

Baca, Frank

Seaman 1/C



Frank Baca, recently advanced to Seaman 1/C, U. S. N. is currently spending a nine-day leave with his wife, the former Mary Bambu, and their daughter, Joanne, at Bethlehem RD 4.

Baca enlisted in May, 1944, receiving his boot training at Bainbridge, Md. He later attended Store Keepers School in Miami, Fla. before he was assigned to his ship.

S 1/C Baca is serving aboard the heavy cruiser USS Augusta, and was a member of the crew when it took President H. S. Truman and his party to Europe for the Potsdam Conference. Baca received President Truman's autograph on a "News Press Bulletin", edited daily during the trip by the President's reporters, assisted by Baca.

Another of the Seaman's memorable war experiences was the time he was in the company of King George of England and General Eisenhower when his ship docked in Belgium.

The cruiser "Philadelphia" accompanied the Augusta to Europe and all hands were complimented by the President. Baca had formerly served aboard a destroyer escort.

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