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Father, Son Return To Civil Life

Gerald R. Bowers, \$1/C, son of Chief of Police and Mrs. Rush J. Bowers, Wind Gap, was honorably discharged from the US Navy last Friday at Bainbridge, Md. after serving 21 months of sea duty.

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Bowers entered the service 31 months ago and received his boot training at the US Naval Training Station at Sampson, N. Y. He attended Gunnery School at Norfolk, Va. Assigned to sea duty as a gunner in the Armed Guard, his ship was one of 14 out of a 36 ship convoy that survived submarine and air attacks while on a trip to Russia. Some of the ships were also lost in the severe Asiatic storms.

The Navy veteran took part in the invasion of France and is eligible to wear the European Theatre ribbon with one battle star, American Theatre ribbon and Victory Meday. At the time of his discharge, he was stationed in the engine room of the USS Guam.

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Bowers' father was discharged from the Navy June 1945 after serving 21 months as a specialist in the US Navy Shore Patrol. He was stationed in Philadelphia and Harrisburg and served as Chief Duty Master-at-Arms at the Radar Training School in Hollidaysburg where he served for eight months. The Chief of Police also served in the Navy during World War I, making two trips overseas in a convoy.

S1/C Bowers' sister, Miss Elaine Bowers, is a cadet nurse in training at the Easton Hospital School of Nursing.