

Arnold, Gerald

Nazareth Sailor, Enroute Home For Wedding, Misses Ride On Ill-Fated Plane; Buddies Killed

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Fate intervened and saved a Nazareth sailor from death or serious injury as he was rounding the last lap of his journey home after serving twenty-two months in the South Pacific area. Gerald Arnold, Storekeeper 3-c, U. S. Navy, was scheduled to board a TWA passenger plane at San Francisco to make the trip to New York, but fortunately for him, missed the plane by twenty minutes. The plane crashed in a heavy fog last Friday in the San Fernando Valley. Two of his buddies were killed in the accident.

Today is his wedding day. At eleven o'clock this morning in St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Nazareth, Miss Valeria

Arndt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Arndt, 151 South Broad Street, Nazareth, and Gerald Arnold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Arnold, 49 Whitefield Street, Nazareth, were united in marriage by Rev. Walter H. Diehl, pastor of St. John's. The couple was attended by Miss LaRue Arndt, a sister of the bride, and Gordon Arnold, brother of the bridegroom, of Nazareth. The wedding was attended by members of the immediate families.

The bride wore a winter white wool suit with black accessories and a corsage of white roses and bouvardia. Her sister, Miss LaRue Arndt, wore a blue street length dress with brown accessories and a corsage of pink and yellow talisman roses. The church was beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums and greens.

The bride is a graduate of Nazareth High School, class of 1940, and is employed by the Nazareth Waist Company.

The bridegroom is also a graduate of Nazareth High School and prior to entering the service was employ-

ed at the Madesco Block and Packle Corp., at Wilson Borough. He entered the Navy in September, 1942 and received his boot training at Newport, R. I. He has three service stripes and four stars, signifying that he was in four major engagements.

Following the wedding ceremony the bridal couple and members of the immediate families enjoyed a dinner at the Fairgrounds Hotel Lower Main Street, Nazareth. The couple left on a wedding trip to New York City where they will spend several days.

After the completion of his twenty-one day leave, Mr. Arnold will report to San Francisco, Cal., for further orders.

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