

Thomas, Stanley



TWO REASONS WHY UNCLE SAM'S HEAVY HAND IS FELT BY AXIS—Ensign Stanley Thomas, of Bethlehem R. D. 2, waits for orders to discharge depth bomb as Gunners Mate C. E. Osborne, of Seligman, Mo., mans 20-mm. gun while on duty somewhere at sea. Ensign Thomas, a former teacher in the Hazleton Junior High School and at present on leave from his duties there, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Thomas, who moved to this city in July of 1941. He entered the Navy through the training ship Prairie State at New York City, later spent four months at Newport and was another four months in torpedo training school. He was assigned to sea duty on May 18 of this year. He is a graduate of the Hazleton High School and of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., class of 1938, and played basketball on the varsity teams of both schools. He is a member of the Methodist Church of his home town. His mother said this morning that she had had a letter from him Monday in which he reports his health and spirits good and says he is looking forward to more action. By an odd coincidence, there is another Stanley Thomas in this city, Dr. Stanley Thomas, of Lehigh University, and several mix-ups in mail have occurred, among them the receipt by Dr. Thomas of uniforms addressed to the young ensign. 7-23-1942.

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