

Hoosier Heroes: Mackey, Navy Flier, Killed in Saving Four

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3-C HARRY E. MACKAY JR., who previously was reported missing, lost his life Nov. 30, 1943, while on a mission in the Mediterranean theater.

Son of Mrs. Eva Richards, 3318 N. Keystone ave., Mackey was a member of the crew on a Liberator bomber.

According to a letter from his commanding officer to Mrs. Richards, the 19-year-old sailor is credited with saving the lives of four survivors of the flight through his bravery in the face of danger of which he was well aware.

Entering the service Jan. 7, 1941, he had attended Technical high school and worked for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

His father, Harry Mackey Sr., lives in Decatur, Ill., and his sister, Mrs. Arthur Skillman, at 3420 N. Temple ave. Other survivors are two uncles, Harry J. Stombaugh and Edgar J. Buell; an aunt, Mrs. Paul Boardman, and two grandmothers, Mrs. Hallie Buell and Mrs. Effie Biggs, all of Indianapolis.

Memorial services will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday in the Broadway Baptist church, 22d st. and Broadway.

T. SGT. ROBERT E. HOBBS, stationed with the Cyclone division of the infantry, died May 17 in Hawaii.

He is the husband of Mrs. Mattie D. Hobbs, 2144 S. Emerson ave., and son of Mrs. Frances Brooks, 415 N. Jefferson ave.

Inducted into the army Jan. 27, 1941, Sgt. Hobbs was on the first troop train to leave Indianapolis before war was declared. He took his training in Camp Shelby, Miss., Florida and Camp Livingston, La.

Before entering military service, the 27-year-old infantryman was a driver for the Ziffren Truck Lines and was graduated from Technical high school. He was married in July, 1943.

Besides his wife and mother, survivors are a sister, Mrs. Marie Briggs of Indianapolis; a brother, Francis of Los Angeles, Cal., and two stepsons, Edward and William Droeger, both of Indianapolis.

T. SGT. JESSE W. ROBERTS, chief engineer on a B-17, failed to return from a raid over France April 20, a day after he was promoted to technical sergeant.

Husband of Mrs. Mary G. Roberts, 6138 Central ave., the 27-year-old airman entered the army air forces Oct. 26, 1942, and had been overseas since March 1 at a base in England.

Pfc. James W. Roberts, his twin brother, has been stationed in New Guinea for two years. Their mother, Mrs. Mae Roberts, lives in Daleville, W. Va., a graduate of Daleville high school. Sgt. Roberts was employed by Allison division and by the Studebaker Corp. in Ft. Wayne before entering service.

PVT. ALLEN P. KNIGHT, a circus performer in civilian life, was wounded March 26 on the Anzio beachhead and is recovering in a hospital in that area. He has won the purple heart.

His wife, Mrs. Lorraine Knight, and his mother, Mrs. Anna Wilson, live at 1185 Moffitt st.

Pvt. Knight, who is 27, was a member of the Knight acrobatic troupe which was broken up by the death of his father, Abner Harlow Knight, in 1934. Since then he worked with the Wallace Brothers, Cole Brothers and Barnett Brothers' circuses. He also was an employee of the New York Central railroad shops in Beech Grove.

Entering the army July 27, 1943, he has been overseas four months. His three children are Mary Anna, Lucy and Abner Paul.

THREE Indianapolis fliers have been awarded the air medal for

duty with the air forces on the various war fronts.

Second Lt. Jack F. Starkey, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Starkey, 1441 N. Alabama st., won his decoration for completion of more than 25 combat missions over enemy-held territory of northern Burma.

He is a pilot with a fighter bomber squadron of the 10th air force, operating with the tactical air force, Eastern air command. He received his commission in February, 1943, and arrived for duty in the China-Burma-India theater seven months later.

First Lt. Richard A. McNamara, 1550 Carrollton ave., was awarded the air medal for participating in operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific.

The air medal and two oak leaf clusters were won by Lt. Charles W. Heathco, 85 N. Hawthorne lane, for his work as a pilot in the South Pacific theater.

Second Lt. William I. Steinback, a fighter pilot with the 13th air force in the South Pacific, won the air medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flights over the Solomon Islands from Aug. 28 to Sept. 12, 1943. He is the son of Oscar P. Steinback, Evansville.

FIRST LT. ROBERT D. CASSETTER, 520 Riley ave., has been decorated with the oak leaf cluster to the air medal for flights in the South Pacific area from March 7 to March 17, 1944.

T. SGT. EDWARD V. CASSADY, aerial engineer in the army air forces, has been awarded two oak leaf clusters to the distinguished flying cross for heavy bomber strike sorties from Oct. 31 to Nov. 9, and from Oct. 22 to Oct. 29, 1943.

Sgt. Cassady makes his home at 1650 Barth ave.

LT. HERMAN F. RIDENOUR, son of Herman L. Ridenour, 4927 N. Pennsylvania st., has been posthu-

mously awarded the air medal for services with the American air forces in China.

Pvt. Ridenour was killed in action April 11 on the China front after he had so maneuvered his plane as to save the lives of all others on board.

S. SGT. RUSSELL L. WADE, son of Mrs. Earl Wade, Mishawaka; Sgt. Myron T. Yaw, husband of Mrs. Margaret A. Yaw, Terre Haute, and S. Sgt. Leo W. Fredericks, son of Mrs. Laura J. Fredericks, Bruceville, are missing in action instead of killed as previously reported.

THE WAR DEPARTMENT today conferred previous reports that Pvt. Joseph L. Collins, son of Mrs. Dolores P. Collins, 330 Downey ave., T. 5th Gr. Fred A. Feaser, son of Mrs. Minnie Feaser, 5207 N. New Jersey st., and 1st Lt. Gilmore W. Reid, son of Mrs. Edythe M. Land, 846 N. Hamilton ave., were wounded in action.

THIRTY-TWO HOOSIERS outside Indianapolis have been wounded in combat in battles on various war fronts.

Pvt. Stephen A. Napieralski, husband of Mrs. Gertrude E. Napieralski, South Bend, and S. Sgt. Charles L. Robertson, husband of Mrs. Virginia L. Robertson, Terre Haute, were wounded in the European theater. Other wounded:

C. Bolt, nephew of George A. Bolt, P. Wayne, 5th Gr. Benjamin A. Buckley, T. 5th Gr. Brockley Brown, 1st Lt. John B. Davis Jr., son of John B. Davis Sr., Marion; Pfc. Edwin M. Fontaine, son of Mrs. Myrtle B. Fontaine, Bensenville; Pfc. Maurice E. Gaudin, son of Mrs. Blanche Gaudin, Coal City.

Pvt. Henry F. Kellermeyer, husband of Mrs. Bertha Kellermeyer, Pfc. Louis E. King, son of Mrs. Louise King, Evansville; Pfc. Louis E. Linder, husband of Mrs. Martha M. Linder, Mt. Vernon.

Pfc. Arthur L. McNew, son of Mrs. Anna McNew, Shelbyville; Sgt. Herman H. Petersen, Decatur; 1st Lt. Joseph E. Rogers, son of Mrs. Paula L. Rogers, New Albany; S. Sgt. John N. Rendish, Rushville; Sgt. Richard M. Sparks, son of Mrs. Christine Sparks, Crandall; Pfc. Joseph F. Stojan, son of Mrs. Mary Stojan, East Chicago; Pfc. Burley Talley, husband of Mrs. Betty Lou Talley, Charleston; and Pfc. Gilbert J. Vasquez, son of Mrs. Juanita Vasquez, East Chicago.

Southwest Pacific—Pfc. Francis P. Guthrie, son of Mrs. Maude S. Guthrie, Carthage; Pfc. Carl W. Hawkins, son of Mrs. Violet P. Hawkins, Morgantown; S. Sgt. Albin J. Janowiak, son of Mrs. Stella J. Janowiak, South Bend.

Pvt. Orrell H. Sauerheber, son of Mrs. Sues J. Sauerheber, Central; Cpl. Charles L. Severa, son of Mrs. Julia Severa, Mishawaka; Cpl. Herbert M. Steele, son of William Steele, Petersburg; Pfc. Glenn H. Stroud, son of Mrs. Anna Stroud, Marengo.

Cpl. Alex J. Smith, son of Mrs. Ann Smith, South Bend; Cpl. Glen F. Sweet, son of Mrs. Cordia J. Sweet, Tell City; and Sgt. Floyd M. Walder, son of Mrs. Pearl Walder, Crawfordsville.

ANZIO EYEWITNESS: 'ACROSS RED FIELDS'

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up forward with the infantrymen, tankmen and mortar men. The Germans were edgy all night, whipping streams of machinegun fire across the tableland between our positions and Cisterna at the slightest sign of activity.

Bullets were snapping into the mortar of the farmhouse which was forward company headquarters. All night long the tanks churned up the fields behind us and the lines of infantry moved up to the jump-off positions. There were big detachments of infantry lying behind and on both sides of every tank.

Every man who lay there facing the enemy was scared, as brave men always are when they face enemy guns that fire 750 rounds a minute.

Repeatedly they fingered their ammunition pouches, the grenades hanging at their belts, their rifles. They said little. I didn't see a single smile.

Capt. Paul Stanley, Stamford, Tex., the young company commander, addressed them in a tight-lipped Texas drawl:

"We're all ready. There's nothing to do now but wait—then do it." I waited with the men until just before dawn and then pulled back so as not to be pinned down in the tall grass for the next 18 hours or so. Going back toward an observation post I passed tanks and sprawled infantrymen.

Need Volunteers To Pack Clothes

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ing pack as was shown in giving, it will take another five months to get the warehouse cleaned out.

The daily foursome includes Mrs. Marjorie Bruner, director of Indianapolis activities for the Russian War Relief; Miss Louisa Steeg, warehouse manager; Mrs. John Mellett and Mrs. Gae Williams.

"We need 20 women a day to help sort, pack and sew," said Mrs. Bruner. "And all the men that can come at night to tie the packages will be more than welcome."

"We got our first boost today when we heard that the women of the state prison will help in mending torn garments."

The storehouse is open Monday through Friday from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., but will open at any hour, day or night, any day in the week for willing helpers. Organizations en masse are urged to chip in their time.

As Mrs. Mellett said, "Every bit helps the war effort. The Russian soldier will be an even better soldier, if he knows the people back of him are well clothed."

And Mrs. Williams, wife of the famous late cartoonist, said, "It's hard work and dirty work, but rewarding."

VICTORY GROUP MEETS Mayor Tyndall addressed the Republican Victory committee at its regular closed luncheon meeting today. What stand the Victory committee, City hall, factional group, will take on the hotly-contested senatorial race was to be chief topic of discussion.

VICTORY GROUP FILES EXPENSES

Unsuccessful Faction Makes \$23,684 Statement on Primary.

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city park superintendent, \$100; Sidney Miller, city corporation counsel, \$100; Charles A. Huff, defeated candidate for the congressional nomination, \$500; Harry O. Chamberlin, defeated candidate for circuit judge nomination, \$325; Paul Brewer, county recorder, \$250; Frank Huse, county treasurer, \$250; Sheriff Otto Pettit, \$750, the largest single individual donation, and County Surveyor Paul R. Brown, \$50.

The regular G. O. P. organization's campaign committee listed its receipts as the same total of its \$18,705 expenditures.

Some of the committee's donations were Homer E. Capehart, candidate for the G. O. P. senatorial nomination, \$1250, bringing to \$1450 his contributions to the regular G. O. P. here; (he donated \$200 to the central committee); County Chairman Henry E. Ostrom, Charles H. Masten and Robert W. Lyons, \$1000 each; Donald Jameson, James L. Bradford, William R. Higgins, Herman Woolf, C. D. Alexander, W. I. Longworth, George S. Olive and C. E. Whitehill, \$500 each.

Albert E. Thompson, Republican member of the election board, gave \$900 and Joseph Daniels, former 11th district chairman, gave \$750. Donations also were received from more than 3100 workers at the polls on election day at \$5 each.

The Democratic county committee listed receipts of \$6940.95 added to an old balance of \$6576.25 and expenditures of \$11,224, leaving a balance of \$2292.68.

5th Army Strikes at Anzio To Trap Germans in Italy

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stretch of a dry river bed near the trunk railway in the Cisterna area.

Waves of Bombers

Inside an arc radiating 50 miles around Rome the Flying Fortresses and Liberators dropped their big loads of heavy fragmentation bombs on supply dumps and troops concentrations. They encountered no air opposition and only slight anti-aircraft fire.

Low-flying Bostons showered the enemy with fragmentation and smoke bombs. Warhawks flying at higher levels swooped in behind the Bostons and planted their own bombs on points which the light bombers had missed.

The weight of the aerial onslaught was reflected in the official report that the attack on the Cisterna creek bed resulted in virtually complete saturation of the target.

Hit Troop Concentration

Warhawks and Thunderbolts struck at German guns and tanks in the Cisterna area outside the northeast corner of the beachhead and also attacked tanks and vehicles in the Frosinone area.

Fortresses hit the Avezzano road junction and various German troop concentrations, while Liberators attacked widespread target, including troop concentrations near Nemi and Marino.

Marino is two miles north of Castel Gandolfo on the road to Frascati, where the Germans were believed to have maintained major headquarters at one time.

James C. Roper, United Press correspondent, in a dispatch from the 5th army front reported the assault on Terracina, and said:

American artillery yesterday began shelling a town in the rear of German forces surrounding the Anzio beachhead.

(The Nazi DNB news agency reported that the Germans had evacuated Pico, middle hinge of the line angling up through the mountains from the Terracina to the Mt. Castro sectors—the first Nazi acknowledgment of a major reverse since Marshal Albert Kesselring attempted an all-out stand.)

At the northeastern end of the battle line, the British 8th army battered "well into" one section of the only intact segment of the Adolf Hitler line.

Roper's dispatch from the 5th army front revealed that Maj. Gen. Geoffrey Keys' armored units were smashing at Terracina, from which the heavily reinforced German defenders pushed the American advanced elements back between two and three miles in a sudden counter-assault yesterday.

Foe Fights Vigorously

The Germans were reported fighting vigorously and well from entrenched positions against the Americans who had advanced more than 60 miles under battle conditions since the start of the offensive.

German mortars and guns were peppering the Apulian way along which the U. S. armored column moved to assault Terracina. They also dropped hand grenades and other explosives from the heights towering over the ancient road to Rome, knocking out three American tanks and halting the column.

Two days ago U. S. patrols entered Terracina with virtually no opposition. Then elements of the fresh 29th panzer grenadiers moved in and through the town while the main American forces were moving up for the new assault.

At the same time other U. S. troops toiled through the mountains above Terracina, capturing a village and six commanding peaks while closing in on the town.

3000 AIRCRAFT BLAST EUROPE

Dump 6500 Tons of Bombs On Reich, France and Belgium.

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buffer areas, delivering at least 6500 tons of bombs.

(The National Broadcasting Co. reported from London that "the largest air fleets ever assembled are out over the continent today, and before the day is over air history will be made.")

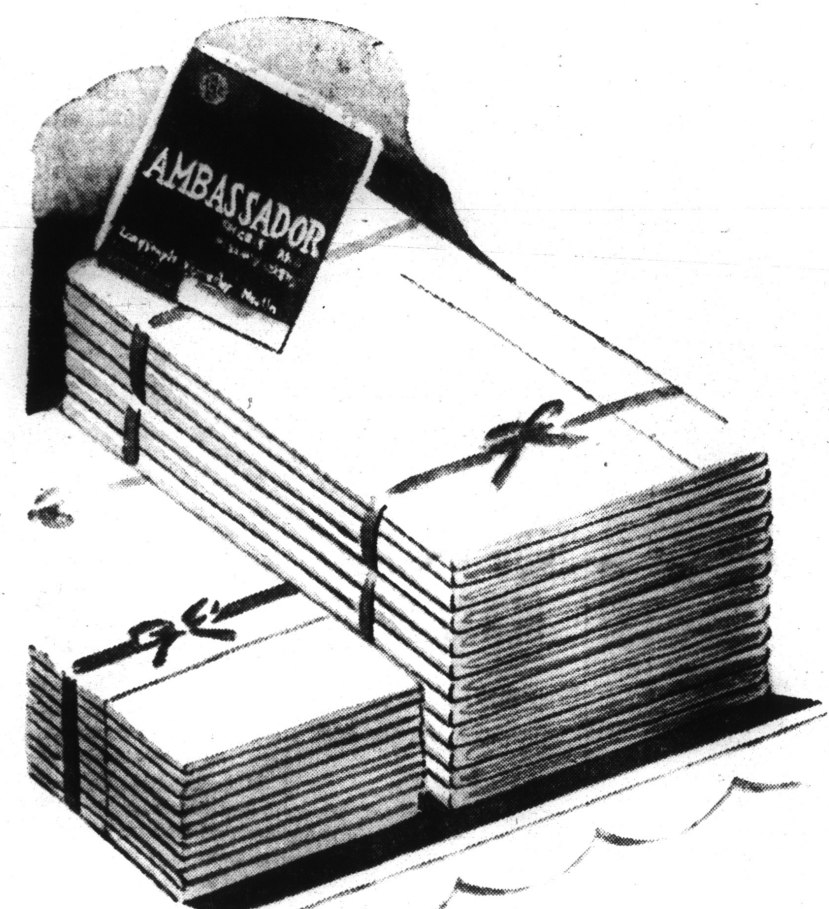
More than 1000 U. S. Thunderbolts, Lightnings and Mustangs escorted the big bombers, which also were supported by R. A. F. Mustangs sweeping nearby areas. It was the greatest fighter fleet ever dispatched in any theater on a single operation.

The R. A. F. opened the day with its heaviest blows in a month soon after midnight. At a cost of 35 planes its heavy bombers hammered Germany's Ruhr steel center of Dortmund and the aircraft center of Brunswick, 120 miles west of Berlin.

Other British bombers hit the French rail centers of Orleans and Le Mans southwest of Paris, and speedy Mosquitoes jabbed at the German chemical center of Ludwigshafen and an airfield in Belgium.

The weather over the straits, fair during the morning, began deteriorating around noon, with heavy clouds moving in and rain beginning.

The first American bomber crewmen returning from western Germany said the contingent was covered by a solid cloud blanket, forcing them to use the special overcast bombing technique.



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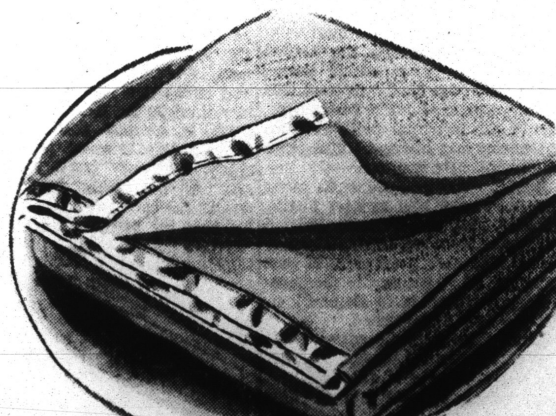
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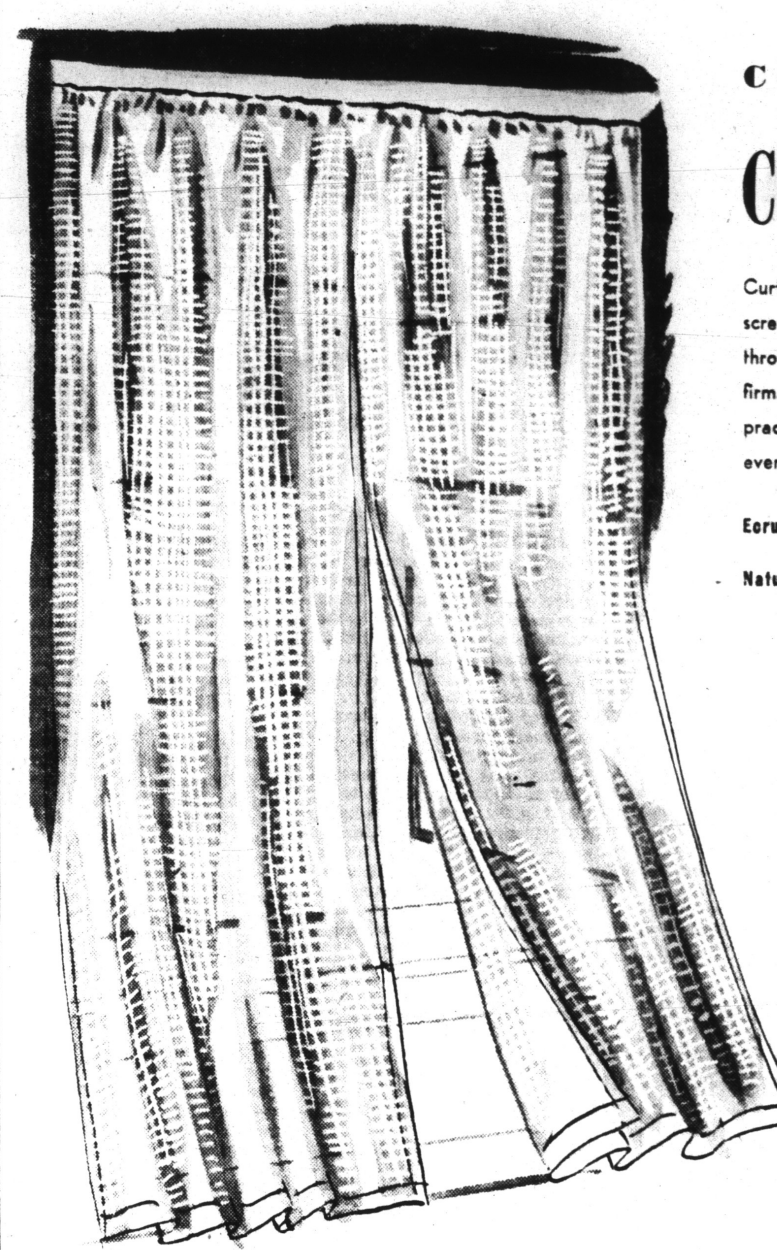
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