

Siegfried, John H.

## Gets Purple Heart

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John H. Siegfried, boatswain's mate second class, 263 West Greenwich Street, recently received the Purple Heart Medal for injuries received in action against the enemy during the amphibious operation against the coast of southern France, in August.

Siegfried was coxswain of a minesweeping craft which was conducting a sweep in the face of heavy enemy gun fire in the assault area. Although he was hit in the neck by a sharpnel burst, he continued sweeping to the specified point. Only then did he give in, and permit himself to be removed to a submarine chaser, from where he was in turn transferred to a transport for medical treatment.

Siegfried returned to duty September 15, and rejoined his unit, continuing his sweeping duties.

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