

Beckel, Fred

Advances



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Fred Beckel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Beckel, 1841 Sycamore Street, has been advanced from Ensign to Lieutenant (J. G.) at the Naval Air Station, Ottumwa, Iowa. A graduate of Liberty High School, Lt. Beckel attended Lehigh University and Moravian College. He received his license as a private pilot at the Allentown-Bethlehem airport on June 29, 1940, from the Civil Aeronautics Administration, and was commissioned an Ensign in October, 1942. He continued his courses in advanced flying at the Naval Flight Instructors' School, Bloomburg, and at the Naval Air Station, New Orleans, La., where he received his wings on June 26, 1943. He was assigned to Ottumwa, Iowa as a pilot instructor and received his commission as Lieutenant (J.G.) on March 1, 1944.

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