

# PVT. PIERCEFIELD HAS NARROW ESCAPE

NEWTON SOLDIER HAS THRILLING  
EXPERIENCE IN ITALY

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WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—  
Shortly after Private Lawrence M. Piercefield, 27, of Newton, Illinois, left his foxhole on the Fifth Army front in Italy recently, a large caliber enemy artillery shell burst and half filled it with dirt and shell fragments.

Piercefield fights with the 91st "Powder River" Division. He said the shell had landed just five feet from the hole.

Piercefield has a brother, fighting in France. His wife, Mrs. Lilly May Piercefield lives at 607 West Water street, Newton. They have four children.