

*Captain William E.*

*Pictor Awarded*

*the Air Medal*

9/30/44

Captain William E. Pictor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pictor of Sainte Marie, was recently awarded the Air medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight. He is a P-39 Airacobra fighter pilot with the Fifth Air Force in New Guinea.

A graduate of the University of Illinois and Eastern Illinois State Teachers' college, Captain Pictor enlisted in the Air Forces and was transferred overseas after completion of his flight training. For participation in the Papuan and New Guinea campaigns, he has been awarded two Presidential citations.

He was the first pilot from Jasper county to complete his training and be commissioned after Pearl Harbor.

Captain Pictor makes his home with his wife, Mrs. Eileen Pictor, at 146 Abbot street, Salinas, California.

#### **Awarded Air Medal**

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Cunefare of Gila have word from their sons, Freeman and Noel Cunefare, that they have recently received promotions. Freeman, who is with the Military Police at Fort Sheridan, has been promoted to staff sergeant.

Noel has been promoted to first lieutenant. He is a Flying Fortress pilot, stationed in England and has also been awarded the Air Medal.

#### **Slightly Wounded**

Mr. and Mrs. John Catt of near Willow Hill received a telegram from the War Department, Tuesday, stating that their son, Sergeant John Robert Catt, had been slightly wounded in the North Burma sector.