Lieut. Commander



The District Medical office announced that Lt. Helene Karpelenia, daughter of Wasil Karpelenia, 1465 East Sixth St., has been promoted from the rank of Lieutenant to that of Lieutenant Commander in the Navy Nurse Corps.

Lt. Cmdr. Karpelenia has been with the Navy since September, 1941. She served in Pearl Harbor and has seen temporary duty aboard the USS Solace. Having received permission from her commanding officer, she is continuing her musical career with operatic dreams centered on the Metropolitan Opera.

Lt. Cmdr. Karpelenia's brother, Charles, SC3/C, USNR, is home on leave and will enjoy most of it with his sister in New York. Veteran of 23 months duty on a minesweeper he is stationed at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Md., awaiting his discharge.