



With the *May, 15, 1945* Colors

Corporal Bill Bickers sends this poem, clipped from the Ninety-fifth Infantry division Journal, in Germany:

From H.L.T., with his winning smile,
To the lowest buck in the rank and file,

We are proud of the work which we
have done,

Of the battle fought and the victories won.

The road to Metz was a little rough,
And the Moselle river was plenty tough;

Now Altforweiler was no kid's game,
And of Saarlauten we can say the same.

Lisdorf next—and then the Saar;
This was the worst, I'd say, by far,
Until we hit the other side,

Where many fell—where many died.
Back to France for a needed rest,

Then Fraykayterb—the acid test;
But we came through, and not too badly,

And rested again very gladly.

We then hit Belgium—Holland, too,
Though we didn't have too much to do;

But the time was coming—bet your life,

When we were due for a lot of strife.
Up to Krefeld but not for long,

Into Gladbach—resistance "strong;"
Rheinhausen fell, and we drew praise

For taking the area in just four days.
Across the Rhine, which we dreaded

so,

Without a shot, and on we go;

On to Lolsberg—attack each day,

We remembered there what it meant
to pray.

Hostedde, Derne and Dortmund fell;
It wasn't fun—it was living hell;

But our record still remained on top,
And you can bet it will never drop.

So I come to the end of this little
story,

Not seeking praise nor asking glory;
It's just to show why I'll ever be

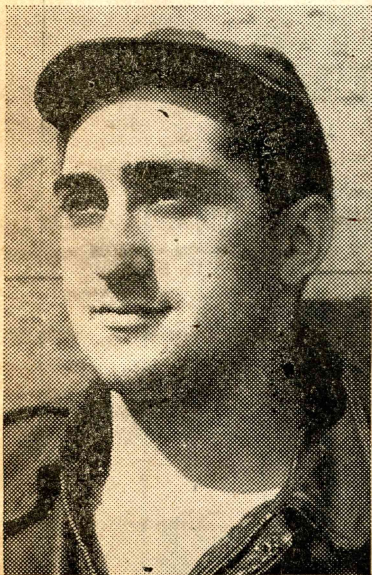
Proud to wear the old 9-V

Patch of a unit hurrying Hitler's
decision,

Symbol of the Ninety-fifth Victory
division.

—Staff Sergeant Raymond J.
Bressler, Company M, 378th
Infantry.

Staff Sergeant Marion E. Crouse, 20, of Newton, Illinois, who is returning home on leave after sustained combat operations in the European Theatre. He is an aerial gun-



ner in A-20 Havocs of the 410th Light Bombardment group in France.

Sergeant Crouse holds the Air Medal with twelve Oak Leaf clusters for aerial achievement.

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Raymond Earl Hazelton of Newton, was graduated from recruit training, Saturday, May 12, as honor man of his company at the United States Naval Training Center at Great Lakes and is now on leave.

Hazelton was elected a candidate by fellow bluejackets and selected as honor man by his company commander on the basis of military aptitude and progress. He has been recommended to attend Storekeeper's school for further training.

Prior to joining the Navy he was employed as a store manager for the National Supply Company at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

He is spending his leave with his wife and children in Weleetka, Oklahoma, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hazelton of Newton.

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Charles R. Lewis has been transferred from the Frederick Army Air field in Oklahoma to San Antonio, Texas, where he will take his pre-flight training. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E Lewis of Wheeler.

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Sergeant Paul Rubsam is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Frank P. Rubsam of Newton. He is still on crutches from a shrapnel wound last summer in France, but will undergo another operation when he returns to the hospital. This, it is believed, will restore the use of his leg.

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Private First Class Robert Jones, United States Marine Corps, is home on a furlough from the Southwest Pacific, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Jones of East Newton. He spent two years overseas and wears three battle stars on his campaign ribbons.

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Sergeant Nelson Catt, who is in Italy with the Fifth army, sent his mother, Mrs. John Catt, a cablegram for Mother's day. He has been overseas for two years.

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L. E. Salyers has received a letter from Delbert Salyers that he is now at Vaughn hospital at Hines, and will be home soon. He has been in a hospital in England.

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Corporal Roscoe Bunton is here on a furlough from Columbia, South Carolina, where he is stationed with a Coast Artillery battalion.

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Private and Mrs. Floyd D. Chestnut are here from Texas on furlough. Floyd is being transferred to the Pacific area.