## Pfc. Merle Bauer, Nazareth, Receives Citation, Award

Pfc. Merle D. Bauer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bauer, East Lawn, Nazareth, who was wounded in action on Leyte, was awarded a citation and the Purple Heart, which he forwarded to his parents for safekeeping. Pfc. Bauer was shot in the foot by a Jap sniper in Leyte October 29, 1944. He is now in a replacement depot in New Guinea for reclassification.



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Pfc. Bauer entered the U. S. Army
September 14, 1943, and received
basic training at Fort McClellan,
Ala. Following a short furlough, he
was sent to the Pacific area in February, 1944. The young infantryman has seen action .t Oahu, Maui,
Marshalls and Admiralty Islands,
Philippines and New Guinea.

He is a graduate of Nazareth
High School, class of 1942. Prior
to entering the service, he was employed as a welder by Tippett and
Wood, Phillipsburg, N. J.