W. G. Willmann Promoted to Captain at 22

Willmann, William Godfrey

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Word of the promotion of William Godfrey Willmann, 531 West Third-Street, this city, to the rank of captain in the Chemical Warfare division of the U. S. Army Air Corps, on June 26, was received here yes-



terday. Aged 22 years, he is believed to be one of the youngest men to hold that rank, attained just two days less than a year after entry into the service.

Capt. Willmann is stationed at Los Angeles, Cal., where he is in charge of instruction of approximately 1000 men in the details of chemical warfare. He was transferred there a few weeks after his first assignment to duty, which was to Edgewood, Md.

Graduated with honors from the Chemical Engineering course at Lehigh University in June, 1942, he was married a week later to Miss Barbara Jacobson, this city, who is now doing volunteer work at her husband's headquarters in California.

Capt. Willmann held the rank of First Lieutenant in the Reserve Officers Training Corps while at Lehigh and when he was accepted for service was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. He was advanced to First Lieutenant about six months later and his promotion to a captaincy was received less than six months later.

His mother, Mrs. Elsie Willmann, spent three months with her son in California last Fall, having flown there last September and returning to Bethlehem in November.

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