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Brothers Complete Furloughs



RALPH HERBST



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Three sons of Ralph L. Herbst, 1401 West Market Street, enjoyed furloughs at their home, recently.

Pfc. Harry A. Herbst, who was inducted September 20, 1943, completed his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and at Fort George Meade, Md., before shipping to England. He hit the Normandy beaches June 16, 1944, where he became a member of the Ivy Division. He holds five battle stars for participation in the Normandy, Northern France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany campaigns; the Presidential Unit Citation, and the Purple Heart with an Oak Leaf Cluster. His division was the first to enter Germany. Pfc. Herbst was wounded twice and was reported missing once. Harry attended Bethlehem High School and was employed at the Kahn Gas Service Station. He reported to Camp Butner, N. C., for reassignment at the completion of his 30-day furlough.

Also home was the youngest brother, Pvt. Charles R. Herbst, who was inducted February 23, 1945. He just completed his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and after completing a 15-day furlough, he reported to Camp Maxey, Texas, for further advanced training. Charles graduated from Bethlehem High School in 1944 and before his induction was attending Muhlenberg College and working part time at Greene's Gas Service Station.

The oldest brother, Pfc. Ralph L. Herbst, Jr., arrived in this country with members of the 28th Division. He was inducted July 11, 1944, and received his basic training at Camp Wolters, Texas. He was stationed at Fort Meade, Md., before going overseas to France. Ralph is a graduate of Bethlehem High School and of Muhlenberg College. He was attending Cornell University, mastering in chemistry, when inducted into the service.

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