

Bits of News About Our Boys

Dear Sirs:
Well here's that pesky 1-A of yours out where you want him. It's sure a nice ship I'm on. It seems wonderful to be back out to sea again. I just don't know what I've missed staying home so long. I shall assure you that it won't happen again if I can help it. The way I feel now I doubt if I ever will quit going back to sea. They're sure working the devil out of me though. We are getting her all shipshape which I don't think has been done to her yet. Anyway it gives me a good feeling to see the improvements.

I sure hated to leave home but after I got out here I'm not sorry as there couldn't be a freer life. No ration board, no draft board, buying cigarettes at any amount. All the shoes I want. I have no kick at

this life at all. I shipped as maintenance man which was easy doing in San Francisco.
Well I guess I shall hit the hay. I haven't anything to do at night but read and write and smoke my pipe. I thought you might like to know that I'm still kicking and not to forget me, which I know you won't, Ha! Ha!
Well so long and I'll see you when I get home again.
Sincerely,
JOHN W. WOLFE
SS Monarch of the Seas, Waterman S S Co., %P. M.

Jack Sidden, navy, was home on a 30 day leave and enjoyed Christmas with his family and friends. He has been in the South Pacific for over a year on a mine sweeper, and took part in the first landing of men in the Philippine Islands. Bill Sidden was also home. He is stationed in the U. S. Don is expected home after the new year.

Expresses Thanks

The Camp and Hospital Council through Mrs. Griffith want to thank all who helped so generously to carry on the Christmas work.
The Council has again gone over the top and has made delivery of 475 boxes as Christmas gifts for the boys in the armed service. 225 boxes were delivered to be placed on board ships 250 boxes were packed under supervision of the Red Cross by the American Legion Auxiliary and the Lions club auxiliary donations were taken to the navy hospital in Astoria.
Groups from high schools, Camp Fire helped gather nuts and wrapped articles individually.

License Needed

Operators of motor vehicles using fuels other than gasoline are required to have 1945 vehicle emblems on their cars after January 1. Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr. announced today. Emblems may be obtained from the state department at Salem.

Fligge Receives Air Medal

An Eighth Air Force Liberator Station: England—Second Lieutenant Sterling Grey Fligge, route three box 14, Beaverton, Oregon, co-pilot on a B-24 Liberator has received the Air Medal for his meritorious achievement in combat over Europe, Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner, Com. Gen., Second Heavy Bombardment Division announced.

The citation reads: "For exceptionally meritorious achievement, while participating in bomber combat mission over enemy occupied Continental Europe. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by this man on these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

On the 392nd leg are missions to Berlin, Friedrichshaven, Gotha, Bremen, Politz, and other targets in Germany, Poland, Belgium, Holland, Norway and France. Its 100th mission was made on D-Day in support of the initial landings in France.

Since then the bombers of the 392nd have made many missions in close support of the ground troops.
Lieutenant Fligge attended Renton High School, Renton, Wash., and the University of Washington. He was commissioned in February, 1944. His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Fligge, lives at the same address. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Fligge, live at 416 Whitworth St., Renton, Wash.

Roche Jr. Awarded Medal

Marana Army Air Field, Tucson, Arizona, Capt. Jack J. Roche, jr., 26, of Redwood City, Calif., has been awarded the Air Medal at Marana Arizona, Army Air Field for "exceptional professional achievement" during more than 1,000 hours of instructional flights with aviation cadets.

Captain Roche, whose father, Jern J. Roche, sr., resides at Beaverton, Ore., was commissioned a second lieutenant pilot Jan. 9, 1942, after completing cadet training. He is

at Marana, largest basic flying school an assistant flying group commander of the Western Flying Training Command.

Captain Roche arrived at Marana Oct. 20, 1942, three weeks after basic pilot training was inaugurated at the desert airbase. He resides with his wife at Tucson, Arizona.

He was cited for "extraordinary achievement while participating in flights totaling more than 1,000 hours in actual instruction of student pilots of the Army Air Forces, by (his) exhibition of exceptional professional skill, courage, endurance and diligent attention to duty, contributed notably to the war effort. How well instructors like Captain Roche have done their work is best attested by our world-wide aerial supremacy and the fact our losses have been so far under expectations that, as General Arnold said recently our reservoir of pilots is filled to the brim.

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