

Fleckenstein, Paul

**Allentown Soldier
Describes Wounding
On Sunday Broadcast**

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With his body in a plaster cast, Private First Class Paul Fleckenstein, son of Andrew Fleckenstein, 120 North Fourteenth Street, gave a graphic description to a radio audience of the manner in which he was seriously wounded during the fighting in North Africa.

Interviewed at Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, N. J., on the Army's Sunday afternoon show broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company's network. Pvt. Fleckenstein who was in the battles of Bizerte and Tunis, said he had been felled by mortar shell and then had his legs riddled by machine guns while he was lying wounded.

His father was by his bedside during the program. He had gone to see his son, Saturday, and remained at Fort Dix until after the broadcast.

The soldier was wounded April 23 and his father received first word of the casualty in a letter from his only son dated May 1 cautioning him: "Don't worry about me because I am all right. I am in a nice hospital and resting comfortably."

He had been returned to the United States for further hospital treatment some time ago.

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