

Kline, John
Fred

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Jolly Roger Pilot



MAJOR JOHN KLINE
... death to Japs

Major Kline Took Part in 67 Missions

Pilot In Crew
Of Famed
"Jolly" Roger Group

FIFTH AIR FORCE, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Major John Kline, of Bethlehem, Pa., has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters for participation in aerial action in the Southwest Pacific. He expects to return to the United States soon.

He is the son of former Councilman and Mrs. Fred Kline, of R. D. 3, Lehigh, Pa.

The Major is a pilot in the crew of a Liberator bomber operated by the "Jolly Roger" heavy bomber group. This unit is a part of the Fifth Air Force.

Major Kline regards the raid on Hollandia as the most exciting of the 67 combat missions in which he has participated. Japanese ack ack was heavy, Zeros attacked the formation but the mission was very successful since 230 enemy planes were destroyed on the ground.

His brother, Sergeant Fred P. Kline, is serving with the armed forces in Newfoundland.

The Major is a graduate of the Juillard School of Music, New York City, and Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa.

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