

Heller, Harry K.

## NAVAL SURGEON OFF TO REJOIN HIS SHIP

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Lieut. H. K. Heller, Casablanca  
Veteran, Visited His  
Mother Here.

Lieut. Harry K. Heller, surgeon on one of the first ships to arrive at Casablanca, Africa, who survived terrific enemy attacks, will leave Friday for renewed service after a short leave in which he is visiting his mother, Mrs. Florence Knecht Heller, 503 Center Street, this city.

Lieutenant Heller's ship is in port on the eastern seaboard for repairs. Heller witnessed the sinking of four ships and destruction by fire of another, all of which comprised the division in which the Bethlehem native was attached.

He was awarded a citation by the U. S. Navy after returning from the North African front for "demonstrating a devotion to duty and untiring effort over a period of days, during which time this vessel worked unceasingly, under constant exposure to enemy submarine attack, enemy bombing and strafing attacks."

A son of the late Austin D. Heller, well-known physician of Bethlehem and Hellertown, and Mrs. Heller, Lieutenant Heller attended Bethlehem High School and spent two years at Phillips Preparatory Academy, Andover, Mass.

He graduated from Yale University in 1937, where he pursued a pre-medical course, and Harvard Medical School in 1941. He served a year's internship at Geisinger Medical Hospital, Danville.

While at Yale he was a member of the football and baseball squads. A brother, Howard K., who graduated from Princeton University, is editor of Pathe News in New York City.

At the completion of his leave, Lieutenant Heller will again go into active service.

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