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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Lt. Mildred Leuschner Receives Legion Of Merit Awarded Posthumously to Her Husband, Colonel Armin W. Leuschner

Colonel Leuschner, former member of the staff of Brooke General Hospital (from 1937 to 1943) cited for "exceptional meritorious service."



At the ceremony when Brigadier General Geo. C. Beach, commanding the Brooke Hospital Center presented to Lieutenant Mildred Leuschner, the Legion of Merit which was posthumously awarded to her husband, Colonel Armin W. Leuschner, the following guests were present (reading left to right, immediately back of General Beach and Lieutenant Leuschner): Mrs. J. Farinacci, Brigadier General W. Lee Hart, Mrs. John Dibble, Mrs. Walter Krueger, Lieutenant Marian Regan, Mrs. Thomas D. Woodson, Colonel Thomas D. Woodson, Colonel H. R. Livesay, Mrs. H. R. Livesay, Colonel Glover Johns, Mrs. Charles K. Nulsen, Mrs. Geo. C. Beach, Colonel John C. Woodland and Brigadier General Charles K. Nulsen.



The Legion of Merit medal, posthumously awarded to the late Colonel Armin W. Leuschner, was presented to his widow, Lieutenant Mildred Leuschner of the Army Nurse Corps, in a ceremony at Brooke Hospital Center, attended by a gathering of distinguished guests. Brigadier General Geo. C. Beach, Center commander, made the presentation.

Colonel Leuschner had served at Brooke General Hospital as chief of the genitourinary service prior to becoming principal assistant to the Surgeon of the Third

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Lt. Mildred Leuschner, standing before the memorial to her husband, the late Colonel Armin W. Leuschner, who from 1937 to 1943 served on the staff of Brooke General Hospital. The memorial which consists of a photograph of Colonel Leuschner, a framed testimonial and the American flag have been placed in the Medical Library at Brooke General Hospital.

Campus Notes

MDETS

By TEC. 5 CARROLL H. CURRY

To keep up with the current rapid changes in the personnel of the school, the "Bluebonnet" would have to be published at least twice each day. That, perhaps, would be more than any of Brooke's patients, staff members, or students could stand.—

So that we will not be accused of being "agin" commissioned personnel in general, it should be stated here that a new commandant has arrived on the "campus", to replace Col. Warren C. Fargo, who is turning in his eagles for cuff links. A word picture and photograph of the new "old man," Col. Wilbur B. Jenkins, will appear in the next issue.

It appears that Capt. James E. Kelley, who, until his wedding day, was quite well known in certain circles of Ft. Sam society, will soon be "filling for fee," the dental term for turning civilian. The auburn-haired captain's replacement will arrive soon—so the dental section instructors are praying that he will be a man who enjoys western music. Without that particular type of inspiration, the section could not operate. So says Miss Dorothy Jones, of the headquarters staff.

It has long been Lt. John J. Ward's boast that he could win any game of ping-pong in which Pvt. Nick Desalvo held the opposite paddle. Nick has the four-bit piece framed—and keeps a table reserved in case Lt. Ward wishes a return match.

T/4 Harvey is having his car painted.

COLONEL LEUSCHNER AWARD

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Army. Colonel Leuschner was with the original cadre taken from the Third Army to form the headquarters for the Sixth Army which left for overseas duty in March of 1943.

While accompanying the first assault wave of United States troops on the island of Leyte in the reconquest of the Philippines, Colonel Leuschner received wounds on October 26, 1944, which caused his death.

Mrs. Leuschner joined the Army Nurse Corps in December, 1944, after receiving official word of her husband's death, and she is now serving at Camp Fannin.

Colonel Leuschner, a graduate of the Washington University Medical School, 1929, and the Army Medical School, 1932, was born in Illinois, February 11, 1905.

Other decorations include the Purple

That might be because it needed paint—or because it was conspicuous, both in daylight and in darkness.

Any long faces seen around three sections of the school may be attributed to the current "critical list."

"Pudgy" Sharp, student instructor in the dental section, finally obtained a suit of whites wide enough and short enough for him.

The school's lone WAC, T/5 Evelyn Bowers, has caused a noticeable change in the language used at the noon meal in the mess hall. Whoa! Put that club down, gal!

T/4 Pete Lizak no longer answers the dispensary phone in his former listless way. It's now "SERGEANT Lizak speaking."

Sgt. Ralph Tooley insists that he attends church every time we see him in a neatly-pressed blouse. Tsk, tsk—we all understand, Ralph.

The local big advertisers are being run a close second by the army and its re-enlistment ads. Tech. Sgt. Bill Hudson has been seen perusing those same ads—and then staring off into space. Careful, Bill, three years is a long hitch.

In ending—it's about time for the school headquarters to publish a new "flow chart". There is an empty space on our ceiling.

Heart, American Defense ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with three battle stars for the New Guinea, Bismarck Archipelago and Southern Philippine campaign, and the Philippine Liberation ribbon with one battle star.

After the Legion of Merit presentation ceremonies, Mrs. Leuschner was escorted to Brooke General Hospital where a memorial to Colonel Leuschner, in the form of a photograph and memorial tablet, was unveiled in the medical library.

The list of guests in attendance at the ceremony included:

Mrs. Geo. C. Beach, Mrs. Walter F. Krueger, Brigadier General W. Lee Hart, Brigadier General and Mrs. Charles K. Nulsen, Colonel John C. Woodland, Colonel and Mrs. Thomas D. Woodson, Colonel G. Johns, Colonel and Mrs. H. R. Livesay, Mrs. Charles J. Farinacci, Mrs. John Dible and Lieutenant Marian Regan.