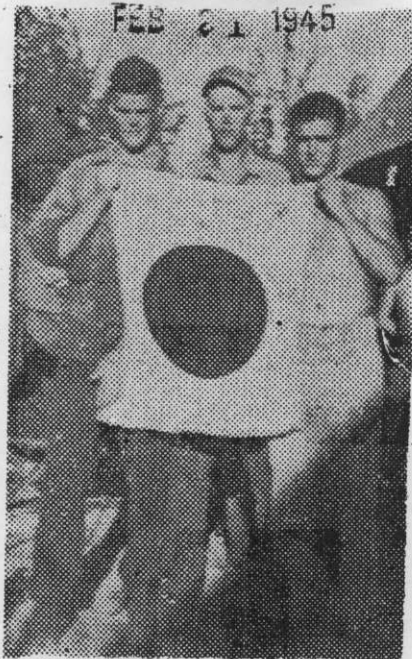


Stauffer, Bob

Merit Awards



These three Bethlehem lads are in an Amphibian Tractor Unit which has been recently awarded the Navy-Marine Presidential Unit Citation for "meritorious and untiring work done in landing the first assault troops on enemy held shores of Saipan and Tinian." Left to right are Corporals Bob Stauffer, assistant driver and radio operator; Francis Blanner, driver, and Daniel Facchiano, a repairman. Corporals Facchiano and Stauffer who in former years stood side by side while attending public school and who graduated from Bethlehem High School, class of '42, are now standing side by side fighting our Nipponese enemy.

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