I. and Washington, D. C. He now supervises the men who maintain and operate the fire control equipment on his ship.

Jenson wears the American and European-African-Middle Eastern theatre ribbons with three battle stars.

7-19-45

Lt. Merrill Processing For Action In Pacific

WITH THE 13TH ARMORED DIVISION IN THE ASSEMBLY AREA COMMAND—Enroute to the United States from the European continent, 1st Lt. Merrill K. Graham Jr. of 378 Winthrop Rd., West Englewood, N. J. is now being processed at Camp Atlanta in northeastern France, as a member of the first ETO armored division to be ordered to the Pacific.

1st Lt. Graham is a member of Div. Hq. Co. and served with the 13th Armored Division in the Battle of the Ruhr Pocket and in the drive through Bavaria into Austria. He holds the Bronze Star.

The 13th, popularly known as the Black Cat Division, captured more than 20,000 German prisoners in the fighting in the Ruhr and took an additional 19,000 in Bavaria. In the closing days of the war in Europe, it captured Hitler's birthplace city of Braunau, Austria, and liberated 14,000 Allied prisoners of war.

1st Lt. Graham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Graham, 378 Winthrop Rd., West Englewood, N. J. He will be given a furlough before the Divisions begins its training for action in the Pacific.

7-19-45

Teaneck Sergeant Becomes Show Impresario Of GI's

Sergeant Edwin C. Hugh of West Englewood has earned the title of being the "Mike Todd-Billy Rose-Flo Ziegfeld" of G.I. productions in Europe with his production of a husical revue that has entertained over 50,000 service men and women in the E. T. O.

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7-20-45

Lt. Virginia Duggan Is Now In Hawaiian Islands

PEARL HARBOR, T. H.—Lt. (j.g.) Virginia Mary Duggan, of the Women's Reserve, from Teaneck, New Jersey, has recently reported for duty in the Hawaiian Islands.

Miss Duggan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Duggan, who reside at 152 Graydon Place, Teaneck. She graduated from Mother Cabrini High School, and received her Bachelor of Science

degree from College of Mt. St. Vincent, Riverdale, New York. Before being commissioned in the WAVES in August, 1943, she was employed as a secretary by A. M. Byers Company New York City.

Lt. (j.g.) Duggan was stationed at District Supply Office, Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia, prior to transferring to Hawaii.

7-21-45

"Swede" Lindholm

Cornelius "Swede" Lindholm Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Lindholm, of 1095 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., is one of the ten members of Lehigh University's baseball team who have been awarded varsity letters by Eb Caraway, coach and acting director of athletics at the University.

The Brown and White team, on which Lindholm pitched, has just wound up its best season in more than a decade, during which they amassed a record of 11 wins and 4 losses. Defeated during the year by the Engineers were Villanova, Drexel, Rutgers, Lafayette, Muhlenberg and Swarthmore. Only defeats suffered by Lehigh were administered by Rutgers, Drew, Villanova and Colgate.

7-21-45

S-Sgt. Henry England Missing In Action

According to the word received by Mrs. Maud Biroc of 288 Woodbine Street, Teaneck, her brother, Staff Sergeant Henry England, has been missing in action over Japan since February 10, Sergeant England, formerly of Union City, is a radar operator on a B-29 Superfortress and had been in several raids over the Japanese homeland prior to the raid on which he was reported lost.

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry England Sr., Sergeant England received his training at Chicago and Florida bases. He has another sister, Mrs. Shirley Schneider of Continental Avenue, River Edge.

7-21-45

AIR HERO VISITS FRIENDS AT SUN

Bemedaled Major Expects Pacific Hitch.

It's a long hop from selling advertising for The New York Sun to bombing tactical targets in Germany. But Major Otto A. Krumbach, 26-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Krumbach of Teaneck, N. J., made the transition from peacetime to wartime occupations with remarkable success.

Major Krumbach arrived home on furlough Saturday after a seven-day, 10,000-mile flight in a Douglas Invader from France by way of Africa and South America. He spent today with his old associates at The Sun, where he was employed in the advertising department for three years before the war.

The pilot of medium and light bombers took part in thirty-five missions to destroy enemy bridges, depots, railway yards and troop concentrations. Once his face was scratched when his windshield was smashed by flak. Many times his plane was shot up, and after one mission it had 150 holes in it. He operated from England until September, 1944, and afterwards from six different bases in France. His group was preparing to move from Rheims to Stuttgart, Germany, when V-E Day arrived.

Enlisted in 1941.

Major Krumbach, who expects to be sent to the Pacific area as a squadron commander, wears the Air Medal with six clusters, and the European Theater Ribbon with four battle stars. He brought home an Iron Cross, several Hermann Goering daggers of S.S. officers, German flags and other souvenirs.

"I have seen the damage in Germany, where the cities and roads have been reduced to rubble," remarked Major Krumbach when he was asked about the Air Force's contribution to Allied victory. "Bombing certainly did its full share towards hastening and insuring victory."

The Major said his most thrilling and disagreeable experiences in the air were on a raid over Argentina, France. Visibility was low and the formation of planes got off its course. Several planes were shot down and all sustained damage.

Major Krumbach attended a school for flying cadets in New York in 1940 and joined the Army in 1941. He was trained in Georgia and Louisiana. When the war broke out he was a second lieutenant, serving as an instructor at a flying field in California. He went to England with the Ninth Air Force in June, 1944.

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S/Sgt. JOSEPH WAGNER
309 Harding Avenue, Teaneck

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LT. WILLIAM SOONS
512 Waldwick Ave., W. Englewood

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Silver Star
HENDRICKSON, First Lieutenant Frederick R., son of Mr. and



LT. FRED R. HENDRICKSON

Mrs. Joseph F. Hendrickson, 1264 Longfellow Avenue, West Englewood.

7-26-45

Paul Riviere Graduates

Paul Riviere III, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Riviere, Jr., 257 Grayson Place, Teaneck, 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 Riviere attended St. Peters Preparatory School. Prior to his enlistment in April 1942, he was employed as a machine tool operator for the Wright Aero Corporation, Paterson. From December 1943 to November 1944, he served in the Pacific with the Signal Corps.

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 materials to theaters of operations.

7-26-45

Mrs. O'Donnell Receives Posthumous Honor for Son

The Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Purple Heart Medal were recently received by Mrs. Ellen O'Donnell of 178 New York Avenue, Dumont, N. J., which had been awarded posthumously to her son, Technical Sgt. James J. O'Donnell, A.A.F., of Dumont.

Sergeant O'Donnell was reported killed in action in a raid in a Flying Fortress over Bremen, Germany, on October 8, 1943. He was a Flight Engineer and Top Turret Gunner of the Flying Fortress "TS TOO" in which he was lost. His first Fortress "THE TS" was demolished in a fight over the English Channel with German Messerschmitts a few months earlier. At this time none of the crew was injured.

Sergeant O'Donnell was the brother of Frank J. O'Donnell of Dumont, Mrs. Thomas W. Donnelly of Bergenfield and Miss Helene O'Donnell of Anacostia, Wash.

7-26-45

T-Sgt. William Nuber With 81st. Battalion

HQ. ASSEMBLY AREA COMMAND—Among the first on the beaches D-Day, and first in Germany with both the First and the Third Armies, the 81st Chemical Mortar Battalion sets sights on another first—"First in Tokyo"—as it heads for the United States and redeployment to the Pacific.

Thirty-four officers and 650 enlisted men of the 81st let their next goal be known as they went through Camp Miami, Assembly area Command tent center near Chalons, France. With this contingent is T/Sgt. William F. Nuber, 48 DeGraw Ave., Teaneck, N. J.

The 81st made history first with the First Army on D-Day. A Presidential Unit Citation and six Distinguished Service Crosses rewarded their efforts.

In action 313 days of the ensuing 11 months, the 81st entered Germany first with the 28th Division in the First Army thrust of September 11, 1944, and later with the 10th Armored Division of the third Army after attachment to it for the Metz battle. Fighting with 20 other divisions, the battalion went as far as Steyr, Austria. Their combat span topped 2,000 miles.

The 81st colors carry streamers for major campaigns. Personnel has more than 500 decorations, including the Legion of Merit for Lt. Col. Jack W. Lipphardt, commanding officer; 9 French Croix de Guerre, a Luxembourg Croix de Guerre, 29 Silver Stars, 127 Bronze Stars and 330 Purple Hearts.

7-26-45

Lt. Arnold Brown Receives Cluster

FIFTH AIR FORCE, PHILIPPINES—First Lieutenant Arnold F. Brown, Teaneck native assigned to the 22nd Bomb Group of the Fifth Air Force, has been awarded a third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from January 9 to April 11, 1945, by General C. Kenney, commanding the Far East Air Forces.

An aircraft observer and navigator, Lt. Brown was cited for taking part in bombing strikes against Japanese airdromes and installations, and attacks against enemy vessels and shipping.

The citation said, "The courage and devotion to duty displayed on these flights by Lt. Brown, when contact with hostile aircraft was probable and expected, reflect great credit on the United States Army Air Forces."

Lt. Brown was commissioned on September 4, 1943 and has been overseas 21 months. His wife, Mrs. Dorothy H. Brown, resides at 1228 Overlook Avenue.

7-26-45

Major Walter Farr Back From Burma

Among the latest returnees from overseas is Major Walter J. Farr of Teaneck just back from two years spent in the Burma jungle, where he has been in charge of hospitals, one formerly run by Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave, the author of the "Burma Surgeon" and another for Merrill's Marauders where they treated these boys as they came out of the jungles. His experiences also included service at our main hospital out there as well as a hazardous trip along the Leda & Burma Road to Kuming, China.

Before he entered the Army in April, 1942, Major Farr had been a practicing physician in Teaneck for 14 years. He left for overseas in July 1943 and during his absence, his wife and their three children, Sybil, Dorothy and Walter, Jr. have been living at the Teaneck address 288 Griggs Avenue.

Major Farr has received many commendations among which is one by command of Lieutenant General Stillwell signed by Brigadier General H. L. Boatner, Chief of Staff for "Cooperation with the 16th Brigade, 3rd Indian Division." As Commanding Officer of the 14th Evacuation Hospital he also received commendation from Major General W. E. R. Covell and Brigadier General Lewis A. Pick in the China-Burma-India on the fact his organization had received a rating of "Superior" at the time of the annual general inspection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944. He also has a letter signed by Brigadier General F. D. Merrill, commander of the far famed "Merrill Marauders" when he was assigned to the Southeast Asia Command and left the 5307th Unit. General Merritt said in part: "You are undergoing the most difficult job of all. Waiting for something to happen is worse than either marching or fighting. I am sure that the gang who licked the Japs from Walabum to Myitkyina can lick the war of waiting on the Leda battlefield in the same way."

Major Farr is home on a thirty day leave.

7-26-45

Lt. Bolinder Gets Silver Star Medal

A NINTH AIR FORCE NIGHT FIGHTER BASE, Germany—For gallantry in action, during the war in Europe, 1st Lieutenant Robert G. Bolinder, 21, W. Englewood, N. J. airman, has been awarded the Silver Star Medal, it was announced by his commanding officer, Lt. Col. Oris B. Johnson, Natchitoches, La. Lieutenant Bolinder served as pilot with the famed 422nd "Green Bats" Night Fighter Squadron, currently stationed at a former Luftwaffe base in Germany.

Shortly after midnight on December, 16, Lieutenant Bolinder and his crew established contact with an enemy aircraft while flying patrol over Allied ground forces, West of the Rhine River. Pushing his speedy Black Widow to its limit, Lieutenant Bolinder gave chase to the twisting, weaving, Focke-Wolf 190, finally pulled up to within 100 feet of the enemy fighter, dead astern, fired several bursts with his 20 millimeter guns and saw the "bogy" explode and fall flaming to the blackness below.

Not long afterwards, the Black Widow and her crew on a Messerschmidt-110, cannons belched and the enemy aircraft ignited and exploded upon hitting the earth. A Heinkel-III was then contacted and the crack night fighter team knocked their third adversary out of the sky in a mass of flaming wreckage. Finally, to climax the evening's activities, a second Heinkel was probably destroyed, to wind up a one night record unparalleled in night aerial combat.

The citation stated: "By his superior aerial proficiency and tactical technique, Lieutenant Bolinder was instrumental in the accomplishment of this unique aerial feat, thereby reflecting the highest distinction upon himself, his organization and the Army Air Forces."

This action took place during the Adennes Salient Battle, when the 422nd Squadron destroyed 17 German aircraft and broke up more than 30 enemy air raids, contributing much to the success of the campaign. For this they were awarded the unit Presidential Citation.

A former student at Newark College of Engineering, Lieutenant Bolinder was employed as a technician at the Sperry Gyroscope Corp., Brooklyn, N. Y., prior to joining the Army Air Forces in April, 1942. A veteran of 42 combat missions he is credited with the destruction of four German aircraft and has served in England, France, Belgium and Germany, since sailing overseas in April, 1944. In addition to the Silver Star, he possesses the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters and the unit Presidential Citation ribbon, and wears the European Theatre ribbon with three campaign stars.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Bolinder, 23 Evergreen Pl., West Englewood, N. J.

7-26-45

Teaneck Man Films Epic Of Navy's "Fighting Lady"

"The Fighting Lady," the Navy's technicolor epic of an aircraft carrier which delighted audiences at nearby motion picture houses, a few weeks ago, was, in the main, the photographic work of Ph. M. 2-c Kenneth Henderson, son of Mrs. Catherine H. Henderson of 1090 Alicia Avenue, West Englewood.

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He entered the Navy in February, 1948; leaving a position as advertising photography manager of

the International Nickel Company.

When the new Hornet, replacing her namesake sunk in the Pacific in 1942 after carrying the first raiders under General Doolittle near the shores of Japan, was commissioned in February, 1944, Henderson was assigned as deck photographer of still and motion pictures. Leaving the United States in February, 1944, the Hornet saw her first action at Palau and Woleai on March 29.

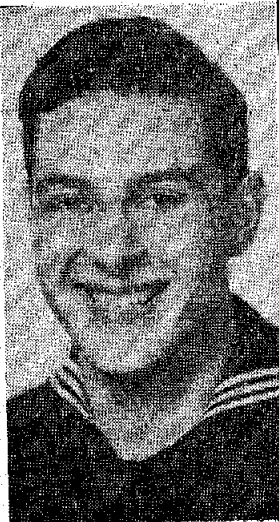
The official Navy release lists 32 separate operations and carrier strikes at strategic Jap positions, outstanding of which was the carrier strike at Formosa and a continuous 4-day defense against Jap land based aircraft from October 12 to 15 and against the Jap Fleet in the battle of Sulu and Sibuyan Sea on October 25 and 26.

Following that battle, the Hornet was engaged continuously in carrier strikes against Leyte, Luzon, Manila Bay, Yap Island, Formosa and Bataan peninsula, culminating in action against Camranh Bay, French Indo-China on January 12, Hong Kong on January 16 and Okinawa and Nansei Shoto, Japan, on January 22.

It is expected the Hornet will shortly return to this country for repairs and a rest for the crew. In a little over a year, she has logged over 180,000 miles and piled up one of the most enviable records in the Navy for destruction wreaked on the Japs.

Henderson is engaged to Miss Edna Trotter of Pensacola, Fla., and expects to be married during his next leave.

TRANSFERRED



Seaman First Class John T. Cerasani, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Cerasani of 230 East Forest Avenue, Teaneck, was recently graduated from the Naval Air Technical Training Center for Air Combat Crewmen at Norman, Oklahoma, and has been transferred to a gunnery school in Jacksonville, Fla.

MIRACLES CAME TO OKINAWA, HE ASSURES FOLKS

Feltz, On Leave In Teaneck, Tells Of Battle

3 LISTED WOUNDED

Home on convalescent leave after being wounded in the battle for Sugar Loaf Hill on Okinawa, the hill which took the Marines six attempts to capture. Pharmacist's Mate S/C Robert Ellmore Feltz of Teaneck, brought with him a miraculous story of how he escaped almost certain death at every turn.

The 26-year-old Navy man, who was attached to the Sixth Marines, was one of three Bergen County men listed by the War Department today as wounded in action in the Pacific.

The others listed were First Lieutenant Martin E. Van Buren of Rutherford and Pfc. Frank Morrone of East Rutherford. Morrone, a member of the Sixth Marines, was also wounded on Okinawa.

Pharmacist's Mate Feltz suffered shrapnel wounds in his right leg April 17 on Okinawa and following hospitalization in the Pacific was sent back to this country. He is now home on a 30-day leave from the Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Maryland.

ESCAPES SNIPERS

According to details Feltz gave his family, he and his unit started for the front along a trail which was understood to be clear of Japs. Nearing their destination, Sugar Loaf Hill, a Jap man-made hill under which was a 4-story building, they were attacked by snipers and when they reached the front found themselves almost without any leaders. On their way, Feltz was saved by a trenchman as he was about to step on a land mine. While treating the injured in a trench, a mortar shell struck, injuring him in a leg. Badly in need of help, his unit almost wiped out, he ran back the shortest, most dangerous path in the midst of sniper and mortar fire and brought medical men and supplies.

Formerly of Hackensack, Pharmacist's Mate Feltz attended Hackensack High School and also the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago; the Providence Rhode Island Bible School and Wheaton College, Ill., where he was studying for missionary work.

He enlisted in the Navy two and a half years ago and had been overseas 11 months. His brother, Coxswain Florent K. Feltz, a member of the Coast Guard, is presently stationed at Manhattan Beach.

WINS PROMOTION



Florence Louise Mileti, 24, Army Nurse Corps of Ridgely Park, was promoted to First Lieutenant June 15, 1948 at the 178th General Hospital in Blem, France after seeing active service overseas since October, 1944. Lt. Mileti informed her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mileti of 164 Overpeak Avenue, of her promotion in a recent letter. She is in charge of the central supply at the hospital and when finished with her work there will go directly to the China-Burma-India area.

7-31-45

FORMER CAPTIVE ENDS FURLOUGH

Teaneck Pilot Reports To A. A. F. Redistribution Center

Lieutenant Robert C. Jares of Sagamore Avenue, Teaneck, has just reported to the A. A. F. Redistribution Center in Atlantic City for reassignment, having completed a 60-day furlough granted after his liberation from a German prison camp.

The Teaneck pilot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jares, attended Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and was employed at the Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson, prior to entering the service.

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VETERANS GIVEN FREE GUIDANCE

Booklet Made Available Telling Benefits

Distribution of booklets outlining services of the Teaneck Veterans Service Committee began today when they were delivered to the Teaneck Draft Board offices by the printer.

Each returning veteran will be given one of the booklet. It has been the experience of many service men that they did not know their own needs immediately upon release from service. It was for this reason that State and Federal laws were recently enacted extending the time within which a veteran may apply for benefits. The time limit on State loans also has been extended from three to six years.

Believing that veterans were besieged with all manner of printed matter while in service, the booklet has been made as concise as possible. It consists of 8 pages, 4 by 6 inches, explaining the purpose of the Committee, procedure to be followed in applying for benefits, and the 14 subdivisions with names of the chairmen of each.

Any former service man or woman, now residing in Teaneck, whether registered from the local board or not, may have a copy by writing to Selective Service Board No. 6, 717 Cedar Lane, Teaneck.

8-3-45

Kraetsch Directed Bridge Construction

Under intense enemy fire last February 23, Lieutenant Kraetsch led his squadron of fighting Army engineers to reconnoiter a site for a treadway bridge across a river and to start construction on the bridge while being continually bombarded by the Nazis.

The engineers succeeded in constructing 120 feet of bridge into the river before it was knocked by enemy fire. At that time, the Lieutenant was wounded and had to be evacuated.

Lieutenant Kraetsch participated in the D-Day invasion on the Normandy coast and thence advanced into Belgium, Holland, and Germany, collecting a total of five battle stars on his E. T. O. ribbon.

He is a Teaneck High School graduate and, prior to his enlistment in 1940, was employed by the jewelry firm of Marcus and Company.

Sergeant Casini, 23-year-old operations non-commissioned officer in the 6th Army's 10th Division Headquarters, was decorated for meritorious service in combat during the Italian campaign.

8-3-45

LAUD MAJOR FROM TEANECK

Russell's Work Aided In New Bomb

(Special to the Bergen Evening Record)

Oak Ridge, Tenn., Aug. 8 (P)—A Teaneck major, assistant production plant head at the Oak Ridge, Tenn., plant where the utilization of atomic power was made possible against Japan, was commended today by Colonel Kenneth D. Nicholas of the Manhattan Engineer District. He is Major G. W. Russell.

Major Russell was one of two New Jersey men, members of Colonel Nicholas' own staff, who the Colonel said today, made exemplary contributions to the success of the project.

Commending also the hundreds of organizations and thousands of workers who made possible this amazing project, Colonel Nicholas explained that in normal times the research in physics and chemistry would have led to the utilization of atomic power in 15 or 20 years. "By the combined efforts of many workers and organizations," he stated, "the time required was compressed into three years."

Colonel Russell or his family could not be reached in Teaneck.

8-8-45

Posthumous Medal To Sgt. Emptage

An initial Air Medal plus two oak leaf clusters was posthumously awarded Sergeant Emptage for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from Aug. 28, 1944, to Oct. 30, 1944; Nov. 8, 1944, to Jan. 2, 1945; and from Jan. 3, 1945 to Jan. 25, 1945. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations, and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping.

The third cluster was awarded for meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight to Borneo on Oct. 3, 1944. Sergeant Emptage was a gunner in the crew of a B-24 aircraft which took part in the second mass daylight raid against a heavily defended Japanese oil refining center.

After completing the necessary missions for a furlough back to this country, Sergeant Emptage was killed in March in an airplane crash on the first leg of his journey home. The C-47 in which he was a passenger crashed on a take-off from Morotai Island where he was based.

He was a graduate of Teaneck High School.

Staff Sergeant Harold L. Emptage, was the son of Mrs. Agnes E. Knapp, 845 Williams Avenue, Teaneck (3 clusters).

8-2-45

A Soldier Home From War Has Good Things In Threes

Lieutenant Graham Greet's Family, Holds Higher Rank, Wears Bronze Medal

Good things come in threes for Lieutenant Merrill K. Graham Jr. of West Englewood. The best of the three, of course, was his arrival, late last week, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graham, of 378 Winthrop Road where he found his wife and infant daughter, Linda, who had come from Nashville, Tenn., to greet him.

HAS BRONZE STAR

Secondly, just prior to his departure from Europe, where he was attached to Headquarters Company of the 13th Armored Division, he was promoted to First Lieutenant.

A red, white and blue ribbon, indicative of the fact that its wearer has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, is Lieutenant Graham's third distinction. This, too, was awarded him just before he returned to his country.

The decoration was for "heroic



LT. MERRILL K. GRAHAM JR.

achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on April 12, near Lohmar, Germany". Lieutenant Graham, communications officer, helped evacuate four seriously wounded soldiers while under artillery fire.

Said his citation: "Disregarding exploding mortar shells and small arms ammunition in a half track that had been struck by enemy fire, he unhesitatingly extricated the casualties from the vehicle, thereby saving their lives."

8-8-45

Pvt. Philip Fabis

Pvt. Philip Fabis, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Fabis of 680 North St., Teaneck, has been graduated from the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Truxa 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.

8-9-45

Pfc. Baker On Furlough

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker of 304 Beech Street, Teaneck, are celebrating the return of their son, Pfc. Justin L. Baker, who is home from Germany on a 30-day furlough. He was presented the Purple Heart for injuries received in action in Belgium, while a patient in a hospital in England.

Private First Class Baker and his wife, Mrs. Justin L. Baker of Winston-Salem, N. C., left for a vacation at Northwood Lake, New Hampshire, summer home of Chaplain and Mrs. E. George Bayer, former pastor of the Teaneck Methodist Church.

8-9-45

McGuire Receives Oak Leaf Cluster

WITH THE 38th DIVISION ON LUZON—For having been wounded the second time while fighting against the Japanese in Northern Luzon, Pfc. Owen T. McGuire, brother of Mrs. Nellie McLaughlin, 856 Esther Ave., Teaneck, N. J., has been awarded the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

Pfc. McGuire is a member of the 130th Infantry of the battle-hardened 38th Division, veterans of three Pacific Campaigns and liberators of Northern Luzon, including Baguio, the pre-war summer capital and playground of the Philippines.

He suffered his first wounds while attacking the Japanese on Question Mark Hill in the vicinity of Cauringan Valley in February and then received his second injuries a few months later in the vicinity of Lawican.

Pfc. McGuire has been in the service for more than three years two of which have been spent overseas in the Pacific Area. He is back on duty with his organization.

8-9-45

Medical Badge To Capt. M. Brotman

WITH THE 38th INFANTRY DIVISION IN EUROPE—Captain Milton Brotman has been awarded the Medical Badge for satisfactory performance of duty. He is the husband of Mrs. Lily Brotman of 450 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, N. J.

Incident for which award was made or reason why: For satisfactory performance of duty under combat conditions. In this regiment the conditions have often times been very hazardous, and artillery fire, mortar fire, has never stopped the work of our medical detachment from getting the wounded, and the sick evacuated. These men have been a great help to the front line troops.

They have frequently worked long hours, and many times all night, all day to get their job done, and they have never failed us.

8-9-45

Pfc. Eugene Cole Gets Purple Heart

WITH THE 11th AIRBORNE DIVISION IN LUZON, July 17 (Delayed)—For wounds received while fighting in southwestern Luzon on January 31, the date he landed with amphibious forces of the 11th Airborne Division at Nasugbu, Private First Class Eugene A. Cole, Teaneck, New Jersey, has been awarded the Purple Heart medal.

He is qualified gliderman with the 188th Para-Glider Regiment, which, upon reaching the Luzon coast, pushed inland to Tagaytay Ridge, 35 miles south of Manila, to effect a junction with paratroopers of the 11th Airborne's 511th Parachute Infantry, who jumped on February 8, prior to invading Manila suburbs.

Cole is relaxing in a rest area, following his return to duty. His mother, Mrs. Irene Cole, resides at Morningside Terrace in Teaneck.

8-9-45

Pfc. Joseph McMullen

ARMED GROUP IN ASSEMBLY WITH THE 409TH BOMBARDMENT AREA COMMAND—Pfc. Joseph F. McMullen is headed for the United States after completing processing at Camp New York, one of 17 similar redeployment camps in the Assembly Area Command in northeastern France.

Since arriving at Camp New York, the men of the 409th have had their records thoroughly checked, have taken physical examinations, and have had all clothing checked and brought up to date.

The 409th Bombardment Group arrived in England on March 5th, 1944, and as a unit of the Ninth Air Force, flew A-20 Havocs in the pre-invasion bombing attacks on the German transportation system, airfields, and coastal defenses in France.

After the last mission was flown in May, 1945, just prior efficiency charts revealed that the to the German surrender, bombing 409th, with a total of 257 missions, ranked among the first five in the Ninth Air Bombardment Division.

Pfc. McMullen lives at 51 Grayson Pl., Teaneck, New Jersey.

8-9-45

Lt. Edward Tozer Home

First Lieutenant Edward W. Tozer, son of Mr. and Mrs. William St. John Tozer of 289 Vandelinda Avenue, Teaneck, is home on 45-day furlough from the Aleutians where he has been stationed 22 months. He and his wife, the former Ottilie Heilmann of Tenafly, are now visiting at Boca Raton, Fla., where he was stationed before going to Alaska.

8-9-45

Donald Oakes Completes Work In Navy V7 Course

Donald Oakes, Teaneck, has completed his work in Colgate University's Navy Academic Refresher Unit (V-7) and has reported to Columbia University's Midshipman School. All men in the unit were selected after service with the fleet and two or more years of college work.

Oakes, seaman second class, is one of 32 men assigned to Columbia who have completed the requirements for entrance to midshipman school in 16 weeks.

Son of Mrs. Evelyn Oakes, 287 Cherry Lane, Teaneck, Oakes is a 1940 graduate of Teaneck High School and received a B.A. degree from Dartmouth College in 1943 before joining the Navy in November, 1944.

8-9-45

Welcome Home For Returning Vets To Wait For V-J Day

Any welcome home celebrations for the more than 3400 Teaneck Service men and women will be postponed until after V-J day it was decided at the last meeting of the local Military Service executive committee.

Two plans had been submitted by the welcome-home division of the committee; have a dinner now for the 800 who have been discharged and periodical dinners in groups of 200 or more as the veterans are released, the alternative to be informal parties in groups of about 100. Under the latter plan, the expense per individual would be half that of the former, enabling the committee to entertain twice as many people for the same amount as under the dinner plan.

The problem of raising the funds to defray the expense was said to be too large for the executive committee and it will be referred to the next full meeting of the committee on September 10.

Providing of cigarettes, recreation equipment, and small luxuries to Teaneck men now patients in government hospitals was also held over for the September meeting. The consensus of opinion was that the group's name and purpose confines its activities to veterans who have been discharged from service, and the extension of its work to include hospital patients will have to be decided by the general committee.

One of the first cases of veterans assistance was reported to be that a former lieutenant of the Army Air Force with 800 flying hours to his credit. Through an introduction by the committee, the veteran secured a position as a draftsman of a large corporation and when it was learned by his employer that he was a flyer, he was engaged by one of the company officials as a private pilot and now serves his company in a dual capacity.

Copies of the new booklets to be distributed to discharged men by the draft board were submitted to the members.

8-9-45

Delaney Gets Award

Cpl. John J. Delaney, son of John Delaney, 54 Minel Place, Teaneck, N. J., member of the 142nd Infantry of the veteran 36th "Texas" Division, has been awarded the Bronze Arrowhead to wear on his European Theater of Operations ribbon. The Arrowhead has been awarded for participation in the Riviera invasion when he made the D-Day amphibious assault.

The 36th Infantry Division has been action on two D-Days: Italy and Southern France. To its credit are such battles as San Pietro and Cassino, the Rapido River, and Anzio. It fought at Montellmar, where the German Nineteenth Army was annihilated and drove across the Sainte Marie Pass of the Vosges Mountain. It breached the powerful Siegfried Line defenses at Wissembourg and completed four hundred days of actual combat plunging through Germany and deep into Austria.

8-9-45

Teaneck Defers Its Party Until The War Is Won

Welcome-Home Celebrations Are Postponed By Order Of Military Executive Committee

The Teaneck Military Service executive committee voted last night to defer any welcome home celebrations for the more than 3,400 Teaneck service men and women until after the end of the war with Japan.

Two plans had been submitted by the welcome-home division of the committee; to have a dinner now for the 300 who have been discharged and periodical dinners in groups of 200 or more as the veterans are released, the alternative to be informal parties in groups of about 100. Under the latter plan, the expense per individual would be half that of the former, enabling the committee to entertain twice as many people for the same amount as under the dinner plan.

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8-10-45

THE COLONEL GETS BRONZE STAR



It is Award Day at Berlin, and Major General Floyd L. Parks smilingly pins the Bronze Star on Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Lind of West Englewood.

8-11-45



"Still can't believe we're really back" was the consensus among this trio of Bergen County veterans of the Fifth Armored Division as they awaited processing at Camp Shanks yesterday.

Standing, left to right: Pfc. Robert F. Towle, 81 De Graw Avenue, Teaneck; Private Ralph Nienhouse, Midland Park; kneeling Private Paul C. Landy, Brinkerhoff Avenue, Fallsides Park.

8-10-45

Battle of Bulge Veteran Home on 33 Day Leave

A veteran of the Battle of the Bulge, in which most of the 160th Infantry was wiped out, Pfc. Warren Peter of Teaneck describes that ordeal simply as rough. He recently arrived in Boston aboard the German Bliss, and is on a 33-day furlough until September 9.

Peter wears the combat infantryman's badge, the badge for meritorious service, four battle stars and the Good Conduct Medal. He participated in the Battle of the Rhine, the Ardennes campaign, and in Northern France, in addition to the Bulge.

A graduate of Teaneck High School, Peter attended Bergen Junior College and entered the Army on September 14, 1942. The son of Henry Peter of Sagamore Avenue, he is married to the former Miss Ruth Passanant, of Wilson Avenue, Teaneck. He served over seas a year, and has been transferred to the 28th Keystone Division.

8-16-45

Pvt. Gerald C. Cahill

KEESLER FIELD, Biloxi, Miss. —Pvt. Gerald C. Cahill, son of Mr. Gerald Cahill, 529 Terhune Street, Teaneck, N.J., was graduated this week from the AAF Training Command's basic airplane and engine mechanics course at Keesler Field.

The course extended over a 70-day period, during which time he received instruction and actual experience in aircraft maintenance. This training prepared him for entrance into a specialized course where ground crew students receive instruction in maintenance and trouble shooting on particular types of planes.

The training program he followed included, in addition to aircraft maintenance, fundamentals, instruction in airplane electrical systems, structures, fuel and oil systems, propellers, instruments, hydraulic systems, engine operations and basic airplane inspection.

8-16-45

Lt. Comdr. Werner Takes Over USS Walter S. Gorka

Lieutenant Commander Richard G. Werner, U.S.N.R., of 63 Pierrepont St., Brooklyn, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Werner, 647 Penn. Ave., Teaneck, N. J., assumed command of the U.S.S. WALTER S. GORKA, a highspeed transport, when the ship was placed in commission recently at the Hingham, Mass., shipyard of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

Lieutenant Commander Werner, a graduate of Harvard, has served as executive officer of the U.S.S. SPRY, a gunboat, and as commanding officer of the U.S.S. BRENNAN and U.S.S. GARFIELD THOMAS, both destroyer escorts.

8-16-45

Postal Employee Missing In Alaska

According to word received by his aunt, Mrs. Ellen Maves, Sergeant Bernard T. Curley of Teaneck, 35-year-old gunner on a B-35 Mitchell bomber, is missing in action in the Alaskan Area since July 16, after going on his last mission before leaving for a rest camp.

Sergeant Curley, formerly of Hackensack, has at least 16 missions to his credit. In a letter to his aunt dated July 14, two days before he was reported lost, he said that after his next mission he expected to go to Juneau for a rest.

Sergeant Curley entered the Army in January, 1942, and applied for glider training with the Air Forces. This course was discontinued the following June and he was transferred to the regular air force and trained as a gunner. He received his wings at Riley Field, Denver, Colo., after which he instructed in gunnery at Tyndall Field, Fla. Last November he was sent overseas.

A graduate of Hackensack High School, Sergeant Curley, prior to his induction, was employed in the Post Office in West Englewood. His brother, Technical Sergeant Thomas Curley, is with the Field Artillery in the Pacific.

8-16-45

Lt. Robert Jares Reports

Lieutenant Robert C. Jares of Sagamore Avenue, Teaneck, has just reported to the A. A. F. Redistribution Center in Atlantic City for reassignment, having completed a 60-day furlough granted after his liberation from a German prison camp.

The Teaneck pilot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jares, attended Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and was employed at the Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Paterson, prior to entering the service.

8-16-45

Sgt. Olaf Pederson Feted

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson of 658 Linden Avenue, Teaneck, entertained at an open house in honor of First Sergeant Olaf Pedersen who was recently given an honorable discharge from the Armed Forces. He had been in the Army for 9 years and has been in the Hawaiian Islands and the Panama Canal Zone. In 1948 he was sent to France, and was in Germany when victory was declared.

8-16-45

India Starved, Dirty, Hounded By Beggars, But Chinese, Raiders Are Great, Says Farr

Jeep Rolled Over Teaneck Major But He Kept On, Aiding Ill, Wounded As British And Americans Wrecked Jap Hopes, Drove Them Out Of Burma

"What India needs is not a good 5 cent cigar, but a square meal, Major Walter Farr of 288 Griggs Avenue, Teaneck said today, following his return on a 30-day furlough from 2 years of service with the U. S. Army Medical Corps in the C. B. I. theater of operations.

One of the first doctors to leave for service from Teaneck, Major Farr was called in July, 1942, and following his indoctrination training, was executive medical officer at Camp Claiborne, La., until he left for India in July, 1943.

FIRST IMPRESSION BAD

"Our first impression of India was not good," Major Farr said. "The most undernourished, bedraggled, dirty and skinny men I had ever seen, came aboard as coolies to help unload.

"The first night in India we were surprised at the modern buildings, paved streets and a good cabaret in a modern hotel, but the beggars, men, women and children were a nuisance and their persistence and filth gave you a feeling of disgust and revulsion," the Major said.

"The Hindus wear turbans and the Moslems, fezzes, but they are all sharpers. The price asked is never the price expected and since the Americans came, the prices have all skyrocketed, which has caused no little concern to the British who fear we may spoil the Indians.

"After a few days in a rest camp, we visited a holy city," the Major said. "You could tell this was a very holy city because of the excess beggars, cripples, lepers, holy men almost naked, all very dirty and goats, cows and cow manure everywhere. The thicker the layer, the more holy the city and it makes a nice base to walk on after the rain. Almost everyone has an itch of some sort, and they scratch themselves frequently in any part of their anatomy.

"From the rest camp we proceeded by train, river boat, and then another train to our final destination. It was especially hard on the enlisted men who had to load and unload our equipment in the terrific heat, and were crowded into very small cars. One Captain said the war couldn't be as bad as getting to it.

"Our hospital was completed in October and we took in our first patients, mostly Chinese," the Major continued. "Shortly after, we were asked to operate an existing hospital, 12 miles forward. On the way, I swung my jeep, misjudged the distance and started to slide down the cliff. The car rolled over me but broke no bones. I was taken to the hospital I had started out to inspect, after being given morphine by a colored truck driver, and I don't ever want to hear any race prejudice talk again.

"While we were there, a company of Chinese arrived and we took care of them. They reciprocated by furnishing us men to clear up our area, and they did it beautifully. When they left, they presented me with a silk flag with many Chinese characters on it, indicating their appreciation of how well they had been treated.

"After a month of this," Major Farr said, "a request came to operate a small hospital in the jungle fairly near the fighting. It had



MAJOR WALTER FARR

formerly been operated by Major Seagrave, who wrote so interestingly of his experiences. The natives here were very different from the Indians. They are sturdy, healthy, self reliant and while still primitive, have more self respect than the masses in the cities.

SWAMPED BY SICK

"We were swamped with sick Chinese, and being the only doctor there, I pulled teeth, treated illnesses and performed several major operations, some by kerosene lamp light supplemented with flashlights. "Don't let anyone tell you the Chinese are impassive or cold," the Major said. "They enjoy a joke and it is very easy to make them

laugh. If you use the right methods, you can get them to do anything. If you use the wrong tactics, they become stubborn and very exasperating.

"About 2 weeks after our arrival, 12 tired, dirty Englishmen arrived. They were the advance column of Wingate's Raiders and they brought the first news we had of Merrill's Marauders.

"Shortly after our return to India, we were told to operate a hospital further back for Americans—Merrill's Marauders, now renamed the Burma Raiders. What an outfit they were! And what wonders they accomplished! They were in continuous combat longer than any other troops I ever heard of. They had made unbelievable marches and had constantly killed 50 to 100 Japs for every American killed. They had several Japanese-Americans with them as interpreters and the boys can't say enough for them.

LAUDS LOYAL JAPS

"It made us very angry to hear of the treatment of some of the Japs in the States, after hearing of the loyalty of these soldiers. The Marauders took good care to see they were not captured, for the treatment would have been rough if they had fallen into the hands of the Japs."

In March of this year, Major Farr was detailed to Kunming, China, going by convoy along the Ledo and Burma Roads. The first few days were spent getting used to truck convoy travel and learning the extreme difficulties under which supplies were transported to the interior of China. Trucks would go off the roads, repairs were of the most primitive type and the constant traffic had ground sections of the road into fine dust in some places four feet deep.

"The thick dust permeated everything," the Major said, "your hair, eyes, ears, clothes, ration boxes, and bedding. One Sunday morning we came to a sign at the China-Burmese border erected to commemorate the passing of the first convoy in January, 1945.

"The Chinese came and stared at us and we at them. They were about

as ragged a bunch as one could ever imagine. I worked up rather a brisk practice for the next few days, treating sores, scabies, sprains and cuts. Along the road we saw the Chinese infantry in their faded blue uniforms.

"They looked undernourished and exhausted, yet they were the same ones who drove the Japs from the Salween into Burma the next night.

"After 11 days we arrived in Kunming, having covered a little over 1,000 miles. On the main streets every building has shops with a great variety of products. There are plenty of fountain pens, nylon hose, wrist watches, cosmetics, cameras and film, bobby pins and lipsticks. Somebody has been flying products beside ammunition over the Hump.

"After completing my inspections I was ordered late in March to report back to India and made the trip by plane, covering the same distance in 3½ hours that it had taken 15 days to travel going in. "I was glad to have made the trip," the Major concluded, "but I have no desire to repeat it. I can say just as fervently as any G. I. that there's no country looks as good to a man as the good old U. S. A."

LIEUT. AVERILL'S WIDOW WILL GET HIS HERO MEDAL

West Englewood Officer Set Up Defense, Saved Soldier

WAS OUTNUMBERED

The German counteroffensive in the Belgian Bulge was in full force December 19 when First Lieutenant Denniston Averill of West Englewood, officers in the Armored Infantry, was assigned the job of re-establishing an outpost necessary to our forces.

The spot where the outpost has been was in Ortho. When he reached the area he found it still under a withering barrage of enemy fire. Three anti-aircraft half tracks had been knocked out and were a blazing mass of wreckage. Lieutenant Averill set up a defensive position that withstood the enemy's assault, then carried to safety a badly wounded man who had been trapped in the flames of a wrecked half track.

On the following day, Averill led two tanks which were defending the town of Samree against overwhelming odds. His vehicle knocked out in the battle, Lieutenant Averill continued to fight on foot until killed by the outnumbering enemy.

His widow, Mrs. Dorothy M. Averill, and an 8-months-old child, live at 490 Churchill Road in West Englewood. Mrs. Averill has been presented with the Silver Star, awarded for her husband's heroism in Belgium, and a Bronze Star Medal in recognition of Lieutenant Averill's heroic service on August 28, 1944.

8-16-45

CORP. HORDYCH BACK FROM FOUR BATTLES

Was Active In European Theater Of Operations

Corporal John T. Hordych Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hordych, of 902 River Road, Teaneck, has returned to Fort Dix for reassignment to Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He participated in four major battles in the European theater of operations. Corp. Hordych was a freshman at Seton Hall College before entering the service 2½ years ago.

Major Farr To Open His Office Again

Major Walter Farr, Army Medical Corps, of 288 Griggs Avenue, Teaneck, recently returned from 2 years of service in the China-Burma-India theater of operations, has been placed on the inactive list effective this week.

Major Farr will engage in private practice again, beginning August 21, with offices in his home.

8-16-45

ON SURRENDER SHIP

Aerographer Harold Edward McDonnell Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. McDonnell of 38 Church Street, West Englewood, is a crew member of the U. S. S. Missouri, where the Japanese surrender papers may be signed. He joined the crew at Honolulu when it left on its maiden voyage.

8-16-45

TUCKER INJURED IN ISLAND FIGHT

Giant Rookie Wounded On Okinawa

Sergeant Merrill Martin Tucker of West Englewood, former letterman in baseball and wrestling at Teaneck High School and later a shortstop on the New York Giants' junior team, was wounded in action on Okinawa, the Navy Department reported today. The 27-year-old leathernuck suffered a broken rib and shrapnel wounds of his back while fighting with the First Marine Division June 9.

Hospitalized on Tinian a little more than a month, Sergeant Tucker when last heard from by his mother, Mrs. Roberta M. Tucker of 61 Franklin Road, was recuperating in a rest camp. He is now believed to be back with his outfit.

Sergeant Tucker was graduated from Teaneck High School in 1937. Besides being active in baseball and wrestling, he played on the basketball team. Following his graduation he played with several Bergen County baseball teams, including Harrington Park, Bogota, and Bergen Pine.

He spent the summer of 1940 with the Giants in Missouri and upon enlisting in the Marine Corps in January, 1942, was shortstop for the Parris Island and Quantico teams. He went overseas in March.

His brother, Sergeant Noel Tucker, is with the Army and when last heard from was in Southern France.

8-16-45

WAESCHE SAFE

Rescued After Sinking Of Ship Off Okinawa, He Writes

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Waesche have received word that their son, Naval Lieutenant Donald Waesche, who was aboard the destroyer Calagahan, sunk in the Okinawa area, was rescued and is now safe aboard another ship.

Mrs. Waesche received the information in a letter from her son, written the day after his ship was sunk. Nephew of Admiral Russell R. Waesche, commandant of the Coast Guard, Lieutenant Waesche fought in the second battle of the Philippines Sea and he saw action at Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

According to a Navy report of the sinking, 3 men were killed, 49 are missing and 73 wounded.

8-18-45

Frank S. Boryszewski, husband of Mrs. Ann Boryszewski of 187 East Fort Lee Road, Teaneck, became a second lieutenant in the infantry recently, after completing the Officer Candidate Course at Fort Benning, Ga.

The same day Boryszewski was commissioned, John De Ryder, son of Mr. and Mrs. John De Ryder of 219



8-18-45

There's No Glory In War, Major Farr Tells Teaneck

Soldier Has Truer Realization Of Its Actualities He Says At Formal Observance

"To the fighting man, war is no longer a glorious adventure, but a series of major and minor sufferings," Major Walter J. Farr told the audience gathered to observe the day of prayer and thanksgiving at Teaneck Town Hall yesterday.

"Because of the change in the character of war; the modern dissemination of knowledge and the fact that every family has one or more members in the armed forces, the pomp and glory and flag waving have gone and in its place there are truer realizations of the actualities of war, the responsibilities of peace, and awareness of the necessity of international understanding and a deep, earnest desire to insure against a repetition of wholesale slaughter," the speaker said.

"Many times I have heard our allies remark with horror on the apparent lack of discipline, the lack of heel-clicking and saluting and the easy relationship between officers and enlisted men, but when there was a job to be done, the American soldier took his orders, did the job, surprised everyone by his speed and efficiency and when thrown upon his own resources, used his own brain and got results."

"I speak for the members of the armed forces from Teaneck," Major Farr said, "when I say how proud

we are of you citizens and your accomplishments on the home front. The reports we received while overseas were a real inspiration to us. The success of the war bond drives, the scrap drives, blood for our fighting men, and keeping us informed of Teaneck activities by letters and newspapers were the biggest factors in maintaining morale.

"So today let us not forget that the greatness of America is not an accident but the result of our national honesty, energy and ideals. Let us keep it so, by working for America for the good of all the United States so that America can remain strong and clean with its ideals, so that she can lead, not lift the other nations of the world to a higher plane of living a higher standard of international dealings and toward Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Mayor Milton G. Votaw presided at the meeting, sponsored by the Teaneck Patriotic Observance Committee. The invocation was delivered by Rev. Albert Stauderman; Prayer of Thanksgiving by Rev. Silverius J. Quigley and benediction by Rabbi Samuel Geffen. Musical selections were by recordings played over the public address system.

Flowers on the honor roll were contributed by the Township.

8-17-45

Teaneck Trio Now Aboard Pacific Boat

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Thompson of 577 Maple Avenue, Teaneck, have received a letter from their son, Willard, Q. M. 3/c, U. S. N. R., stating that he had been transferred to a Pacific base from the destroyer tender on which he had served for nearly two years in the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean, to a destroyer escort.

On boarding his new assignment he found a copy of the Bergen Evening Record on the deck and was surprised to find that two other crew members hailed from Teaneck.

He had never met a shipmate from Teaneck during his long service on the tender with a constantly changing personnel of 800 men.

Some weeks later his vessel again made contact with the tender, keeping a lonely vigil at a small island in the Pacific, at which time he was presented with a certificate of honorary membership of the crew of the tender, sponsored by the Quartermaster Division and signed by the commanding officer.

8-19-45

TRANSPORT VET



Shown aboard a Coast Guard-manned Navy troop transport, U. S. S. Wakefield, en route to the states from European Theater of Operations is Lt. (j.g.) Arthur O. Wurtmann, U. S. N., of 269 Edgemont Terrace, Teaneck. Lt. Wurtmann is a veteran of 35 months overseas duty. The transport that he is shown aboard had been ferrying troops to Europe prior to Germany's defeat and is now returning battle weary veterans and casualties.

8-19-45

Capt. Mitchell To Leave Soon For Tokyo Post

Teaneck Wac Trained For Military Rule Of Jap Homeland

One of several hundred Tokyo-bound Military Government Officers about to leave the country is Captain Marian Price Mitchell, daughter of Scout Executive Thomas J. Price and Mrs. Price of Pomander Walk, Teaneck. Captain Mitchell, formerly a reporter on the Record, has for the past 4 months attended the Civil Affairs Training School at Northwestern University, one of six schools in this country preparing Army officers for Military Government work in the Far East.

She is the wife of Major Raymond Mitchell of New Bedford, Mass., who returned a month ago after 2 1/2 years in North Africa and Italy with the American Field Service. Her brother, Staff Sergeant Thomas J. Price, now in pilot training at Wichita Falls, Kans., and her sister, Miss Helen Price, is a Red Cross supervisor at Westover Field, Mass.

Captain Mitchell is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. She worked as newspaper reporter



CAPTAIN MARIAN MITCHELL

before going into the Army 2 1/2 years ago, serving last with the Bergen Evening Record. In town this week-end before leaving for the West Coast, she participated in a family reunion which included all the service members of the family except Sergeant Price.

8-19-45

Shepherd Back After Escape From Teaneck

Rex, the fighting German shepherd dog, is back home today after a day's sightseeing and the family of Richard Marchisio of 45 New Bridge Road, Teaneck, is happy for more reasons than one.

As a result of the description given in yesterday's edition of the Bergen Evening Record, the dog was spotted in Bergenfield near the Palace Theater and a store owner telephoned police to come and pick it up. When they arrived, it was explained that while the store owner was making the call the dog escaped.

Shortly after 10 P. M. Charles F. Streubert of 151 West Clinton Avenue, Bergenfield, reported to Bergenfield police that he had the dog. Teaneck police again went to Bergenfield and Rex returned peacefully with them to the owner.

Rex had been returned to the Marchisio's Thursday from the K-9 training center at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, after having been wounded in his 18 months of overseas service. He slipped his collar some time Thursday and a regular police alarm was broadcast.

The dog is the property of Corporal Richard Marchisio, presently with the 44th Engineers on Okinawa. He requested the family to take especially good care of his veteran friend. As part of the homecoming, Rex's kennel had been repainted and trimmed with bright red paint, and in getting acquainted again, Rex got some of the paint on his coat, which it is now believed helped him in slipping out of his collar.

8-20-45

O'Hara Safe On Release From Japan

One Bergen County man was among the first group of American prisoners evacuated from Japan yesterday, and the parents of another were notified that their son was at a Jap prison camp in Manchuria, it was reported today.

Lieutenant Arthur P. O'Hara of 217 Grayson Place, Teaneck, was evacuated from Japan. He was a member of the 504th bombardment group.

Mrs. Michael Petak of Radcliffe Street, Wyckoff, was notified by telegram yesterday that the name of her son, Pfc. Joseph Petak, was on the personnel list of Camp Hoten in Mukden, Manchuria. He previously was reported missing. The telegram said more information would follow when it was secured.

8-21-45

Rex, Wounded Pacific Vet, Slips Leash And Vanishes

Teaneck Corporal's Returned Army Pet May Be Headed West, K-9 Expert Believes

A Teaneck police alarm was out today for a fighting man's fighting dog.

Richard Marchisio of 45 New Bridge Road reported to Headquarters that a husky German shepherd named Rex, wounded and discharged veteran of fighting in the Pacific, slipped its harness yesterday morning and vanished.

Police called in as consultant Russell G. Hess of Ridgewood, Quartermaster Corps dog-recruiting liaison officer for North Jersey. Mr. Hess said two possibilities occurred to him: the dog might have been stolen; or it might have been lonely in retirement and set out for familiar territory far westward.

Rex was returned to the Marchisios from the Fort Robinson, Nebraska, training center Saturday.

"These dogs have a powerful homing instinct," Mr. Hess said, "and it just depends on what Rex thinks of as home."

The dog's war record has not been forwarded yet, but it came home with a wound scar under its right eye. It weighs 60 pounds, and its left ear droops. Mr. Marchisio described it as quiet and well disciplined.

It belongs to his son, Corporal Richard Marchisio, who is on Okinawa with the 44th Engineers Regiment. Corporal Marchisio, who will next Wednesday have been in service 5 years, asks about Rex in every letter home, his father said.

8-20-45

A Smiling Lieutenant Ends Long Search For Her Husband

HE'S HERE NOW

Bulge Veterans' Kin Keep Vigil Until Dawn In Streets

By IRENE LINDEMANN

Within the next 48 hours Lieutenant Martha Miner, the Teaneck nurse who sailed an ocean and flew the Channel in search of her husband, will be reunited with him at their Linden Avenue home and scores of other soldiers, many from the doughty "Old Hickory" (30th) Infantry Division, will be saying hello to the folks they left behind here last year when they sailed for Europe to stop von Rundstedt in the Battle of the Bulge.

They were among the 14,809 troops who pulled into the North River Terminal, New York, last night under a starless midsummer sky aboard the Queen Mary. Today they were being processed at Camp Kilmer.

THIS WAS THE GREATEST

At 10 o'clock the Queen Mary might, except for her giant bulk, have been just another ship. Darkness, tides, and winds made for a difficult docking, and noise on board was muffled to a quiet hum as port workers bellowed directions to the harbor tugs which nudged the giant into position outside her berth.

But at 10:40 the Queen had slid in, and pandemonium broke loose. The dark masses on decks and superstructures suddenly boiled into crowds of joyous G. I.'s, and from them and from faces jammed into portholes came the familiar assortment of whistles, screeches, and cries of "hubba, hubba, hubba!"

It was the greatest, noisiest welcome since V-E Day for returning troops.

Bands and boat whistles serenaded them, and hundreds of harbor craft outlined their giant vessel with searchlights. Thousands lined the shore to cheer and wave.

Lieutenant Miner scrambled down the gangplank, trod a few minutes previously by Generals Leland S. Hobbs and Jacob L. Devers and Admiral Stark, and happily stood with



That smile from Lieutenant Martha P. Miner is both for the container of fresh milk and the joy of being home. A member of the Army Nurse Corps, Lieutenant Miner lives in Teaneck.

her colleagues of the 29th Station Hospital, sipping milk.

"It just doesn't seem possible to be home again. No kidding," she said.

The petite and pretty second lieutenant joined the Army Nurse Corps in March in an effort to be closer to her husband, Captain Reginald Miner, a B-24 pilot who was declared missing last September. He later turned up in a German prison camp, and was surprised by his wife in France, following his liberation.

and just 24 hours prior to his departure to this country.

Captain Miner has been home for several weeks now.

"Reg has 40 more days left of his 75-day leave," said his wife, "so we'll at least have 30 days together."

8-21-45

Master Sergeant George Lampe,
15 Bogert Street, West Englewood,
recently received the Bronze Star
Medal, the Croix de Guerre, and a
presidential unit citation, the latter
for the Battle of the Bulge.

9-6-45

TEANECK DOCTOR WINS PROMOTION IN THE MARINES

**Dr. Sexton Becomes A
• Lieut.-Commander
In California**

OTHERS ARE RAISED

Dr. Edward V. Sexton, former Teaneck physician, has been promoted to Lieutenant Commander, M. C., U. S. N. R., at the Naval Hospital in San Leandro, Calif. Prior to his present assignment Commander Sexton saw service with Admiral Kincaid's Seventh Fleet where he took part in pre-Philippine invasion battles.

He was a member of the staffs of Holy Name, Englewood, and New York Post-Graduate Hospitals, the latter in New York, before entering service, and was known locally as physician for Selective Service Board 6 in Teaneck. Dr. Sexton had offices at 936 Queen Anne Road.

In 1942 he aided in the organization and operation of the American Red Cross Blood Donor Center, Harrisburg, Pa. Other duties have included being attached to the Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Md., the Naval Air Station in Seattle, Wash., A. R. C. Blood Donor Unit, Washington, D. C., and the United Naval Mobile Hospital 12.

His present station is one of the largest hospitals on the West Coast devoted to the exclusive care of Marine and Naval personnel returned from the Pacific.

Commander and Mrs. Sexton now live at 239 Foothill Boulevard, San Leandro, Calif.

PROMOTED



LT. COM. EDWARD V. SEXTON

HINDLE HONORED

Private Thomas H. Hindle 3rd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hindle Jr. of 190 Teaneck Road, Teaneck, was awarded the Bronze Star medal on August 6 for heroic service on Okinawa. He is a member of the 321st Medical Battalion of the 96th Division. In his 2 years of overseas service, he participated in the invasions of Leyte and Okinawa, and is now in the Philippines awaiting transfer to the Army of Occupation. The citation said:

"With utter disregard of his own safety, he made four separate trips forward into an area under direct artillery fire, mortar and machine gun fire and successfully evacuated wounded men to the Battalion Aid Station."

He was a graduate of Teaneck High School.

9-24-45

BRESSLER BEAT DEATH BY INCHES

**Shell Blew Him From
Dugout—Saved Man**

Word has just been received by Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Bressler, 621 Ogden Avenue, West Englewood, that their son, Harry Jr., escaped death by a matter of inches during the 87th Division's push into Luxembourg in last January's bitter cold when the 346th Infantry was ordered to relieve units of the Fourth Division near Lellig.

Private Bressler was attached to a cannon company and also served as official interpreter. No sooner had his unit moved into position and Bressler had started heating a C ration, when a shell landed about 150 yards away.

"The only cover available," he told his parents, "was a little dugout about 8x4 feet. Everyone dived into that and, as I was farthest away I was last in. With ten other guys in that space, I was barely inside the door, with hardly any protection at all. The Germans decided to put on a Battery One round, right into our position. The shell I was concerned with landed about 8 feet from the dugout midway between the dugout and our ammunition, which was piled about 15 feet away. If it had ever hit that pile, I wouldn't be writing about it. Anyway, I was blown clear out of the dugout and was half stunned. Later, they counted 27 holes in a board that had been 6 inches over my head. That's what makes one believe in fate! I was picking myself up when another shell hit about 50 yards in front and one of our drivers, who had been trying to reach his truck, was hit."

"I went out to try to help him and with a couple of other guys we carried him to a little hole and one of the medics dressed his wounds. So many other things happened in the bitter days that followed that I'd completely forgotten about the incident, but about a month later I was officially awarded the Bronze Star for what they called my heroic action. Anyway, I was just plain lucky that I didn't wind up with the Purple Heart or worse."

Private Bressler's present assignment is in the Intelligence Section, Camp Detroit, situated in the Sologne area of France. A graduate of Teaneck High School, he attended the University of Missouri Journalism School until he entered the Army in July of 1943. After basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif., Bressler was chosen for special training with an A. S. T. P. unit at Stanford University and was later ordered overseas with the 87th Division.

Besides the Bronze Star, Private Bressler holds seven other ribbons and decorations, including the Combat Infantry Badge and three Battle Stars.

9-29-45

LANGE IS FREED

**Teaneck Soldier, Jap Captive Since
Corregidor, Released From Osaka**

Private Paul Lange, who was captured by the Japs early in 1943 when Corregidor fell, has been released from the prison camp at Osaka, the War Department announced today.

In a letter to his father, Alfred Lange, 327 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, written just before V-J Day, the Teaneck soldier said he was studying Spanish (he is a former Mexican movie extra), reading and looking forward to coming home.

The family of another recently liberated prisoner, Pfc. Vincent J. Jesuele of 184 Main Street, Cliffside Park, could not be reached for comment.

9-29-45

NAVY VETERAN LEAVES U. S. S. TEXAS



Official U. S. Navy Photograph
Everett I. Devoe, storekeeper, first class, U. S. N. R., of 320 West Englewood Avenue, West Englewood, N. J., is shown saluting the quarterdeck of the U. S. S. Texas for the last time before leaving the ship and heading for home under the Navy's demobilization program. He took part in operations at North Africa, Normandy, Provence in Southern France, Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

9-24-45

DECORATED



PVT. HARRY BRESSLER JR.

Major Peto, Teaneck Nurse, Home After 3 Years In War

Wearer Of 3 Battle Stars, 6 Overseas Stripes Suffered Only Bee Sting, Tumble In Campaigns

Major Marjory Peto of West Englewood is home from the wars with bee stings, a fall in a blacked out London street and a tumble into a six-foot trench her only personal casualties. But the small blue-eyed Army nurse spent more than three years overseas caring for American wounded and the three battle stars on her European Theater ribbon and the six overseas stripes on her sleeve only hint at her experiences and ordeals.



MAJOR MARJORY PETO

HAS DISCHARGE

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peto, of 1283 Sussex Road, West Englewood, Major Peto, with 96 points, was discharged through the Fort Dix Separation Center last week.

When members of the Staff of Medical Center formed the Second General Hospital, February 15, 1942, and went to Fort Meade, Maryland for training, Miss Peto, with 19 years experience as head nurse and supervisor at Medical Center, was appointed Chief Nurse and commissioned First Lieutenant.

The unit left Fort Dix for Liverpool June 30, 1942. The Second General Hospital was stationed at the American Hospital of Britain, Oxford, which was established by American citizens before the United States entered the war. The Army took charge following America's entry into the war, and Miss Peto and her staff worked there two years. She was promoted to Captain in May, 1943.

On July 24, 1944, the group established a tent hospital in a 52-acre apple orchard near Saint Lo, in France, with Miss Peto, now a Major in charge.

In the beginning, Major Peto said, the greatest problem facing Ameri-

can service men and their medical units, was frostbite. Flying suits were not then perfected, and acute cases of frostbite resulted in amputation. Solution lay in study and instruction of air crewman.

It was at the tent hospital near Saint Lo that Major Peto discovered that a bee will sting, annoy or not.

The bees were a major problem in operating tents, the Major said. The nurses collected mosquito netting manufactured for use by Pacific troops, disassembled it and sewed it into large sheets to protect the operating tents.

On August 25, 1945, the group moved to Marseilles and shipped to Hampton Roads, Va., October 12 aboard the General Meigs.

She made many friends overseas among them, a dog she called "Sooner." The dog was too large to accompany her when she moved to France, so she left him in the charge of an English officer. Another small dog was given to her by a French family. She named him "Echo" because of his resemblance to her first mascot.

Fearing that officials would bar her pet from boarding the ship in England, Major Peto administered a sleeping pill and put him into what she calls a "smuggle bag", which she held and covered with the coat she carried on her arm. Once aboard ship, however, 6 other

dogs appeared, so "Echo" had the run of the ship.

Major Peto is on terminal leave until January 8, and will return to Medical Center. Her Battle Stars were awarded for the Normandy, Northern France and the Rhineland campaigns.

CAPT. HOPPE HOME AFTER TWO YEARS

Teaneck Engineer Who Served In E. T. O., Now On Leave

Capt. Alvin H. Hoppe of 1000 Grace Terrace, Teaneck, arrived home September 28, after 2 years service abroad with the 49th Engineers, serving in North Africa, England and France, where he participated in the D Day invasion.

Enlisting originally with the 104th Engineers, Capt. Hoppe has been in service for more than 5 years and is now on terminal leave and vacationing with his wife, Audrey at Miami Beach, Fla.

10-25-45

10-26-45