

Davis, Harold

Area Veterans Enroute Home From War Front

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Several local soldiers, all veterans of the victory in Europe, are on their way home, according to reports from various ports of embarkation.

Pfc. Harold Davis, infantryman, was returned from eight months overseas in the European theater aboard the U. S. Hospital Ship Lutz. He is being treated temporarily at Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C., prior to being transferred to another Army hospital for definitive treatment. He lives at 731 Linden Street with his wife, Mrs. I. C. Davis. Pfc. Davis holds the Purple Heart. Before entering the service he graduated from Bethlehem High School and was employed as a machine operator.

Cpl. Bernard O. Gable and Sgt. George Svadeba, both gunners on a B-24 Liberator bomber crew with the 15th Army Air Force in Italy, arrived at Charleston, S. C., early this week by transport plane en route home for 30 days.

While there, the men were processed and given a luncheon feast topped by filet mignon. Telephone and telegraph facilities were thrown open to them for first calls home.

Cpl. Gable was inducted into the Army in January, 1944 and went overseas to a base in Italy in February, 1945. His father, John H. Gable, resides at 333 Hanover Street.

Sgt. Svadeba, holder of the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters and four Bronze Battle Stars for his European theater ribbon, went overseas in November, 1944. He was inducted in February of the same year.

Already home with an honorable discharge is Sgt. William S. Kern, vet who saw action in Sicily, Tunisia, Naples, Foggia, Rome and Arno. He holds the Good Conduct Medal, the European theater ribbon with four Bronze Stars and the European-African, Middle Eastern campaign ribbon. Sgt. Kern arrived last evening at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Bragg, 732 Center Street, from Indiantown Gap. He had been serving overseas for over 2½ years.

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