

Hoosier Heroes: 3 Local Servicemen Killed In Battle; 4 Others Wounded; 2 Prisoners

Sgt. Vernon Winters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Winters, 965 N. Somerset ave., who previously was reported missing over Germany July 20, was killed on that date.

Tail gunner and radioman on a B-17, he was 21 and had been overseas six months. He was a graduate of Technical high school and was employed as a trolley set before entering the army air forces in January, 1943.

Survivors besides his parents are two brothers, Cpl. Jack Winters, stationed at Crile general hospital, Cleveland, O., after serving 10 months in the South Pacific, and Seaman 1-c Arthur Winters Jr., who recently returned from two years' submarine duty in the Pacific.

Pvt. Charles K. Elliott, husband of Mrs. Wilma Jean Elliott, McCordville, and son of James Harrison Elliott, Greenfield, was killed in Germany Dec. 21. He previously was reported missing.

The 26-year-old infantryman had been overseas since June 30 and was a farrier near McCordville before entering the army a year ago.

Survivors besides his wife and father are a sister, Miss Mildred Elliott, Indianapolis, and two brothers, S. S. Wilbur H. Elliott, who has been missing in the European theater since March, 1943, and Pfc. Robert E. Elliott, who was wounded in Germany in November.

Second Lt. Paul A. Barnmann, husband of Mrs. Elmer M. Barnmann, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Barnmann 2186 S. Delaware st., was killed in France Dec. 13.

With the field artillery in the 7th army, he went overseas in October, 1943, and had taken part in three major engagements in Italy, France and Germany.

A graduate of Manual high school, he was employed by the Indianapolis News and the National Cash Register Co. before enlisting in the army in October, 1941. He received his commission at Ft. Sill, Okla., April 22, 1943.

Sgt. Charles H. Persinger, husband of Mrs. Barbara Persinger, 1707 S. East st., was wounded in Italy Oct. 9 and has returned to active duty.

The 26-year-old infantryman holds the purple heart and good conduct medal and was in Africa before going to Italy. Before entering the army in November, 1943, he was employed at the Fall Creek Ordnance plant. He went overseas June 5.

He has a four-year-old son, Perky Lee.

Pfc. Ernest L. Swihart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Swihart, 1434 N. New Jersey st., was wounded in Germany Dec. 19, his parents were informed by the war department Saturday.

Pvt. Swihart, who is 22, entered the army more than two years ago while working at Kingan and Co., and went overseas in August.

A graduate of Technical high school, he has a brother, Seaman 2-c Wayne Swihart, with the coast guard in the South Pacific.

Capt. Carlton Garrison, husband of Mrs. Mary E. Garrison, 33 N. Sheridan ave., a chaplain, with the 9th infantry division, was wounded in Germany Dec. 15 and is in a hospital in Paris.

Awarded the purple heart, he has been overseas since July and entered the service in December, 1943. He was promoted to captain Dec. 1. Capt. Garrison is the son of Mrs. Asher Fisher, Columbus City, and is a graduate of Johnson Bible college, Kimberlin Heights, Tenn. He attended Phillips university at Enid, Okla., and received chaplain's training at Harvard university. Before he was wounded he held services in captured German pillboxes on the Siegfried line.

He is a member of the Englewood Christian church and was employed at the A. J. Huber Co. in 1938 and 1939. He is 25.

Sgt. Walter F. Quicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Quicks, formerly of 556½ W. Washington st., was wounded in the leg in the battle of St. Lo and is in an army rehabilitation center in England.

The 27-year-old infantryman entered Normandy on D-day and was in active combat more than a month before being wounded. He received the purple heart.

Pfc. Jesse Ebsly, husband of Mrs. Patricia Ann Ebsly, 4714 Bertha st., was captured by the Japanese in Burma in September, the International Red Cross has informed his wife.

A member of an army construction battalion, he is 22 and entered service in March, 1941. He is the son of Walter Ebsly, 1607 Delos st., and has been overseas since June.

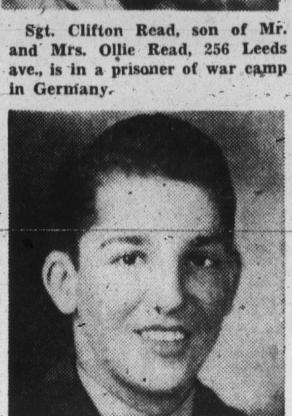
Pfc. Fred L. Schilling, son of Mrs. Marie Wilbourn, 2900 Marpherson st., who has been missing in Holland since Sept. 28, was captured by the Germans on that date, according to a telegram received by his mother Thursday.

A paratrooper, he is 25, and enlisted in the army four years ago. Overseas more than a year, he also has served in Italy and England.

Two brothers are overseas. They are Pvt. Biri Schilling, Hawaii, and S. Sgt. John E. Schilling, Burma.

Forty-nine Indiana men have been wounded in action in the Mediterranean area. In all cases next of kin have previously been notified and have been kept directly informed by the war department of any change in status.

Pfc. Berneice D. Ashby, son of Joseph G. Ashby, 2000 E. 10th st., Bell, husband of Mrs. Dorothy Bell, Connersville; 2d Lt. Robert G. Bencark, son of R. G. Bencark, Jr., Bloomington; T. Sgt.



Michael Casserly John Smerdel

PFC. MICHAEL J. CASSERLY, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Casserly, 818 N. Keystone ave., was killed in Germany Dec. 6.

PFC. JOHN F. SMERDEL, husband of Mrs. Frances Smerdel, 770 Arnolds ave., has been missing in Belgium since Dec. 17.

of Mrs. Maggie Munson, New Albany; Pfc. Martin B. Munson, husband of Mrs. Pauline Munson, Atwood.

Pfc. Amos F. Penkull, son of Mrs. Irene Page, Bicknell; 1st Lt. Bernard J. Penkull, son of Mrs. Mary Nowak, Ft. Wayne; Pfc. James E. Pfeifer, son of Mrs. Prather, New Albany; Pfc. Lewis N. Pruth, Hobart; Pfc. Robinson Reed, Salem; Pfc. Robert E. Robinson, Greencastle; Pfc. Mary E. Robinson, Greencastle; Pfc. Raymond A. Robinson, husband of Mrs. Margaret E. Robinson, Greencastle; Pfc. Charles P. Rykiel, son of Floyd C. Rykiel, Greensburg.

Capt. George J. Schaefer, husband of Mrs. Jean Schaefer, Indianapolis; Col. Elmer B. Smallwood, husband of Mrs. Pauline Smallwood, Evansville; Pfc. Calvin D. Spencer, son of Mrs. Rachel Spencer, Indianapolis; Lt. Howard L. Spiegel, son of Mrs. Ruby Steff, East Chicago; Pfc. James S. Targell, son of Mrs. Maggie L. Targell, Indianapolis; Pfc. Stephen H. Turner, husband of Mrs. Ethel M. Turner, Richmond; Pfc. Thomas A. Umek, brother of Miss Catherine Umek, Indianapolis; Pfc. William J. Vail, Michigan City; Pfc. Bruce A. Van Wagner, son of Mrs. Violet Van Wagner, Lebanon; Pfc. Alphonse J. Verner, husband of Mrs. Mary Verner, Kamp, Greensburg.

Pfc. William O. Verner, son of Mrs. Mollie Verner, Pendleton; Pfc. Richard Wayne, son of Mrs. Grace Wayne, Gary; Pfc. Barney A. Wilhite, brother of Richard Wilhite, Young; Pfc. Leonard W. Williams, son of Mrs. Anna Williams, Ft. Wayne; Pfc. Clarence Worden, husband of Mrs. Margaret Worden, Kokomo; Pfc. Alexander R. Zaracina, son of Mrs. Adela Zaracina, East Chicago.

Sgt. Norbert J. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Spencer, 3415 Winthrop ave., and husband of Mrs. Agnes D. Spencer, Mishawaka, was killed in France Dec. 15.

Pvt. Curtis B. McGinnis, son of Lee McGinnis, Hall, has posthumously been awarded the silver star medal for gallantry in action in France.

Indiana men who have been awarded the bronze star medal are:

Col. Earl F. Thomson, Lake James; Capt. William B. Combs, Frankfort; S. Sgt. Paul E. Grubel, Haubstadt; Sgt. Orval L. Bitzel, Marion, and Russell C. Ashby, Anderson.

The distinguished flying cross has been awarded to the following personnel of the 8th air force: First Lt. Charles E. Hale, Oakland City; First Lt. Clay W. Hedges, Crawfordsville; Second Lt. George B. Clark Jr., Evansville; T. Sgt. Joseph E. Payne, Shelburne; T. Sgt. Frederick J. Popelski, South Bend; S. Sgt. Ralph S. Grace, Hibbard; S. Sgt. Darryl G. Neese, Frankton; S. Sgt. Herbert L. Zechiel, Bremen, and Sgt. Derall B. Wittner, Ft. Wayne.

The Revellers' auxiliary of the Grotto will install officers at the meeting today. New officers are Mrs. Cecil Scott, president; Mrs. Mabel Heller, vice president; Mrs. Louis Rost, secretary, and Mrs. Frank Fulton, treasurer.

The auxiliary will sponsor its weekly card party at Fountain Square hall at 8 p. m. tomorrow.

Hospital Head to Speak

B. C. Moore, local manager of the Veterans hospital, will speak at the noon luncheon of the Gyro club tomorrow at the Indianapolis Athletic club. His subject will be "What We Are Doing for the Returning Service Men and Women."

Goldmund to Install

Goldmund council No. 445, De-

signee of the Indiana State Executives, luncheon, 12:30 p. m., Hotel Washington.

Indiana Lumber & Builders' Supply association, convention, Murat temple and Claypool hotel.

Indiana State Nurses Association, con-

vention, Hotel Seville, Indianapolis. Newsboys' Band, luncheon, 12:15 p. m., Hotel Washington.

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