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Roseto Soldier Unhurt in Six Major Battles

Taking part in more than half a dozen battles, including the invasion of North Africa, and Italy and escaping without a scratch has been the experience of Daniel Casciano, a native of Roseto and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Casciano, who now reside in Bangor.

He was recently promoted to the rank of corporal in Company C, 213th Reigment, Seacoast Artillery (Anti-Aircraft). He is a nephew of Thomas La Penna, 1218 Delaware Avenue, Fountain Hill, leader of the American Legion Band and of Mrs. Michael Impietro, 432 Vine Street, with whom he made his home while employed by the Reading Company before entering the service.



DANIEL CASCIANO

In a letter to his parents some time ago, a copy of which is in the hands of Mr. LaPenna, Corporal Casciano, 24 years old, gives a vivid account of his visit to the town of Roseto, Italy, where his forebears reside. It gave him a great thrill in being able to meet and talk with his paternal grandfather and brothers and sisters of his father and the La Pennas on his mother's side, relatives he had never seen before.

In the latter part of 1940 Corporal Casciano was inducted with his company into the regular army and sent to Indiantown Gap for training with Colonel L. C. Atwood, former business manager of the Globe-Times, then captain, in command. The company was next sent to Fort Dix, N. J., before being sent to Casablanca, Africa, in November, 1942.

His company took part in the Algerian and Tunisian invasions and the engagements at Bizerte, and in the conquering of the beachhead at Salerno, Italy, as well as the port of Naples. At Foggia his company took part in the taking of 50 airports from the enemy.

While at Foggia, he visited his parents' relatives at Roseto, beginning on New Year's Day, 1944. He returned by airplane to his home base at Cassino.

The worst fighting, in his opinion, took place at Salerno during four days and four nights when he was driving a mobile anti-aircraft truck.

In his earlier years an amateur boxer, he took part in the Globe-Times boxing tournament, which Colonel Atwood directed at the time. He reached the finals but was defeated by Johnny Rivers, of Quaker-town, who lost his life at the battle of Guadalcanal. Later Casciano took part in fistic bouts in New York City.

He is unmarried. He has two brothers with the armed forces, Corporal Joseph Casciano, who entered the service in 1942 and is now in the quartermaster corps at New Guinea, and Philip Casciano, seaman first class, in the U. S. Navy who entered service in 1943 and is now somewhere in the South Pacific.

Corporal Casciano has three other brothers and two sisters at home with his parents.

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