## SERVICE BRIEFS

Pfc. Henry L. Ochse, one of the attling B----s of Bastogne, has a few address. He's now with Co. D, 606 Parachute Infantry, APO 472 c/o M. New York. His letter does not eveal his present location or what rospect the future holds in store or him.

Since we got tied up with this ob of getting out The Scotch Plainsan every month, we've learned a lot bout Scotch Plains and its people. Frinstance, we never knew that Johny Howard, the former welter-weight, and Mike Eannucci were one and the ame person until his discharge with 20 points was announced. Johnny or like entered the service in January, 942 and joined the Ninth Infantry privision following training at Fort brigg, N. C., going overseas in Sep-tember of that year. He saw action in the battles of Algeria, French procco, Naples-Foggia, Rhineland, forocco, Naples-Foggia, named and southern and winding up as a orhhern France, winding up as a staff sergeant. He's entitled to war the European -African -Middle Mast Campaign Ribbon with seven batle stars; the American Defense Ser-vice Medal; the Combat Infantryman's adge and the Good Conduct Medal. \*\*\*



Eugene R. Leaver Glenden L. Leaver

Eugene Leaver, a member of the Merchant Marine, was home in July on a 22-day leave from Newport News, Va. following a tour of duty with the Army Transport Command service. entered the service in August, 1944, and trained at the U.S. Maritime Service Training Station at Sheeps-head Bay, N. Y., and has completed many crossings of the Atlantic. His brother, Glenden, in service since August, 1943, is now assigned to the ArmyAir Force at Hobbs Field,

New Mexicao.



Pfc. Langston W. Booth is with the 15th Marine Depot Co., FMF 2nd Service and Supply Bn.some-where in the Pa-cific.He became a Marine in Aug ust, 1943, and after 4 months of basic training at Camp Lejeune, N.C., was shipped toHawaii for assignment December, in 1943. He makes

his home with his Cleveland Avenue. \*\*\*\*

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Ben Checchio's mother sent us the above photo of Ben and a Chinese soldier taken'Somewhere in China! where he is stationed with a Base Unit of the Army Transport Command. Ben's Mom explains that the Chinaman is the fellow in the background. We're always happy to print pictures like these fellows - all you have to do is to send us a good clear snapshot.
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Staff Sgt. Sal Checchio is home

on a 15-day furlough from WallaWalla, Wash., where he is stationed at the army air base. He's an electrical specialist on a B24 Liberator Bomber. His brother, T/Sgt Louis E.Checchio, was killed in action in France on July 20, 1944.

Just before we go to press with

this edition, we learn that Pfc. John F. Marshall of 442 Farley Ave., has received an honorable discharge points, 87 of them. He saw action in France, Belgium, Holland, Luxem-bourg and Germany with the 83rd (Thunderbolt) Infantry Division of the Ninth Army.

It's CORPORAL Eddie Warsetsky now. He's stationed at Keesler Field, Miss. and just wrote his folks of his pro-\*\*\*

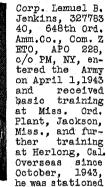


Harold W. Debbie



James J. Debbie

Staging Area, Antwerp, Belgium, awaiting shipment to the U.S. under the Army Redeployment Program. Entering the service on November 19, 1943, he has been overseas one year with the 3137 QM Service Co., having participated in the Battle of theRhineland. He has been awarded the Bronze Star and Good Conduct Medal and wears the ribbon of the European Theater of 45-45-45-45-45-Corp. Lemuel B.



in England until the D-Day invasion of France. He is the son of Mr. Wm. Jenkins of 303 Plainfield Avenue. \*\*\*

Pfc. Robert L. Johnson, of 31 Plainfield Avenue, is now at "Tophat"

Operations.

In the June issue we told you of the novel means employed by Mrs. Ethel Compton to send musical birth9 day greetings to her husband, Pfc. Vernon Compton, with the 4th Marine Division in the Pacific.

Again availing herself of the facilities of the new Special Services Section of the Marine Corps, Mrs. Compton despatched a song of her own composition to Vernon on his birthday. He was called out of the audience before his regiment's nightly movie and an accordionist played the piece "While You're Away," to him. We'll bet he was a surprised and highly pleased Marine.



Harvey P. Debbie

M/Sgt. Harold W. Debbie, attached to the 125th AAF-BU, Ftr. Sqdn. H., DAAF, Dover, Delaware, entered the Army on June 13, 1941 training at Fort Belvoir, Va., with the Engineers. He went overseas in August, 1942, seeing service in Belgium, France, England and Germany with the Ninth Air Force. He has been awarded a Presidential Citation for participation in the Normandy invasion and wears three battle stars on his campaign ribbons. returned to the States in December, 1944, and was then assigned to his present station. His wife, the former Miss Violet Horak of Chatham, makes her home with Harold's parents.

Coxswain James J. Debbie joined up with the Navy in July, 1942. Training at Newport, R. I., he was stationed at Norfolk, Va., and New Oraeans, before being assigned to the Pacific where he is now doing duty on an LSD.

Pfc. Harvey P. Debbie entered the Army on January 5, 1943, going first to Fort Dix. He was assigned to a Coast Artillery Detachment stationed at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Debbie, of Prospect Street.

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