

Gross Jr., Robert R.

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Police Sergeant Robert R. Gross was a happy mortal today. He received several letters from his son, Robert R. Jr., a member of Uncle Sam's Navy, the first in a long time. In one of the missives he informs his Dad that he has been advanced to the rank of Machinist's Mate Third Class.

He has spent the past 16 months in the South Pacific theater of operations and participated in the invasion of the Philippine Islands and Leyte Gulf. He also stated that he saw some action in other theatres but did not comment on it.

A former employe of the No. 4 Machine Shop at the local plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, he enlisted on March 17, 1943, received his boot training at Sampson, N. Y., and was subsequently transferred to the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He is a graduate of Bethlehem Technical High School.

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