

Lt. King Awarded Aid Medal

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Falmouth Flyer Earns Three Oak Leaf Clusters to Add to Medal for Meritorious Work in North Africa

First Lieutenant Daniel W. King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ona M. King of Falmouth vicinity, a pilot with the "Avengers," a medium bombardment group in Sicily, has been awarded the Aid Medal for meritorious service in flying bombing raids against the Axis, according to announcement from the Northwest African Air Force headquarters.

The announcement added that Lieutenant King, by flying on subsequent bombing missions, has qualified for three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal.

Helped Smash Tunis

Making their first appearance in combat in the final violent days of the Tunisian campaign, the "Avengers" operated in close support of the British eighth army and helped them to smash into Tunis. Later they joined in the devastating attack on Pantellaria and were an important factor in the final reduction of that vital Italian fortress in the Mediterranean.

Against the Axis in Sicily, the "Avengers," commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Adolph E. Tokaz of Walpole, Massachusetts, dropped an impressive tonnage of bombs and turned in some of the finest precision bombing performances of the campaign against vital airdromes, harbors, supply points and communication lines.