

Smith, Paul A

Two Local Friends Meet in Japan; 22 1945 Both Get Promotions

EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Yokohama, Japan.—Two long-time friends, John M. Stern, Bethlehem, and Paul A. Smith, Allentown, were reunited several months ago when both were assigned to Eighth Army Headquarters. Now both have been promoted in rank on the same special order.

Stern, formerly a technician, fifth grade (corporal), was advanced to fourth grade (sergeant) and passed on his T.-5 stripes to Smith, who promptly replaced his Pfc. one-rungers with them. Both Pennsylvanians are assigned to the adjutant general's section of the Eighth.

Sgt. Stern is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stern, 833 Kieffer Street, Bethlehem, and before the war was employed as shipping clerk and welder by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

Cpl. Smith's wife, Elizabeth, and daughter, Marilyn, reside on East Rock Road, Summit Lawn, Allentown. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Smith, 454 Washington Street, Allentown.

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