

LT. BRAY RECEIVED BRONZE STAR AWARD

For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on March 23, 1945, near Trebur, Germany, Second Lieut. Merle W. Bray, son of Mrs. Lorraine Bray, Route 3, Poulsbo, received the Bronze Star award.

When the advancing infantry was pinned down by determined enemy fire, Lieut. Bray, an acting platoon leader, directed his two tank destroyers to within 40 yards of enemy positions before opening fire and killing 60 and wounding 30 of the enemy. His heroic action enabled the infantry to resume their advance and accomplish their mission. His conscientious devotion to duty and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.
