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## Hoosier Heroes: Vogel, Bryant, Logsdon, McKinzie and Thomas Killed in Action

Cpl. Raymond Vogel, brother of Andrew Vogel, 1008 E. Washington st. and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Roell, 3916 E. Minnesota st., was killed Nov. 8 on Leyte island. He was serving as a member of the ground crew of the army air forces and had been in the Pacific 20 months.

Cpl. Vogel formerly lived with his aunt and uncle here and attended school No. 3. Prior to entering the service, in June, 1942, he was employed as a barber in Greenfield.

A native of Indianapolis, he was 25.

Pvt. Lester L. Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bryant, Coatesville, and nephew of Mrs. Howard H. Miller, 2424 Park ave., was killed Oct. 8 in France. He previously was listed by the war department as having been wounded on that day.

Pvt. Bryant was 19 and had been in the army since March. He arrived overseas in September and went into combat 20 days later. The soldier was a former member of the Amo high school basketball team. He is survived by a brother, who also played on the Amo team.

Pvt. Donald W. McKinzie, a former resident of Indianapolis, was killed Nov. 4 at Luxembourg. He was serving with a mechanized cavalry division.

Pvt. McKinzie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. McKinzie, Brownsburg, formerly of 303 W. 44th st. He moved to Brownsburg six years ago with his parents and his younger brother, Robert.

Pvt. McKinzie is 20 and graduated from the Brownsburg high school. He entered the army in March, 1943, and had been overseas two months.

Pvt. Vernon Thomas, son of Mrs. Lucy G. Thomas, 725 Lord st., was killed Nov. 11 in France. His mother learned of his death on Thanksgiving day while she was packing a pound of coffee he had requested.

Pvt. Thomas had been overseas since 1941 and served in Iceland, England and Ireland before going to France. The soldier's father, who is dead, served in world war I.

Pvt. Thomas was 24 and graduated from the Casey county, Ky., high school. He was a member of the CCC six years before entering the army after serving a year in the South Pacific; Buddy, Indianapolis, and Thomas, Louisville, Ky.

Survivors, besides his mother, are a sister, Miss Geneva Thomas, Indianapolis, and four brothers, Curtis, now in France; Woodrow, who received medical discharge from the army after serving a year in the South Pacific; Buddy, Indianapolis, and Thomas, Louisville, Ky.

Aviation Radioman 2-c Herbert Harry Logsdon was killed during action in the South Pacific while serving on an aircraft carrier, but his body has not yet been recovered according to a report by the navy department.

He had been in the service two years and had been on sea duty since May 1.

Radioman Logsdon was the husband of Mrs. Evelyn Logsdon, Madison, Wis., and the son of Kenneth Logsdon, 31 W. Morris st. He was 20 and graduated from Manual high school.

The young navy man was a member of the Morris Street Methodist church and formerly was employed by R. C. A.

Survivors, besides his wife and father, are three sisters, Miss Norma Jean Logsdon, Miss Nine Mae Logsdon and Mrs. Frances Chastain, Indianapolis; a brother, Edward E. Logsdon, a fireman 2-c with the navy in the South Pacific; a niece, Agnes Chastain, and his grandfather, Taylor Coombs, Scottdale. His mother, Mrs. Myrtle Logsdon, died six months ago.

Fireman 1-c Charles William London, a member of a submarine crew which rescued 22 American airmen during the raid on Truk, has been reported missing in action.

His parents, Patrolman and Mrs. Cecil London, 332 Northern ave., received the war department telegram yesterday. The only information revealed was that their son was serving in the Pacific. His last letter home was dated Sept. 26.

Fireman London is 21 and graduated from Shortridge high school. A former employee of the Lucas-Harold Corp., he entered the navy in February, 1942, and received his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill. He was stationed at New London, Conn., eight weeks before leaving for sea duty.

Pvt. Charles L. Kyle, son of Mrs. Lillian M. Kyle, 205 N. Davidson st., was wounded Sept. 9 in France but has returned to duty there.

He has been in the service four years and overseas three years, serving in Iceland, England and Ireland before entering France. He



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has been in combat four months. A former employee of the Eagle Insulation Co., Pvt. Kyle is 22 and attended Manual high school.

He is the husband of Mrs. Elsie Kyle, an Irish girl whom he married while stationed in Ireland.

Pvt. Fred R. Henke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Henke, 2616 N. Arlington ave., was slightly wounded Nov. 4 during action in Holland and is in an evacuation hospital in Paris.

Pvt. Henke is 20 and graduated from Technical high school, where his father is an instructor. He attended Purdue University a year before entering the service. He went overseas Oct. 1 after training at Colorado Springs, Colo.

A brother, Paul, is an air cadet at Goodfellow field, San Angelo, Tex.

Pvt. Ralph E. Bentley, husband of Mrs. Betty M. Bentley, 1957 Central ave., was wounded in France Sept. 9. The 21-year-old infantryman entered France on D-day after serving in Ireland. He entered the army in March, 1943, and received his training at Camp Blanding, Fla.; Camp Robinson, Ark., and Ft. Meade, Md. He went overseas in October, 1943.

Pvt. Bentley is the son of Mrs. Arthur Wryck, 1730 N. New Jersey st.

Seaman 1-c Lowell M. Sparks, husband of Mrs. Helen F. Sparks, 401 N. Temple ave., and son of James Sparks, near Stanford, was slightly wounded in October when the destroyer escort, U. S. S. Ecersole, was sunk in the battle of Leyte. He was picked up by a rescue ship and expects to return home soon.

Seaman Sparks attended Bloomington high school, where he was captain of the basketball team in 1932, and formerly was employed by the E. I. duPont Co. in Charlestown. On Nov. 1 he received a new rating of fireman.

Pvt. James Gustafson, husband of Mrs. Edna E. Gustafson, 2658 Foote st., has been wounded in action the war department announced today.

Pvt. Gustafson entered the army a year ago and went overseas six months ago as a machine gunner with an infantry unit. He is 28. While in training at Camp Wolters, Tex., he won the regimental boxing championship. He previously entered the army in 1936 and was stationed at Ft. Harrison three years. Following his discharge he was employed at the Diamond Chain Mfg. Co. He formerly was a professional middleweight boxer.

Pvt. William Renner, son of the Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Renner, 1534 S. Indiana st., was wounded Nov. 8 in France.

Pvt. Robert E. Keltih, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Keithley, 119 N. Denny st., was wounded Oct. 31 during action in France.

Li. Col. Hugh J. Socks, husband of Mrs. Martha C. Socks, 2920 Guilford ave., has been awarded the bronze star. He is serving with the

2nd Inf. Regt., 22d Inf. Div., 11th Inf. Div. He is serving with the 11th Inf. Div. in the South Pacific.

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