

Hanto, Joseph

Boise Hero at Northampton

A surprise visit was paid by Warrant Officer Joseph Hanto, hero of the U. S. S. Boise, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hanto, 529 East Tenth Street, Northampton, Sunday.

Home on a few hours leave, Warrant Officer Hanto was accompanied by his wife, the former Emma Nickles Stiles, their two children, Elsie and Helen, and a former member of the Boise personnel, Robert

E. Deemer, machinists mate first class, Lewistown.

Both men are stationed in Philadelphia while awaiting a call to active duty.

In speaking of saving the life of Lieutenant Junior Grade Henry D. Clark, of the Boise, Hanto said Clark was also a Pennsylvanian, hailing from Uniontown, and that he is at present in the Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., much improved.

Clark who had been overcome by gas fumes during the battle in which the Boise distinguished itself, had been given up for dead, but Hanto coming upon the prostrate form of his chief, applied artificial respiration for 45 minutes before he was able to detect a pulse.

Both Hanto and Deemer expressed themselves as being anxious to be into active service again. Hanto said, "We're all trying our best to get it over with. However, a lot of people aren't."

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