



STAFF SERGEANT JOSEPH L. LOCKARD

This latest picture of Joseph L. Lockard, Williamsport boy, cited and promoted for his report on hearing the Japanese planes which attacked Pearl Harbor December 7, was taken in Hawaii.

LOCKARD GETS SERVICE MEDAL

**Williamsport Soldier Who
Warned of Jap Planes Is
Also Promoted**

By United Press

Washington, Feb. 10.—The War Department today awarded the Distinguished Service Medal to Staff Sgt. Joseph L. Lockard, who manned the aircraft detector unit during the hour just before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7 and whose warning was disregarded by a superior officer.

The medal was awarded to Lockard, a native of Williamsport, Pa., upon the recommendation of Lieut. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, New Army commander of Hawaii.

The War Department announcement of the award also disclosed for the first time that Lockard had been promoted from private to sergeant in recognition of his service on that fateful December 7 morning and designated to attend an officers' training school next month.

The special Presidential Inquiry Board which investigated the Pearl Harbor attack, related that Lockard, unnamed in the report, was manning an aircraft detector on his own time after such units generally were closed at 7 a. m.

Lockard heard the sounds of a large flight of planes in the distance and reported the fact to a lieutenant, who, in the words of the report, "assumed that the planes in question were friendly planes."

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