

Local Lieutenants Meet In Wisconsin

"Again it has been proven it is a small world," writes Second Lieut. Guy S. Costello, former local school teacher, who is stationed at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. Guess whom I ran into down here he writes. He met up with another former Dupont boy, Second Lieutenant John Pasquariello, who was on his way North to Alaska, and who stopped at the Wisconsin Camp for a brief stay. Lieut. Pasquariello is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Pasquariello, now of Brooklyn, N. Y., and who for many years resided on Smith street, Dupont. Lieut. Pasquariello attended the local schools.

From 'Somewhere In North Africa' comes a censored letter from Private John DeFrancisco, who wishes all his friends in Dupont the season's best wishes.

Arrives In England

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Clarke of Lincoln street have been notified that their son, Pfc. Joseph Clarke, has arrived safely in England.

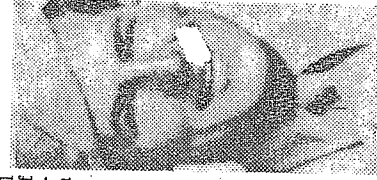
Brevities

Pvt. Orlando Costello sends greetings from Scott Field, Illinois. Pvt. Steve Ramirez has been transferred from Reister Field, Miss., to the Army Air Base at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sergeant Baptist Cited
A citation was recently awarded to Sergeant Anthony Baptist, Guard Squadron, De Ridder Army Air Base, Louisiana, by Colonel Harold G. Peterson, Army Air Corps, "for superior devotion and service beyond the scope of duty, for staunchness and display of loyalty, courage, tenacity of purpose and a spirit of emulation in search for a craft and crew as a result of an airplane accident to a B-24 bomber near the De Ridder Army Air Base Saturday, January 16, 1943."

Sergeant Baptist is the son of Mrs. and the late Donato Baptist, of Moosic, formerly of Dupont. He has two other brothers in the armed forces.

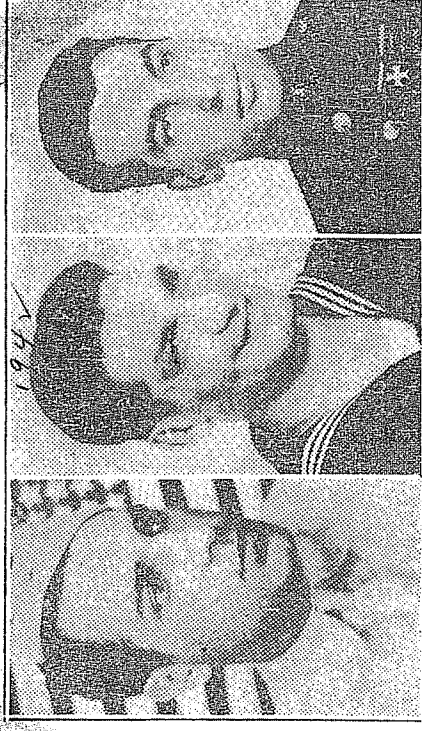
Pvt. John M. Minules sends greetings from Camp Forrest, Tennessee. The former Dupont Hose Company official reports he is enjoying army life.



Michael Wrubel
son of
Wrubel
family

Pfc.
Michael Wrubel
Wounded

Three Dupont Bros. In U. S. Armed Force



FRANK, JOHN AND JOSEPH INSOGNA

Mrs. Louise Insogna of 260 Main is training with the Air Forces street. Dupont, has every reason to be proud of her three sons who are now serving Uncle Sam in three separate divisions of the armed forces—the Army Air Corps, U. S. Coast Guard and the Marine Corps.

Pvt. Frank M. Insogna, left, is now stationed with an air base squadron at the advance flying school, Craig field, Selma, Alabama, where he is a member of the U. S. Coast Guard. The third brother, Joseph V. Insogna, at right, is a member of the U. S. Marine Corps, stationed at the headquarters of the Marine Corps at the Marine base troops, at the Marine base, San Diego, California.

NEWS OF LOCAL BOYS SERVING

Pfc. Stanley Giomb sends greetings from his station somewhere in England.
Pfc. John Guzzey, stationed somewhere in New Guinea, sends greetings. His letter was dated Dec. 30th. He says he is fine and so are all the other Dupont boys with him. F. said he met Pvt. Krave by surprise recently on the island.
Pvt. John Kretowicz is stationed at Camp Beale, Calif.
Stanley E. Fryzel of 135 Everhart street was among the selectees accepted Thursday at the Wilkes-Barre Induction Center. He will leave Wednesday morning with the rest of the local contingent from draft board 12. Nine Dupont boys will leave on that day with the draft board contingent of fifty from nearby towns, which also come under board 12 jurisdiction.
Pfc. John Sroka sends an interesting letter from somewhere in Southwest Pacific and states that the latter was selected from Det. where he was employed before induction into the army. He is brother of Felix Smith of Dupont. Sroka says that other Dupont boys with him are: Sgt. Wargo, Olejnik and Privates First Class. All are feeling fine.

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Local Boys Meet In Australia

Again it has been proven that it is a small world after all. Having not seen each other since they were back home in Dupont, prior to entering the service at different dates, two local boys, Privates John Kasa (Casey), McLean street, and Edward Wanat, Ziegler street, met somewhere in Australia, it was revealed in a letter written by Kasa on January 21.

Kasa says he and his buddies are well . . . mentioning Toney Lello, Bucky (John) Harris, Duda, and Bodoski with whom he left the States last summer.

Pfc. Stanley Glomb Picture In London

In the November 30, 1942 issue of the Stars and Stripes, published by and for the personnel of the U. S. armed forces in the European theater of operations and printed in London, England, appears the picture of PFC. Stanley Glomb of Dupont. He is seen in a group of four soldiers attired in uniforms to show what Nazi uniforms look like. The boys are posing in the uniforms to illustrate for their buddies what Germans look like. The four soldiers, including Glomb, are posing the captured uniforms for the benefit of their unit.

The copy of the Stars and Stripes is now on display at Plisga's cigar store in Dupont. Another Dupont boy, Pvt. Charles Plisga appeared in a London photo release a few weeks ago showing at an unnamed British port American ambulance men carrying a casualty off the British hospital ship Atlantis, a former luxury liner. The ship carried sick and wounded from the Middle East, some from the famed Eighth Army which routed Rommel.

Barney Kaspriskie, son of Mrs. Mary Kaspriskie has been promoted to sergeant at his station at DeRidder Army Air Base, Louisiana.

Pvt. Stanley A. Piechota, former chief deputy air warden of Dupont, and Second Ward constable, has completed a course in the AAF Delgado Trade School, in aviation mechanics in New Orleans, Louisiana, and has been transferred to Coffeyville, Kansas. He completed the course on Feb. 9th. Another member of the class was Charles Boone, former protectionist at the Lincoln Theatre, who has also been transferred.

Pvt. Ernest Jones, U. S. M. C. has completed his basic training at Fort-Island, S. C. and is now attending clerical school at Philadelphia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jones.

Sgt. John J. Krakowski and Cpl. John Waldo, stationed at Maryland, are visiting at the Skrzysowski home.

Pvt. Joseph Novobilski who is stationed with an M. P. detachment at Camp Croft, S. C., sent greetings yesterday from Fayetteville, N. C., where he is now doing special detail duty.

Pvt. Albert P. Cocco, was released with the last Dupont contingent from Draft Board No. 12. Dupont is stationed at Camp Santa Anita, Arcadia, Calif.

Pvt. Albert Francis sends greetings from Camp Beale, California, where he is stationed.

Sgt. Steven Stupak, stationed at Santa Ana, Calif., is spending a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stupak. He also has another brother, Cpl. John Stupak, stationed in Africa.

Awarded Certificate

In recognition of his achievement the Republic Aviation Corporation, Farmingdale, Long Island, N. Y., has presented a certificate of accomplishment to Pvt. Joseph P. Bryk, United States Army Air Forces, who has successfully completed the course of instruction in the service maintenance and repair of the Republic P-47 "Thunderbolt" airplane. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bryk, 309 Mair street.

Pvt. Bryk, who was inducted into the Army Air Forces on June 23, 1943, is a former borough auditor.

Dupont ready in the service are already doing great work, and he said Dupont was among the vanguard of towns doing their bit for the country.

Post-commander Michael Healey cited his experiences in the World War and stated 62 out of 63 boys came back from the last war with honorable discharges. One boy gave up his life on the field of battle.

Dominick J. Cocco was the concluding speaker with advice to the boys to 'keep chins up and do their best for their homes and their country'.

The merchants promised similar parties for future delegations of boys leaving for Army duty.

News Of Local Men In Service

Steven J. Stupak, age 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stupak of 421 Liberty street, Dupont, is a recent graduate of the Kingman Army Air Field flexible gunnery school, situated a few miles outside of Kingman, Arizona.

Pvt. Frank M. Serafin, son of Mrs. Sophie Serafin, of 212 Lackawanna avenue, and who is stationed at Fort Eustis, Va., is home on a 7-day furlough.

Pfc. William Twardowski, stationed at Charleston, S. C., is home on furlough.

Pvt. Matthew Kolis, U. S. Marine Corps, has returned to his post of duty at Parris Island, S. C., after spending a furlough at the family home.

Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pasquariello, Main street, has been promoted to corporal at Camp Blanding, Florida.

Sgt. John Bryk, 2d., is spending a 10-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bryk, Elm street. He enlisted in the army two and a half years ago and is a propeller specialist with the Air Corps at Patterson Field, Colo. Miss Betty Arndt of Denver, Colo., fiancée of Sgt. Bryk is also visiting at the Bryk home.

Meet In Sicily

Pfc. Ignatius Magda of Elm street is stationed "somewhere in Sicily" according to word received by his parents Saturday. Pfc. Magda states that he also met Pvt. Johnny Francis, former Dupont salesman, on the island. The latter is a brother of Joseph Francis, local service station operator.

John Rainone, Jr., of

Pfc. John (Ross) Rainone, Jr., of 321 Smith street, Dupont, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rainone, Sr., has been promoted to fifth grade technician in the medical detachment of the 106th Division at Fort Jackson, S. C., with the rank of corporal, as of August 3. He has been stationed at Fort Jackson for the past five months and has been serving in the youngest division ever activated in the U. S. Army.

Cpl. Rainone was formerly stationed with the Quartermaster Corp at Fort Dix, N. J., and later transferred to the Medical Corp. He was also at Hamilton, N. Y., for a time and was just home on a 9-day furlough, accompanied by his wife, the former Miss Irene Mirro of 220 Fremont street, West Pittston. Cpl. Rainone and his wife, returned to Fort Jackson, yesterday.

Men In Service From This Area

Cpl. John M. Schonic, former Dupont chief of police, who has been stationed at Boca Raton, Florida, and who recently enjoyed a furlough in Dupont, has arrived in Los Angeles, Calif. He is stationed at Hotel Barclay, that city.

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Albert Lello
Left for the army
June 1943.

Marine Slusarczyk Platoon Sergeant

Mrs. Josephine Slusarczyk has received word that her son, William, has been advanced from sergeant to platoon sergeant. He is with the U. S. Marine Corps in the Pacific theatre of war. Yesterday Sgt. Slusarczyk observed his 22nd birthday anniversary. He also observed his fourth year with the Marine Corps on the same day. He enlisted in the U. S. Marines four years ago on his 18th birthday anniversary.

Seaman Slusarczyk In Naval Hospital

Albert J. Slusarczyk, seaman first class U. S. Navy, and son of Mrs. Josephine Slusarczyk, is now convalescing at the U. S. Naval Hospital at New Orleans, La., after a successful appendicitis operation. His mother was informed yesterday by special delivery of his condition. He was at sea when stricken. He states that he is on the road to recovery. He was advanced to seaman first class just before he took ill.

Men In Service

U. S. Marine John Lello, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lello of 106 Smith street, is home on furlough. He is stationed at Parris Island, S. C.

Second Lieut. Vincent J. McCoola has returned to Gulfport, Miss., after a brief furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McCoola.

Lieut. Harry I. Ehrenkranz, former Dupont dentist, and who is stationed at Fort McClelland, Alabama, spent a few days' leave with his family in Dupont.

Corp. Joseph Celusniak, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Celusniak, McLean street, Dupont, and his wife visited here over the week-end.

Corp. Celusniak was discharged from the base hospital in Virginia where he was a patient for several weeks due to burns received when he tried to extinguish a fire on an army tractor while on maneuvers.

Second Lieut. Vincent J. McCoola sends greetings from his new post of duty at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia.

Pvt. John F. Minutes, stationed at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, is home on furlough.

Cpl. John LaSota, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph LaSota of 171 Main street, has completed a 22-week radio course at Scott Field, Illinois, and has returned to his camp at Jackson, Mississippi. Another brother, Pvt. Henry A. LaSota, who has been in the service for the past nine months, has received honorable discharge from the U. S. Army and is now at home.

First Lieut. Guy S. Costello sends greetings from Battle Creek, Michigan, where he is on temporary duty.

Brevities

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Clarke of Lincoln street have received word that their son, Pvt. William Clarke, has arrived safely in the Hawaiian Islands.

Three Local Boys Meet In Australia

Mrs. Rosalie Barkowski of 323 Chestnut street is in receipt of letters from two American soldiers in Australia. One from Pvt. Joseph Klemchik of Dupont and the other from Pvt. Joseph E. Gralla of Old Forge who tell of meeting her son, Anthony F. Barkowski, of the U. S. Navy. It was the first inkling that Mrs. Barkowski had of the whereabouts of her son.

Young Barkowski has been overseas since September of 1942. He completed his basic training at the Great Lakes Station. He is a seaman first class.

The two soldiers who wrote Mrs. Barkowski concluded their messages with the news that they and her son are well and had a happy reunion.

Anthony Lello Now In Australia

Pfc. Anthony Lello who saw over a year's service with the U. S. Army in the Southwest Pacific area and who recently saw plenty of action in New Guinea, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lello, Smith street, that he is now back in Australia. Other Dupont boys are with him.

Piechota Returns After Furlough

Pfc. John Piechota, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Piechota, 312 Penn avenue, returned to Fort Ringhold, Texas, after spending a five-day furlough at home. He has four brothers in the service. Frank, whose address is c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif., has been overseas since January, 1942. Cpl. Stanley "Poncho" Piechota, former deputy chief air raid warden and ward constable, is in Coffeyville, Kansas, with the Air Corps. Anthony Piechota, seaman 2/c is with the U. S. S. Canberra Det. in Boston, Mass.; Pvt. Edward Piechota, who is with the U. S. M. C. is receiving his basic training in Parris Island, S. C. The sixth brother expects to be inducted soon.

Corporal Burned As Tractor Burns

Corporal Joseph Celusniak, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Celusniak of Dupont, is undergoing treatment at an army base hospital suffering from severe burns to his right arm and right leg. He was hurt while on maneuvers "somewhere in West Virginia" last week. In a letter to his parents he described his injuries as not serious. The mishap occurred when the corporal attempted to save his army tractor from destruction by fire following an explosion that enveloped the vehicle in flames. He succeeded in saving the tractor, but sustained burns in doing so.

Corporal Celusniak has two other brothers in the service, M/Sgt. Frank Celusniak at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Pvt. Walter Celusniak, "somewhere in England."

Geneczko Now A Staff Sergeant

Sgt. Louis Geneczko has been promoted to staff sergeant as of Sept. 1, 1943. He is with the U. S. Army Air Corps at the Bainbridge Army Air Field, Georgia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geneczko of Holden avenue, Dupont. Staff Sgt. Geneczko was inducted into the service on May 3, 1943, from Forest Hills, N. Y. His brother, Pfc. Henry Geneczko is with the Air Transport Sqd. at Hamilton Field, Calif.

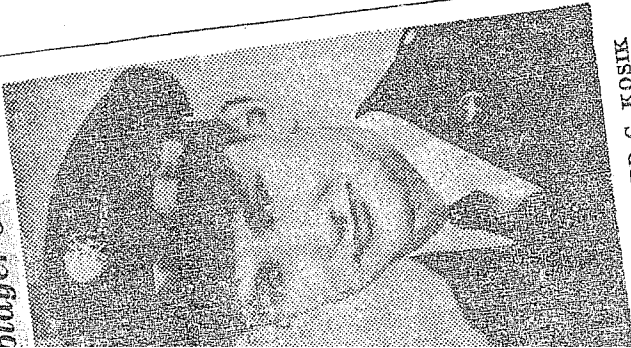
Honor Guard For General

Pfc. Bob Ameen, former high school football star, now stationed at Camp Swift, Texas, writes that he was recently in San Antonio, Texas, where he was a member of the honor guard for a Brazilian general visiting in that city. He returned back to camp on Monday.

TEACHES ARTILLERYMEN

Sgt. Joseph T. Kritzer, Avoca, former Dupont High School teacher and now a chief enlisted instructor in the Fourth Field Artillery, Specialists Training Regiment, Fort Bragg, N. C. He has charge of training in fire direction and preparation of field artillery firing data. He has qualified as a first class gunner on the 105 mm howitzer and had a grade of sharp-shooter in competitive carbine firing. Prior to entering service he instructed in social sciences at Dupont High School.

Player Overseas



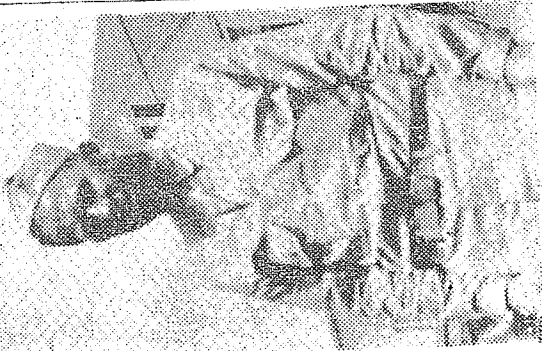
PFC EDWARD C. KOSIK

A promising baseball career was halted when Pfc. Edward C. Kosik, 207 Coolidge street, Dupont, enlisted in the Army Air Forces. Now he is in the Southwest Pacific on Uncle Sam's team.

An outstanding athlete at Dupont High School in 1940, he played with the Scranton Association, a semi-pro baseball league, and was to receive a tryout with a St. Louis farm team when his enlistment terminated his civilian status.

DUPONT MAN DIES SERVING HIS COUNTRY

Soldier Last Reported Stationed In Greenland
Passed Away Sept. 25.
In Service 7 Months



PFC PETER GOLVA, JR.

Mrs. Mary Golva, 401 Simpson street, Dupont, received the following letter: "am from Adjutant General Ulrich, Washington, D. C., yesterday: 'The Secretary of War desires that I tender you deep sympathy in the loss of your son, PFC Peter Golva, Jr. Report received states that he died on the 24th of September in North American area. Letter follows.'"

Pfc Golva was 36 years of age and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Golva, Sr. In addition to the parents, six sisters and three brothers survive.

The sisters are: Mary, Helen, Susan, Ann, Margaret and Irene, all of New York, and the brothers are Sgt. Michael, in Texas; John of Chester, N. Y., and Andy of New Jersey.

Pfc Golva was drafted last February 27, 1943, and was last reported stationed in Greenland. He was home on furlough in July.

Dupont And Plains Soldiers Read TLEN In Hawaii

This column is in receipt of an interesting letter from Cpl. Clement W. Ruda, of Lackawanna avenue, Dupont, who is stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. With him is William Vernagus of Plains.

Cpl. Ruda says the country there is beautiful, but he prefers good old Pennsylvania. He gets about ten days late, but says "It's as good as one day old when it gets here."

Cpl. Ruda mentions regularly with John Srolka and John that he met John Bundra, another Dupont to the island, but has not seen him since they landed.

On September 3, Cpl. Ruda and 25 other boys of his company were awarded the Good Conduct Ribbon for demonstrating loyalty and faithfulness and exact performance of duty efficiently through and for "better" results and for "better" behavior which has been such as to produce emulation. The two boys set greetings to their friends.

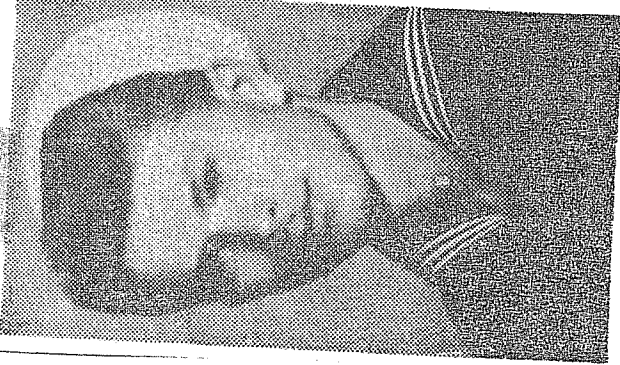
Dupont Soldiers In The Aleutians

Two Dupont boys, John S. Dvorscak and Joseph S. Kotula, send greetings from the Aleutian Islands. They state they are now in the United States Navy 12 months and are making the best of everything. They write that they keep in touch with the "outside world" through the Times-Leader. Evening News, which gets to them regularly, though somewhat late. They get mail through the Dutch Harbor Comm. Dept., Alaska.

Ritzie Promoted To 1st Lieutenant

Louis J. Ritzie, former Dupont High school football coach, has been promoted to first lieutenant at Keesler Field, Miss. He completed his training at the Fla. where he was commissioned a Keesler Field Lt. and assigned to a School Director. Ritzie is a brother of Anthony

Earns Promotion



Above is a picture of Petty Officer John Zygmunt, son of Mrs. Anna Zygmunt and the late Anthony Zygmunt of Lackawanna avenue, Dupont. He has just completed his course at the Aviation Radioman Training Unit, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va. He is now an aviation radioman third class and is resuming studies at the aviation free gunnery unit at Virginia Beach, Va.

Petty Officer Zygmunt enlisted in the U. S. Navy on October 10, 1942, after working at Pocono Manor Inn in the Pocono Mountains prior to his induction. He has another brother, Pfc. Stanley Zygmunt, who is stationed at Camp Patrick Henry, Newport News, Va.

Home On Leave; Guests At Party

The following Dupont service men, home on furlough, were the guests of the Dupont Service Organization at the send-off party held for selectees at the Hose House Monday night:

Private Stanley E. Turkos, of Camp Shenango; Private First Class Joseph Goreski, of Camp Phillips, Kansas; Private First Class Gaul, of Camp Phillips, Kansas; Sergeant Andrew V. Duzen, of Camp Wheeler, Ga., who saw action in North Africa and Sicily; Private First Class Frank Marzec, of Camp Phillips, Kansas; Thomas F. Urbanski, N. A. S., Norfolk, Va.; Staff Sergeant Victor (Hoobra) Cuzydlo, of Camp Campbell, Kentucky; Private John B. Gombell, of Camp Phillips, Kansas.

Also present was Frank Barnak of 505 Penn avenue, Dupont, who was drafted from New Jersey and who leaves soon for army service.

Leave for Navy

The following four Dupont selectees who were accepted last Wednesday at the Wilkes-Barre Induction Center from Draft Board 12, left today for Wilkes-Barre, and will entrain tomorrow morning for Sampson, N. Y., to begin their boot training:

Sidney Newman, William E. Brody, Andrew Chopyak and John M. Cituk.

Five other selectees for United States Army service get three weeks' furlough and will leave on October 13th. They are John T. Geneczko, John R. Strucke, Edward Marchak, Theodore P. Piechota and Edward S. Kopcza.

Briefs

Edward McCague, stationed with the United States Navy at Sampson, N. Y., is spending a week's furlough at home.

Private James J. Ameen sends greetings from his new location at Camp Greenville, Pa. He was formerly at Fort Belvoir, Va. He is a former scoutmaster, Troop 361, Boy Scouts, and former civilian defense and fire company official.

Pvt. Karl Ritzie

Commended For Action In Sicily

From "Somewhere in Sicily," Pvt. Karl Ritzie, former Dupont fire company official, sends greetings to his many friends in Dupont. He says, in a letter written August 26th, and just received by his local friend, Joseph Francis, that he has been told the people of America can send the boys "over-there" packages from Sept. 15th and Oct. 15th, and he makes an unusual request for cigars, pepperoni, hard tack, sausage Bologna and nickel candy bars. He prefers those in place of cigarettes.

He states that he took part in the invasion of Sicily and was at the front to the end of the campaign. He was also three months in North African battles, and encloses a copy of the "Commendation" given to him and other soldiers of the Palmetto State Battalion, dated August 17, 1943, issued by Thomas H. Pope, Jr., major C. A. C. commanding. The commendation states that "the battalion demonstrated grim determination and dauntless courage on the field of battle."

"Once more you have played an important part in winning a notable victory over the arrogant Hun and his satellites. Today (Aug. 17) marks the close of the Sicilian Campaign. It also notes the end of the first campaign in which it has been my proud privilege to command you. 'It is fitting that I express my sincere appreciation to each of you for the magnificent manner in which you have performed under fire. You are now veterans of more than a year of foreign service, of many battles, and of two arduous campaigns. Your task has not been an easy one, but you have triumphed over the difficulties which beset you and acquitted yourselves well. Your team-work has been superb, your cheerful attention to duty heartening, and your loyalty inspiring. No commander can be more proud of his men than I.

"Let us thank God for watching over us, for guiding us, and for giving us the will to fight. Let us rededicate ourselves to the task that lies ahead. Let us resolve to meet that task, whatever it may be, with honor, with courage, and with a resolute will to win."

Signed, Thomas H. Pope, Jr. Major C. A. C. commanding.

The letter was turned over to the Dupont Civilian Defense Council officials to inspire them in their work.

With such important items as the above, the local Civilian Defense Council committee is also inspired to help in the present war bond campaign. . . . and urge the people of Dupont to "Back the attack by buying war bonds."

Selectees Feted At Party Last Night

Despite the fact that the test air-raid blackout came while the program was in progress last night, Dupont Service Organization send-off party at which nine selectees were feted, was an enjoyable affair. Gifts were presented to John T. Geneczko, John R. Strucke, Edward Marchak, Theodore P. Piechota, the sixth son from the family now in the service; Edward S. Kopczka, Sidney Newman, William E. Brody, Andrew Chopyak, and John M. Cituk. Presentations were made by Pat Rootis and William Golla, officers of the DSO.

Peter Rutz was master of ceremonies, while Rev. Cosmus Arcudi was the principal speaker. John Ce-bula was chairman. Remarks were made by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Blackman of the Community House, and by Burgess Albert Strucke. Entertainment was provided by the DSO Orchestra, and by Dino Sabatelli, Miss Della Chierillo, Joseph Rossi, and Miss Carolyn Savoy. Sidney Newman, Dupont school teacher, responded in behalf of the selectees.

Mrs. Frank Szol and Mrs. Stanley Piechota, mothers of six sons each in the service, were introduced. Dinner was prepared by the Mothers' Club of the Community House and served by the Forget-Me-Not Girls Club members.



(AAAFETTC Photo)

Greensboro, N. C.—They will man the planes in the air and service them on the ground. But above all, they must learn to be soldiers first, learn to protect air fields and Air Force depots when they go overseas.

Three trainees from Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and vicinity receive instructions on the use of gas masks. Second from left, Pvt. Stanley G. Cvek, 109 Walnut Street, Dupont; center, Pvt. John R. Davison, Landon Avenue, Kingston; right, Pvt. James W. Davis, 69 North Sherman Street, Wilkes-Barre.

Three Selectees Feted At Farewell Party By The DSO

The Dupont Service Organization last night gave a departure party at William Golla's Café, Main street, in honor of Dupont's lone selectee, and two others drafted from other areas. The honor guests were William R. Panuski of 418 Main street, Dupont, who was accepted in Wilkes-Barre from Draft Board 12 a week ago, and who left for the U. S. Naval Training Station at Sampson, N. Y., today; also two other Dupont boys, Frank Zigmont, formerly of Grant street, Dupont, who was drafted from Bayonne, N. J. (Newark board) and who leaves on November 8th for U. S. army duty, and John Trzcinski, formerly of 227 Wyoming avenue, Dupont, who was drafted from Elizabeth, N. J., and who leaves for U. S. navy assignment on Tuesday next.

The three selectees were presented with gifts by the local service organization. The presentations were made by Pat Roots and William Golla, officers of the organization.

Other Dupont servicemen, home on furlough, and who were guests at the party-dinner were: Seaman Andrew Wasko, stationed at New Orleans, La.; Sgt. Jerome E. Friend, Camp Campbell, Kentucky; Pfc Joseph Kozak, Camp Pickett, Va.; S/Sgt. Louis P. Genecko, Bainbridge, Ga.; Pfc Joseph Stefanovich, Roca Raton Field, Fla.; Technician, Camp Maxey, Texas; Sgt. Ernest Satkowski, Fort Meade, South Dakota; Pfc Michael J. Rosato, Camp Robinson, Ark.; Pvt. Stephen J. Petrus, Camp Reynolds, Pa.; Sgt. Thomas Hoban, Jr., at Indiantown Gap, Pa. (recently transferred from the Pacific coast); Corp. Joseph Ruda, Medical Detachment Base Hospital, Army Air Base, Homestead, Fla.; Sgt. Joseph Lisiewicz, Camp Meade, Md.; Pfc John J. Kivak, Indiantown Gap, Pa., and Pfc William J. Guillorn, who saw service overseas, and who was recently given an honorable discharge from the U. S. army due to injuries received in action.

In addition to a repast the selectees and their guests, enjoyed a fine program also. Patrick Roots served as master of ceremonies, and brief talks were given by John Panuski, Jr., and Dominick J. Cocco. All selectees also spoke briefly, as well as those home on leave.

22nd Birthday



PFC Edward C. Kosik, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael G. Kosik, of Coolidge street, Dupont, is celebrating his 22nd birthday anniversary today somewhere in the South-west Pacific. He joined the U. S. Air Corps on August 29, 1942. He was an outstanding athlete at Dupont High school in 1940, and starred in local amateur baseball circuits. He played for the Mrs. E. J. Lokuta team in the Suburban League of Pittston, and with the Scranton Association Semi-Pro League. He also got a tryout with the St. Louis Americans, but his baseball career was curtailed when he enlisted in the U. S. Air Corps. He states he is in the best of health.

Selectees Feted At Party Yesterday

Eighteen local selectees, from Draft Board 12, who will leave for service in the Army and Navy after having passed the final exams in Wilkes-Barre on Nov. 22, last, were feted at the Dupont Service Organization send-off party held yesterday afternoon at the Dupont Hose House auditorium.

The program got underway at 2 with Andrew Kozik as master of ceremonies. Attorney John R. Reap, of Avoca, was the principal speaker. Rev. Father Baranowski offered invocation and benediction, while gifts to the selectees were presented by Pat Roots and William Golla, officers of the DSO. Others on the program were John Cebula, as chairman; Burgess Albert Strucke, Michael Healey, commander of the Motiska Legion Post, and John Galick, local school director.

Doc. Edwards of Scranton, was humorist, while entertainment was provided by the DSO orchestra, and the M. G. Trio of Old Forge. Gerard J. O'Connell of Scranton and Joseph Hathaway of Throop were soloists.

Frank Legezdh, Jr., responded in behalf of the selectees. Selectees honored were: Ralph V. Navatany, Stanley W. Ferdyn, Edward E. Cislo, Stanley W. Wolak, Joseph E. Plisga, Frank Legezdh, Jr., Henry J. Drozdynski, Edward A. Gill, John J. Santilli, Edward G. Cvek, William Collins, Samuel T. Perrins, and Joseph Grabiec, of the U. S. Army; and Frank J. Budzilek, John M. Rafalski, Casimir J. Warunek, Stanley V. Kowalski, William E. Exter, of U. S. Navy.

Dinner was prepared and served by the Mothers' Club and the Forget-Me-Not Girls of the Dupont Community House.

In addition to selectees, their parents and friends, and DSO members the following service men, home on furlough, attended the party:

Pvt. William Graff, AAF, Miami Beach, Florida; Master Mechanic 2/c Joseph A. Maleski, Long Island, N. Y.; Sgt. John Grabowski, Camp Tucker, Ala.; Seaman 1/c Al J. Slusarczyk, U. S. Navy; Sgt. Frank Nesjoda, Camp Mackaid, N. C.; Pfc. Albert Zuresky, Arizona; Corp. Ernest Jones, Marine Base, Patuxent River, Maryland.

Sgt. Ziobro Has 34 Missions To Credit

Technical Sergeant Theodore E. Ziobro, an aerial gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, has to his credit 34 missions. He has been overseas for seven months. He now wears the Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters. At present he is stationed "somewhere in Italy," where he has met another Dupont boy, Stanley Kuna, of Wyoming avenue.

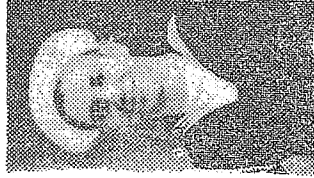
Technical Sergeant Theodore Ziobro is the one recently mentioned in a press dispatch last Christmas "wishing peace on earth, good will to men, except the Jerries," as he prepared for a flying mission over enemy territory. He has another brother, Private First Class Edward Ziobro, stationed at Seattle, Wash. Technical Sergeant Ziobro is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ziobro, of Penn avenue, former Dupont school director and councilman.

Costello Promoted

Orlando R. Costello sends Christmas greetings from somewhere in the South West Pacific. He has now been promoted to technical sergeant, the highest rank he can achieve in the non-com class. He says he is the only Dupont boy in his outfit, but there are a few other Dupont fellows somewhere on the Island. He has two brothers in the service.

Dupont Seaman Figures In 20 Major Battles

Seaman First Class Matthew Polombo, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Polombo, 125 Smith St., Dupont, has participated in 20 major engagements according to word received by relatives. His father is a veteran of the 1st World War.



Seaman Polombo enlisted in the Navy when only 17 and received his basic training at Sampson. He has been stationed in the South Pacific for the last 19 months.

Constable Frank Polombo of the First Ward is a brother of the veteran seaman.

Malos Transferred In War Services

aviation Cadet Leo A. Malo has been assigned to Anderson Air Field, Chester Field, McBride, Missouri, for further training. Pfc. Bruno Malo recently home on furlough from Fresno, Calif., was sent to detached service at San Diego, Calif. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Marcelino Malo of Dupont. A third brother, Manuel Malo, USN, is in New York.

Guzzy Writes From Southwest Pacific

This column is in receipt of an interesting V-mail letter from Pvt. John Guzy, stationed somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. He says he and "the many other" Dupont boys with him are in fine health. They have been "overseas" for over a year now and have seen plenty of action. He writes: "Plenty of boys from the home town are here with me and we get the Times-Leader Evening News and the local news about once a month." He says "its sure good to get the newspaper even though it is late" and they are thus "in touch with the home town." He recently met John "Bucky" Harris, another Dupont boy.

Soldiers in Hospitals

Pvt. Ignatius Magda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Magda, 217 Elm street, Dupont, is a patient in the U. S. Army General Hospital at Breemont, N. Y. He was wounded in the North African area. Miss Lottie Bagda, a sister of Pvt. Magda, has left to visit him.

Pvt. Joseph Gromala, who is convalescing at the Hollaran General Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y., was visited by his mother, Mrs. Josephine (Gromala) Lopata on Saturday. Pvt. Gromala arrived in this country by plane on September 10. He was seriously wounded in Sicily on August 6th.

Joseph Kundla of Dupont, has been informed that his son, Andrew Kundla, who is stationed in the Pacific area recently sustained severe injuries to his hands. In a letter received by his sister, Miss Sue Kundla, of Scranton, a nurse taking care of Pvt. Kundla writes that he is convalescing and is expected home for Christmas. No details of how the injuries were received were given.

Staff Sgt. Victor Hoobra, stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky., is home on furlough.

Pfc. Rocco Francis has returned to Florida after a brief furlough here.

Sgt. Andrew Duzen has returned to Camp Wheeler, Ga., after an extended furlough here. He was stationed in Iceland for 20 months.

Kelleman Given Oak Leaf Clusters

S/Sgt. Joseph Kelleman, son of Mrs. Susan Kelleman and the late Joseph Kelleman, former borough councilman, of 226 Center street, Dupont, as an aerial gunner in the Army Air Force, stationed in North Africa, has been awarded the air medal and four Oak Leaf Clusters for meritorious achievements while participating in aerial flight. S/Sgt. Kelleman has been stationed in North Africa since March 1943, and recently celebrated his 21st birthday anniversary.

Another brother, Pfc. John Kelleman, has successfully completed the course at a Motorized Division Ranger School, and at present is stationed at an Amphibious Training Center in Florida.

Barkowski Advanced

Anthony F. Barkowski of the U. S. Navy and son of Mrs. Rosalie Barkowski of 323 Chestnut street, Dupont, has been advanced to second class petty officer. Mrs. Barkowski was notified of her son's promotion in a V-mail message received from him yesterday. Petty Officer Barkowski is a graduate of the Service School of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station and is stationed in Australia.

Brother And Sister To Leave This Week For Army Duty

John and Lillian Geneczko, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geneczko, of 125 Holden avenue, Dupont, will leave for U. S. Army duty this week.

Lillian Geneczko is a registered nurse and received her commission in the Air Corps branch of the Army Nursing Corps. She will leave on Friday, October 15th for her basic training at Greensboro, N. C. She is a graduate of Avoca High School and the St. John's Hospital School of Nursing, Long Island, N. Y. Prior to her enlistment, Miss Geneczko did industrial nursing at the Bendix Marine Aviation in Brooklyn, N. Y., and practiced at the Welfare Island Hospital and the Queens General Hospital in Jamaica, N. Y.

John Geneczko is a graduate of

Dupont High School and is leaving college to join the armed service. He has completed three years at the University of Scranton, Scranton, and he will leave for active duty on Oct. 13 with the contingent of selectees from Draft Board 12, Dupont.

Two Others In Service

Lillian and John Geneczko are joining two brothers already in the Army Air Corps. They are S/Sgt. Louis Geneczko of the Bainbridge Army Air Field, Ga., and PFC. Henry Geneczko with a Communications Squadron at Hamilton Field, California.

Their father, Charles Geneczko, is a patient at the Pittston Hospital for the past 16 months with a spinal fracture incurred in a mine accident.

Coast Guardsman In Rescue Work

An interesting tale comes out of the nation's capital involving the rescue of several persons from the chilly waters of the Potomac. John J. Turkos of Dupont, a member of the Coast Guard, who was at the time on duty in a patrol boat nearby, was a member of the rescue party. Two Dupont girls, employed in Washington, saw the rescue.

Turkas writes that the incident occurred last Sunday afternoon. He says that he was among the crew of a patrol boat on duty patrolling the Washington channel when he recognized two familiar faces standing on the seawall admiring the sailboats. He recognized the two girls as Miss Bridget Babiarz and Miss Anna Casper, both of Dupont, and who are employed in that city. He said that he asked the skipper to approach the seawall so that he could talk to the girls, when suddenly a sailboat capsized in the channel and he was then compelled to return to the duty of rescue.

Injured Marine Given Discharge

Pfc. William Joseph Guillon, U. S. M. C. who was honorably discharged October 10 because of physical disability incurred in the line of duty, arrived at home a few days ago. He resides at Lily's Road, Dupont. He entered the Marines April 14, 1942, and underwent his basic training at Parris Island, S. C. Later was stationed at Quantico, Va. and last December left for the South-Pacific. He was injured February 26, and has been hospitalized since then until his discharge. Guillon wears the insignia of the First Parachute Battalion, First Marine Amphibious Corps, a unit citation, and campaign ribbons for service in the American and Asiatic Pacific war zones. Pfc. Guillon was surprised at the complacent attitude of local people over the war situation.

Mayor LaGuardia Pins Medal On Dupont Soldier

Mayor La Guardia, himself a veteran of the First World War, pinned the decoration of the Purple Heart on the coats of two soldiers wounded in Sicily and now patients in the Hollaran General Hospital on Staten Island, N. Y., on Saturday. The mayor performed the ceremony in an inspection of the hospital during which he shook hands with injured soldiers in three wards and wished them good luck.

The men decorated on Saturday were Pvt. Joseph J. Gromala, of Dupont, and Pvt. Cruz H. Raybal, of Chamberino, New Mexico. Seven other soldiers received the Purple Heart later in the day from Col. Ralph E. Devoe, commanding at the hospital, after a formal retreat parade.

Pvt. Gromala, referred to above, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gromala of 258 Elm street, Dupont. He was seriously wounded in action on August 6 in North Africa. He enlisted in January, 1941, and is 25 years of age. He has two other brothers in the service, Sgt. John Gromala, Loreda, Texas, and Pfc. John Lopata in the Southwest Pacific area.

Pvt. Gromala was visited by members of his family and other Dupont friends at the hospital recently.

Dupont Soldk Visited By Friends

Two Dupont soldier boys, who saw service and action on the battlefields of Sicily and Africa, are now undergoing treatment in New York hospitals. Pvt. Joseph Gromala, suffering from a leg wound, having been shot in combat, is at the Hollaran General Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. PFC. Ignatius Magda is at the U. S. Army General Hospital, Ward 6 (N. E.) West Brentwood, Long Island, N. Y. He is suffering from shell shock. Pvt. Gromala relates his experience to the effect that he crawled to a farm in Sicily and was taken care of for three days by an Italian family until help arrived. Joseph Francis and Andrew Drouas, both of this place, visited the two wounded soldiers in the hospitals over the week-end.

Pvt. Kopeza Writes Poem

Pvt. Edward S. Kopeza, who sends greetings from New Orleans, La., has composed a brief verse which he dedicates to a "soldier's wife." The poem follows:

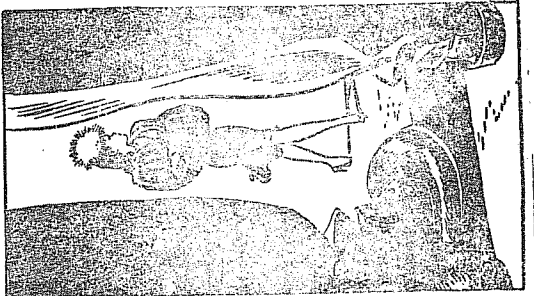
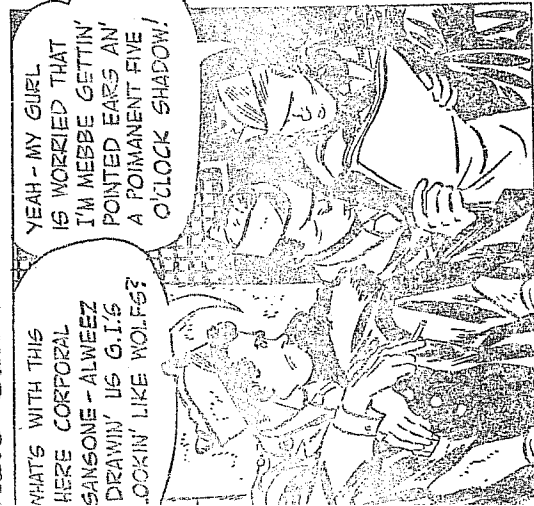
It's a long rugged road, I must say;
A soldier's life, from day to day.
Dreams and hoping to be fulfilled,
Always knowing some day they will.

Although I am still on this side
With my comrades, as we march side by side,
We talk and plan of that day
When we will again return to stay.

Our loved ones are at home, I'll say,
Doing their bit for the U. S. A.
They buy the bonds, we fire the guns,
As we work together, we know it's won.

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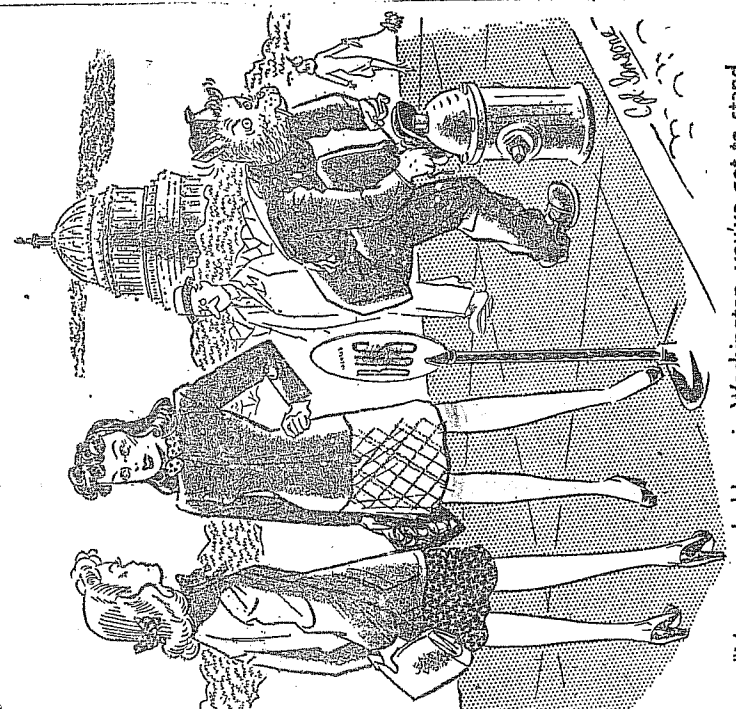
by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



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by Sansone

With deep bows to Cpl. Sansone - the ORIGINAL WOLF



Posthumous Honor For Sergt. Komski

Posthumous recognition for S/Sgt. Edward A. Komski, killed in action, on September 23rd, has been given by President Roosevelt in the form of a Purple Heart award sent to his father, Louis Komski, 230 Main street, Dupont. The citation said the award was "for military merit and wounds received in action." Sgt. Komski has a brother, Casimir, petty officer, second class, with the U. S. Navy in the South Pacific area.

Sgt. Komski was killed in a raid over Europe. Memorial services for him were held in the Holy Mother of Sorrows, Polish National Church, Dupont, on Sunday, October 10. Rev. Kardas officiated.

Awarded Good Conduct Medal

Staff Sgt. Louis Paul Genecko, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Genecko, 125 Holden avenue, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal at the Bainbridge, Ga., army airfield. Staff Sgt. Genecko, who has served with the army air forces more than a year, is a clerk at the basic pilot school. He is now home on furlough.

Sgt. Genecko has two brothers and sister in the service. Pfc Henry Genecko is with a communications squadron at Hamilton Field, Calif.

Lieut. Lillian Genecko left on October 15th for her basic training at Greensboro, N. C. She received her commission in the Air Corps Branch of the Army Nursing Corps. She is a registered nurse. Prior to her enlistment she did industrial nursing at the Bendix Marine Aviation in Brooklyn, N. Y., and practiced at the Welfare Island Hospital and the Queens General Hospital in Jamaica, N. Y.

John Genecko, the youngest of the group, left for New Cumberland, from Draft Board 12 early in October. He had just completed three years of study at the University of Scranton when inducted. He is at Camp Brant, Ill.

Their father, Charles Genecko, is a patient at the Pittston Hospital for the past 17 months suffering with a spinal fracture incurred in a mine accident.

Former Local Boy Killed In War Zone

Pvt. John Romanowski of Plainfield, N. J., formerly of 110 Lincoln street, Dupont, was killed in action in the North African area on September 23rd, according to a telegram from the War Department received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Romanowski of Plainfield. The telegram came on the soldier's birthday anniversary, October 22nd. He was inducted from Draft Board 12 in Dupont, one year ago, and the family moved to Plainfield two years ago.

Details of how he met his death were lacking.

Gets Honorable Army Discharge

Pfc. Jacob M. Vida, former borough secretary, has been honorably discharged from the U. S. Army, and is now at the home of his brother, Councilman Joseph Vida. He served for the past seven months in the Southwest Pacific. Mr. Vida was drafted from Scranton over a year ago and his discharge from army service was due to being over the age limit. He brought a message to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael G. Kosik of Coolidge street in behalf of their son, Pfc. Edward C. Kosik, who was stationed with Vida in the same area. Pfc. Kosik celebrated on his 22nd birthday anniversary on October 29th. The latter is the well known amateur baseball player.

News Of Local Boys In Service

Seaman John Trzcinski, who was recently drafted from Elizabeth, N. J., and whose home is at 227 Wyoming avenue, Dupont, is stationed at U. S. Navy Camp Peary, Virginia.

Pvt. John R. Strucke, second son of Burgess Albert Strucke, and who was recently drafted from Board 12, is stationed at Camp Wheeler, Georgia.

Staff Sgt. Thomas Hoban, Jr., returned yesterday to Indiantown Gap, Pa., after spending a ten-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hoban, St.

Corp. Albert L. Francis is now with an amphibian tank battalion at Fort Ord, California.

S/Sgt. Orlando R. Costello sends greetings from his new post by V-mail. He is now with the "Jolly Rogers" bomb group, somewhere in the Southwest Pacific.

Corp. James Costello sends greetings from his new location at Camp Myles Standish, Staunton, Mass.

Lieut. H. D. Ramsburg, former director of the Dupont Community House, sends greetings from his new post at Las Vegas Army Air Field, Las Vegas, Nevada, where he is on duty as an army chaplain. In a message to scouts of Troop 361, which he formerly directed, he says among other things, he is "digging rocks and Indian lore once in a while, and he helped locate a cave a few days ago which only a very few have entered since the Indians used it."

Selectees from Draft Board 12 leave for New Cumberland, Pa., on Friday of this week. Listed among the selectees from Dupont direct is William R. Panuski, of Philadelphia, formerly of 418 Main street, this place. Others to leave on that day are from Avoca, Pittston Township, Duryea, and Hughestown. Albert Ruiz, of Dupont, is the lone selectee to leave on Nov. 13.

The Reader's Column

WOMEN "NOT ON THE BEAM" Editor, Times-Leader Evening News: I am an avid Times-Leader Evening News fan. I await each copy eagerly but I have been disappointed. I have been scanning it for WAC recruits and find that the women of Wyoming Valley are definitely "not on the beam."

I have been a member of the WAC for the past eight months and like immensely.

I received my basic training and attended Administration School at Daytona Beach, Florida. I am now stationed at Hondo Army Air Field, Hondo, Texas.

One of the biggest thrills of my career was the privilege of attaching the Army Air Corps insignia on my uniforms.

That insignia stands for so much. Men that soar the clouds without a thought of personal danger but give us the thrill of victory nearer.

The boys are desperate in wanting overseas duty. We, as women, can do so much to make this possible by taking over their tasks at desks we can grant this wish and bring the day of victory nearer.

Women have played a very important role in our country's history. I am sure the women of Wyoming Valley will not slight this great opportunity to help our country in this her great need.

ROSE MARIE PERRY, Pfc. AAF, WAC Detachment, Hondo, Texas.

Tyminski Promoted To Major In Army

Mrs. Pearl A. Tyminski of 171 Center street, Dupont, is in receipt of word that her son, E. F. Tyminski is now a major in the U. S. Army Air Corps. He was promoted in August but his family was just made aware of the news.

Major E. F. Tyminski is now the officer in charge of base operations at Selman Field, Louisiana. He is a product of the Dupont schools and for a time lived with his sister, Mrs. E. M. Baczewski in Philadelphia. He enlisted in 1939 from Philadelphia and is only 29 years of age.

He is a brother of Frank Tyminski of Dupont, an official of Butler mine local 65, U. M. W. of A.

Pvt. Jos. Gromala Wounded In Action

New York newspapers gave wide publicity to the fact that Mayor La Guardia pinned a Purple Heart on Pvt. Joseph J. Gromala, of Dupont, who was wounded while fighting with the Fifth Army near Troina, Italy. One in a front page, issue of Nov. 14, shows the mayor pinning the decoration on the robe of Pvt. Gromala while the latter sat up in a wheel chair in Halloran General Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. "The fighting was pretty hot when shell fragments got me," Gromala, former coal miner of Dupont, is quoted as saying. In the picture also are his nurse, Lt. Elizabeth McIntyre and Col. Ralph G. DeVoe.

Soldier Writes From Hebrides

T/Corp. Don LaFratte, a Dupont serviceman, who has made a fine record to date in the service of his country, writes an interesting V-Mail letter from somewhere in the "Southwest Pacific". His letter dated December 7 extends holiday greetings to his many friends in Dupont. He says the date of the message is significant and will always be remembered. He is still with other Dupont boys and said the group was recently located on an island called Espiritu Santo in the New Hebrides Group. He says he and the boys were kept quite occupied for some time' hence his delay in writing sooner. Other Dupont boys with him are well.

Michael Cocco Writes From Sea

Michael E. Cocco, seaman 1/c, who did not communicate with his family for some time, wrote under a date of December 28th, from "somewhere at sea." He says he is getting along fine and is on board the S. S. Steel Mariner, as an armed guard. He is a son of Mrs. Carmela Cocco, Ziegler street. His wife, the former Miss Y. arnie Ziobro, and son, John, reside on Second street. His letter arrived Saturday almost a month since it was written.

Ameen Writes From England

Pvt. James J. Ameen, former scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 361, Dupont, and who served as secretary of the local Council of Civilian Defense and as an official of the Dupont Volunteer Hose Company, has written an interesting V-mail letter from somewhere in England, where he is stationed.

Pvt. Ameen, who has two other brothers in the service, is the son of Mrs. Margaret Ameen, Bear Creek Road.

The former scoutmaster watches local doings through the columns of this paper which he gets regularly. He urges that local people carry on in their fine work on the home front. He said that in England about 90 per cent of the buses have women conductors. His message was dated England, Jan. 11.

Dupont Soldier Dies In Action On Italian Front



Pfc. Walter Moskowitz (Moscowicz), above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moscowicz of 103 McLean street, Dupont, was killed in action November 10, in Italy, according to a telegram received late Saturday by his mother, Mrs. Julia Moskowitz, from the U. S. War Department.

The telegram signed by Adjutant General Ulio Washington, D. C., stated: "The Secretary of War desires to tender his deepest sympathy in the loss of your son, Pfc. Walter Moskowitz. Report received states that he was killed in action Nov. 10, in Italy. Letter follows."

The young soldier was 24 years of age. He was drafted on Nov. 23, 1942, and was never home on furlough. He trained at Fort McClellan, Alabama, and was overseas since last May. He fought both in Africa and Sicily.

Besides his parents he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Josephine, Jane, Clara, Anna Marie, Alice, Daniel, Edwin, at home, and Pvt. John Moskowitz, who is also overseas.

Dupont Soldiers Meet In Sicily

Technical Sergeant Edward W. Kolis in a V-mail message to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kolis, Dupont, writes that he is in fine health and that he recently visited a Red Cross Club somewhere in Sicily. To his surprise, he said, he ran into his schoolmate, Joseph Kellerman, who also graduated with him at Dupont High. "It was just old home week," he said, and added that it was the first time he saw Kellerman since he left the States.

Edmund T. Marsh To Become Pilot

Aviation student, Edmund T. Marsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Marsh of 221½ Lincoln street, Dupont, is attending college at Stephens Point, Wisconsin, and is training to become a pilot. After his basic training at Camp Stewart, Georgia, he took a test and made 287 points out of a possible 300. He was commended by his lieutenant for his fine marks. He is a graduate of Dupont High school, graduating before he was 16, and after graduation was engaged in the garage business with his father. He will soon get his wings.

Another brother, Pvt. William Marsh is with the Medical Corps at Camp Grant, Ill.

Edmund was drafted in June 1943; William joined the service in Sept. 1943.

Extends Sympathy

In the letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ziantz, 518 Main street, Dupont, from Secretary of the Navy Knox, concerning the death of their son, Frank Jacob Ziantz, seaman 2c, the Navy Secretary said "I extend to you my sincere sympathy in your great loss and hope you may find comfort in the knowledge that your son gave his life for his country, in order that freedom may again reign throughout the civilized world."

Men In Service From Dupont Area

S/Sgt. Thomas Hoban, Jr., who is stationed at Indiantown Gap, Pa., spent a week-end at his home on Simpson street.

Four local boys have completed their boot training at the Sampson, N. Y. naval base and are now second class seamen. They are now on a 7-day leave and are: Sidney Newman, John Cituk, Andrew Chopyak, and Joseph Kosher.

Sgt. Peter F. Romasiewicz, stationed with the Engineers' Battalion, Camp Swift, Texas, is spending a 15-day furlough at his home here.

Sgt. Joseph Shamba, Jr., who is here on furlough from Camp Forrest, Nashville, Tenn., will return on Wednesday. (2c)

Seaman Joseph H. Martin Sweeney, William H. Haddock, Kenneth Lambert, and Eugene W. Fineman, all of Avoca, have completed their basic training at Sampson, N. Y. Naval station and are now home on short leaves.

A group of men from Draft Board 12, with headquarters at the Dupont Community House, are today undergoing final examinations at the Wilkes-Barre Induction Center.

Pvt. Jack Bednash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bednash, Main street, is undergoing treatment at the station hospital, Camp Phillips, Kansas. He received injuries to his knee while in training on October 31st.

Seaman (1c) Edward J. Dvorscak sent greetings to local friends over the week-end. He is with the SS. Flomar and gets mail c/o Fleet Post Office, New York City. He stated he was a recent visitor in London, England, and is now again on the high seas after a brief stay in New York.

3 Arrive In England

Corp. Albert Strucke, Jr., has arrived somewhere in England, his father, Burgess Albert Strucke, Sr., has been informed.

Pvt. Stanley E. Turkos, son of Mrs. Mary Turkos, has arrived in England, according to word received by his mother. A brother, Petty Officer 2/c John J. Turkos is stationed with the U. S. Coast Guard in Washington.

D. C. Pvt. Stanley Turkos sends greetings to all local friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sudol, 309 Penn avenue, received word that their son, S/Sgt. Edward Sudol has arrived safely in England. He is a radio operator and gunner in the Air Corps, and has been in service over a year. A brother, Corp. Gene Sudol is stationed at the Army Air Base in Dyersburg, Tenn.

Corporal On Visit

Corp. Andrew Goula, stationed in Florida and his wife, the former Virginia Appel, and daughter Jean, are visiting Mrs. Goula's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Appel, Suscon, Corp. Goula will return to duty at the end of the month. His wife and daughter will remain here for several months. Cpl. Goula is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Goula, Smith street.

Returns to Texas

S/Sgt. John Gromola has returned to Laredo, Texas, after spending a 15-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lopata, 258 Elm street. He also visited his brother Pvt. Joseph Gromola, who was seriously wounded in Sicily and who is now convalescing at the Haloran General Hospital, Staten Island, New York. The latter received a Purple Heart from Mayor LaGuardia, New York. A third brother, Pfc. John Lopato is also in the armed services. He is now stationed somewhere in the South Pacific area.

Arrives In England

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tomaszewski, 322 Jackson street, have received word that their son, seaman 2/c John Tomaszewski has arrived in London, England. He is with an amphibian Corps, U. S. Navy. He enlisted on his 18th birthday anniversary June 2, 1943.

In Pacific Area

Pfc. Anthony Lello, who is with an anti-tank company, in the Southwest Pacific area, sends Christmas greetings to this column. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lello, Smith street.

Exeter Family Has 3 Sons In Service



Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Camillo Porfirio of Memorial street, Exeter, are serving in the armed forces of the United States, two of them with the Navy overseas.

Frank Porfirio, seaman 1/c, enlisted in the Navy in June, 1942, and served for six months as a member of the Merchant Marines prior to his enlistment. He is stationed in Glasgow, Scotland.

Joseph Porfirio, boatswain, 2/c, served one and one-half years with the Merchant Marine before enlisting in the Navy in January, 1941. He was at Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack on December 7, 1941, and participated in the invasion of Sicily. He is now stationed in North Africa.

Pvt. Louis Porfirio, stationed with the Artillery at Camp Pickett, Va., entered service on May 8, 1942.

Sgt. Nick Ross Jeeper Creepers



Soldiers of 66th Division at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., use jeep as charging sled. They are urged to hit line by Capt. C. R. Goodwin, at wheel, directing training of football team.

(Official U. S. Army Signal Corps photo from NEA)

Costello Puts Family Name On Bomb Dropped On Japs

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Costello, of 174 Christmas' firm you (his mother) 328 Front street, Dupont, are today and Dad on one big bomb, and the among the proudest parents in the family's names on another. I watch-country and particularly in Dupont, led the bomb drop right down and I can truthfully say the Japs received honor of having their name inscribed it."

He adds a P. S. and ap romise that he will soon drop another one with the names of his Dupont "gang" inscribed thereon.

Sgt. Costello is one of three brothers in service. A brother Sgt. James Costello is stationed at Lt. Guy Mass. Another brother, Costello is at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. He says, "Yesterday we paid the Japs a visit and I put 'Mc-

Exeter Sergeant Honored In Death For His Heroic Action

For saving the lives of two fellow soldiers, under constant fire from the enemy, the Army Silver Star was awarded posthumously to an Exeter infantry sergeant over the weekend. Cited for the posthumous decoration is Sergeant Orlando A. Pepe, formerly of 250 Battle avenue, Exeter, who later lost his life in the same theater of war in which the heroic rescue was made in April, 1943.

The award was presented at the home yesterday by Major Samuel Bloch, Jr., commander of Wilkes-Barre Induction Station, to the father of the war victim, James Pepe, in the presence of Pepe's widow and other family members.

The citation was as follows:

"For gallantry in action. During a savage engagement with the enemy, Sergeant Pepe discovered two men both wounded in the legs, lying on a hill in direct line of risk of his life, Sergeant Pepe enemy machine-gun fire. At the crawled to the aid of the wounded men and succeeded in evacuating them through intense enemy machine-gun fire mortar, and artillery fire to a place of safety.

Sgt. Pepe previously received the Purple Heart award mailed to the family shortly after his death in action was announced.

Dupont Flier, Ex-Grid Star, Makes 50 Bombing Missions

From 15th Army Air Force 150th mission December 20 to Athens-Bomber Base—(By mail)—Staff Eleusis airdrome in Greece. He Sergeant Joseph J. Kellerman, 21-year-old former Dupont, Pa., high school football star who is now an AAF B-17 Flying Fortress waist gunner, has completed 50 bombing missions.

Kellerman, who lives at 226 Center street, Dupont, began combat flying July 6, 1943, with an attack on Germini airdrome in Sicily, and flew his last mission at Tyndall Field, Fla.

Leaf Clusters.

A native of Dupont, the gunner was graduated in 1940 from his home town high school where he was captain of the football team. Un-

Birthday In Italy



Pfc. Samuel Barbette, above, formerly of Dupont and husband of the former Jennie Struziero of Boston Settlement, is observing his 21st birthday anniversary today in Italy. He will be in service a year next month and has been overseas for six months.

Congratulating Mother Of Hero

Staff Sergeant Joseph J. Kellerman, age 21, who was credited in press dispatches yesterday, with having completed 50 bombing missions, is the son of Mrs. Susan Kellerman of 226 Center street, and the late Joseph Kellerman, former Dupont councilman. He has another brother, Pfc. John Kellerman, who recently completed the course at the Fourth Motorized Division Ranger School, and at present is stationed at an amphibious training center in Florida.

Mrs. Kellerman, mother of the aerial hero, is proud of her son's achievements and her many friends, relatives and neighbors are showering her with congratulations.

Hero At Tarawa Is Taking Rest



Pvt. Louis F. Potera, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potera, 225 Simpson street, a member of the U. S. Marine Corps, is taking time out for rest at a Marine base somewhere in the Pacific area, after participating in heavy fighting at Tarawa and Bougainville, according to word received by his parents. He says in his recent letter home that he is safe and sound.

Entering the service on October 2, 1942, he took his boot training at Parris Island, S. C., and advanced training at New River, N. C. Pvt. Potera also specialized in training at the American University Bomb Disposal School, Washington, D. C., after which he was transferred overseas, where he took part in the fighting at Guadalcanal. He is a gunner with the Fleet Marine Force, and was overseas a few times also on convoy duty. Prior to his latest transfer to overseas duty, he was with the U. S. Fleet Marine Base at San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Potera is a graduate of Dupont High School and the Home Trade Schools, Passaic, N. J. Prior to enlistment he was with the Rowe Manufacturing Company at Passaic, N. J.

Pvt. Potera has two sisters, Julie and Stella, both graduates of Dupont High School, and a brother, Ted, who attends Dupont High School. Potera writes that he met a schoolmate whom he had not seen in several years, John Knick, of Ziegler street.

Strucke Arrives At English Port



Cpl. Albert A. Strucke, Jr., above, son of Burgess Albert Strucke, of 107 Chestnut street, Dupont, has arrived safely in England, according to word received by his father this week. He is 24 years old and was inducted in August 3, 1942. He was given primary radio training at Sioux Fall, S. D., and his advanced training was received at Peterson Field, Colo.

Will Observe His Birthday Overseas



Pvt. Stanley J. Dudzik, Jr., son of former Councilman and Mrs. Stanley Dudzik, of 211 Elm street, Dupont, will observe his 22nd birthday anniversary 'somewhere in England' tomorrow. Pvt. Dudzik was drafted on Aug. 4, 1942, and was stationed for some time at DeRidder Field, Louisiana, after which he was transferred to Selfridge Field, Mich.

To Mark His 21st Birthday Overseas



Pfc. Edward J. Wasko, U. S. M. C. above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wasko of Harding street, will observe his 21st birthday anniversary on December 27th somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. He enlisted in the Marines on February 1941 and has been serving overseas for the past 10 months. He is a graduate of Dupont High school, class of 1940. While in the Pacific he writes he met William Twardowski of Elm street, Dupont. He also has two brothers-in-law in service, both serving overseas. Before his enlistment he was employed at the Holcomb Steel Factory, Syracuse, N. Y. Pfc Wasko sends Yuletide greetings to all his friends and relatives.

Lisi In Charge Of Communications



Staff Sergeant Edward A. Lisi, above, is in charge of radio communication for his battalion, somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. On March 28th, he will mark his third year in the service. S/Sgt. Lisi has been in New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanguna Island, and New Guinea. He also saw action in Guadalcanal, Russell Island, and took part in the battle of Munda. He is the son of Mrs. Mary Lisi, Main street, Dupont. A brother of S/Sgt. Lisi, Joseph Frank Lisi, was a veteran of the First World War and saw plenty of action in France. The brother died as a result of battle wounds, in a North Carolina hospital, seven months after the Armistice was signed in the last World War.

NAZIS PUT 300 HOLES IN PLANE OF LOCAL ACE

Tech. Sgt. Ziobro Is Unhurt By Barrage and Bags Enemy Craft—Gets His Crew Back To Base

"Hustling Hussy," the Fortress on which Tech. Sgt. Theodore E. Ziobro, Penn avenue, Dupont, was radio gunner, really lived up to her name and hustled to get her crew safely back to base after bombing an airdrome at Istres-Lefubres, France. The 26-year-old Dupont gunner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ziobro, of 321 Penn avenue, Dupont, is now at the A. F. F. Redistribution Station in Atlantic City waiting for a new Air Force assignment.

"Old 'Hustling' was jumped by 14 Messerschmitts on her second bomb run over the target and what they did to the old girl was pathetic," recalled the sergeant. "We had to make the second bomb run over the field because on the first attempt the haze was so thick we couldn't spot the target exactly. Just as we were about to make the second try, flak kayced one of our engines and we became a straggler."

"We were forced to drop out of the formation and that was when the Messerschmitts pounced on us. They wounded our tail gunner and shot out of commission two other gun positions, one of them being my own. I busied myself attending to the wounded men on the ship, and when 'Hussy' finally pulled out of the hot spot and landed us safely at our home base, we counted 300 holes in the plane, 40 of which were in my own radio compartment. I wasn't touched," said the sergeant.

The local youth had the satisfaction of knocking down one of the 160 enemy planes that attacked his Fortress formation on a raid on a Messerschmitt factory at Wiener-Neustadt.

Entering the service in June, 1942, Sgt. Ziobro was sent overseas in July of the following year and was awarded the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters. He served in Italy and Africa. Prior to his entering the Air Force, he had been employed at the Lackawanna Pants Company, Scranton.

SGT. WARGO HELPS PALS UNDER FIRE

Dupont Teacher Distin- guishes Himself In His First Combat With the Japs

With the 37th Army Division on Bougainville Island, April 18—A former high school mathematics teacher of Dupont, Pa., Staff Sergeant William P. Wargo, distinguished himself here recently in his first combat experience at close quarters with the Japs by aiding two wounded officers under fire. Wargo, a platoon guide in a rifle company, was a member of a group assigned to knock out an enemy-held pillbox during the Japs' mid-March offensive here. In the fight which ensued, the lieutenant in charge was injured by grenade fragments. Although he was only a few yards from the pillbox, Wargo gave the officer first aid and also assisted him to a place of safety.

Shortly after this action, Wargo led a tank supported group of infantrymen in an attack on other Jap positions. A lieutenant leading another squad was hit in the arm by a sniper, and the sergeant again went to the rescue. This time he had to half drag, half carry the wounded man several yards under heavy sniper fire before reaching a place where he could administer first aid. He then made a tourniquet for the officer's arm and later assisted him to the rear.

Son of Mrs. Mary Wargo, 314 McLain street, Dupont, he graduated from Pittston High School in 1931 and from Scranton University in 1939. Following his induction February 18, 1942, he trained at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, and started his tour of foreign service in September, serving in the Fiji Islands, New Hebrides and Guadalcanal before arriving here last November with the 37th Infantry Division, first Army force to attack Bougainville.

Since coming overseas Wargo has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the Combat Infantryman Badge, the latter for "combat action in a major offensive operation."

Costello Awarded Medal For Conduct

An interesting V-mail letter has been received by this column from T/Sgt. Orlando R. Costello, from the Southwest Pacific area. He said that he has met two other Dupont boys in that section, Corp. John Magda of Smith street, and August Rodola, Center street, Sgt. Costello says that since he has been in his new location he has been promoted to technical sergeant, was awarded the good conduct medal, and also the radio operators Air Force technical medal. Sgt. Costello says he is well and says his copies of the Times-Leader Evening News are coming in to him "a little slow and old, but how enjoyable when they arrive. I look forward to them."

He has two other brothers in the service, Corp. James Costello in Northern Ireland, and Lieut. Guy Costello at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin.

J. J. Turkos With Coast Guards

J. J. Turkos, who is with the U. S. Coast Guards, is now at Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C., Marine Corps base. In a letter he describes the camp as covering an area of 200 square miles of North Carolina coastal wilderness, and that it is used mainly for training and maneuvers, simulating combat conditions in the South Pacific jungles. He also stated "I am receiving the Times-Leader Evening News regularly and sure do appreciate the fact that I'm up with the news of my home town." He sends greetings to all his local friends.

Pvt. Anthony Pierantoni, who is stationed at Boca Raton Field, Florida, is spending a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pierantoni.

Pvt. Anthony Pierantoni, who is stationed at Boca Raton Field, Florida, is spending a furlough at the family home.

SGT. RODOLAI IN 53 MISSIONS

Dupont Waist Gunner Un- der Zero Attack Nine Times

From the advanced Echelon, Fifth Air Force, somewhere in New Guinea, comes news about Staff Sergeant August M. Rodola, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rodola, 232 Center street, Dupont. He has been flying as an aerial waist gunner with the "Jolly Rogers" Liberator Unit of General George C. Kenney's Fifth Air force since going overseas in September, 1942.

Rodola, who attended Dupont High School, is a nephew of Mickey Doyle, the well known featherweight boxer from the coal fields.

In the 53 different missions he has flown, totaling 335 combat hours, Rodola has been under attack by Zeros nine times. His crew is credited with shooting down two definite, two probables. Rodola has flown with the "Jolly Rogers" on most noted missions, including mass daylight assaults on Rabaul and Hollandia, as well as their recent long-range mission to Biak Island, the lengthiest ever undertaken in the Southwest Pacific by heavy bombers without fighting cover.

The dispatch from General G. C. Kenney's Fifth Air Force, First B-24 Liberators in the Southwest Pacific, was passed by the military censors.

Three Dupont Brothers Serving Overseas



SGT. SAMUEL HUDICK



PVT. MICHEAL HUDICK



PVT. JOHN HUDICK

Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Kapko of 419 Simpson street, Dupont, Co. C., 818 Engineers, Avn. Bn., APO, are serving overseas. They are pictured above. The trio comprises Sgt. Samuel Hudick, who recently celebrated his 27th birthday anniversary somewhere in England, with postmaster, San Francisco and stationed in the Southwest Pacific; and Pvt. John Hudick, age 19, stationed at 527 c/o postmaster, New York; Pvt. Micheal Hudick, age 22, with Co. A, in Hawaii, c/o postmaster, San Francisco; and Pvt. John Hudick, age 19, stationed at 527 c/o postmaster, New York.

Army Chaplain Writes To Sister Of Missing Gunner

The family of Staff Sergeant Stanley Wysokinski, age 32, son of Mrs. Josephine Wysokinski, 319 Simpson street, Dupont, a gunner on a B-17 bomber who has been stationed in England for 7 months, and who has been reported missing in action over France since Dec. 5, 1943, has received an interesting letter from the Army chaplain in England who last saw him on English soil. Identical letters were mailed to the soldier's mother in Dupont, and to his sister of Brooklyn, N. Y. A copy of the letter addressed to Mrs. Kubistal, the sister, follows:

"Mrs. Marie Kubistal:

"581 Miller ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Dear Mrs. Kubistal:

"By this time you have been informed, no doubt, that your brother is missing in action. We do not know his exact fate, whatever it may be. I know you will be glad to learn that your brother had the opportunity to receive his sacraments before each mission. We can do no more, at present, than leave him in the hands of God's mercy.

"In any event, we know that he will be restored to us at some future date, either here or in ternity. Thus, we need not mourn in complete despair but can look forward to that day when God will see fit to unite us once again. We have remembered your brother at mass and in our prayers and will continue to be mindful of him.

"If you receive any word from your brother, we would be very appreciative if you would let us know. With sincere sympathy and the hope that God may grant you an abundance of strength and consolation, I remain,

"Sincerely yours in Christ,

"JOSEPH P. SCHERER, "

Lt. Commanding. He is stationed in Italy.

Pvt. John DeFrancesco has two other brothers in the service: Pvt. Albert in California; and Pvt. Rocco Francis in Florida.

He is also a brother of Joseph Francis, local service station dealer.

Pfc. DeFrancesco Is Awarded Medal

Pfc. John 'Frances' DeFrancesco, former salesman, has been awarded the United States Army Good Conduct Medal, his mother, Mrs. Anna DeFrancesco, Main street, has been notified by Francis P. Keenan, 1st Lt. Commanding. He is stationed in Italy.

Pvt. John DeFrancesco has two other brothers in the service: Pvt. Albert in California; and Pvt. Rocco Francis in Florida.

He is also a brother of Joseph Francis, local service station dealer.

Fourth Stupack Son In Service

Edward Stupak, who observed his 18th birthday anniversary on Feb. 15th last, left for training with the U. S. Army Air Corps today. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stupak of Liberty street, and will report to the New Cumberland Army Reception Center from where he will be assigned to a training base. Cadet Stupak, who was graduated from Dupont High School June, 1943, is the fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stupak to enter military service.

Honor Roll Of Community House

The newly dedicated honor roll of Boy Scout Troop 361 at the Dupont Community House has 55 names inscribed as follows:

Robert Ameen, Edward Ameen, James Ameen, Sam Earbett, Daniel Cashner, Albert Corco, Michael Costello, James Costello, Orlando Costello, Thomas DePietro, Michael Goula, Chester Gretz, Patrick Griffin, H. D. Chester Gross, Edmund Kosik, Thomas Ramsburg, Edmund Kosik, Andrew Kusan, John Kunda, Anthony Lello, John Lello, Nick Lello, Paul Lello, John Lello, Tony Lello, Harry Syvester Lello, Tony Lello, Michael Paslevitan, John Mayhoff, Michael Periman, Joseph Olejnik, Sam Perrins, Anthony Perry, George Prefish, William Prefish, John Rafalski, Peter Rafalski, Agusta Rodola, Nicholas Rosato, Ray Rosato, Albert Sabatelli, John Sabatelli, William Sevie, Michael Sewiecz, Joseph Shampe, Albert Slusarczyk, William Thomas and John Wasko.

GUNNER FROM DUPONT IS ON MISSING LIST

Staff Sergeant Unreported Since Seeing Action In France On December 5. Berwick Private Killed



Staff Sergeant Stanley Wysokinski, 23, above, son of Mrs. Josephine Wysokinski, of 319 Simpson street, Dupont, a gunner in a B-17 bomber, who has been stationed in England for seven months has been reported missing in action over France since Dec. 5th, 1943. He has been in the service since March 1, 1942. He received his wings in Texas and later reported for duty in the Pacific for three months. Later he was transferred to England and was over several enemy bases. It was not disclosed by the War Department how many enemy planes he shot down, but the family did know that he has been the recipient of several medals for heroic work in past combats.

The missing sergeant has a sister Mrs. Marie Kubistal of Highland Blvd., Brooklyn, N. Y., and two brothers. Pvt. John Wysokinski is now with the medical section, Station Hospital, Alliane, Nebraska, and the second brother, Ignalz Wysokinski passed his physical examination at the induction center in Newark, N. J., on January 7, 1944 and will report for service in the Enlisted Reserve Corps on January 28th, 1944. Pvt. John Wysokinski the other brother last resided at 581 Miller avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Both Mrs. Kubistal of Brooklyn, N. Y., sister of the missing sergeant, and the mother were notified by J. A. Ulio, major general, the adjutant general's office, Washington, over the week-end by letter confirming a recent telegram that S/Sgt. Stanley Wysokinski has been reported missing in action over France since Dec. 5, 1943.

The citation awarded to Sgt. Orlando Costello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Costello, Front street, for operational flight missions from November 20 to December 24, 1943, read as follows:

"For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of long range bombing missions against enemy airdromes, and installations, and attacks on enemy Naval vessels, and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation".

DUPONT ACE MAKES 50TH WAR FLIGHT

Sgt. Ziobro Declares Attack On Marseilles Submarine Pens His Most Exciting Experience

Technical Sergeant Theodore E. Ziobro, 26, of 321 Penn avenue, Dupont, has successfully flown his fiftieth combat mission, according to word coming from Italy. Sgt. Ziobro, a radio operator-gunner on an AAF Flying Fortress in one of the groups of Major General Nathan F. Twining's 15th Air Force in the Mediterranean theatre of operations, flew his fiftieth mission on March 2nd over the Anzio beachhead in Italy. That day, when the 15th Air Force changed its usual strategic bombing tactics and assisted the foot soldiers in their attempt to enlarge their foothold on the beachhead.

Sgt. Ziobro, a graduate of the Pittston High School, was a garment worker in Scranton, before enlisting in the Army on June 22, 1942. He received his gunner's wings at the AAF Aerial Gunners School at Wendover Field, Utah, on March 5, 1943, and left the United States a short time later. The sergeant flew his first mission on July 29, 1943, against the Viterbo Airborne in Italy.

Most Exciting Experience
When asked for his most exciting experience while flying, Sgt. Ziobro said, "It was on my 22nd mission, December 2, 1943. The target was the submarine pens in Marseilles, France. The trip up was uneventful until we were a short way from the target. The sky was full of nothing but flak and Forts. As we made our run on the target, bomb-bay doors open, the gunners awaiting the bombardiers 'bombs away' everyone was as usual, tense and quiet. Finally the awaited, 'bombs away' was heard and we felt a wave of relief.

"But," he continued, "it was only momentary as we soon found out that only the bombs on one side of the bomb-bay were released and the ones on the right side had not dropped. This was a ticklish situation as at any moment the bombs might have exploded and then we would be at the end of our trail. Our armor-gunner worked on the releases for what seemed hours, but was only a few minutes while the rest of us fought off the fighters. The bombs finally gave up and dropped out of the ship, much to our relief.

"That was some experience with which to remember my combat flying.

Sgt. Ziobro, for his excellent combat record, has been awarded the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters.

Pfc. Ameen Given Army Discharge

The mother of Pfc. Robert J. Ameen announces that her son has been honorably discharged from service in the Army due to injuries received in the line of duty overseas. Well known in youthful circles as an outstanding high school football and basketball star, Pfc. Ameen was inducted in the Army more than a year ago. He was sent to Texas and received his training as an infantryman. Later he was sent to England where he was receiving advanced training for his role in the coming European invasion when fate intervened.

While on maneuvers with live ammunition, without warning, a mortar shell exploded within a few feet of him, killing companions nearby. Sustaining injuries he was sent to Holleran Hospital in New York. After his condition had improved he was sent to the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., from where he was released. Two other brothers are also in service. Pvt. James, stationed in England, who only a few days before the accident was with Pfc. Robert, and Sgt. Edward, stationed in Italy. All three were members of Boy Scout Troop 361 of the Dupont Community House.

PVT. SROKA IS WAR CASUALTY

Local Bowler Killed 3 Days After Sending Letter To Kin



Pvt. John Sroka, above, age 30, of 221 Smith street, Dupont, who was killed in action in the defense of his country, March 24 at Bougainville in the South Pacific theatre of operations, had written a V-mail letter just 3 days before to his pal, Joseph Elko, 334 Main street, Dupont, in which he stated, "I never felt better in my life". He wrote in part:

"I find myself writing you a letter and thanking you for that wonderful package which I received last week.

"I do sure miss my bowling, but when I get back I will make up in playing. Let's hope it will soon be over, so that we may all get together again as we did before—those were the happy days."

The telegram from the War Department was sent to his brother, Frank B. Sroka. Other survivors are Pvt. Louis Sroka in Australia; Sgt. Peter Sroka, who just left the Cassino battlefield for Africa for a well-earned rest; a sister, Mrs. John Sudol, Smith street, Dupont; and a brother, Joseph, Avoca. Frank resides in Linden, N. J.

Pvt. Sroka bowled with the ARS Sokols, also with the Sunday Independent Classic League, and the Bi-County League, Dupont. His last trip to the American Bowling Congress was at St. Paul, Minn., where he represented the ARS Sokols, champs of the Fifth District, Pennsylvania.

Sroka Home From Italian Campaign

Sergeant Andrew Sroka, who was overseas for 20 months, and during which he took part in the Italian and Sicilian campaigns, is spending a week's furlough at the family home. He arrived in this country recently on the rotating plan. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, and the Expert Infantry's Badge. He suffered wounds to his right leg for which he received the Purple Heart. Sergeant Sroka has been in service for 40 months and received his basic training at Camp Presido, Calif. He has two other brothers in the service, Private Louis Sroka in New Guinea, and Corporal Peter Sroka in California. Another brother, Private John A. Sroka, local bowler, was killed in action on Bougainville Island recently.

While in French Morocco, Africa, Sergeant Sroka met Private First Class Edmund Lokuta, son of former Councilman Michael Lokuta, of Dupont.

Sergeant Bryk Arrives In Italy



A telegram was received by Miss Casie Bryk, of 227 Elm street, Dupont, stating that her brother, 1st Sgt. John J. Bryk, above, has arrived somewhere in Italy.

Sgt. Bryk is a graduate of Dupont High School, class of 1940. He enlisted in the U. S. Air Corps on January 28, 1943, and was first stationed at Lowry Field, Colo., with the Military Police. Later he attended Radio School. Upon completion of his course he was transferred to Fort Logan, Colo., where he specialized in clerical work. In May, 1943, he was transferred to Paterson Field, Ohio, and in the latter part of the summer maneuvered in Kentucky and Indiana.

Sgt. Bryk was last heard from on Dec. 1, 1943. His telegram came as a surprise to his sister.

S. Sgt. Wargo Is In California

S/Sgt. William P. Wargo, former Dupont school teacher who saw action in the Southwest Pacific area, has arrived in California, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wargo of 314 McLean street, were notified yesterday by telegram. Sga. Wargo has been with an army division and was last on Bougainville Island. He was awarded a good conduct medal and a combat infantryman badge, the latter for combat action in army major offensive operation. He has been overseas for over a year.

Eight Soldiers Hold Reunion

Sgt. Stephen Stupak arrived home Monday night on furlough, having come here by plane, when he learned that his cousin, Pfc. Edward J. Wasko, U. S. M. C., who fought in the Pacific area, was here. Sgt. Stupak is stationed in Florida. The two pals, now home, have since met up with other former chums, also home on furlough, for a reunion. The others home on furlough, are Sgt. Joseph Kelleman, who has completed 50 air plane missions over Italy and Greece; Sgt. Nicholas Gross called home due to the death of his father; Petty Officer Henry Ziantz, Paul Lello of the U. S. M. C.; Sgt. William Twardowski, and Sgt. Sylvester Lello.

Sgt. William Wargo Home From Pacific

Sergeant William Wargo, former member of the Dupont public school faculty, and who was recently rewarded for bravery in battle in the Pacific area, is home on furlough. He spent a few days in Dupont with his wife, a resident of Lebanon, Pa., and is now in the latter city with his wife.

Sergeant Wargo arrived on the Pacific Coast a few weeks ago. On Monday night Sergeant Wargo was the guest of honor at a testimonial dinner held by friends at Golia's Cafe.

PFC. FRANCIS IS WOUNDED IN MARSHALLS

Dupont Soldier, In Battle On Kwajalein Atoll, Was Also Previously Injured On Attu Island



Pfc. Joseph Francis, above, aged 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gorman Francis, 188½ Lidy's Road, Dupont, has been seriously wounded in action, according to word received by his parents by telegram from the Adjutant General, Ullo, U. S. War Department, yesterday.

The telegram read:

Gorman Francis, regret to inform you your son Pfc. Joseph Francis was on 4th February seriously wounded in action Kwajalein Atoll Marshall Group. Mail address follows. You will be advised as reports of condition are returned.

"Ullo, the adjutant general." Pfc. Francis mentioned in the above dispatch was drafted on August 4, 1942. He has one brother and four other sisters at home. He was previously wounded in action on Attu Island in the Aleutians and recovered. In a letter to his parents some time ago, he stated he would receive the award of the Purple Heart. He has now been wounded for the second time, this time seriously.

Photo Gallery Of Men In Service

Charles Elko, owner of the Elko Recreation Center, prides himself on the fact that he has gotten together the largest collection of photographs of Dupont boys and girls now in the various branches of the armed services. A photo gallery has been established at the Recreation Center and at present more than 500 pictures are on display. It is by far the best collection in Greater Pittston area, and the hobby originally began with his collecting pictures of former patrons, which now has extended to the borough generally. The photographs are now prominently displayed in his place of business.

Others in the community are invited to add the pictures of their servicemen to the collection, which is viewed by hundreds daily. Most of the pictures on display are postcard size photos. Mr. Elko also makes it a point to snap a picture of any serviceman home on furlough to add to his collection.

Reads Home News In New Guinea



comfortably ensconced in a chair in his quarters in malaria ridden New Guinea, Lt. Peter Ruda of 230 kawanna avenue, Dupont, as the to shows, has three modern res of information at his com- id.

He has chosen the Times-Leader giving News as the medium that give him news of his home area a complete roundup of the idly changing war time scene the id over.

lieutenant Ruda has been in the

Men in Service

Pvt. Nick Caboots, who has not en home since early 1942, is now the Southwest Pacific. He was Panama with the U. S. Army en the war broke out, and later nt to Australia. He is a brother Louis Caboots of Dupont.

Reclassification of all 3-A regis- nts into one or another of a half en listings possible under the Se- tive Service has been urged by State headquarters upon the lo- draft board, not later than Feb. h. Many 3-A registrants have eady been reclassified, but addi- al men within military service i limits, virtually all pre-Pearl rior fathers, still hold 3-A list- s.

Pvt. John Guzy sends greetings in the South West Pacific. He re- tly met Pfc. Peter P. Kolodgie. rorp. Andrew Gaza is at Camp kett, Virginia.

Pvt. Joseph Shedlock sends greet- s from Camp Haan, Calif. gt. Joseph Maranchick is sta- ed at Camp Hood, Texas.

Pvt. Michael Elko, Jr., is stationed Camp Wheeler, Georgia. . A. Mihalik is with the U. S. ny at Greensboro N. C.

Sabach seaman 1/C, is stationed Boston, Mass. rorp. J. P. Szoł writes from Camp d, Texas.

Pvt. James McLane sends greet- from Fort Belvoir Va. rvt. Martin Kneiz, Pvt. Michael iec and Pvt. Henry F. Rolek i greetings from Camp Roale,

Pvt. Andrew Stroka writes from f. c. Andrew Stroka writes from f. c.

Pvt. John Gola sends greetings i the Southwest Pacific. rrp. John Magda sends greet- from the jungles of New

nea. He says: "I'm with one of best outfits in the South Pacific the morale among enlisted men officers is excellent."

Pvt. Peter P. Kolodgie, writing a New Guinea, extends greet- to local friends, and thanks to Dupont Service Organization.

says that they often eat blue- y pie right in the jungle, some- g one would never think of get- there. Food is OK and plenti- he says, particularly bananas, anuts and June fruit.

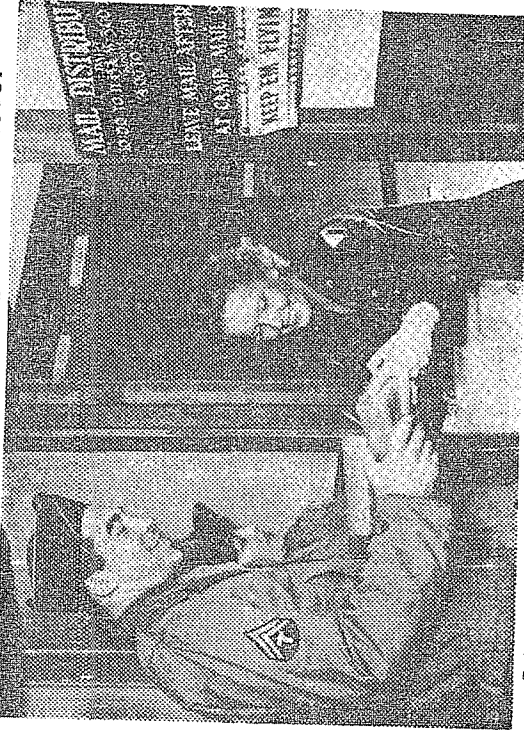
Gets Cable From Son In England

Burgess Albert Strucke of Dupont bserves his birthday anniversary n Sunday next. Today he received ie following cable from his son, Al- ert, Jr., who is stationed in Eng- und:

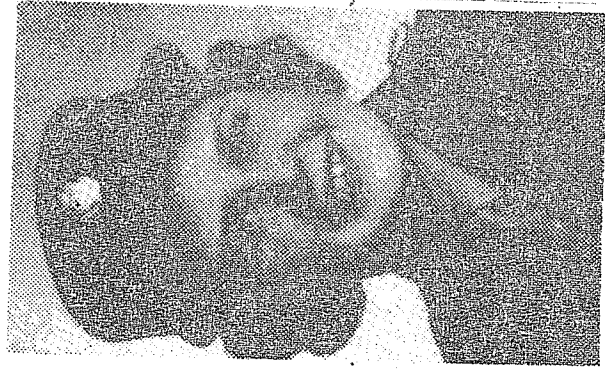
"Loving birthday greetings. Many appy returns. I wish we were to- ther on this special occasion. All y best wishes for a speed reunion.

Signed, Son Albert, Jr." Another son, John Strucke, is sta- ned at Camp Wheeler, Ga. Albert, Jr., observed his 24th rthday anniversary in England last r-day.

Local WAC Is Camp Postmaster



Sgt. Adela Justick, 23, of 217 Wyoming Ave., Dupont, is kept busy these days at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts, distributing mail to the soldiers and other WACS stationed there. Awaiting her turn in line are Pfc. Lillian Schlesinger, and Cpl. Colin Shaukfin. Sgt. Jus- tick's appointment as one of the camp postmasters made it possible to release a soldier for field duty.



PFC CLARA C. VIDA

PFC Clara C. Vida, of the Women's Army Corps, daugh- ter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vida, 217 Main Street, Dupont, was chosen to attend a course in mathematical computation at University of Pennsylvania.

A graduate of Dupont High School, PFC Vida enrolled in the corps on March 27, 1943, and took her basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Prior to her assignment to University of Pennsylvania, she was sta- tioned at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., where she served as a chemist's assistant with the Wac Detachment.

Pfc. Berlinski Is In California Hospital

After not hearing from him in many months, his family in Dupont, has finally received word by tele- gram yesterday, to the effect that Pfc. Andrew Berlinski has arrived in the States safe and in good health. He is now a patient in Ward 79A, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Cali- fornia. Presumably Pfc. Berlinski was wounded in action in the South- west Pacific, where he served for fourteen months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Berlinski of 322 McLean street, Dupont.

Marine Caboots Gets Citation; In New York Hospital

Pvt. George Caboots, aged 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Caboots o Smith street, Dupont, is undergoing treatment for shrapnel wounds of the leg and malaria in a New York Hospital. He was with the United States Marines, and saw plenty of action in the Southwest Pacific area, taking part in four major battles. He was a machine gunner and in one engagement sustained fifteen shrapnel wounds in his legs. He was awarded three naval stars, and also a citation signed by President Roose- velt. His mother, Mrs. Anthony Ca- boot, and Nicholas Malinics, an uncle, visited the young U. S. Marine at the New York hospital over the week-end, and stated upon their re- turn that he is getting along nicely, and may soon come home to Du- pont.

Wasko Returns To California Base

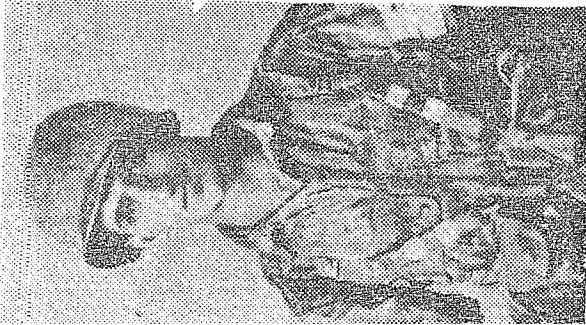
Pfc. Edward J. Wasko, U. S. M. C. who had a thirty day furlough at his home here, after spending a year in the States and a year in the South West Pacific area, has returned to his new post of duty, as an instruc- tor at Santa Barbara, California. He saw action in four major in- vasions. He is a graduate of Dupont High School, class of 1940. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wasko, 300 Harding street.

Dupont Soldier Has Purple Heart

A Dupont private, and a Scranton sergeant are patients at the Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville. They are Pvt. Joseph Gromala, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lopata of 258 Elm street, Dupont, and Sgt. Joseph Trama, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Trama, 2206 Prospect avenue, Scranton.

Pvt. Gromala was a machine-gun section leader and rifleman in the in- fantry, and was wounded by a rifle bullet in Sicily. He spent 14 months in England, Scotland, Africa and Sicily. He entered service Jan. 10, 1942, and is a graduate of Avoca High School. His brother, Staff Sgt. John Gromala, is a member of the U. S. Army Air Forces, and his step- brother, Pfc. John Lopata, is a mem- ber of the infantry. Pvt. Gromala wears the Purple Heart.

At. John L. Nyzio Wounded In Italy



PRIVATE NYZIO

rs. Apolonia Nyzio of 101 McClellan street, Dupont, Thursday received the following letter from Major General J. A. Ulio, of the War Department, adjutant general's office, Washington:

"I am pleased to inform you that your son, John L. Nyzio, has been received from the 1st African Area, stating that on January your nephew, Pvt. John Nyzio, continued to make normal movements. Mail should be addressed to him as follows: Pvt. John Nyzio, 32,070,496, (Hosp), Hospital Section, APO 698, c/o Post Office, New York."

"I trust you will understand that the delay in furnishing you this information was due to conditions in the theatre of operations over which military authorities had no control."

"Pvt. Nyzio, who was wounded in Italy, is 24 years of age. His mother is Mrs. Nyzio, while his father is Mr. Nyzio. Nyzio came to this country eight years ago from Poland and is now living with his aunt until he was drafted into service in March, 1941. Nyzio has also been awarded Purple Heart."

Oldier Wounded For Second Time

Pfc. Hayden Jumper, son of Mr. J. J. Jumper, of 161 1/2 N. street, is confined to a base hospital in the Mediterranean area, operating from a bullet wound in the right shoulder. He was wounded in action in Italy last month.

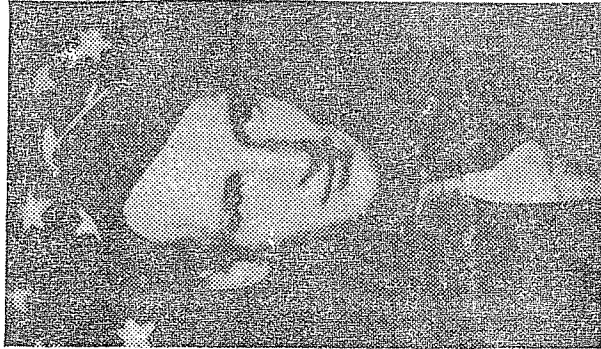
A letter was received by the parents of Jumper on Monday telling of their son's injury. It was the second time Jumper was confined to a base hospital from wounds received in Italy. During the invasion of Italy he received severe burns about the head and back and was confined to a base hospital for four months. He was drafted on June 6, 1942, and has been overseas for a year.

Wounded Soldier Visiting Parents

Pfc. George Caboot, son of Mr. J. J. Caboot, of 414 1/2 N. street, is visiting at the family home. He will be here for six days after which he will return to the Newport, R. I. Army Hospital. He already spent several weeks in the Newport Army Hospital recovering from wounds received in action in the Southwest Pacific. Pfc. Caboot enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps in August, 1942, and received his basic training at Parris Island, S. C. After spending 15 months overseas he received the Presidential citation for bravery in action with three stars for participation in three major battles, including Munda and Bougainville.

WOUNDED IN WAR ACTION

Second Member of Dupont
Councilman's Family
On Casualty List



According to word received yesterday from the War Department, Pvt. Daniel D. Dombroski, 20, above, son of former Councilman and Mrs. John Dombroski, of 14 Bear Creek Road, was seriously wounded in action on June 1st. His exact location in the fighting area is not known.

He was inducted in March, 1943, and received his previous training at Camp Blanding, Florida, and has been overseas since September, 1943. He is a graduate of Dupont High School.

A brother, Corp. John Dombroski, was wounded in North Africa in April, 1943, and is now home on a twenty-one day furlough.

Two Local Men In Army Hospital

Two Dupont soldier boys, Pvt. Frank Klimek, son of Mrs. Josephine Klimek of Penn avenue, and Pvt. John (Casey) Kasa, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ignatius Kasa of Perry Jones street, are patients in the Battle Creek, Mich.

They recently returned to the States after 18 months of service in the Southwest Pacific, during which they saw action in New Guinea. The men entered military service to together on February 17, 1942, and received their basic training at Camp Robert's, Calif. They have been together since the start of their military careers, and prior to their removal to the hospital in Michigan they were both confined to a base hospital in California for several weeks.

Members of their families left to visit them this week. They are former members of the Elm Street Sportsmen's Club and latter club officials contacted them by telephone wishing them speedy recovery.

Corp. Boyanowski Arrives In Italy

Corp. Edwin A. Boyanowski of Somerville, N. J., formerly of Lidy's Road, Dupont, has arrived in Italy, his wife, Mrs. E. Boyanowski, has been notified. He has three other brothers in the service: Corp. Edward, who was transferred from Boise, Idaho, to Buckley Field, Colo.; Ernest Boyanowski, seaman first class, stationed in South America with the Seabees, and 1st Sgt. Paratrooper Emanuel Boyanowski, who was recently transferred from Fort Benning, Ga., to Columbus, N. C. They are the sons of Mrs. Johanna Boyanowski of Lidy's Road, Dupont.

ALEX ROLEK RISKS LIFE TO GET PICTURES

Dupont Army Man Member
Of Photography Team
Making Pictorial Record
At Kwajalein

By Elmot Waite

Army Headquarters, Central Pacific, March 4—(AP)—Taking 25-foot closeups of the battle at its hottest, a tough and rugged force of Army Signal Corps photographers made a complete pictorial record of the invasion of Kwajalein atoll in the Marshall islands.

"We were as scared as anyone," the men told me—but "we would have gone in closer than that if we could have gotten all of our subject matter on the film."

"Photographing the operation from the day the Seventh division landed until the enemy was annihilated, we went into battle with the idea of making the best front-line pictures of the war. Unless something should happen to our film, we're sure we made them."

Sgt. Charles Van Bergen of Jackson Heights, Long Island, formerly employed on the news desk of Pathe News in New York, had this to report:

"I'm sure I made a lot of good pictures, but when I think of a couple of incidents I still shudder. One time I was caught in a cross-fire. I had stopped just off the road to reload my camera. Bullets started pinging into the stump near where I was sitting. Those bullets meant Japs, and our men (a mop-up squad, cleaning out Japs who had infiltrated during the night) heard them too. They started to fire at the Japs. I was in the middle, with no alternative but to duck. The dirt and dust I ate for ten minutes really tasted good."

The pictures these men took not only are used by newspapers and news reels; they are of great value to the War Department. Training films are made, and through these pictures thousands of American soldiers will learn how it's actually done in battle.

Other members of the front-line photography teams: Sgt. Ray H. O'Dell of Battle Creek, Mich.; Pfc. Leon Ellner of Bronx, N. Y.; Sgt. Ralph Fairchild of Normal, Ill.; Sgt. A. Rolek, 420 Smith street, Dupont, Pa.; and Pvt. Carl Guttschaff of Union, N. J.

Home After 50 Missions In War

Staff Sgt. Joseph J. Kellerman, age 21, who was credited recently in press dispatches with having completed 50 bombing missions over Italy and Greece is spending a furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. Susan Kellerman, 226 Center street, Dupont.

He is the son of the late Councilman Joseph Kellerman.

Staff Sgt. Kellerman recently arrived in the states, having landed at New York and later sent to California. He has another brother in the service, Pfc. John Kellerman, who is now in England.

Pfc. Frank Kudey Wounded In Italy

Private First Class Frank Kudey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kudey, of 300 Wyoming avenue, Dupont, has been seriously wounded in action in Italy, his parents having been informed in a telegram from the United States War Department. He was inducted into service one year ago and has been overseas for seven months. He was injured on February 8th and details are lacking.

SELECTEES ARE HONORED

400 Dupont Residents Pay
Tribute To Those Leaving
For Service

The monthly send off party held under the auspices of Dupont Service Organization was attended by close to 400 people, at the hose house auditorium last night. The selectees who leave for Army or Navy service on Saturday next, and who were feted and presented with gifts, were Walter Timinski, Joseph Kuna, Leslie Webb, John Terescavage, John J. Porzueck, John J. Jemio, Peter P. Romanko, Freeman Larnard, Fred Freman Larnard, Robert Gordon, Alfonso Bellomo, Stanley Sipko, Edward Knick, Walter A. Golenski, and Francis J. Clarke. Also present was Andrew Kundla, another Dupont boy, who will leave as a selectee for Army service, from a New York City board. The latter is a son of Mrs. Anna Kundla, Smith street, Dupont, and is a brother of local school teacher, Joseph Kundla.

Also seated at the guest table was Seaman Joseph Bellomo, a brother of Alfonso Bellomo, who leaves Saturday. The former was home on furlough. Pfc. Ignatius Magda, a veteran of the Sicilian campaign, and who has been given a physical Army discharge from U. S. Army service, also sat with the honored guests.

Dinner was served by the Mothers Club and the Forget-Me-Not Girls Club of the Dupont Community House.

The chairman was Louis Iannuzzo, who is a selectee himself. He introduced Dominick J. Cocco, who acted as master of ceremonies. Invocation and benediction were offered by Rev. Francis Baranowski, who also gave an inspiring talk. Others on the program were Burgess Albert Strucke, School Director Andrew Goula, and former DSO Secretary Patrick Rooks.

The principal speaker was Donald McCrea of the Scranton Times staff, who substituted for Edward Donohue. The speaker spoke on "Faith" and what it brings to the average selectee and to those "he leaves behind."

Entertainment was provided by the DSO orchestra. Paul Senak also offered a number on his electric guitar. Vocal selections were given by the Girl Scout Troop 33 Glee Club of the Dupont House, led by Lawrence Blackman. Vocal numbers were given by Misses Dorothy Pearage, Caroline Rosky and Vera Rosky. Pfc. Ignatius Magda, war-hero and home on leave, was introduced and spoke briefly. Francis Clarke gave the response in behalf of the selectees. Presentation of gifts was made by John E. Panuski, Jr., and Peter J. Rutz, officers of the DSO.

All selectees were presented with gifts consisting of utility kits. Announcement was made that the gifts were also presented to five others who enlisted and left for the various services during the past few weeks: John Kuna, Frank Kotula, Frank Silvanage, Henry Shegelski and Edward Stupak. A letter was also read by Secretary Panuski, which was received from Pvt. Edward Zigmund, who appreciated the DSO send-off party of a few months ago.

Announcement was made by Secretary Panuski, that the DSO drive for funds, the result of a house-to-house drive, was not yet completed but up to last night had reached the \$1,000 mark. The secretary predicted that \$1300 would be realized before the drive for 1944 officially ends.

Pvt. Kotula, 19, Wounded In Italy

Pvt. Stanley Kotula, age 19, was slightly wounded in action Feb. 12, on the Italian front, according to a telegram received by his father, Louis Kotula, 219 Harding street, Dupont, from the U. S. War Department, on Saturday. The telegram was from Adjutant General Ulio, Washington, and said: "Regret to inform you your son, Pvt. Stanley Kotula was on February 12th slightly wounded in action in Italy. Mail address follows. You will be advised as reports of condition are received." Details were lacking.

T/Sgt. Ray Rosato Missing In Action



SERGEANT ROSATO

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Rosato of 10 Main street, Dupont, on Wednesday received a telegram from Assistant General Ulio of the U. S. War Department informing them that their son, T/Sgt. Ray J. Rosato as been reported missing in action over Italy since February 3th.

The telegram follows: "The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son, T/Sgt. Ray J. Rosato has been reported missing in action since 13th of February over Italy. If further details or other information are received you will be promptly notified."

Signed) ULIO, Adj. General. Sgt. Rosato was drafted on January 20, 1943 and received his basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas. He is a graduate of West Pittston High school, and was active in local athletic circles. He was a baseball player of note and played in various amateur leagues of the valley. His brother, Pvt. Michael Rosato is at Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

PFC. WASKO IN SQUAD THAT TOOK PLANES

Dupont Marine's Mates Took 56 Zeros In Pacific — Given Presidential Citation

Pfc. Edward J. Wasko, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wasko, Harding street, Dupont, is now at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Depot, Miramar, Calif. He saw several months action in the South Pacific, where he was attached to the ground crew echelon of Marine Major Gregory Boyington's fighter squadron of "Black Sheep". He was subjected to 150 air raids by Japanese bombers and escaped without a scratch. "I did spend countless hours shivering in foxholes" he admitted while here on furlough recently.

He was stationed on Guadalcanal, the Russell Islands, and the New Hebrides. Operating at Henderson Field, his squadron bagged 56 Zeros within six weeks of dogfighting in the Solomon Islands area.

For his participation in the squadron's activities, Pvt. Wasko wears the Presidential Unit Citation. He joined the Marine Corps in 1942.



S/SGT. NICHOLAS GROSS

Missing

Dupont Man Unreported

Mrs. Sally Gross, Dupont, yesterday afternoon received a telegram from the Secretary of War announcing her husband, S/Sgt. Nicholas Gross has been missing in action since July 21 over Austria.

His wife is the former Miss Sally Gore of Fayetteville, North Carolina. She is living in Dupont with Mrs. Margaret Gross, mother of Sgt. Gross.

Sgt. Gross, 22, entered the service on October 28, 1942. His brother, Pfc. Patrick Gross, is stationed at Camp Haan, California.

Their father, John Gross, was killed in a mine accident in the Butler colliery mines last February.

Sergeant Gross was a waist gunner in a 15th Air Force Flying Fortress in Italy.

Robert Ameen In Army Hospital; Wounded By Bomb



ROBERT AMEEN

Pvt. Robert Ameen, age 20, son of Mrs. Margaret Ameen, of Bear Creek Road, Dupont, is a patient at the Halleron Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. His mother in response to a telephone call from her son, Friday night, visited him at the hospital over the week-end and she reports that his condition is favorable. Pvt. Ameen is a former Dupont High School football star.

Pvt. Ameen was wounded in a recent bombing raid in England where he was stationed. A bomb fragment pierced his helmet causing severe injuries to his skull. It was also unofficially reported that five buddies of Pvt. Ameen lost their lives in the same raid.

Mrs. Margaret Ameen, and son, Freddie, and Mr. Kalil Nasser visited the injured soldier at the Staten Island Hospital over the week-end.

2 Dupont Soldiers, Who Saw Real Action, Given Reception

Two Dupont war heroes, one recently discharged from the army due to shell shock, and the other due to injuries received in action, were given a "welcome home testimonial party" last night at Tetlak's Hall in Dupont by three hundred of their friends, neighbors and relatives.

They are Sgt. Joseph Gromala, age 26, who was wounded in the leg while in action in Sicily on August 3, 1943, and Pfc. Ignatz Magda, age 28, who is suffering from shell shock as a result of battle-action in Sicily on August 8, 1943. Both were sent back to this country on the same ship, and arrived in New York on the same day, both being confined to hospitals there. They have been in this country for five months, and although Pfc. Magda has been home for some time since his discharge from a New York hospital, Sgt. Gromala, was transferred from the Halleran Hospital in Staten Island to the Valley Forge, Pa. Hospital.

Sgt. Gromala came home on a 3-day pass on Saturday and he returned to Valley Forge Hospital this morning. In Fox Hole As Battle Rages

Sgt. Gromala appeared at the testimonial on crutches, and he still has a cast on his leg. He was wounded in action and was taken prisoner by the Germans and was being removed to the rear, when the Germans and he sought refuge in a fox-hole, while the battle raged for three-days. He was taken in by a Sicilian refuge family and then turned over to the Americans who later took over the village.

Private First Class Magda recites some interesting experiences leading up to his shell shock condition. He

also appeared in some major engagements in Sicily.

Sergeant Gromala enlisted on January 10, 1941, while Private First Class Magda entered the service on October 16, 1941.

Both honored guests were presented with gifts and a purse of money. The presentations were made by Miss Frances Szerba and Mrs. Stella Pliska, in behalf of the neighborhood.

A fitting program was also rendered in honor of the two men. Anthony Kalamowicz was chairman of the affair, and he introduced Andrew Goula as master of ceremonies. Talks were given by Burgess Albert Strucke, School Directors Michael Chrobak and Anthony Ritzie. The principal speaker was Dominick J. Cocco.

Music was rendered by Gabriel Opella and Walter Tetlak, while solos were offered by the Misses Dorothy Pearage, Charlotte Vida and Helen Kotula.

Brief remarks were also made by John Tetlak, an uncle of Sergeant Gromala.

Introduced to the audience were Gold-Star mothers, Mrs. Louis Ziantz and Mrs. M. Mosgowicz, both of whom lost their sons in the present World War. Presented also were Mr. and Mrs. John Lopato, parents of Sergeant Gromala, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Magda, parents of Private First Class Magda. Mrs. Lopato is the former Mrs. Gromala.

Private Walter Drost, another pal and furlough, also sat at the speakers' table.

Seaman M. E. Szot Home On Furlough

Sgt. Ziobro Finishes Fifty Air Missions

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ziobro, Penn avenue, have been informed that their son, Sgt. Teddy Ziobro, has just completed fifty air missions over the European battle area, and is expected home on furlough for Easter.

Watson Now At Mississippi Camp

Pvt. William Watson of Simpson street, Dupont, former representative of The Times-Leader Evening News at Pittston, writes an interesting letter from his new post at Camp McCain, Miss. He is beginning to take army life in stride. With him is only another Dupont soldier, Stanley Gruzenski; also August Savoy and James Musto of Pittston Township, and Arnold Quick and Frank Matys of Avoca. He says they are enjoying their new life, and mentions that it has rained continuously at camp since their arrival there two weeks ago.

2 Brothers Meet In New Guinea

Sgt. Clement Ruda writes under date of August 5, from New Guinea, stating to this column that a few weeks before he had a happy reunion on that island with his brother, First Lieutenant Peter Ruda. "Believe me it was a happy reunion. He isn't very far away from me," he said.

At the time he wrote the letter Sgt. Ruda was not aware of the fact that a third brother, Sgt. Frank A. Ruda, age 20, was seriously wounded in action in France on July 30th.

He has a fourth brother in the service also, Pfc. George Ruda, last stationed at Selbridge Field, Mich. He is now enroute to a new destination.

The four brothers are sons of Mrs. Kathryn Ruda of Lackawanna avenue, Dupont.

Sgt. Clement receives mail from "buddies in that part of the world." He says that the island now has a rainy season, raining day and night.

J. Milewski Given Purple Heart

Pfc. Edward J. Milewski of 161 1/2 Lady's road, Dupont, has received the Purple Heart. He was wounded in action in the Battle of Cherbourg, France. He has a brother, Pvt. Edwin Milewski in France, and Corp. Louis Milewski in England.

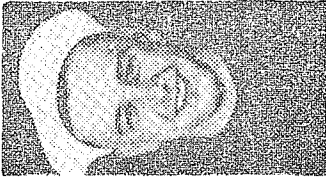
Pfc. Dombrowski Home From Africa

Pfc. John Dombrowski, Jr., son of former Councilman and Mrs. John Dombrowski, Sr., of Bear Creek road, is home on a 21-day furlough. He was in the African campaign and served overseas for over a year. He was wounded in action, and is now making a fine recovery.

Daily Vacation School will end Friday, June 23rd at the Community House.

upont Soldier, erman Prisoner, Feeling Fine

'Don't worry, Dad, I'm feeling fine. I'm getting treated good. The d Cross furnishes clothes and a d parcel every week. Tell rtin I said 'Hello'. I had no te to answer his letter. I never te a card to holey.' Tell m I said 'ello,' I'm y proud of . I guess it n't be long ore I'll be ne. I'm still h the gang, a y nice bunch boys. Tell anybody that said 'Hello! per'."



Joseph Cebula



artin Cebula Casper Cebula

ssage received during the week Joseph Cebula, 34, 2 Grove St., pont, from his son, Private spar, who has been a German soner for the past year. Cebula s one of the first American soners taken in North Africa. has been in service for two ars.

Master Sgt. Martin, 27, a ther, has been overseas for 15 nths and likewise took part in North African invasion. He is w in Italy. He has served seven ars with the Army.

Seaman First Class Joseph, 22, other brother, is on the U. S. S. nbera and is doing convoy duty newhere on the high seas. He s also been in the service for 5 years.

Men In Service

Pvt. William Luevinko has ar- ed in England, according to word elved by his wife. The former ss Lillian Dombrowski, over the rek-end.

Sgt. Edward C. Kosik is stationed th the Air Corps in the South- st Pacific area.

Sgt. Paul G. Kosik is stationed th the U. S. Air Corps at Morris eld, Charlotte, N. C.

Pvt. John Liput, Jr. husband of rs. Helen Liput, R. D. No. 2, was ounded in action in France Aug. h a War Department telegram ived his wife on Saturday.

Pvt. John J. Kivak who was ser- isly wounded on July 24th was ith the army engineers group at am. He went overseas in April 44, and before induction was en- oyed at the No. 14 cillery, Jer- yn-Green Coal Company.

William F. Hanczyc, seaman 1/c, n of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Han- yc, observed his 21st birthday, iversary in France on Saturday. Seaman Matthew Polumbo is now i the Southwest Pacific area. In a ther received Saturday by his rother, Constable Frank Polumbo, e stated he took part in the in- asion of Saipan, Guam and other lands.

Sgt. Sylvester Lello, son of rmer Councilman and Mrs. John ello, took part in his first air sion over France on August 13th cording to word received by the ents over the week-end. He is ow stationed in England.

SERGEANT ON CASUALTY LIST

Dupont Soldier Seriously Wounded—Has 3 Other Brothers In Service

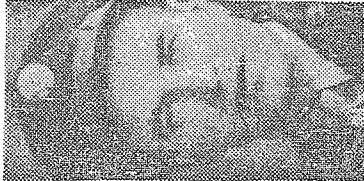
Sgt. Frank A. Ruda, age 30, of 230 Church street, Dupont, was seriously wounded in action in France on July 30th, according to a telegram received by his mother, Mrs. Clemens Ruda, from Adjutant General Uilo, U. S. War Department last night.

Sgt. Ruda is one of four brothers in the service. He was inducted from Draft Board 12, Dupont, in May 1941, and received training at Camp Meade, Md.; Fort Bragg, N. C.; and Camp Blanding, Florida. He arrived in England in October 1942.

The other brothers are: Sgt. Clemens Ruda and First Lieutenant Peter Ruda in New Guinea; and Pfc. George Ruda, last located at Selfridge Field, Michigan, and whose present address is unknown.

Mrs. Ruda, mother of the four sons in the service, also has a son-in-law, Pvt. Henry Gola, also stationed in France.

Sgt. Frank Ruda, wrote his mother and brother, Stanley Ruda, the day before he was wounded, July 29th, stating he was in a fox-hole but in fine health. He said in his letters it was like the Fourth of July with bombs and shells exploding everywhere.



Sgt. Frank A. Ruda

Soldier Home From Italy To Wed Local Girl

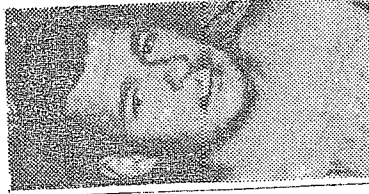
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sabach of Smith street, Dupont, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Ann Sabach to Pfc. Frank Robert Kudey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kudey of Wyoming avenue. Miss Sabach is a graduate of Dupont High School and is employed at the Dupont Knitting Mills.

Pfc. Kudey is a veteran of the North African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns. He was wounded on two occasions and now wears the Purple Heart and Oak Leaf Cluster. He was a convalescent at the England Hospital in Atlantic City. He has been granted a 30-day furlough, after which he will return to Atlantic City. He arrived at Mitchell Field, New York, recently after being flown there from Italy.

A number of parties will be held in honor of the bride-elect by her friends, the first of which will be a shower at the Dupont Hose House auditorium on Wednesday night.

Brothers Meet In Pacific Area

Chief Gunner's Mate Edward Cebula, U. S. Navy, wrote to his wife, over the week-end, from the Pacific area, and told of meeting his brother, Pfc. John Cebula, U. S. Army. It was the first time that the brothers had seen each other in over two years.



Pvt. N. Rusinko
Wounded

Wounded On Saipan

Pvt. Nicholas (Nick) Rusinko, age 22, son of John Rusinko of 304 Smith street, Dupont, was seriously wounded on July 7th, on the Island of Saipan, and is now hospitalized, according to a telegram received by his father last night from the War Department.

Pvt. Rusinko was inducted September 15, 1943, and received his basic training in Alabama. He was transferred to California and later to Hawaiian Islands, where he underwent amphibious training. With him in the Island of Saipan, according to letters received by relatives, was another Dupont soldier, Pvt. John Koza.

Pvt. Rusinko has a brother, John, Jr., 11, at home; and two sisters, Mary, 14 and Mrs. George Gola, both of Bridgeport, Conn. He was employed in Linden, N. J., before entering the Army.

S/Sgt. Bednarski Wounded In Italy



Staff Sgt. Francis Bednarski, above, age 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bednarski of 340 Main street, Dupont, has been wounded in Italy, according to a telegram received over the week-end from the War Department. He has been in the Army 20 months, the past 18 over seas. Before entering the armed forces Staff Sgt. Bednarski was an undertaker at Dupont.

He was inducted into the service on June 13, 1942, and left for overseas duty with a medical detachment from Camp Blanding, Florida, in March of this year.

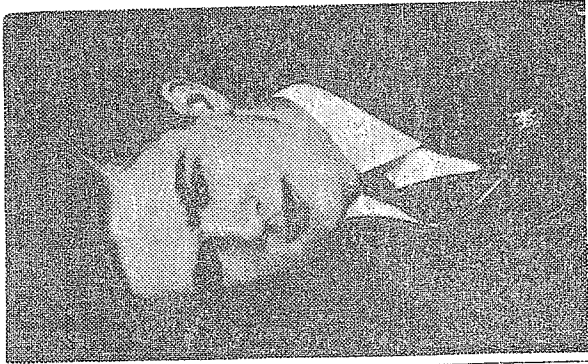
Sgt. Costello Home After 49 Missions

Sgt. Orlando Costello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Costello, 328 Front street, Dupont, arrived home Saturday from a hospital in Australia where he had been convalescing for two months after 49 air missions in the Southwest Pacific area, in which his crew accounted for two Zeros and also did considerable damage to Jap installations.

Sergeant Costello was flown from Australia to California and then traveled to Dupont by train. He will spend 20 days here, after which he will report to Miami, Fla., for rest and reclassification.

He was a member of the crew of the Twin Nifties of the Jolly Rogers outfit, which won distinction in combat. Sergeant Costello will report to Miami, Fla., on September 18.

Earns Eagle Rank In Boy Scouts



James Dominick Cocco, above, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dominick J. Cocco of 225 Ziegler street, Dupont last night became an Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, at impressive ceremonies held at the Dupont Community House, with county scout executives in charge.

James Cocco also graduated last week at Pittston High School with highest honors. He was class valedictorian and editor-in-chief of the Year Book. He enters re-medical school at the University of Pennsylvania on July 3.

Former Nazi War Prisoner On Visit

Pvt. Stephen Shedlock, son of Mrs. Mary Shedlock, Allentown, and formerly of Dupont, is spending a week at the home of his brother, John Shedlock of Simpson street, Dupont.

Private Shedlock returned to his mother's home after spending 24 months in the Mediterranean area. During that time he had been a prisoner of the Nazis but succeeded in escaping along with other comrades from a prison camp in Northern Italy. He was captured in Tunisia, and was previously reported missing in action.

Pfc. Joseph Grabiec Gets Silver Wings

Pfc. Joseph Grabiec, U. S. Army Air Corps, received his silver wings on August 19th after graduating from the Harlingen Flexible Gun-nery School in Texas. He is now home on furlough with his wife, the former Miss Betty Sabatelli, who was with him. He is visiting his father and relatives in Dupont. His father is former Councilman John Grabiec of Lidy's road. Pfc. Grabiec was drafted into the service 8 months ago, and prior to induction was engaged in the coal and ice business with his father. He will report to California on Sept. 7th for a new assignment.

Local Marine Wounded

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potera, 225 Simpson street, received word from the War Department Saturday morning that their son, Pfc. Louis F. Potera, USMC, was wounded in action in the South Pacific area on July 22. He is reported having suffered a shrapnel wound of the thigh.

Parents Receive

Son's War Award

Former Councilman and Mrs. John Dombrowski of Bear Creek Road, Dupont, over the week-end received the Purple Heart awarded to their son, Pfc Daniel Dombrowski, who is still in a North African hospital, after sustaining battle wounds. He has another brother, Cpl. John Dombrowski, stationed at Camp Butler, Va.

Dupont Youth Wounded Three Times Anxious To Return to Service

**PFC. Jumper, Reported Injured May 28,
Commended for Courage by His Commander
In Italy in Letter Received by His Mother**

Wounded three times and still anxious to get back into service so that he can return home as quickly as possible. That's the record of PFC. Hayden Jumper, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jumper, 161 Main St., Dupont. Private Jumper was last reported wounded in Italy May 28. His mother received two letters dated June 8 and 9 from him saying that he was "all right."

Entering the service Nov. 6, 1942, Private Jumper has been overseas 15 months. He was in North Africa and took part in the invasions of Sicily and Italy. In Sicily he was seriously burned when he and some of his buddies entered a cave which had been previously occupied by the Nazis. Powder had been strewn about unknown to the Yankee soldiers and one of them tossed a lighted cigarette into a pile of it, causing an explosion. Several of his companions were killed instantly and he was hospitalized for several weeks.

He was wounded in Cisterna, Italy, Feb. 21 but got back into action soon. Evincing the "intestinal fortitude" characteristic of American soldiers, Jumper asked to be put back into service as soon as his wounds healed. His conduct merited this praise from First Lt. Paul V. McGhan, commanding the 7th Infantry in General Clark's Fifth Army:

"I'll May, 1944.
"Dear Mrs. Jumper:

"As PFC. Rayden Jumper's company commander I wish to take this opportunity of writing to let you know what splendid work he has been doing on the Anzio Beachhead.

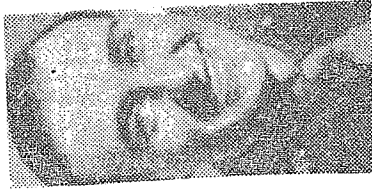
"PFC. Jumper has always conducted himself properly and exhibited a coolness and courage necessary for winning battles. He is liked and respected by the other members of his squad and has the confidence of all men in the company. During these trying days we need men of his caliber and it is a pleasure to acknowledge the splendid work he has done.

"I know that you will be glad to hear of his excellent service and to know that he is well and in good health."

Frank Joyce, Avoca, who had been a companion of Jumper in the service for many months, is currently home on furlough. He was one of the soldiers hurt in the explosion previously referred to and is stationed at one of the bases in this country. In his letter of June 9 to his mother, Jumper asks: "Did Joyce see you again? I got a letter from him over a month ago. He asked me if I wanted anything as he would sent it to me. I sure was glad to hear from him. He certainly is a nice guy. I was glad he got to see you. When we were in Sicily I asked him to go down and see you if he got home before me. I'm glad he did."



**PFC. Hayden Jumper . . . writes
he's "all right"**



**Pfc. A. Cituk
Wounded**

Dupont man wounded
Mrs. Pauline Cituk of 202 Cent street, Dupont, was yesterday notified by the U. S. War Department that her son, Pfc. Andrew Cituk, was wounded in France on August 9th. Details were lacking.

This is the fifth casualty reported in Dupont in the past four days. Pfc. Andrew Cituk was 20 years of age and was inducted into the U. S. Army on March 29, 1943 from draft board 12, Dupont. He went overseas in August of 1943 and last was stationed at Camp Pickett, Va. He has two brothers in the service, Cpl. Walter Cituk, who has been with the U. S. Air Forces in England for the past 15 months; and Seaman 2/c John Cituk.

LOCAL MARINE IS WOUNDED

**Second Time for Dupont
Serviceman To Receive
Injuries In Battle**



PFC. LOUIS POTERA

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potera of 295 Simpson street, Dupont, received a telegram on Saturday from Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, USMC commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps stating that their son, Pfc. Louis F. Potera, USMCR, received a shrapnel wound of the thigh in action against the enemy in the Pacific area on July 22.

Pfc. Potera was 22 years of age and took part in the battles of Tarawa, Guadalcanal, Bougainville and New Guinea. He was wounded slightly in a previous action, from which he recovered.

In a letter dated August 15th, mailed from the Pacific area, he referred to his previous injury and stated that he would be out of the hospital in a few days. He also mentioned in that letter that John Knick of Dupont had been to see him and at the time was at Guam. He also stated that Walter Kozak and a few other local boys were in the same area.

Pfc. Potera entered the service on October 2, 1942, and had his boot training at Parris Island, S. C., and advanced training at New River, N. C. Potera also specialized in training at the American University Bomb Disposal School, Washington, D. C., after which he took part in the fighting at Guadalcanal. He was a gunner with the Fleet Marine Force, and was overseas also a few times on convoy duty.

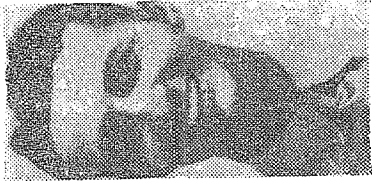
Pfc. Potera is a graduate of Dupont High School and the Home Trade Schools, Passaic, N. J.



**S/Sgt. J. Opiele
Killed**

son.

Loses Life In Italy
One of the latest Wyoming Valley soldiers to give his life for his country is Staff Sgt. John Opiele, above, husband of Mrs. Stella K. Opiele, 76 North Empire street, city and son of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Opiele, 248 Elm street, Dupont. Sgt. Opiele was killed in action in Italy on August 24.



**Pfc. Stephen
Kundla
Killed**

Dupont Soldier Killed
Pfc. Stephen Kundla, age 28, was killed in action in France on August 1, 1944, according to a telegram received yesterday by his mother, Mrs. Anna Kundla, of 226 Smith street, Dupont, and signed by Ullo, adjutant general, Washington, D. C.

Details were lacking. Pfc. Kundla was one of the first two boys in Dupont who volunteered for service prior to America's entry into the war. He enlisted voluntarily in January, 1941, and reported to Camp Meade, Maryland. He received his basic training at Camp Sam Houston, Texas, and was later transferred to Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, where he received ski training. He went overseas to England in November, 1943. He took part in the D-Day invasion of France and wrote his last letter to his mother from France a week before he was fatally injured. Pfc. Kundla graduated from the Dupont schools, and was employed in New York City before enlisting. His father died in April, 1943.

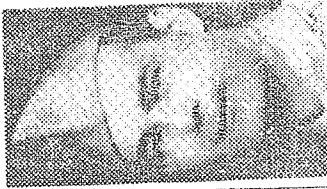
He has two other brothers in the service, Pfc. John Kundla, last stationed on the Pacific Coast with the U. S. Air Corps, and Pvt. Andrew Kundla, stationed at Camp Croft, S. C., and who is now home on furlough.

Pfc. Stephen Kundla is a brother of Joseph Kundla, a member of the Dupont borough school faculty. Other survivors, besides his mother and the three brothers mentioned above, are the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Anna Griffen, New York City; Mrs. Sue Gorniak, Scranton; Mrs. John Bose, Dupont, and Peter Kundla, Dupont.

He was a member of St. Michael's Greek Catholic Church, Pittston. This is Dupont's sixth casualty in 6 days.

Reporter Watson Now Serving in Mississippi

PFC. William Watson, Pittston newspaperman and one of five brothers to enter the service during the present conflict, is stationed at Camp Van Dorn, Miss., with an infantry unit. He is the husband of the former Marion Dessoye and has two children. His parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Watson, Cliff St., Pittston.



PFC. W. Watson

One of the five brothers, First Sgt. Thomas Watson, was wounded at Midway and participated in several engagements in the South Pacific before he was honorably discharged last year. Other brothers in the service are: Staff Sgt. Andrew, Fort Slocum, N. Y.; Pvt. Norbert, recovering from a serious operation in a Texas hospital, and Sgt. John, stationed in the South Pacific.

gt. Stroka Preparing o Return to War Area

Sgt. Andrew (Andy) Stroka, former Dupont resident, has returned to his base preparatory to returning to the European war zone after an extended furlough in this country. His other, Sgt. John Stroka, as killed in August, 1943, in the Bougainville campaign. Two other brothers, Thomas and Louis, are serving their country in the present war.

Andrew Stroka, Sergeant Stroka participated in the African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns and was seriously wounded at Anzio Beachhead. Here he was employed in a defense plant.



Andrew Stroka

Lukasik Is Home After 35 Missions

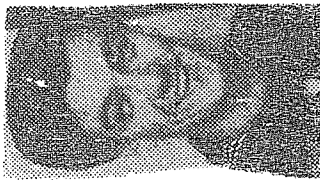
Technical Sergeant John (Jack) Lukasik, 22, son of former Burgess and Mrs. Joseph J. Lukasik of Chestnut street, Dupont, has arrived home from England on a 23-day furlough after completing thirty-five missions on a B-17 Flying Fortress over France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Poland, Luxembourg and Germany.

Sgt. Lukasik, a top turret gunner enlisted in the U. S. Army Air Corps in November, 1942, and graduated from the Las Vegas Gunnery School in July, 1943, and Amarillo Texas Airplane Mechanic School. He has been overseas since April of this year. He has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the European Theater of War Ribbon with two participation stars for major campaigns.

After his furlough, T/Sgt. John Lukasik will report to Atlantic City for a two weeks' rest period and re-assignment.

Ginzek Home on Leave After Service in Pacific

Among the several Dupont servicemen now home on furlough after active combat service against the enemy is



Joseph Ginzek. He has taken part in engagements in the Marianas, New Guinea and New Britain.

Third Class Petty Officer Joseph M. Ginzek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ginzek, Lincoln St., who is enjoying a 30-day leave after 18 months service.

Petty Officer Ginzek was among the early enlistments from Dupont.

Capt. Friend in France With Medical Corps



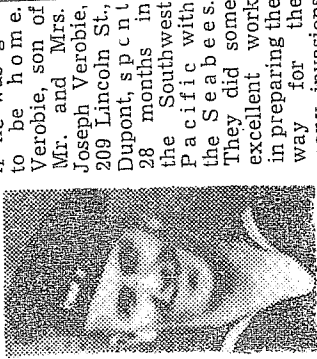
Capt. Arthur Friend, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Friend, 422 Main St., Dupont, has been stationed overseas for two years and at present is with the U. S. Medical Corps in France. Captain Friend entered the service three and a half years ago, before Pearl Harbor. His indoctrination period was spent at Camp Blanding, Ga.

A graduate of Pittston High School and Scranton University, Captain Friend completed his medical studies at St. Louis University. Prior to entering the service he practiced in Dupont.

His brother, Sgt. Jerome Friend, has been in the service two and a half years. He is currently on the high seas enroute to a foreign base. Their father and brother, Morris, are the well known Dupont grocers.

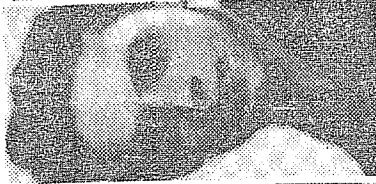
Former Seabee Verobie Home After Pacific Duty

"You are not kidding" was Electrician Mate Steve Verobie's comment, when asked yesterday,



if he was glad to be home. Verobie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Verobie, 209 Lincoln St., Dupont, spent 28 months in the Southwest Pacific with the Seabees. They did some excellent work in preparing the way for the many invasions over the enemy.

He has a brother, Seaman Second Class Michael, serving with the Navy at Corpus Christi, Texas. Upon the expiration of his 30-day leave he will report for reassignment at Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I., Jan. 5.



S/Sgt. Sylvester Lello
Missing

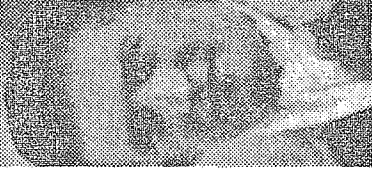
S/Sgt. Sylvester Lello, 23, is missing in action over Germany since September 13, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lello, 113 Smith street, Dupont, were informed by the War Department. He was lost on a mission with a crew of a B-24 Liberator, acting as radio operator. S/Sgt. Lello has been overseas since July. His brother, Pfc. Anthony Lello, is in New Guinea.

Dupont Sergeant Missing In Action

T/Sgt. Steve J. Stupak, age 24, Liberty street, Dupont, is missing in action since October 7th in Germany. The mother was notified yesterday by telegram from the U. S. War Department.

Sgt. Stupak has been overseas since July, 1944. He trained at Baker's Field, Calif.; Santa Ana, Calif., and Amarillo, Texas. He enlisted January 15, 1942, and was a gunner in the Air Corps.

He has three other brothers in the service: Pvt. Edward Stupak with the field artillery at Fort Riley, Kansas; Cpt. Frank, with the U. S. Engineers, who has been overseas since February and who is now in Belgium, and Pvt. John Stupak, with the U. S. Engineers on the past 30 months, and who is now in Southern France.



Sgt. Stupak

Anthony Lello Gets Promotion

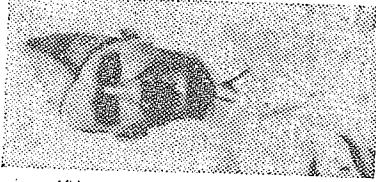
Cpl. Anthony Lello who has been in the Southwest Pacific area for several years, seeing much active combat duty in many of the big battles of the Pacific has been promoted to that rank according to a V-mail letter received by his parents, former Councilman and Mrs. John Lello of 113 Smith street, Dupont. He also received his infantry combat badge and hopes to be home for Christmas. His latest letter says he is now on furlough in Australia and the letter was dated October 15th.

His brother, Sgt. Sylvester Lello was reported missing in action over Germany last month, while on U. S. air bomber action.

Wargo Is In Group Winning Citation

Pfc. Joseph W. Wargo, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wargo, 314 McLeand street, has completed a year of service with the Eighth Air force. He is a member of the ground crew which contributed to the marked success of the B-1 Flying Fortress group which has flown nearly 200 bombing attacks against vital Nazi targets, stretching from the French coast to Romania.

The group holds a presidential citation for its highly successful attack on key Nazi ball-bearing factories. It is a unit of the Third Bombardment Division cited by the President for its historic England-to-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt plants at Egenburg, Germany, in August, 1943. Pfc. Wargo wears two battle stars in his European campaign ribbon.

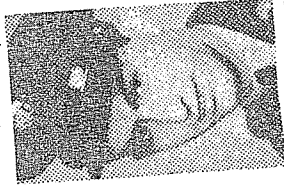


T/5th grade Edmund Lokuta
Killed

T/5th grade Edmund Lokuta, 27, well known area bowler and son of former Borough Councilman and the late Mrs. Michael Lokuta of 115 Lackawanna avenue, Dupont, was killed in action in France on August 23rd, according to a telegram received by his father Sunday afternoon. The entire family moved to Walled Lake, Michigan, six months ago. The father also took up residence in the Michigan city as of recent months.

T/5th grade Edmund Lokuta was inducted in the U. S. Army two and one-half years ago.

Survivors are his father and the following brothers and sisters, Mrs. Joseph Mihalick (former Lillian Lokuta) of Kingman, Arizona; Alice, Violet, Helen, Jeanette, and Raymond, all of Walled Lake, Michigan, and another brother, Joseph, with the U. S. Army overseas.

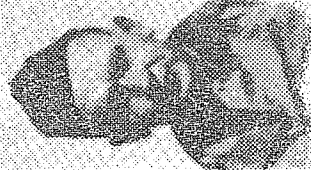


S/Sgt. ANTHONY E. LELLO

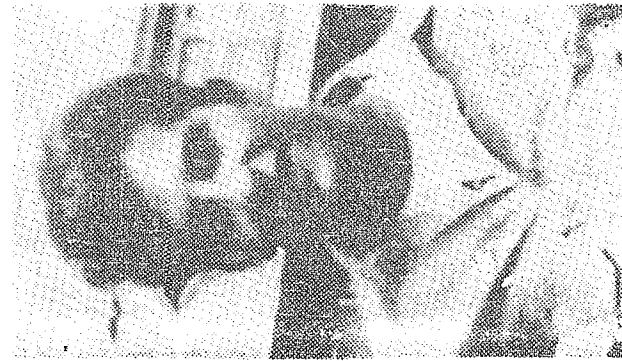
Sergeant Wounded Staff Sgt. Anthony E. Lello, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lello, of Alicia street, Old Forge, formerly of Dupont, was slightly wounded in action in Germany on Oct. 14, according to a message received yesterday from the War Department by his parents. Sgt. Lello enlisted in the army five years ago. He was stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, before going overseas to North Africa with an antitank company. He saw action in Italy and France. Sgt. Anthony Lello is a first cousin of Sgt. Sylvester Lello, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lello of Smith street, Dupont, who was reported missing in action over Germany several weeks ago. The latter was in the Air Corps.

Pvt. Wrazien Assigned To Base in Alaska

"There's no place like home, although I don't mind it here so much now," writes Pvt. Paul Wrazien, Lincoln St., Dupont, to Joseph Zigmunt, Mill St., Pittston, attaché at Consumers Gas and Oil Station.



Pvt. P. Wrazien has been stationed in the Aleutians for 18 months. Recently he was transferred to Alaska and reports that it is a great change of scenery and more homelike. He expects to be granted a furlough shortly.



Sgt. August Rodola . . . on 58 flying missions

Plane Twice Shot Down By Japanese

Dupont Youth Home On Furlough After Service in Pacific

Sgt. August Rodola, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rodola, Dupont, and nephew of Mickey Doyle, former Pittston southpaw pugilist, is home on furlough after spending 20 months with the U. S. Army Air Forces in the Southwest Pacific where he participated in 58 missions over enemy territory.

"They're tough but our boys are better and our equipment vastly superior," confided Sergeant Rodola yesterday when asked about the Japanese air-men. He was stationed in New Guinea and was a member of the Jolly Rogers Bombardment Group. Among the campaigns which he took part in were Tawara and Wigwag.

Sergeant Rodola was reluctant to discuss his military exploits. However, he admitted that he had been in a couple of tough setos and that twice his plane was shot down but each time the crew's rescue was successfully executed by comrades. He will be home for 30 days when he will report for reassignment.

Cebula on Furlough After Pacific Service

Seaman First Class Joseph Cebula, son of Joseph Cebula, 2 Grove St., Dupont, is home



on a 30-day leave after spending 30 months in the Pacific with naval forces. Seaman Cebula has touched every coast where our forces have landed during the campaign.

His brother, Pvt. Casper, has been a prisoner of the Germans for two years, having been captured in the early stages of the African campaign. Another brother, Master Sgt. Martin, has been overseas for two years. They are brothers of former Councilman John (Burke) Cebula, Third Ward, Dupont.

Youths Who Left Together Decorated at Same Time

Servicemen Hoban, Gaza of Dupont, Win Merited Recognition

Thomas E. Hoban and Andrew Gaza left Dupont on the same day, March 23, 1942, to begin their basic military training. Both were among the town's well known youths. Hoban had gained a reputation as a pitcher with the



Sgt. Thomas E. Hoban, 24, gained water supply

Dupont team of the Suburban League only a few years before. The two have seen much of each other in the interim and recently, within a few days of each other, they were singled out for merited reward for outstanding

service by their commanding officers.

Hoban, now a technical sergeant, is with the 306th Infantry of the 77th Division at Guam. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hoban, Simpson St., Technician Fifth Grade Gaza, 30, is one of five sons of Mrs. Helen Gaza, Simpson St., in the service. Private First Class Michael, who left the same day as Hoban and Andrew, is also with the 7th at Guam. Private Peter is with the 9th Army's Quartermaster Corps in Germany. Sergeant George served with the Marines overseas for four years and is now in North Carolina. Hoban has a brother, Joseph, who has been in Italy with General Mark Clark's Fifth Army for two years.

Recently Sergeant Hoban was awarded the Bronze Star along with a presidential citation. The award was made by Major General Bruce. His citation reads: For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Guam, M. I., on the 13th of August, 1944, Sergeant Hoban with four other men went a distance of five miles through a dense jungle area reported to be patrolled by hostile forces and returned the following morning with a resupply of water. The action was voluntary and without regard for his own safety. John W. Jefferson, Lt. Col., A. G. D., Adj. Gen."

Gaza's citation reads: Technician Fifth Grade Andrew Gaza, Medical Detachment, 306th Infantry, U. S. A., for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Aites, Guam, M. I., Aug. 10, 1944. Technician Gaza displayed great courage and devotion to duty by crawling through heavy enemy rifle fire from close range to ren-

Army Honors Pair For Valiant Deeds During Guam Battle

der first aid to Lt. William P. DeBrocke, who had been wounded in the chest by this fire. Working in an exposed position, with complete disregard for his personal safety, Technician Gaza treated Lieutenant DeBrocke's wounds



Cpl. Andrew Gaza . . . saved officer's life

and thus contributed materially to saving his life. The heroic action of Technician Gaza was a source of inspiration to the men of the company to which he is attached. Chief of Staff, Guy V. Mills, Lt.-Col."

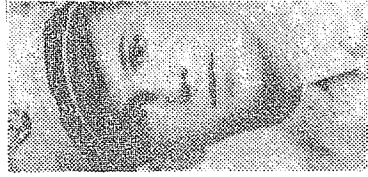
Dylo, in 3 Campaigns, Returns After Furlough



Master Sgt. Stanley Dylo, Dupont, has been reassigned to an amphibious group of the U. S. Army. Owing to the military nature of his new assignment, it is not permissible to divulge information regarding it.

Master Sergeant Dylo visited his home in Dupont for several weeks and returned to his base during the week and is now awaiting orders. He participated in the Italian, Sicilian and African campaigns and returned home for a rest.

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Sgt. John Kelleman Wounded

Dupont Soldier Wounded Sgt. John Kelleman, 24-year-old son of Mrs. Susan Kelleman, 226 Center street, Dupont, was reported wounded in action in Germany on Nov. 18th, according to a telegram received by his mother yesterday. His father was the late Joseph Kelleman, a former Dupont councilman, who passed away a few years ago as a result of a mine accident.

Sgt. Kelleman was inducted into service in January, 1942, and trained at Camp Gordon, Georgia, and Fort Dix, N. J. He has been overseas since January, 1944.

His brother, Sgt. Joseph Kelleman, now in Florida, is credited with 50 air missions in the Mediterranean area. He has the Bronze Star.



Lt. GUY COSTELLO The Camp McCoy baseball nine under the managership of Lt. Costello won 18 games, lost seven and tied one during the season.

Corporal Lacomis Wounded In France

Corp. Frank Lacomis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lacomis, 215 Simpson street, Dupont, was slightly wounded in action in France on Nov. 12 according to a telegram received from the War Department yesterday by his parents. He was with the Third Army and has been in service 25 months. He trained at Camp Forrest, Tenn., and Fort Dix, N. J. He has four other brothers in the service: Sgt. Joseph Lacomis in France; Pfc. Eugene Lacomis in Iran; Pvt. John Lacomis in India; and Corp. William Lacomis in Holland.

DFC Awarded To Brother Of Local Woman

Technical Sergeant Stanley J. Kujawski, brother of Mrs. John Nesgoda of 312 Ziegler street, has received the Distinguished Flying Cross for 'extraordinary achievement' while participating in 50 operation flight missions in the Southwest Pacific area with a troop carrier squadron of the Fifth Air Forces somewhere in the New Guinea area. The family was notified of the award yesterday.

Sgt. Kujawski is a resident of Scranton. He is an airplane mechanic and entered the army air forces May 11, 1942 and has been overseas since May 6, 1943. He also has another brother, PFC. John Kujawski stationed with the infantry at Indiantown Gap, Pa.



PVT. AND MRS. MICHAEL A. PASQUARIELLO

Doris J. Ratcliff, daughter of Mr. and Corp. Richard Wisniewer, member of the U. S. Army Air Force. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of Mr. Pasquariello, 298 Main street, Dupont, Miss. Mrs. Pasquariello is a graduate of Choctaw County High School. Pvt. Pasquariello, who has been in the Army since March 7, 1940, is stationed with Crash Boats at Ocean Springs, Miss.

The couple was attended by Miss Eanette Ratcliff, sister of the bride.

PVT. LEGEZDH KILLED IN WAR

Dupont Soldier First Reported Missing In Action

Mrs. Mary Legездh, 438 Simpson street, Dupont, yesterday received a telegram within a week from her son, Pvt. Frank Legездh, who was notified that he was killed in action in Germany on Dec. 11th. On December 28th she was notified by telegram that her son was missing in action in Germany since December 11th.

Pvt. Legездh was inducted into service on December 13, 1943, and has been overseas three months. He is a graduate of Dupont High School, class of 1943, and before enlisting the U. S. Army was employed by the Pennsylvania Baking Co. at Scranton. He received his basic training at Fort Worth, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Legездh.

WOUNDED IN FRENCH ZONE

Son-In-Law of Late Councilman Is Casualty

Ill-fortune continues to strike the Dombrowski family of 14 Bear Creek Road, Dupont. The family that within the past year had two sons wounded in action, a father found unconscious and who died without a solution of how he was hurt, and now a War Department report that a son-in-law is injured in France.

The latest casualty is Pvt. William Lucvinko, aged 28, who was slightly wounded in action in France on December 7th. He is the husband of the former Miss Lillian Dombrowski, now of Bridgeport, Conn., and daughter of the late John Dombrowski and Mrs. Dombrowski of Dupont.

The War Department informed the family of Lucvinko's injury in a telegram on Saturday.

Two Dombrowski boys, brothers-in-law of Pvt. Lucvinko were also injured in action, and are now convalescing in this country. They are Pvt. Daniel Dombrowski, at the Deshon General Hospital, Butler, Pa., wounded at the Anzio Beachhead, Italy, and Cpl. John Dombrowski, wounded in North Africa, now in Virginia.

The father-in-law of Pvt. Lucvinko, the late John Dombrowski, former Dupont borough councilman, died after being found in an unconscious condition in the Dupont town hall on the morning of December 3rd. His death is still an unsolved case.

Pvt. Lucvinko was inducted into service a year ago and went overseas three months ago. He is married and has one son. His brother, Chester Lucvinko, is in the South Pacific. In civilian life Pvt. Lucvinko once served as secretary of the Dupont Unemployed League.

Decorated for Bravery

Mrs. Mary Olejnik, owner of the Lincoln Dress Shop, 203 Ziegler street, Dupont, has been notified that her son, S/Sgt. Joseph J. Olejnik, age 30, was seriously wounded in action on Luzon. He is now at General Hospital, c/o San Francisco, Calif. Sgt. Olejnik was once before slightly wounded and was also decorated for bravery in battles in New Guinea.

Sgt. Olejnik at one time was representative for the Times-Leader Evening News in Dupont. He was a former scoutmaster of the Holy Mother of Sorrows, Polish National Church Boy Scout troop. He graduated from Pittsion High and also attended the Dupont schools. Sgt. Olejnik has a daughter, Lillian, 8, who is living with relatives in New York City.

He was inducted into service Feb. 17, 1942. He went overseas Sept. 2, 1942. He received his basic training at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, and saw action in the Fiji Islands, New Hebrides, Bougainville, New Guinea and in Luzon.

In Navy 20 Years

Chief Machinist Minzak is missing in action, according to a telegram received by his wife from the War Department. He is 40 years old and has been in the Navy 20 years. He is the father of three children, Helen, 15, Joseph 14, and Robert, 8.

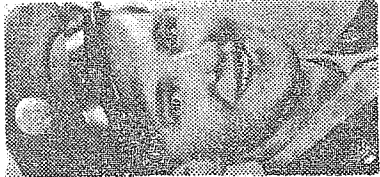
Minzak was formerly stationed at Bremerton, Washington, and was reported missing in the South Pacific area. His two brothers in service are Corp. Michael Minzak in Germany, and Pfc. William Minzak in Bermuda.

S/Sgt. Richard Hearing, was reported missing in action over Hungary on February 14, 1945. He was with the Air Corps in Italy. S/Sgt. Hearing is a member of the Gaylord Avenue Presbyterian Church, Plymouth, and was in Sept. 1943. He was basic training at Camp and later at Salt Lake City, arriving overseas

PVT. LEGEZDH IS MISSING

Dupont Soldier Saw Action In Germany

Mrs. Mary Legездh, 438 Simpson street, Dupont, was notified yesterday by telegram from her son, Pvt. Frank Legездh, who is missing in action since December 11th in Germany.



Pvt. Legездh was inducted into service on December 13, 1943, and has been overseas three months. He was a graduate of Dupont High School, class of 1943, and before enlisting the U. S. Army was employed by the Pennsylvania Baking Company, Scranton. He received his basic training at Fort Worth, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Legездh.

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PFC. SERAFIN DIES IN WAR

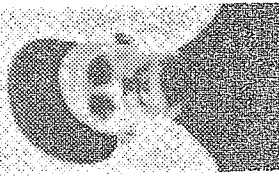
Dupont Soldier Killed In Luxembourg Battle

Mrs. Mary Serafin of 145 Holden street, Dupont, was yesterday notified by telegram from the U. S. War Department that her son, Pfc. Edward Serafin, age 25, was killed in Luxembourg, on December 29th. Pfc. Serafin was inducted into service in August, 1943, and received his basic training at Camp Forrest, Tennessee. He went overseas in July of 1944. Before entering service he was employed at the Kehoe-Berge Coal Company mines. He attended the Dupont schools and was a member of the Sacred Heart R. C. Church.

In addition to his mother he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Miss Helen Serafin, at home; Mrs. Rose Litake, Philadelphia; Mrs. Stella Hadley, Philadelphia; Miss Irene Serafin, Philadelphia; Mrs. Anna Lukas, Scranton; Mrs. Nellie Siglin, West Avoca, and John Serafin, New York.

Dupont Petty Officer Returns After Leave

Petty Officer William Panuski, son of Mrs. Anna Panuski, 418 home town prior to joining the Navy 15 months ago, expressed surprise at the Main St., Dupont, has returned to his base after spending a leave with his mother.



Petty Officer Panuski, who was active in number of youths of Dupont who are in the service.

"There are not many of the boys around to see when you come home on furlough," Panuski pointed out in commenting on the absence of the young men.

WRITES ABOUT DEATH OF PAL

Seaman Marsh Lost Life In Ship Blast

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Marsh, 213 Chestnut street, Dupont, whose son, Seaman First Class Edward Joseph Marsh, 19, was killed in action in the Pacific area, following an explosion on January 12th, presumably aboard a warship, a few days ago received a consoling letter from their son's "buddy," Seaman 1/c Antone E. Mendoza, who escaped a similar fate. Writes Mendoza in part:

"Seaman Marsh was laid to rest on a beautiful island that is used for this purpose only. It is a very small island, all by itself, away from all the other islands. It is one that has never suffered the marks of war. It is covered with palm trees, that are prettier than any to be found on any of the other islands. They seem to have a sanctity of their own, and appear as though bent in prayer for those who lie at rest beneath their spreading palms.

"Your son was given a full military funeral, with an honor guard of his own shipmates dressed in spotless white uniforms, taps were sounded and an honorary gun salute was rendered.

"We have had two masses said for him, one of which was held right here on the ship, so that all his shipmates could attend, and pray for him, most of them received holy communion and offered it to our Lord along with their prayers.

"I know your heart is broken, but you must be brave for I'm sure that is the way your son would have wanted it."

Seaman Marsh was a graduate of Dupont High school, class of 1943, and was inducted into service in December 1943. He took part in the invasion of Guam and the Philippines. He went overseas in July 1944 and prior to that time was stationed in Rhode Island. After graduation from high school he was employed by the Consumers Ice and Coal Company, Pittston. His sister, Ruth Marsh, is a cadet nurse at Delaware State Hospital, Farnhurst, Delaware. He was a member of the St. John's Slovak R. C. Church.

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Seriously Wounded

Corp. Peter Sroka, 27, husband of the former Miss Anna Warunek of 131 Lincoln street, Dupont, was seriously wounded in action in Germany on March 4, according to a telegram received by his wife from the War Department on Saturday. He is the father of a daughter, Romaine, age 2.

Corp. Sroka has two other brothers in the service Sgt. Andrew Sroka in Italy, and Pvt. Louis Sroka, who has been in the Pacific area for the past three years. A fourth brother, Sgt. John Sroka, well known bowler, was killed in the Pacific area on March 24, 1944.

Private Russell W. Johnson, RD 1, Trucksville, husband of the former Jean Weaver and son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnson, formerly of Lehman, was seriously wounded on March 9, in Germany. This is the second time Private Johnson has been wounded, both wounds being suffered in Germany, and he has been awarded the Purple Heart. He is now hospitalized in England.

He is a graduate of Kingston Township High School and was employed as a foreman at Imperial Motors, Kingston.

Private Johnson was with the Ninth Division of First Army which saw hard fighting at the Rhine bridgehead.

Staff Sgt. Joseph P. Morgan was wounded in the left thigh by mortar fire on Leyte on December 20.

Marshall Krause was slightly wounded on March 12 in Germany. He was hit in the leg by shell fragments.

Pfc. Harry Wheeler was wounded in action in France. He is the father of two children, Louis, 9, and Mildred 2.

Cpl. Kusnierz, WACS, On Holiday Furlough



Cpl. Klotylda Kusnierz . . .
stationed in Florida

Cpl. Klotylda Kusnierz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kusnierz, 299 Coolidge St., Dupont, is home from the AAF-TAA, Orlando, Fla., on furlough. Corporal Kusnierz, who has been in the WACS for 28 months, has two brothers in the service.

Technician Third Grade Gertrude is stationed in Persia and PFC. Nestor, U. S. M. C., is on the U. S. S. Oklahoma City.

Corporal Kusnierz, a graduate of Avoca High School, was employed as a beautician in Phoenixville, Pa. She is stationed in a Wing Control Tower which airs in operational flights at Orlando. Corporal Kusnierz took her basic training at Des Moines, Iowa, and before going to Orlando was stationed at Syracuse and Camp Polk, La.

LIEUT. ZDUN KILLED IN WAR

Dupont Officer First Re- ported Missing In Action

First Lieut. Stanley J. Zdun, age 26, son of Mrs. Mary Zdun, 111½ Lackawanna avenue, Dupont, who was reported missing in action over Belgium since December 27th, is now reported killed in action, according to a telegram from the U. S. War Department received by the mother yesterday afternoon. Lieut. Zdun's missing in action announcement was first made in this paper on January 20, 1945, at which time the War Department notified the family.

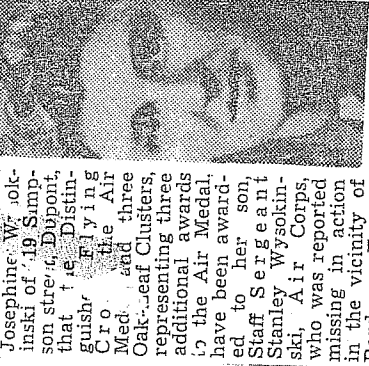
Lieut. Zdun was a member of the U. S. Army Air Corps and had been in service seven years. He was 19 when he enlisted immediately upon graduation from Pittston High School in 1937. He was a communicant of the Sacred Heart R. C. Church, and had been overseas one year. He has a brother, fireman first class, with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific area. Additional survivors are two married sisters residing in New York City, and another sister, a nun, Sister Vincentia, stationed at Reading.

WYSOKINSKI

LISTED DEAD

Family Given DFC and Air Medals

The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C., has notified Mrs. Josephine Wysokinski of 19 Simpson street, Dupont, that the distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal, each and three representing three additional awards to the Air Medal, have been awarded to her son, Staff Sergeant Stanley Wysokinski, Air Corps, who was reported missing in action in the vicinity of Bordeaux, France, on December 5, 1943. This communication was signed by Edward F. Whitsell, Brigadier General, acting Adjutant General.



S/Sgt. Stanley Wysokinski

The citations are as follows: "For distinguished achievement while serving as ball turret gunner on 20 bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage, and skill, Sgt. Wysokinski, fighting from his gun position destroyed one enemy airplane, ward off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the 20 missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sgt. Wysokinski on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the U. S."

Air Medal and Three Oak-Leaf Clusters—"For meritorious achievement in the destruction of one enemy plane, while serving as crewman on a bombardment mission, and while participating in 15 separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe."

The awards will be forwarded to the Commanding General, First Air Force, Mitchell Field, N. Y., who will select an officer to make the presentation, since the awards cannot be formally presented to Sgt. Wysokinski will be forwarded to his mother instead, the letter stated.

The second communication received by Mrs. Wysokinski, signed by A. Ullo, major general, the Adjutant General's Office, she was advised that Sgt. Wysokinski was reported missing in action in the vicinity of Bordeaux, France, on Dec. 5, 1943, and since 12 months have elapsed since then, a review and determination of status will be made in his case, and that he is officially reported as dead.

Mrs. Wysokinski has two other sons in the service. Pvt. John Wysokinski, age 20, is serving with the Air Forces in France. He was inducted July 22, 1942, and is now a glider pilot flying with the "Glider Command," Pfc. Ignac Wysokinski, 19, is serving with the infantry for two months in France. He served one year with the infantry in the United States, and was inducted Jan. 21, 1944.

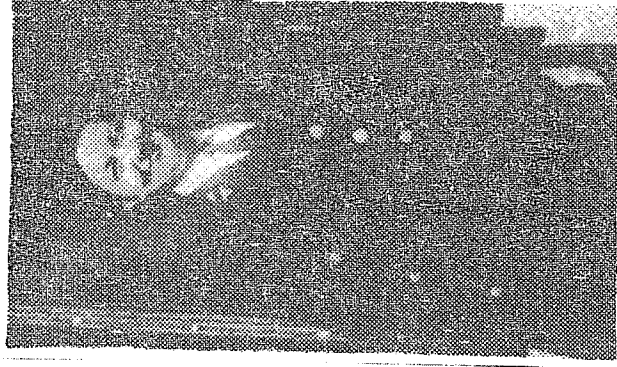
A sister, Mrs. Marie Kubistal, lives at Highland Boulevard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

First Lieutenant Stanley J. Zdun is missing in action over Belgium since December 27th.

Lieut. Zdun was a member of the U. S. Army Air Corps and has been in service seven years. He was 19 when he enlisted right after he graduated from Pittston High School in 1937. He was a member of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish R. C. congregation, Dupont. He has a brother, fireman 1/c John with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific area. Lieut. Zdun has been overseas one year.

Seaman 1/c Edward Joseph Marsh is missing in action following an explosion aboard a warship in the Pacific area, his parents were notified yesterday by the Navy Department.

Dupont Nurse Assists In Returning Wounded



Lt. Della Ritzie . . . aboard
hospital ship

Lt. Della Ritzie, member of the Army Nurse Corps, is stationed aboard a hospital ship which transports wounded soldiers to this country. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ritzie, Center St., Dupont.

A graduate of Pittston High School, Lieutenant Ritzie completed her training for the nursing profession at Scranton State Hospital. She has been in the service several years, having been one of the first nurses in Dupont to enlist.

Two brothers are also in the service. They are: Staff Sergeant Andrew who is in the Philippines, and Corporal Charles, serving with General Mark Clark's Fifth Army in Italy.

LARNERD WITH OUTFIT

THAT KILLED 825 JAPS

From the 24th Infantry (Victory) Division in the Philippines, (delayed) comes the following dispatch: "Sgt. Herbert Larnard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Larnard, Sr., of Lady's road, Dupont; and his buddies in the 1st Battalion of this Victory Division's crack 34th Infantry Regiment have helped write another page in American military history in one of the most bitter offensive actions in the campaign to free the Philippines.

"With their battalion far below strength after 21 days of hard fighting, they drove deep behind the enemy lines, ever breaking muddy mountain trails to seize and hold a ridge to deny the Japanese commanding positions facing our main forces in a crucial valley. They beat off 27 attacks, many by superior enemy forces, some in darkness of night during torrential rains.

"They killed 925 Nips, more than one per man for the battalion."

BROTHERS MEET IN GERMANY

Sergeant Jerome Friend and Captain Arthur Friend, the latter a local physician, brothers, met for the first time in three years in Germany recently, according to word received by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Friend, of Main street, Dupont.

CITATION FOR CORP. WRAZIEN

Dupont Soldier Withheld Information 19 Months

Mrs. Bertha Wrazien of 115 Ziegler street, Dupont, is the recipient of news from her son, Corp. John W. Wrazien in Germany. On Oct. 16th from Germany, he wrote concerning letters from home in which he tells of the many infantry combat badges, bronze stars, silver stars, campaign stars, and even Purple Hearts received by boys in his combat group.

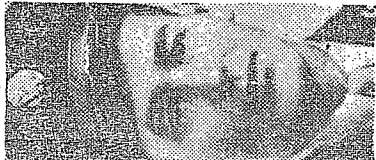
Again on Dec. 20th he wrote from Belgium and refers to the desire of the boys in service to receive letters from home. He laments the fact that such letters don't reach them more often.

A third letter to his mother was dated Dec. 30th and this came from Germany and he describes the method in which his group enjoyed Christmas, with trees and decorations. Corp. Wrazien stated that their Christmas dinner was perfect, saying "We had turkey with all the trimmings and afterwards we gathered in small groups and sang Christmas carols and sat and joked and prayed to God that we would see another Christmas that wasn't spent on foreign soil." He also added, "Better than all celebrations and parties I am happy to say I am in the best of health and I am still hoping to be home to celebrate a real Christmas as it should be celebrated."

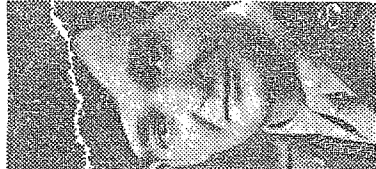
He got a citation for heroic achievement. He withheld this news from his family for 19 months. Mrs. Wrazien, mother of Corp. Wrazien, furnished this newspaper with a copy of his citation for which he received his bronze star decoration. It reads: "John J. Wrazien, technician grade 5, (then Pfc, now a corporal) headquarters company, 16th Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Enna, Sicily, 20-21, July 1943. Courageously crossing exposed terrain under heavy enemy fire, Corp. Wrazien assisted in recovering the body of an officer mortally wounded while on a reconnaissance mission. Corp. Wrazien's heroic action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the service."

In one of his letters mailed recently he stated he has many decorations which "will make my uniform look like a Christmas tree." He was mostly proud of his Presidential Citation, bronze medal and also a French decoration.

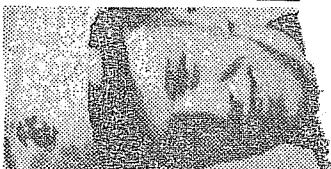
Corp. Wrazien, who is 22, has been overseas 30 months and is now in Germany.



Corp. Peter Stroka Killed



Pvt. Russell W. Johnson Wounded



Dupont Youth Given Honorable Discharge



Tech. Sgt. Orlando R. Costello . . . holds Air Medal

Having served 30 months in the armed forces, 11 of them in New Guinea where he flew 49 combat missions as a radio, ball-turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber. Tech. Sgt. Orlando R. Costello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Costello, 328 Front St., Dupont, is at home with an honorable discharge from the Army.

Recently Captain Bonetti of the U. S. Air Forces, Tobyhanna Military Reservation, presented him with the Air Medal and Oak Leaf cluster at his home. He also wears the Southwest Pacific campaign ribbon with two bronze stars, and the Presidential Unit Citation and the Good Conduct Ribbon. A brother, Lt. Guy S. Costello, of the Infantry, was home recently on convalescent leave. Another brother, Sgt. James Costello, is somewhere in the European war theater.

Dupont Selectees Art At Fort Eustis

This column has received a letter from Walter Posluszny, a member of the last contingent of selectees which left Dupont from Draft Board No. 12 for New Cumberland. He states that ten of the Dupont boys of that group are now at Fort Eustis, Virginia. Those now at Fort Posluszny from this borough are Walter Posluszny, Joseph Ewiaz, Leo Klynowski, Stanley Turkos, Walter Wrazien, Edward Weslowski, Vincent Niemiec, Armond Santilli, Edward Brody, John J. Klimet.

Our Boys in the Service

Mrs. Andrew Slazyk has received a message from her brother, Pvt. Henry Karp stating that he has arrived safely in Australia, and that he spent 26 days in a hospital there. Pvt. Karp is now on the road to recovery, and sends New Year's greetings to his Dupont friends.

Pvt. Henry J. Wanat, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wanat, has been transferred from Camp Pickett, Va., to Fort Benning, Ga., where he is a paratrooper. He also joined the communications course and will study radio.

PFC Edward Wasko, who was stationed in Jacksonville, Fla., has been transferred to San Diego, Calif. S2nd C. Ambrose Laskoski spent a 7-day furlough with his wife and son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wasko.

Pvt. Clement W. Ruda is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington, with the Infantry. He sends an interesting account of ski troops on Mount Rainier.

Pvt. John Bednash sends greetings from Camp Forrest, Tenn., where he is stationed. He spent several days in Nashville, Tenn.

Send-Off Party For Selectees Tonight

Dupont Service Organization will hold its monthly send-off party for the local selectees tonight at the Hose House auditorium, starting at 8 sharp. The nine Dupont selectees from Draft Board No. 12 who will be honored and who will also be presented with gifts are: Stanley E. Fryzel, Peter Golya, Jr., John Chopyak, John J. Harris, John J. Zack, Peter Carroll, Bruno J. Wilk, Frank W. Lisaka, and Albert P. Cocco. The leave for New Cumberland on Wednesday morning.

All service men home on furlough are also invited to tonight's party. Dinner will be prepared by the Mothers' Club of the Community House and served by the Forget-Me-Not Girls Club.

All members of the DSO are invited to hear tonight's program, with Rev. C. H. Kolakowski, pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, as principal speaker, and Pat Roots, secretary of the organization, as toastmaster. The program will open with the national anthem while invocation will be offered by Father Kolakowski.

Others on the program who will give brief talks are: chairman, John Cebula; Burgess Albert Strucke; Councilman Edward Smichowski; School Director Joseph X. Lokuta; Rev. Joseph J. Kardas, Rev. H. D. Laburg; Mrs. Healey, chairman of Ladies' Auxiliary; American Legion Post No. 657; Michael J. Kosik, and D. J. Cocco.

Dupont High School Orchestra will furnish music, while Dino Sabatelli will render accordion selections. The DSO Glee Club will sing "Prase the Lord" and "When the Lights Go On Again." Jackie Karulick will offer a solo, while Rita and Edna Marsh will also offer selections.

Stanley Wolak Is Wounded 2nd Time

Mrs. Mary Wolak, Dupont, was yesterday notified by telegram from the U. S. War Department, that her son, Pvt. Stanley Wolak, was wounded in action Dec. 30th in Germany. A further report states that he had returned to duty on December 12th, after previously reported wounded in action in France on December 3rd.

Pvt. Wolak is 19 years of age, and was inducted into service about a year ago, and has been overseas 6 months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wolak. He was employed in New York before entering service and is a graduate of Dupont High School.

He has two brothers in service, Pvt. George, in France, and Pvt. Walter in New Guinea.

Selectees Leave For Army Service

Hundreds of people lined Bear Creek Road and Main street in Dupont this morning to see the 50 selectees from Draft Board No. 12 with headquarters at the Dupont Community House march to the Laurel Line station on their way to Wilkes-Barre and then on to New Cumberland for United States Army service. The selectees were from Dupont, Duryea, Hughestown, Pits-ton Township and Avoca.

The homes along the line of march displayed the American flag, while the Dupont High School Band added color to the parade. Town officials also were on hand, as well as large delegations from each town.

The boys left the Community House shortly before 9 a. m.

Candidate John Slusarczyk is now attending an officers training school at Camp Davis, North Carolina.

PFC John P. Magda sends greetings from Murco, California.

Sgt. Thomas Hoban, Jr., of Fort Jackson, S. C., sends New Year's greetings. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hoban, Simpson street.

PFC Henry Matys, a brother of Dr. Matys, has arrived safely in Africa.

Pvt. Joseph Andros is stationed "somewhere in Australia."

Seaman Henry Ziantz is stationed at Newport, R. I.

Pvt. Stephen Golya sends greetings from the Technical School, Squadron, Goldsboro, Seymour, Johnson Field, N. C.

Mrs. Guy S. Costello left yesterday for Wisconsin where she will spend an extended visit with her husband, Second Lieutenant Guy S. Costello, who is stationed at Camp McCoy in that state.

Pvt. John Mihalka is spending a furlough at the home of his father, Bert Mihalka.

Private Albert Francis serves as one of the season from Camp Meale, Calif.

Mrs. Mary Olejnik received from her son, Corp. Joseph Olejnik, a large poinsettia plant, his annual Christmas gift. Corp. Olejnik is stationed "somewhere in the Southwest Pacific."

Pvt. Clement H. Ruda sends New Year's greetings from Fort Lewis, Wash.

Lieut. Dr. Harry Ehrenkranz sends greetings of the season from Fort McClellan, Alabama, where he is stationed.

Pvt. Stanley A. Piechota sends holiday greetings from the A. A. F. Delgado Training School, New Orleans, La.

Unheard of in fifteen years, Paul Casper, former Dupont boy, sends greetings from Kearns, Utah, where he is stationed with the U. S. Army. He is a brother of Albert Casper, and the family home is on Lincoln street.

Pvt. Bruno Mylo, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Mylo of 251 Main street, has completed his basic training at Miami Beach, Fla. He has returned to Fort Monmouth, N. J., where he is now stationed on Signal Air Corps duty. He spent the past week-end at the family home here.

Stanley W. Wolak Wounded In Action

Mrs. Mary Wolak, 121 Everhart street, Dupont, yesterday received a telegram from the U. S. War Department that her son, Pvt. Stanley W. Wolak, aged 19, was slightly wounded in action in France on December 3rd.

Pvt. Wolak was inducted into service about a year ago and has been overseas 3 months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wolak. He was employed in New York before induction and is a graduate of Dupont High School. His brother, Pvt. George Wolak, Jr., is stationed in France.

Sgt. John Marancik In The Philippines

Mr. and Mrs. John Marancik have received a letter from their son, Sgt. John Marancik, stating that he has arrived in the Philippines. He was expected home recently but his leave was cancelled. He has been in the Army four years and five months. He also has three brothers and a brother-in-law in service, all overseas. Sgt. Joseph Marancik is in France; Stephen Marancik is man 1/c with the Seabees in the Philippines; Michael Marancik, seaman 2/c, also with the Seabees, is in California; and Spt. Stephen Kudelko, brother-in-law, is a gunner on a Liberator in England. Sgt. John Marancik in his letter pleads for more "letters from his friends back home."

Wounded On Corregidor
Pfc. Joseph C. Dvorchak was wounded on Corregidor on February 22, 1945. He is a graduate of the Pritston High School and a member of St. John's Slovak Church. He is with the 503rd Parachute Infantry, and has been overseas the past 11 months. He has been in service two years.

**Play-by-Play as
Cubs Down Tigers
In Series Opener**

	Year	Age	Sex
1	1980	10	M
2	1980	10	F
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5	1980	10	M
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97	1980	10	M
98	1980	10	F
99	1980	10	M
100	1980	10	F

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