

Karpelenia, Helene E.

Local Nurse Gets Navy Promotion

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Helene E. Karpelenia, U. S. Navy nurse, who served many months' duty in the South Pacific, has been promoted to senior grade lieutenant in the United States Navy Nurse Corps, at the Third Naval District Medical Office in New York.

Lieut. Karpelenia enrolled in the College of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania following her graduation from Bethlehem High School and graduated from the institution in 1939. Before enlisting in the Navy Nurse Corps she was head nurse in pediatrics at the University Hospital.

She served 18 months in a hospital on the Hawaiian Islands, ministering to the wounded Marines and tars who participated in the battles of the Solomons, Midway, Tarawa, Gilbert Islands and Pearl



LT. (sg) KARPELENIA

Harbor. Lieut. Karpelenia returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wasil Karpelenia, 1465 East Sixth Street, in January, 1944.

A talented lyric soprano, Lieut. Karpelenia participated in many bond rallies while at Pearl Harbor, and recently sang with the San Francisco Opera Company.

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