

Van Gordon, Stanley

Keeping 'Em A-1



AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England—As an airplane mechanic on a B-17 Flying Fortress, Private First Class Stanley Van Gordon, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Van Gordon, Upper Broadway Wind Gap, Pennsylvania, is responsible for keeping the heavy bombers in A-1 condition for the many bombing assaults made on Nazi communication and supply lines located near the battle line in Germany. Above, Pfc. Van Gordon, a member of the 398th heavy bombardment group commanded by Lt. Col. Lewis P. Ensign, El Paso, Texas, is seen at work overhauling one of the engines on his plane. He received his training at Amarillo, Texas, and Seattle, Wash. He is a graduate of Pen Argyl High School, Pen Argyl, Pa. Before entering the Army August 6, 1942, he was employed by Bangor Mills, Bangor, Pa. His wife, Mrs. Catherine Reif Van Gordon, is from Bethlehem, Pa.

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