

SGT. JOHN WELKER IN ADVANCED TRAINING

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**NEWTON AIRMAN TRAINS WITH
SOLDIERS OF ALLIED COUNTRIES**

An Air Service Command Depot, England — M-Sgt. John E. Welker, son of Mrs. Mabel Welker of Newton, Ill., is taking advanced technical training with soldiers from all the United Nations.

He is now taking intensive refresher courses in aircraft maintenance at this great repair and modification depot of the Air Service Command in England.

Training with him are soldiers in the uniforms of England, France, Holland, Czechoslovakia, Australia, Canada, America and other Allies.

They live and work together, learning to service battle planes now swarming over the continent. When they finish specialized training under the Air Service Command they'll be ready to rejoin fighting Air Force units at advanced bases in Europe.

Sgt. Welker has been decorated with the Bronze Star and his Command has been awarded the Presidential citation.