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Pfc. William Mackarevitz Arrives in Manila

MANILA, P. I.—Pfc. William B. Mackarevitz, son of Mrs. Harvey Mackarevitz, 102 Grube Court, Bethlehem, was among the group of men that debarked in this Pacific port on October 23. His first assignment on the islands was to the 24th Replacement Depot located in Pampanga Province, 60 miles north of Manila on the island of Luzon.

It was here, while awaiting an assignment to one of Gen. MacArthur's occupation forces, that he reenlisted in the regular army for a period of three years under the provisions of the "Voluntary Reenlistment Act of 1945." Because he reenlisted for this length of time, he was given his choice of branch and theater. He chose Europe and the Engineers respectively. He will be given a 30-day furlough in the United States before he starts his tour in Europe.

Pfc. Mackarevitz was inducted into the Army at New Cumberland, and trained with the engineers at Fort Belvoir, Va. It was here that he received his orders to report to the west coast and prepare himself for the journey that was to end in the Philippines.

The military award that he is entitled to wear is the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon.