

Bangor Man Finds 'Buddy' In Nazi Prison

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According to Lt. Brooks Kleber of the United States Army a liberated war prisoner, who is presently enjoying a sixty day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brooks Kleber on North Main Street, Bangor, the human side of life oft times is found even in the darkest Nazi prison camp.

While a prisoner of war in Germany, one day Lt. Kleber was eating sparingly as was everyone else in the camp, from a hard wooden table of the prison, and looking up from his potato soup, gazed into the eyes of someone that looked very familiar to him. After offering that questioning look several times, he finally inquired if this red headed boy across the table to his left was not "Red O'Connor."

As things worked out, he was Lt. John J. O'Connor, the "Red" of yesteryear also a prisoner in Oflag 64 with Lt. Kleber. It seems that both of the boys had as youngsters attended the same Summer camp in Maine and had not seen each other for about twelve years or more.

This past week, Lt. Kleber attended the wedding of Lt. O'Connor in Bayport, Long Island, New York. He will return from Bayport on Sunday.