

# PEARL KLIER SAW PRINCETON GO DOWN

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NAVAL BATTLE

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Pearl Klier is home from the Pacific war theatre for a furlough of several days to be spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Klier, west of Newton.

Pearl has been serving with the Navy in some of the major engagements against the Japanese in the Pacific. The last of these encounters was off the Philippine Islands when the Jap fleet attempted to force the Americans from their landings on Leyte.

The Newton boy was on the ship that tried to save the aircraft carrier Princeton when it was struck by the bombs from Jap land based planes. His ship was standing alongside the Princeton helping to fight the flames that were enveloping it when the order came for its men to abandon ship. Pearl's ship moved away as danger of the explosion that came a few moments later put it in peril, and then helped in picking up the survivors that came from the sinking Princeton.

The November 13 issue of Life magazine carries a large picture that shows the Princeton and the ship on which Pearl was serving taken just before the Princeton went down.