



With the Colors *Aug. 10, '45*

Staff Sergeant Earl D. Miller of Yale has arrived in the States after having been with the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy the past seven months. He was a nose turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber.

He has completed twenty-five missions and was wounded on April 25 while over Lutz, Austria.

He wears the Air and Good Conduct medals and European Theatre ribbon with five battle stars. The bomber with its crew of ten men and five passengers left Gola, Italy, flew to Sicily, thence to Africa. When two and one-half hours out over the ocean from Marrakep, Morocco they had engine trouble and turned back to the nearest Base at Casablanca. After a week's delay they got the engine repaired and headed out over the Atlantic again for the Azores islands.

Here they were delayed two days by weather conditions, but started again and after another long hop landed in Newfoundland. After two days waiting for fairer weather they again started, but when about an hour out, they developed electrical trouble and turned back, where the fire trucks and crash trucks were waiting down below for them. The pilot made a safe landing.

They were all glad to be back in their home land. After spending thirty days furlough with home folks, Sergeant Miller will report at Santa Ana, California, for another assignment.

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Motor Machinist's Mate First Class and Mrs. Gordon Blade are the proud parents of a little son, born August 6 at St. Anthony's hospital, Effingham. The little fellow was named Clark Edward. Mrs. Blade is the former Ruth Clark and Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Blade of Hidalgo and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark of Newton are grand-parents, and Mrs. Rena Johnson and Mrs. Ella Clark of Newton are great grand-parents.

Mr. Blade is serving aboard an LCS somewhere in the Pacific.

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Edward R. Foltz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Foltz of Newton, recently graduated from the Aviation Electrician's Mate school at Jacksonville, Florida, and was promoted to seaman first class (AEM) in the United States Navy.

Entering the Navy, April 1, 1943, he received his recruit training and later was transferred to the Naval Air Technical Training Center at Jacksonville. He will probably see service with a Naval air unit.

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Corporal and Mrs. Harlan Seesengood and Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Reese and daughter Margaret Ann of Newton left Thursday for Chicago for a visit. Corporal Seesengood will go from there to an air base in Nebraska, where he will join a B-29 bomber crew for final training before going overseas. He is an aerial gunner and recently completed his training in Florida.

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Sergeant Glenn W. Stanley has received a discharge from the Army. He served about a year overseas in the Pacific area, participating in the Bougainville, Leyte and Luzon campaigns and wore the Asiatic-Pacific

Theatre ribbon with three battle stars and the Philippine Liberation ribbon with two battle stars.

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Sergeant Robert Clark, a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Clark of Newton, is expected home after his arrival in the United States, after a flight across the Atlantic ocean to Natal, Brazil, and thence to Miami, Florida. He has been overseas.

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Private Ivan George of Springfield is visiting his mother, Mrs. Charles Kerner, and his grand-father, T. F. George of Bogota. He is stationed at the Naval hospital at Farragut, Idaho.

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First Lieutenant John S. Wright arrived at Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia, Tuesday, after two years overseas in England, North Africa and Italy.

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James Doerr, a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Doerr of Newton, made the honor roll at Alma college, Alma, Michigan, last semester. He is in a Naval unit there.

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Private Herbert Mattingly has returned to Camp Maxey, Texas, after a ten day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mattingly of Boos vicinity.