

Hoosier Heroes—Leslie and Garrett Lose Lives; Lamb, Pappas and Fahy Receive Battle Wounds in Germany

Pvt. Robert Leslie, husband of Mrs. Ruth Leslie, 1018 River ave., who previously was reported missing in Germany Dec. 4, was killed on that date, the war department informed his wife Sunday.

A machine gunner with the infantry, he entered the army in April and went overseas in September. He formerly was employed by the Central garage and was 24.

Survivors besides his wife are three daughters, Nora, 3; Vivian, 2; and Karen, 1; his mother, Mrs. Nora Leslie, 2157 S. Meridian st.; a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Young, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crouch.

Motor Machinist's Mate 1-c Revis Garrett Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Revis Garrett Sr., Evansville, died of wounds following action in the Pacific, his parents were informed Nov. 29.

He entered the navy July 10, 1942, and trained at Great Lakes and the Indianapolis naval armory, going overseas March 20, 1944. A graduate of Reitz high school, Evansville, he was employed at the International Steel Co. before enlisting in the navy.

Survivors besides his parents are a sister, Mrs. Marvin Edmond, also of Evansville.

Pfc. Robert Lamb, who was wounded in Germany Nov. 9, is convalescing in a Paris hospital.

Son of Mrs. Bertha Lamb, 515 Tecumseh st., he has been overseas with a tank division since July 7. A former employee of the Claypool hotel, he entered the army Sept. 25, 1943, and is 20. His brother, Pvt. George Lamb, is serving in Holland.

Pvt. James V. Pappas, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pappas, 1702 N. Boart ave., was wounded Nov. 29 in Germany.

A member of the intelligence section of the infantry, he kept home several German souvenirs in October, including an officers' watch and uniform, officers' dress knives, medals, money, insignia and a camouflage tent. He is a graduate of Cathedral high school.



Pfc. Donald E. Sterrett, son of Mrs. Elsworth Sterrett, 3221 Roosevelt ave., and husband of Mrs. Mary Sterrett, Connersville, has been missing in the Luxembourg area since Dec. 6.

Pvt. Pappas, who is 21, entered the army Oct. 23, 1943. He formerly was a salesman for the Coca-Cola Bottling Co.

A brother, Capt. Bernard A. Pappas, has served overseas 22 months.

Sgt. Cletus B. Fahy, brother of Miss Imelda Fahy, 1308 Central ave., was wounded Dec. 8 while in action with the 1st army in Germany.

A graduate of Brownsburg high school, he was a nurseryman for the Eagle Creek Nurseries, Inc., before entering the army in January, 1941. He went overseas in August, 1942.

Member of a tank battalion, he is 23 and a brother, Cpl. Joseph Fahy, is stationed in New Hampshire. A sister, Marguerite, lives at the above address and a brother, Edward, is in Brownsburg.

First Lt. Howard E. Smith, whose wife, Mrs. Victoria Theresa Smith, and daughter, live at 5044 E. 10th st., has been awarded the air medal with one oak leaf cluster. He is serving as a photo reconnaissance pilot with the 15th army air force in Italy.

The son of Mrs. Florence E. DeLong, West Lafayette, Lt. Smith was graduated from West Lafayette high school, and formerly was employed by the Lafayette plant of the Aluminum Co. of America.



S. Sgt. Russell C. Stewart, husband of Mrs. Lorraine Stewart, 745 S. Sherman dr., has been missing over Germany since Nov. 26.

He joined the air corps in the summer of 1942, and received 11 months of glider training before transferring to the air cadets. He was an instructor of advanced flying at Turner field, Ga., until leaving for Italy five months ago.

Two Indianapolis men serving with the air transport command in India have been honored for operational flight in transport aircraft.



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 Germany since Nov. 28.

over the dangerous and difficult India-China air routes.

They are 1st Lt. Robert F. Wendrick, 117 N. Euclid ave., who was awarded the distinguished flying cross, and Pfc. Robert L. Golden, 4211 Sunset lane, who received the air medal. Lt. Wendrick has completed 300 hours of flight, and Pfc. Golden was honored for 150 hours.

S. Sgt. Kilbourne L. Fontaine, a crew chief in the 56th fighter group



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Fireman 2-c Arthur Miesen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Miesen, Ft. Wayne, is missing in action.



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Homer Stinson, Evansville, have been wounded in action.

S. Sgt. Harold K. Kratzer, husband of Mrs. Dorothy Kratzer, Elkhart, has been awarded the air medal for meritorious service with the 10th air force in Burma. He is a B-24 aerial engineer-gunner with the 7th bombardment group, and has completed 25 missions.



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B-17 operating from an 8th air force base in England.

First Lt. Walter E. Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Murphy, Albany, has been awarded a second oak leaf cluster to the air medal. He is a P-51 Mustang pilot, and is fighting with the 353d fighter group in England, which has accounted for more than 400 enemy aircraft. Of these, 240 were destroyed in the air.

Nazis Reported Fleeing in Salient

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Iron Out Nazi Bulges

Patton's gains had ironed out the German bulges on each side of Bastogne, removing any current threat to the citadel. His units pushed on to the north toward Houffalize, 10 miles above Bastogne on the Liege highway.

A German communique said the Americans were trying to break through toward Houffalize, a possible hint that they were approaching that town.

The steady gains of the 3d army threatened to lop off the western half of the German salient. It was this mounting threat which apparently prompted the Nazi withdrawal from the bulge west of the line through Bastogne.

A field dispatch timed at 8 o'clock this morning (2 a. m., Indianapolis time) said all contact had been lost with the Nazi armored divisions that had been holding the western tip of the salient.

The Americans were advancing eastward against light rear guard resistance, the dispatch said.

United Press Correspondent Boyd Lewis reported the German withdrawal.

Meuse Threat Ended?

It apparently ended for the time being Field Marshal Karl von Rundstedt's threat to the Meuse river line.

The Nazis apparently were alarmed by the growing threat of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's 3d army assault on their southern flank.

They were believed gathering their crack panzer units in the center of the Ardennes in preparation for a new attempt to break through the American ring.

The attack may be directed north toward Liege and Antwerp or south against Patton's troops.

Lewis' censored dispatch did not specify the location of the American forces advancing against the nose of the German salient.

The Yank counter-drive at last reports, now more than 36 hours old, had punched back some 12 miles from positions only four miles east of the Meuse to recapture Rochefort, 24 miles northwest of Bastogne.

Meanwhile, the S. H. A. E. F. communique and field dispatches from Patton's attack front—all delayed 24 to 36 hours by censorship—said the 3d army was grinding steadily into the southern flank of the Ardennes salient in a broadening front north, east and west of Bastogne.

Veterans of the American 9th armored division gave the Nazis a resounding beating in the wooded hills southeast of Bastogne New Year's eve.

They halted a powerful armored force that tried repeatedly to cut the supply corridor below that town.

GRAND JURY SWORN IN BY JUDGE BAIN

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Petit Jury of 20 Members Picked

An expanded petit jury panel of 20 members was chosen today by Judge William D. Bain, of criminal court.

Departing from customary selection of 12 members, the panel was requested by Prosecutor Sherwood Blue to "guarantee" jurors when needed.

In practice, the new panel will form the nucleus of future venues, inasmuch as members of the panel will be among the prospective jurors summoned.

The panel chosen consists of the following:

Louis G. Bauer, 2818 Brookside pkwy., a retired farmer.
Mrs. Jane Battin, 574 Trowbridge st., housewife.

Mrs. J. B. Gossett, 1221 Park ave., housewife.

Mrs. Ethel Dickinson, 4451 Central ave., housewife.

Mrs. Jora Yoke, 1327 Linden st., housewife.

Mrs. Irene Pryun, 1402 N. La Salle st., housewife.

B. R. Fleming, 2911 Washington blvd., retired.

Mrs. Vesta Harding, 1125 Harding st., housewife.

Mrs. Arlene Salkner, 4015 Ruckle st., housewife.

Mrs. Frieda Crist, 431 N. Gladstone, housewife.

Mrs. Frieda Bowen, Wanamaker, housewife.

Mrs. Mary Shanahan, 1334 N. La Salle st., housewife.

Leroy C. Bush, 117 N. Alabama st., veteran of world war I and II.

Mrs. Charles Dugan, 211 Hendricks pl., housewife.

Mrs. Helen Hogan, 1525 N. Rural st., housewife.

Mrs. Helen Payne, 1239 N. Rural st., housewife.

Dan Jones, 4513 E. 10th st., retired.

Herbert Stewart, 340 W. 43d st., retired engineer.

John Melvin, 846½ Virginia ave.

Mrs. Eva Vance, 1521 N. Tuxedo st., housewife.

and isolate Patton's advanced spearheads to the north.

Attacking all day Sunday and through the night, the Germans by Monday morning had gained about 200 yards in the Luttrebois sector at a cost of 67 tanks.

Thirty-two of the panzers were wrecked in a tremendous battle with the 9th division's tanks, tank destroyers and bazooka gunners.

Another 35 were blasted by American dive-bombers and rocket-firing fighters.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

EVENTS TODAY
Miniature Rooms display, L. S. Ayres & Co., 4th floor.
Indiana Association of County and District Fairs, convention, Lincoln hotel, 12:15 p. m.
Lutheran service club, luncheon, Lincoln hotel, 12:15 p. m.

EVENTS TOMORROW
Indiana Association of County and District Fairs, convention, Lincoln hotel.
Indiana State Board of Agriculture, convention, Lincoln hotel.
Indiana State Medical Examining board, convention, Claypool hotel.

BIRTHS
Girls
Charles, Emma Dale, at St. Francis.
Ray Shirley Westerman, at St. Francis.
George, Maxine Burgess, at St. Vincent's.
Lt. Harry, Mary Blainham, at St. Vincent's.
Wayne, Margaret Hawkins, at St. Vincent's.
Charles, Eleanor Johnson, at St. Vincent's.
Conrad, Loreta Johnson, at St. Vincent's.
Clinton, Faye Rogers, at St. Vincent's.
Ernie, Margie Wright, at St. Vincent's.

Robert, Kathryn Permett, at St. Vincent's.
John, Jean Dods, at St. Vincent's.
Wayne, Mildred Long, at St. Vincent's.
Roland, Gladys O'Leary, at St. Vincent's.
Frank, Lee Barrett, at Coleman.
Veldon, Helen Montgomery, at Coleman.
David, Josephine Oliver, at Coleman.
Robert, Barbara Robertson, at Coleman.
Robert, Ruth Speiker, at Coleman.
Riley, Mary Todd, at Coleman.
Charles, Virginia Geary, at Methodist.
Will, Etta Oldage, at Methodist.
W. Allan, Mary Ellen Pierce, at Methodist.
Samuel, Thelma Watson, at Methodist.

Boys
Donald, Marie Pearson, at St. Francis.
James, Annabel Stahl, at St. Francis.
Ervin, Lillian Swartz, at St. Francis.
Edward, Mary Tinsler, at St. Francis.
James, Odessa Durham, at City.
Frank, Pauline Hayes, at City.
Edwin, Rediah Lucas, at City.
Cecil, Mildred Sparks, at St. Vincent's.
Frank, Ruth Sparks, at St. Vincent's.
William, Audrey Swartz, at St. Vincent's.
Waymond, Helen Webb, at St. Vincent's.
Ernest, Johanna Woods, at St. Vincent's.
Rupert, Ruth Alexander, at Coleman.
Gordon, Alvin Ziel, at Coleman.
Lloyd, Helen Kurek, at Coleman.
Robert, Myrtle Linn, at Coleman.
Ralph, Athena Neel, at Coleman.
Glover, Geraldine Ellis, at Methodist.
Richard, Charlotte Heim, at Methodist.
Doris, Helen Louise Reynolds, at Methodist.
Benjamin, Jewell Winston, at Methodist.

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