

Beck, Wilmer R.

India-Burma Veteran Returns for Rest

ASHEVILLE, N. C.—T/4 Wilmer R. Beck, Route 2, Quakertown, Pa., who has returned from 28 months in the India-Burma Theater, has arrived at the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station here for reassignment.

Mrs. Beck accompanied him here to the Battery Park, one of the resort hotels taken over by the Army for the use of returnees. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Beck, live on Route 2, Quakertown.

T/4 Beck, who has spent the past 54 months in the Army served on the Ledo Road operations with a Veterinary Company, caring for pack animals used in the construction of the road. American mules, Indian horses and "Tonga" ponies, which, though smaller than a Shetland pony, can carry as much weight as a horse, were among the animals cared for. JUN 6 1945

"I was brought up on a farm, though I had no previous vet experience," T/4 Beck says. "So I had no trouble learning. It was a lot tougher for a lot of the city men in the company. But they learned, too."

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