

Winooski Mother Has 4 in Service

Two Sons Met First Time in 30 Mos.



Mrs. M. E. Rousselle

Another four - star flag proudly hangs in a Winooski window. . . that of Mrs. M. B. Rousselle, 138 West Spring st., who has four sons serving. Two of them, Pfc. Leon and S. Sgt. Marcel, finally met for the first time in 30 months at their home a few days ago. Although they were but 150 miles apart overseas, they never had the opportunity of seeing each other.



Leon Rousselle

Leon arrived May 8 to spend a 30-day furlough from Ashford General hospital, White Sulphur Springs, West Va., where he has been receiving treatment. He will return there after his furlough.



Marcel Rousselle

He was inducted March 31, 1943, was four months at Camp Blanding, Fla., further trained at Camp Robinson, Ark., and

Camp Rucker, Ala., where, on July 1, 1944, he received overseas infantry training. From there he shipped off for the European theater, going first to England, then to France, Luxembourg, Belgium and finally to Germany.

On Oct. 4, 1944, he was wounded on his first day on German soil.

"My worst fight," said Pfc. Rousselle, "was in Brest where the going was tough."

Says Europe Behind Times

On Feb. 4, 1945, he returned to the United States where



Rene Rousselle



Henry Rousselle

he was hospitalized. Treatments in all army hospitals are the best, maintained the soldier, and the U. S. is the best country he has ever seen of all the countries visited. Belgium was the best so far as social

ity was concerned, he believes. Yet in all these countries the population seemed friendly and sociable, but "too far behind times!"

S. Sgt. Marcel Rousselle entered the army Dec. 11, 1942, received his training at Devens. From there, he was sent to Miami, Fla., Gulf Port, Miss., Long Beach, Calif., Salt Lake City, Utah and Kingman, Ariz., where he received his wings and his first furlough.

Upon the completion of his furlough, he returned to Salt Lake City, then to Dalhart, Tex., where he took up combat flight training. In early April, 1944, he embarked for England, where he participated in many combat flights over German-held territory. He was a member of the 385th bombing group which flew many times over the Heinies' head.

Made 21 Combat Missions

After 21 combat missions over enemy territory, he came back to the "good old USA" in Oct., 1945. S. Sgt. Rousselle wears the air medal with two oak leaf clusters and campaign ribbons with three bronze stars. He has not quite enough points for discharge, but he's not worried. After his 14-day furlough has elapsed, he will report to a permanent station in California, where he may go back to flying or be a member of the line maintenance personnel.

Both soldiers were educated in Alburt and Essex Center schools, and were employed by the Ameri-