

Hoosier Heroes: Three Indiana Airmen Are Killed in Action and Capt. Thos. F. Ruckelshaus Is Reported on Missing List

(Continued From Page One)

Liberator bomber, was killed in action in Italy May 22 after completing 17 missions. He was 27. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brown, 1722 Olive st., and had been overseas since April.

Enlisting in the army air forces in January, 1943, he was trained at air fields in Texas. Before being inducted, he was graduated from Washington high school and was a letter carrier for the post office.

Survivors besides his parents are a daughter, Sharon Lee; two brothers, Paul of Indianapolis, and S. Sgt. Roy Brown, stationed in New Guinea; two sisters, Miss Mary F. Brown and Mrs. Lawrence Vaughn, both of Indianapolis. His fiancee was Miss Rosemary McGoran, 1750 S. Meridian st.

SGT. CARL J. ROBINSON, who was aboard the U. S. troop ship sunk in the Mediterranean, was killed April 20, according to word received by his wife, Mrs. Mary Ward Robinson, 142 N. Oriental st.

Entering service Jan. 17, 1943, he was a former member of the 113th observation squadron and entered the aircraft mechanic school of the army air forces in July, 1943, at Seymour Johnson field, N. C.

After being graduated from the school as high man, he was assigned to a photo reconnaissance squadron at Will Rogers field, Okla., where he won his aerial engineer and gunner's wings. He went overseas in March.

Before entering the service, Sgt.



T. Sgt. Carl J. Robinson . . . killed in ship sinking.



First Lt. Cecil Milo Clore . . . killed in plane crash.



Second Lt. Norman G. Brown . . . killed in Italy.

Robinson was a bus driver for the Indianapolis Railways.

During his 25 missions he had earned the air medal with three oak leaf clusters and had been awarded the distinguished flying cross. The purple heart has been awarded posthumously.

He is the son of John C. Ruckelshaus, 1235 N. Delaware st., and was graduated from Notre Dame university where he played football under the late Knute Rockne.

His brother, Conrad, is a lieutenant in the naval air corps based in the Pacific.

RADIOMAN 1-C STANLEY EDWARD MATTHEWS, who has been reported missing in action since March 18 when the submarine Scorpion was listed lost, has been awarded the submarine combat insignia medal by the navy.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Matthews, 410 N. Beville ave., received the medal, a copy of a submarine with three stars attached.

The citation said the medal was

given "in recognition of his splendid performance of duty" and that the Scorpion was on an offensive war patrol in confined and heavily guarded enemy waters.

Entering the service in May, 1940, Radioman Matthews had been overseas 22 months when he was reported missing. He was on his last patrol before returning to the United States to receive a chief petty officer's rating. His father is employed at the post office.

THE WAR DEPARTMENT today confirmed previous reports that Cpl. James Adams, son of Mrs. Clara Kollock, 1413 W. 31st st.; Cpl. Albert J. Gantz, son of Mrs. Elizabeth D. Gantz, 4311 N. Keystone ave., and M. Sgt. Charles D. Long, husband of Mrs. Gertrude M. Long, 1115 N. Oxford st., were killed when a troop transport was sunk in the Mediterranean.

SIXTEEN INDIANA men are listed among the 504 U. S. soldiers killed in the ship sinking in the Mediterranean announced by the war department May 1.

They are Sgt. Herman A. Baker, son of Elmer C. Baker, Ft. Wayne; Cpl. Harley G. Ball, son of Mrs. Rosie Ball, Russellville; Pte. Clarence C. Bremer, son of Mrs. Mae Bremer, Hammond; Sgt. John P. Brown, husband of Mrs. Mildred Brown, Terre Haute; Pte. James E. Gardner, whose guardian is Mrs. Julia M. Bherma, Kendallville; Opl. John Geleta Jr., son of Mrs. Elizabeth Geleta, Whiting; Opl. Jerome J. Greene, husband of Mrs. Viola E. Greene, South Bend; Sgt. John W. Herod, son of Mrs. Donald Herod, Princeton.

Also Cpl. Robert O. Masters, husband of Mrs. Rosamond F. Masters, Logansport; T. 5th Gr. Gerald E. Morgan, son of Mrs. Alma Morgan, Hammond; Pte. Richard W. Rutherford, son of Walter E. Rutherford, Mundie; Sgt. Charles R. Shaffer, son of Ira M. Shaffer, Marion; Pte. Chester L. Shank, son of Mrs. Anna F. Shank, Lafayette; Cpl. Dennis M. Smith, son of Mrs.

Flossie Smith, Elkhart; Sgt. Layne A. Spahn, husband of Mrs. Dorothy Spahn, Corydon, and Pte. Frederick I. Strack, son of Joseph C. Strack, Chesteron.

Sgt. MELVIN O. RICHESON, a waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fort

ress, was recently decorated with the air medal at an air force base station in England.

The 21-year-old flier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oldis J. Richeson, Morgantown, and was graduated from Trafalgar high school in 1941. He entered military service Dec. 10, 1942.

French, Chees

ATLANTIC
IS 'HUG

Tell of H

Germ

(Continued Fr

could read fear

the Germans."

Bayeux, I passed

prisoners. On

body of German

lay unburied.

every man was nu

What surprised

weakness of the

line. I examined

the so-called Ath

on this coast. It co

gest bluff of the

simply does not

oners told me th

had been frant

plete defenses but

been too vast for

Although we ha

land without en

opposition, it mus

that the German

as soon as they h

panzer forces. Th

division elements

from another pa

They tried to h

tion of Caen an

tanks were in g

have thrown into

American tanks

guns.

Some of these

responsible for de

emy. It is a f

French people w

spoke of the Na

They may not b

are near to it.

Prisoners also

feats in Russia a

to the rank and f

it is all up with

Absence of ener

another major su

of the beaches,

pounded enemy

tematically that

to get their f

They had a won

the first two

there were thou

all sizes, loaded

and munitions, t

kept up a ferry s

the bigger vessel

not see a single s

The opening o

was a flawless o

all the signs of a

vast machine w

hitch.

Theusand

I looked down

thousands of sh

the solent filled

craft for a rega

Armour poure

troops unloa

streamed toward

warships fired t

at coastal batt

and parapluie f

at many strate

aiding disorgani

the enemy.

As the battle

developed it wa

Germans were

to recover from

prise. They ha

cards on our l

21 miles betwe

We knew th

line in the so

So we took th

caught the ene

I sailed with

from a British p

tire operation

all went accordin

comparatively

could hardly be

really be

Then as I dr

head of our att

country side and

was soon made

a great day.

screamed "Libe

overflowing fro

Street

Streets were

open men, women

threw open the

began to play

patriotic tunes

danced, shoutin

Vive Amerique!

Some village

settled; in oth

remained and

clutching han

joy. One villa

Andre Nicholas

"Oh! The G

wicked. They

had.

Recently

this village on

coast defenses

out in force.

"These position

We knew he

most. German

frankly "The

cars are now

But we'll fig

until the last

Auxilio