

### SHELL VICTOR IN 'ARGUMENT'

—Says Seattle Vet

Lieut. Thomas J. Isaac, "had an argument with a 105-millimeter shell during the German campaign" on October 2, and that is the reason for the cast which he wears on his upper right arm during his ten-day leave at home in Seattle.

"You always lose when you argue with a shell," the young Infantry officer said last night, while visiting at the home of some friends.

Lieut. THOMAS J. ISAAC

Lieutenant Isaac, who has been wounded twice during his 22 months overseas and has won the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge, was among the group of enlisted men and officers who received an unexpected holiday gift of a return trip home.

Isaac walked unannounced into his mother's home, 534 15th Ave. N., wearing an individualistic modification of a "Dr. Fu Manchu" mustache.

"Swell to Be Home"

"My aunt and mother just stared at me for a minute before they said anything at all," Isaac said. "I think they didn't recognize me at first with my mustache. But it's swell to be home. I am enjoying myself very much, because I particularly like Seattle.

"The food is wonderful. After you eat the same three meals for months and months it isn't very palatable. I think I enjoy the good fresh milk better than anything else."

Lieutenant Isaac's arrival was a real thrill for his mother, Mrs. Laurel Lee Isaac. Only a few days before his arrival she had word from the War Department that her other son, William Bruce Isaac, had been killed in action in Germany. The boys' father died as a result of wounds received in the First World War, in which he served 11 months in France with the 88th Division.

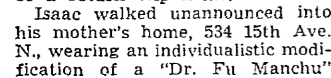
**Wounded in Italy**

Lieutenant Isaac's upper arm was shattered when he was hit while serving as battalion intelligence officer. He previously had been wounded in October of 1943, near the Voltorno River in Italy.

"I wasn't hurt badly, though," Isaac said. "I had my face and neck sprayed, but we kept right on going. You don't stop for things like that."

The lieutenant received the Purple Heart for that wound, and wears six campaign stars, including one each for Tunisia and Sicily and two each for Italy and France. He will report at Barnes Hospital in Vancouver, Wash., Wednesday for further treatment.

Four thousand workers are now employed in Palestine's youngest industry, diamond cutting.



### Chinese Girl, Taken for Jap, Embarrassed

Concern with "any possible untoward incidents because of mistaken identity," in connection with the return of Japanese to the Pacific Northwest, was expressed last night by Dr. Kiang Yi-seng, Chinese consul, after a report that a Chinese girl had been embarrassed on a suburban bus by being mistaken for a Japanese.

The girl, Valeen Pon, University of Washington co-ed, reported that twice in the past week she had been asked by bus drivers to show proof of her identity when boarding a bus to ride from Orting to Puyallup.

On one occasion, when she and her roommate, Phyllis Aust, with whose parents she spent the holidays in Orting, boarded the bus, she heard shipyard workers murmur: "I'd rather lose a day's pay than ride on the same bus with a Jap."

Then four or five men stalked off the bus, and she realized it was she they had been talking about.

The bus driver, she said, asked that she take the next bus, then asked for identification. Embarrassed, the two girls left the bus, they reported.

"I found the excitement interesting," she said, "but I was just a little concerned about anything of that sort growing, so I reported it to the Chinese consul."

The couple's parents were born in China and now are British subjects at Wainwright, Alta. She was born in Canada.

"We are no more happy when we are mistaken for Japanese than American people should be when they are mistaken for Nazi Germans," the consul added.

## WAR CASUALTIES 2,831 WOUNDED, 27 FROM STATE



The names of 2,831 soldiers wounded in action in the European and Central Pacific areas were announced today by the War Department, the Associated Press reported. Eight of the men are from Seattle and 19 others from Washington State.

From Seattle are Sergt. James P. Adams, son of Mrs. Mattie J. Adams, 603 Third Ave.; 2nd Lieut. Alter L. Goodwin, husband of Mrs. Ovilia Goodwin, 4112 Linden Ave.; Staff Sergt. Norman N. Nelson, brother of Miss Mable H. Nelson, 9918 Fourth Ave. S. W.; Sergt. Richard R. Olsen, husband of Mrs. Celia P. Olsen, 7324 Earl Ave.; Lieut. Leonard C. Orton, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Orton, 2535 First Ave. W.

Pvt. Walter G. Summers, husband of Mrs. Marian M. Summers, 2209 44th Ave. S. W.; 2nd Lieut. Philip J. Sebek, husband of Mrs. Esther T. Sebek, 1400 Boren Ave., and Pvt. John W. Williams, husband of Mrs. Karen E. Williams, 1415 E. John St. All of the Seattle men were serving in the European area when wounded.

Lieutenant Sebek is the father of a baby girl whom he never has seen. Sharon Lee was born to Mrs. Sebek last March 11. Her father is a bomber pilot serving in the European area. He took his multi-engine bomber training at Hobbs Field, N. M.

This is the second time in 1944 that Sergeant Olsen has been reported wounded in action. His name first appeared on the May 23rd list. Formerly of Foster, he has served overseas more than two years.

From Washington State, all wounded, are:

Quilets, Jefferson County—Pfc. Alvin R. Ackerman, European area.

Kent—Pvt. Bernard W. Becker, European area.

Olympia—Pvt. Raymond B. Bradshaw, European area.

Bremerton—Pfc. Robert R. Chase, and Lieut. Frank B. Thornton, both European area.

Kennewick, Benton County—Pvt. Glen E. Cox, European area.

Tacoma—Lieut. Robert P. Cushman, Pfc. Donald L. Gappa and Pfc. Walter Heaton, European area, and Pvt. Lloyd C. Landry, Central Pacific area.

Camas, Clark County—Sergt. Edward C. Horne, European area.

Wenatchee—Pfc. Louise E. Kill, European area.

Vancouver—Ronald D. Morrison, technician, fourth grade, European area.

Tekoa, Whitman County—Pfc. Wendell L. Nilsson, European area.

Aberdeen—Staff Sergt. Maynard E. Watson, European area; Corp. Edward W. Holey, Central Pacific.

Sedro Woolley—Staff Sergt. Frank D. Welch, European area.

Yakima—Pvt. Wendell W. Wheeler, European area.

Mount Vernon—Pvt. Theodore R. Nelson, Central Pacific.

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### 10 Washington Army Officers Win Promotion

Two Seattle men were included in a list of temporary promotions announced today by the War Department, the United Press reported.

Walter Glenn Smith, 1628 45th Ave. S. W., was promoted to captain, and Jack Orren Claypoole, 7331 Eighth Ave. N. W., was advanced from second lieutenant to first lieutenant.

Others from Washington State are:

First lieutenant to captain:  
Burley, Kitsap County—Frederic Willis Lundh.  
Goodnoe Hills, Klickitat County—Robert Graden Imria.  
Pullman—Russell Ross Clear.  
Valleyford, Spokane County—Joel Dixon Thorvaldson.  
Second lieutenant to first lieutenant:  
Bothell—Charles Richard Anderson.  
Kolo—Dewey Arthur Walshead.  
Rocklyn, Lincoln County—Clifford Edward Oligier.  
Spokane—Leonard Williams Haskins.  
Ordered to active duty were:  
Lynden, Whatcom County—Herbert Adrian Ambrosius, second lieutenant.  
Vancouver—Charles Clayton Stecher, second lieutenant.

### Navy Needs Men— See What It Missed

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Lieut. William E. McGonigle, 24 years old, likes to take his chest full of medals past the Navy recruiting office here so the sailors' service can see what it missed.

Home from 66 missions in Africa, Italy and the China-India-Burma theatre, the much decorated Army airman recalls that four years ago when he tried to get in the Navy he was told:

"You had better go home, son. The Navy needs men."

Heater Fires Crib, Child Dies

WALLACE, Idaho, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Arlita Louise Mahoney, 3-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mahoney of Big Creek, was burned to death yesterday when an electric inhaler used to treat her bronchitis set fire to blankets on the crib, firemen reported.

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