

## Hoosier Heroes: Navy Man Formerly Here Dies of Wounds; Four Local Fighters Missing, and Five More Are Injured

Motor Machinist's Mate 1-c Revis Garrett, Jr., formerly of Indianapolis, died of wounds received during action in the Pacific.

Machinist's Mate Garrett was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Revis Garrett Sr., Evansville. He entered the navy July 10, 1942, and after receiving training at Great Lakes, Ill., was stationed at the naval armory and ships company here a year. He went overseas last March.

A graduate of Reitz high school, Evansville, he was 22 and formerly was employed by the International Steel Co. there.

Besides his parents, survivors include a sister, Mrs. Marvin Edmond, Evansville.

Pvt. Walter L. Westall, whose brother, Pvt. Lawrence E. Westall, was killed Sept. 12, 1943, in Italy, has been missing in action in Germany since Dec. 6. He had been in combat only 12 days.

Pvt. Westall is the husband of Mrs. Irene Westall, 1107 Mickey ave., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Westall, 1726 E. 71st st. A former employee of the Curtiss-Wright Corp., he entered the army last May and went overseas in October. He is 25.

Pvt. Westall has three daughters, LeRose, Judith and Jean Ann. He is the brother of Mrs. Margery Fogas, Indianapolis.

Sgt. William J. Eschenbach, son of Mrs. Helen Eschenbach, 815 Greer st., has been missing in action over Germany since Dec. 5. He was serving as a B-17 tail gunner.

Sgt. Eschenbach is 19 and graduated from Technical high school. He attended Butler university and entered the service Jan. 28, 1944.

He is the brother of Misses Evelyn and Marie Eschenbach, who live at home. His father, who died in 1933, served in the marine corps in world war I.

Pvt. John M. Griffin, husband of Mrs. Agnes Griffin, 317 N. Oxford st., and son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Griffin, 54 N. Ewing st., has been missing in action in Germany since Nov. 28. He was serving with the infantry and has been overseas since August.

Pvt. Griffin served in France and at Luxembourg before going to Germany. He received the combat infantryman badge in October.

Pvt. Griffin was employed by the Shell Oil Co. for 17 years. He received a military leave to enter the service in October, 1943.

Pfc. Donald E. Sterrett, who was wounded Aug. 9 in France, has been missing in action in the Luxembourg area since Dec. 6.

Pvt. Sterrett is the son of Mrs. Elsworth Sterrett, 3221 Roosevelt ave. His wife, Mrs. Mary Sterrett, resides in Connorsville, where he had 16 years and worked for the Gray-Norris Manufacturing Co. He is a 35-year-old soldier is one of the men serving overseas.

Pvt. Sterrett is stationed in New Guinea and Petty Officer 3-c Kenneth Sterrett is serving in the South Pacific.

S. Sgt. Russell C. Stewart, husband of Mrs. Lorraine Stewart, 745 S. Sherman dr., has been missing in action over Germany since Nov. 16. He was serving as a B-24 tail gunner and has been overseas since July.

Sgt. Stewart was wounded in September when "flak" hit his plane and had been awarded the purple heart.

A former employee of Eli Lilly & Co., he is 28 and entered the service in September, 1943. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stewart live near Swiss City.

CANCER EXPERT TO SPEAK

"Cancer Control," will be the subject of a talk by Dr. E. E. Padgett at the Lions club luncheon Wednesday in the Claypool hotel. Dr. Padgett is chairman of the cancer control committee of the Indiana Medical association.

INITIATION SCHEDULED

Candidates will be initiated by Lawrence chapter No. 384, O. E. S., during a stated meeting Thursday. Mrs. Faye Roebel is worthy matron and John Bryant is worthy patron.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau

(All Data in Central War Time)

—Jan. 1, 1944—

Sunrise... 8:07 Sunset... 5:31

Precipitation 24 hrs. end. 7:30 a. m. Trace

Total precipitation since Jan. 1... Trace

Deficiency since Jan. 1... 26

The following table shows the highest

temperatures for the 12 hours ending at

7:30 p. m. yesterday and the lowest tem-

peratures for the 12 hours ending at 7:30

a. m. today:

	High	Low
Atlanta	49	37
Boston	40	31
Chicago	40	31
Cincinnati	37	27
Cleveland	37	30
Denver	34	24
Evansville	33	18
Indianapolis	31	22
Kansas City	30	23
Los Angeles	50	35
Memphis	38	28
Minneapolis	38	28
New Orleans	78	48
New York	40	31
Oklahoma City	41	28
Omaha, Neb.	30	23
Pittsburgh	43	33
San Antonio	64	33
St. Louis	37	27
Washington	37	27

Stare Police Board Praises

Don Stiver's 10 Years' Work

Don Stiver, former state police superintendent, has been commended

by the state police board for his 10 years' service.

In a resolution passed at the final meeting held Dec. 29, the board

extended to Mr. Stiver, the "appreciation and good wishes of the citizens

of this state for the outstanding public service.

Copies of the resolution were sent to Governor Schrick and

Governor-elect Robert T. Otis.

The resolution also commends Mr.

Stiver for increasing the standards

of the state police and "elevating

the department to an esteemed and

enviable position.

"He has been a great factor in

bringing about better relationships

between the state police superin-

tendents and commissioners

throughout the U. S.," the resolu-

tion continues.

"The training and selection

program of this department was de-

veloped under his leadership which

produced efficient policemen with

character and ability."

## IN INDIANAPOLIS—EVENTS—VITALS

### BIRTHS

#### GIRLS

Donald and Constance Kerr, at Methodist. Cyril and Mabel Raper, at Methodist. Lynn and Mabel Wyatt, at 644 N. Summit. Johnny and Helen Bryson, at 1731 Alford. Andrew and Francis Rex, at 1243 Standard. Donald, Kathryn Mitchell, at St. Francis. Wallace, Louise Waugh, at City. Charles, Eugene Johnson, at St. Vincent's. Marvin, Mabel Bradley, at Coleman. Martin, Virginia Baine, at Methodist. James, Marjorie Pout, at Methodist. Jesse, Inez Hulse, at Methodist. Allen, Gertrude Thompson, at Methodist. Russell, Hattie Toler, at Methodist.

#### BOYS

James and Mary Richwine, at Methodist. Garland and Ethel Sanders, at Methodist. Byron and Esther Hanna, at Methodist. Russell and Mildred Widener, at Methodist. Robert and Belle Norris, at Methodist. Dale and Annie Kern, at Methodist. Melvin and Rose Byroad, at Methodist. Verla and Anna Rodney, at Methodist. John and Edwin Fleming, at Methodist. William and Vilas Stecker, at Methodist. Robert and Charlotte Springer, at Methodist. Roger and Marjane Popp, at St. Vincent's. Orval and Georgia Allen, at St. Vincent's. Wayne and Willis Turpin, at St. Vincent's. Albert and Pauline Scott, at St. Vincent's. John and Sarah Smith, at St. Vincent's. Robert and Jesse Scheid, at St. Vincent's. Jim and Margaret Johnson, at Coleman. Edward and Pauline Mayen, at Coleman.

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