Walter Chance Arrives Home Wearing Many Decorations

With about all the American decorations one man could want and two French ones thrown in for good measure plus 128 points for a discharge, T. Sgt. Walter Chance arrived home this week from three years service in the European Theater of war. He received his discharge at Ft. Dix, N. J. and returned here a few days later.

Chance has served in eight campaigns, among them the Anzio beach which was one of the toughest. Chance wears the purple heart, six service stripes denoting three years of service, presidential citation, meritorious service ribbon, and the French Fourraguerre unit citation, for participation in the clean up of the Colmar pocket and the foreign Cross of war, another French unit citation.

Chance who has been in service better than four years met several of the home town boys over there including Bill Hendricks, whom he met in Naples, and Rex Coats. In fact he was on his way to meet Rex when he learned he had been killed. Chance landed in the United States on June 20. He is now visiting in the home of Mrs. Betty Wiser, and he adds "it's good to be home again."