

## Hoosier Heroes: Two Dead, One Missing, 17 Wounded; Two Are Prisoners of Germany

Two Indianapolis soldiers have been killed in Germany and an airman is missing in Europe. In addition, two are prisoners of Germany and 17 have been wounded.

## KILLED

Sgt. Richard M. Morris, 1348 N. Tuxedo st., in Germany.

S. Sgt. William E. Corley, 525 N. Alabama st., in Germany.

## MISSING

T. Sgt. Lowell Beaver, Fishers, in Europe.

## PRISONERS

T. 5th Gr. George Ronk, 5355 Primrose ave., of Germany.

Cpl. Joseph P. Hunt, 536 N. Keystone ave., of Germany.

## DEAD

S. Sgt. Richard E. Corley, husband of Mrs. Bernice Corley, 525 N. Alabama st., was killed in Germany March 20. He was 32.

A veteran of 11 years army service, he was in the 11th infantry at Ft. Harrison from 1930 to 1936. He re-enlisted in the Indiana national guard in October, 1940, and was discharged in March, 1942. He later re-entered service and went overseas six months ago.

Survivors besides his wife, are a sister, Mrs. Bessie Kelley, of the Alabama st. address; his mother, Mrs. Laura Gundiff, Owensboro, Ky.; his father, Edgar, Evansville; and a half-brother, Raymond Brown, serving in the navy.

Sgt. Richard M. Morris, son of Mrs. Emily Morris, 1348 N. Tuxedo st., and husband of Mrs. Geraldine Morris, Lima, O., was killed March 8 in Germany while serving with the infantry.

Overseas since January, Sgt. Morris, who was 27, had entered the army two and one-half years ago. He attended Technical high school and was formerly employed at Allisons.

Surviving besides the mother and wife are five sisters, Mrs. Bernard Smith, Mrs. Robert Winters, and Marcella, Patty and Barbara, all of Indianapolis, and a brother, Pfc. John Morris, with the army, stationed at Key West, Fla.

## MISSING

T. Sgt. Lowell Beaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Beaver, of Fishers, and brother of Mrs. Lucille Moore, 4324 Crittenden ave., has been missing in Europe since March 24.

A radio operator-gunner on a B-17 based in England, he had completed more than 10 missions since going overseas in January. He entered the army in December, 1941.

His brother, S. Sgt. Robert Beaver, was a prisoner of Germany since Aug. 26. Another brother, S. Sgt. Francis Beaver, is serving with the medical corps in the 3d army in Germany. A brother-in-law, Cpl. Loren Sneed, husband of Mrs. Martha Sneed, 3132 Broadway, is in France.

## PRISONERS

A member of the 106th division, Cpl. Joseph P. Hunt, previously



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listed as missing since Dec. 16, is now a prisoner of the Germans in Stalag 4-B.

A card written by Cpl. Hunt on Jan. 9 was received Tuesday by his wife, Mrs. Frances Hunt, 536 N. Keystone ave.

T. 5th Gr. George T. Ronk, husband of Mrs. Lois Reed Ronk, 5355 Primrose ave., has been a prisoner of Germany since his capture in Belgium Dec. 17.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ronk, 402 N. Lyndhurst dr., he is interned in Stalag 4-B. He is 22 and formerly was employed by the Allison division.

His wife received a letter from him Tuesday saying that he is in a graduate of Ben Davis high school.

His small son, Michael, 4, lives at the Rybott address. A brother, T. Sgt. Richard Gerald Hoyt, was killed in a plane collision in Belgium March 2.

Previously wounded in service, he is to be wounded in service. He arrived in France in February and his family has received word that he is now in a hospital in Germany.

A paratrooper, Pvt. Curtis is 27 and has been in the army since Pearl Harbor. A brother, Pvt. Robert M. Curtis, was wounded in the South Pacific and was returned to the States last July.

A step-brother, Pvt. Harry Snyder, is hospitalized in England after having been wounded three times in France and once in Belgium. Pvt. Curtis has a small son, Thomas Keith, who is 5.

Pvt. Harold D. Stewart, brother of Miss Betty Stewart, 3009 N. Illinois st., and nephew of Mrs. Laura Sparag, 89 S. 8th ave., Beech Grove, was wounded on Luzon March 2.

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Sgt. Warren D. Smith, brother of Mrs. Lennie Talbert, 353 S. Rural st., and Mrs. Ralph Harwood, 1019 N. Olney st., is improving in a hospital in England from wounds received March 19, in action in Germany.

The 19-year-old infantryman had been back on duty a month after recovering from wounds received Dec. 16 or 17. He went overseas last September and was serving in the 1st army.

Before entering the army March 13, 1944, he was employed by the Indianapolis Union Railway Co. His brother, Marine Pvt. Silas Rose, is stationed at Parris Island, S. C.

Pvt. Thomas N. Mattingly, brother of Miss Cecilia N. Mattingly, 2432 Prospect st., is back on duty after recovering from wounds received March 17 in France.

The 25-year-old infantryman was employed by the George J. Mayer Co. before entering service in August, 1944. He went overseas last January. A brother, Pvt. William Mattingly, is in the army at Miami Beach, Fla.

Wounded Feb. 7 on Luzon, Pfc. Harold Sarver, son of Mrs. Anna Morton, 1540 Ringgold st., is now hospitalized in the Philippines.

Overseas since December, 1943, Pvt. Sarver was with the infantry and has been in the army four years. He attended schools in Richmond and is a former employee of the Inland Steel Co. at Indiana Harbor.

Sgt. Melvin Marion, husband of Mrs. Emma Marion, 525 Agnes st., was wounded in Germany on March 19, while serving with the field artillery.

Entering the army in October, 1941, he is 30, and has been overseas since last December. Sgt. Marion is a graduate of Crispus Attucks high school and a former employee of the Capitol Motors. His brother, Marine Pfc. Pheoleman Marion, is in the Pacific.

Pvt. Raymond H. Markunas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Markunas, 2855 N. Pennsylvania st., was wounded for the second time on the Western front Jan. 27.

He was first wounded Oct. 1 in France while serving with the paratroopers and the second time wounded in Luxembourg while with the infantry. Pvt. Markunas entered the army in June, 1942, and previously was an all-star athlete at Belgium, Ill. His brother, S. Sgt. Peter Markunas, is serving in the Philippines.

First Sgt. Otis H. Grafton, husband of Mrs. Betty L. Grafton, 1442 Kempton ave., was wounded March 15, in Germany, while serving with an armored division. He is hospitalized in France.

A veteran of nine and one-half years army service, Sgt. Grafton, who is 27, formerly attended schools in Kansas City, Kas., and went overseas last September. A brother, Ernest Grafton, was killed in the South Pacific last October.

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## WOUNDED

Warren Smith . . . Wounded

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further treatment Pvt. Hoyt expects to be returned to the country.

Before entering service 13 months ago, he was employed at the Hallen Furnace Co. He has been overseas since last October and is

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Pvt. James Q. Elzey, husband of Mrs. Dorothy V. Elzey, 723 N. Euclid ave., received back and rib injuries March 4, while serving with a tank battalion in Germany. He is now improving in a hospital in France.

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Pvt. Robert A. Hoyt, husband of Mrs. Betty M. Hoyt, 534 S. Rybott st., and son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Hoyt, 484 Doerre ave., received serious leg wounds March 18, in action in Germany.

He was serving with an infantry regiment of the 7th army and is now hospitalized in France. After

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## U. S. SENDS NOTE ON JAP SHIP SINKING

WASHINGTON, April 12 (U. P.).

The United States is sending an "appropriate communication" to Japan concerning a vessel, believed to be the Japanese relief ship Awa Maru, which was sunk by an American submarine.

The Awa Maru had been given a safe conduct by this country because it delivered relief supplies to allied nations held by the Japanese.

The state department revealed last night that the navy had informed it of the sinking April 1 of a ship traveling without lights or special illumination about 40 miles from the scheduled position of the Awa Maru. The navy said one survivor stated definitely that the ship was the Awa Maru.

The Japanese version said the Awa Maru was en route to Japan after delivering relief supplies to Americans held in Southern Asiatic areas.

The state department said the United States is now in communication with the Swiss government, which handles diplomatic matters between Japan and this country, and added that "the department of state is sending an appropriate communication to the Japanese government."

REPUBLICAN CLUB DEDICATES HOME

The permanent home of the Warren Township Republican club was dedicated with a card party last night at Miller's restaurant building in Cumberland.

The housewarming program and entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Irene Hamilton, chairman of the social committee, assisted by Mesdames Bernard Curry, Samuel Montgomery, William Beard, Ray Strong, Marvin Schock, Harold H. Conrad and Samuel Rumford.

Mrs. E. Glenn White and Mrs. A. G. Matzke.

## OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau  
(All Data in Central West Time)  
April 12, 1945

Precipitation . . . 6:11 | Sunsets . . . 7:30  
Total precipitation since Jan. 1 . . . 12.62  
Excess since Jan. 1 . . . 1.58

The following table shows the highest temperatures for 12 hours ending at 7:30 p. m. for April and the lowest temperatures for 12 hours ending at 7:30 p. m. for April.

High . . . Low . . .  
Atlanta . . . 78 . . . 56  
Boston . . . 75 . . . 54  
Chicago . . . 81 . . . 60  
Cincinnati . . . 82 . . . 59  
Dallas . . . 80 . . . 58  
Denver . . . 80 . . . 56  
Evansville . . . 80 . . . 60  
Fl. Wayne . . . 80 . . . 60  
Indianapolis (city) . . . 81 . . . 63  
Miami, Fla. . . . 72 . . . 48  
Minneapolis-St. Paul . . . 59 . . . 34  
New Orleans . . . 67 . . . 55  
New York . . . 70 . . . 50  
Oklahoma City . . . 70 . . . 50  
Omaha, Neb. . . . 80 . . . 59  
Pittsburgh . . . 78 . . . 58  
San Antonio, Tex. . . . 79 . . . 58  
St. Louis . . . 75 . . . 58  
Washington, D. C. . . . 70 . . . 60

## SAYS BILL MAY CURB FREEDOM OF PRESS

WASHINGTON, April 12 (U. P.).

Senator Homer Ferguson (R. Mich.) has opened a fight to reverse senate passage of a bill which he said might hamper congress and freedom of the press.

The bill would establish a \$10,000 fine and 10 years' imprisonment for unauthorized disclosure of information received via coded message. It was passed by the senate today.

Ferguson filed a motion to reconsider the action. He said he wanted it amended to exempt congressional committees and the press.

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