



**BRONZE STAR AWARDED:** Maj. Gen. Vernon E. Megee, left, First Marine Air Wing Commander in Korea, pins Bronze Star upon chest of Lt. Col. Lester G. Taylor, of 1558 Barton road, Union, for "meritorius achievement" in UN action in Korea. Colonel Taylor, a West Pointer, is a World War II air veteran.

## Union Flyer Wins Medal in Korea

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UNION—Lt. Col. Lester G. Taylor, Jr., of 1558 Barton road, has been awarded a Bronze Star Medal for distinguished meritorious achievement during the Korean hostilities, Fifth Air Force headquarters in Korea has announced.

Presentation of the award was made by the First Marine Air Wing Commander, Maj. Gen. Vernon E. Megee. The citation read in part: "Colonel Taylor's outstanding performance and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Air Force and the United Nations Forces."

Son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Taylor, of Kansas City, Mo., Colonel Taylor's wife is Mrs. Jean Taylor, a native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who during World War II, while her husband was distinguishing himself in the air over Germany, lived with a sister in Marshall street, Elizabeth. She since has moved to the Union address.

Colonel Taylor was assigned to combat operations in Korea early this year, after serving as editor of the Flying Safety Magazine, at Norton Air Force Base, Cal. He is a West Point graduate, Class of 1943, and has remained in the Air Force. He and Mrs. Taylor have a son, Wayne.

The colonel was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for fifty missions over Europe in World War II. His Thunderbolt was named "Jean's Warrior."