

Hoosier Heroes: Three Officers and Sergeant Are Killed; Pilot Missing in Europe, Six More Local Soldiers Freed



First Lt. Robert E. Stutsman ... killed in Germany.



Marine Pvt. Dwight E. Wortman, 5212 Burgess ave., killed April 14, on Okinawa.



Second Lt. William B. Rudy ... freed by British.



Second Lt. Paul J. Foltz ... killed over Formosa.



First Lt. Charles W. Bates ... missing over Germany.



Pvt. Clarence Swann ... freed by Americans.



First Lt. Lawrence Edward McGhehey ... killed in plane crash.



Pvt. Alexander Katra ... freed from Stalag 7-A.

DEAD—

First Lt. Lawrence Edward McGhehey, husband of Mrs. Ruth M. McGhehey, 4504 Kingsley dr., and son of Lawrence C. McGhehey, 4532 Kingsley dr., was killed in an airplane crash in the Irish sea April 23.

In England for more than 18 months, he was en route to Belfast, Ireland, on leave when he was killed. He was a member of the 8th air force.

A graduate of Oakland high school, he was employed by Curtiss-Wright Corp. before entering the air forces in October, 1942.

Besides his wife and father, survivors are a son, Larry Edward, and his stepmother, Mrs. Lawrence C. McGhehey.

DEAD—

Second Lt. Paul J. Foltz, pilot of a B-26 medium bomber, was killed April 22, over Formosa on his first mission after recovering from wounds received Feb. 21, on Luzon.

The 24-year-old officer was the husband of Mrs. Dolores Higgins Foltz, 332 N. Bancroft ave. He was killed when a burst of flak hit the bomb bay of his plane before the bomb load had been dropped.

A former employee of the Western Electric Co., Lt. Foltz had entered the air force in June, 1942, and had gone overseas last December. He held the purple heart and the air medal with one oak leaf cluster.

He had attended Cathedral high school and was a graduate of Shortridge high school, and was a member of S.S. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

Memorial services will be held at 8 a. m. Tuesday in the Cathedral.

Surviving besides the wife, are two sons, John Edward, 3 months old, whom Lt. Foltz had never seen, and Joseph Paul; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Foltz, 2259 N. Pennsylvania st., and two sisters, Mrs. Howard J. McDavitt, Indianapolis, and Lt. Elizabeth A. Foltz, who is at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, after having served nearly three years as an army nurse in the Southwest Pacific.

Sgt. James T. Koehler, formerly of 1434 Blaine ave., was killed April 17, in Leipzig, Germany, according to word received by his wife, Mrs. Joan Koehler, of South Bend.

Memorial services for Sgt. Koehler will be held at 10 a. m. Sunday in Assumption Catholic church, of which he had been a member. He had also attended Technical high school.

Surviving besides the wife, are his two-year-old son, James Thomas Jr.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Koehler, all of South Bend; two sisters, Mrs. Robert R. Johnson, 739 Colorado ave., and Miss Colleen Koehler, South Bend; a nephew, Thomas Johnson, Indianapolis, and an uncle, Brig. Gen. Alonzo P. Fox, of the 9th army.

First Lt. Robert E. Stutsman, previously wounded three times, was killed April 22 in action with the 9th army on their Elbe bridgehead, according to word received by his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elder, 323 S. Lyndhurst dr.

The 24-year-old officer had entered combat with an armored infantry unit at Normandy and fought through France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. He was wounded Sept. 7, Dec. 7 and Dec. 24, and had earned the combat infantry badge and the expert rifleman's badge.

A graduate of Washington high school, Lt. Stutsman attended Indiana university three years and received his commission there in May, 1942. He was promoted to first lieutenant in February, 1943, and went overseas in February, 1944.

Surviving besides Mr. and Mrs. Elder, are the wife, Mrs. Helen Stutsman, Bloomington, and his brother, LeRoy Stutsman, New Carlisle.

MISSING—

Pilot of a B-17, 1st Lt. Charles W. Bates, husband of Mrs. Mary J. McCarty Bates, 4030 N. Capitol ave., has been reported missing over Germany since April 5.

The 23-year-old officer received the air medal with one oak leaf cluster and his promotion to 1st lieutenant on March 28, after completing 10 combat missions.

A former resident of Mansfield, O., Lt. Bates entered the air force in January, 1943, and went overseas four months ago. His 15-month-old son, Roy Lee, lives at the Capitol ave. address. A brother, Sgt. Earl B. Bates, is with a field hospital unit in China.

SAFE—

Pvt. Charles A. McCarnan, son of Mrs. E. L. McCarnan, 3333 N. New Jersey st., was freed from Stalag 2-B in Germany, April 13.

The 20-year-old private was captured Feb. 16, 1944, on Anzio. He wrote his mother that he was "in the American army again" and that he had lost some weight.

A prisoner of the Germans since Nov. 14, Pvt. Alexander Katra, has cabled his wife, Mrs. Norene Katra, 25 N. Richland st., that he was liberated from Stalag 7-A at Moosberg, April 30.

Pvt. Katra, who is 28, has been overseas since April, 1944, and is a former employee of Kington & Co. He has a 16-month-old son, Larry.

Pvt. Clarence Swann, whose parents and wife have heard no word about him since he was reported missing in action Sept. 20, 1944, in

STATE—

The names of the following Hoosier servicemen appear on today's official casualty lists:

NAVY DEAD— Seaman 1-c Robert Clayton Ullrich, Crawfordville; Radaman 3-c William Evans Williams, Redkey; Seaman 1-c Victor Wayne Wise, Dunkirk.

NAVY WOUNDED— Radioman 3-c William Peter Schweitzer, Schererville.

Marine Platoon Sgt. John C. Nicolini, East Chicago; Marine Pfc. Estel E. Mix, Evansville; Marine Pfc. William J. Nutter, Noblesville; Marine Pfc. Dale H. Weiss, Ft. Wayne.

Wounded Feb. 28, on two Jima, Marine Pfc. Farvell C. Noble, husband of Mrs. Marie Noble, 46 N. Hamilton ave., is now improving at the naval hospital at Farragut, I.

Pfc. Noble, who is 30, went overseas last June and was stationed on Guam before the two invasion. Before entering the Marine corps in February, 1944, he held a civil service position in the Panama Canal Zone.

He is the father of a 3-year-old Gloria Gene. A brother, Pfc. Harold Noble, is stationed in Kansas.

First Sgt. Daniel C. Penrod, who was fighting with the armored infantry of Patton's 3d army, was wounded in the hand and wrist April 6 in Germany.

The 26-year-old soldier now is in a hospital in England. A Shortridge high school graduate, Sgt. Penrod worked for the Republic Motion Picture Corp. before entering service about three years ago. He has been overseas eight months.

He is the son of Mrs. Rose Penrod, 4617 Park ave.

Marine Pvt. Joe Weaver Jr., who was wounded on Saipan June 15, has been wounded for the second time on two Jima.

According to a letter received by his aunt, Mrs. Charles Bevis, 1208 N. Arlington ave., Saturday, he has been released from the hospital and is waiting to be called back to duty.

His sister, Miss Wilma C. Weaver, also lives at the Arlington ave. address.

Pfc. Charles Lee Wainscott, whose brother, Cpl. Harry Gilbert Wainscott, was wounded April 11, in Italy, received serious wounds in March on two Jima.

Pfc. Charles Wainscott is the husband of Mrs. Norma Wainscott, R. R. 8, Beech Grove. He was previously wounded in the Marianas and is now hospitalized in Seattle. He is 25.

His father, Harry Wainscott, lives at 1225 Spann ave., and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler, lives at 1322 N. Olney st.

Cpl. Henry C. Bracken, husband of Mrs. Bernice Bracken, 515 N. Linwood ave., has been freed from Stalag 3-B after 27 months as a prisoner.

Cpl. Bracken, who is 26, was taken prisoner in Tunisia. Now he will see his daughter, Barbara, for the first time on his return home. He is a former employee of Allison's and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bracken, R. R. 16, Box 538.

PIGEON ORDINANCE AWAITS COURT TEST

The controversial anti-pigeon feeding ordinance was headed for a constitutionality test today after the city had twice gotten the bird from Mrs. Dora Hunter, No. 1 pigeon benefactor.

Police were instructed by Corporation Counsel Arch N. Bobbitt to refrain from enforcing the pigeon ordinance until its validity is decided in circuit court.

City Prosecutor Henry Coombs appealed his case against Mrs. Hunter to circuit court yesterday after it had been discharged by Municipal Judge John L. McNelis. It marked the second time Judge McNelis had refused to convict Mrs. Hunter.

Defense Attorney Ira Holmes told the judge he had received anonymous letters containing \$14.25 with which to defray Mrs. Hunter's legal expenses.

The defendant had been accused of tossing grain to the birds in University park at the same time the city was trying to lure them into a trap. Attorney Holmes said the ordinance discriminated against his client, adding that he'd "be happy to fight this thing out in the higher courts."

NAME TWO FINANCE GROUP SUPERVISORS

The new Indiana department of financial institutions had effected an organization and appointed two supervisors today.

Fred W. Van Antwerp of South Bend was elected chairman of the department yesterday. Leroy Davidson of Winchester was elected vice chairman, and Donald Jamison of Indianapolis, secretary.

Two men were appointed supervisors. Robert L. Mossburg, Warren, was chosen supervisor of the division of banks and trust companies. Victor G. Walmer of Marion was the new supervisor of the division of small loans and consumers' credit.

Walmer until recently was president and manager of the National Finance Co. of Marion. Mossburg has been a financial department examiner and official for eight years.

NEW OFFICERS NAMED

Charles K. Heck was elected president of the Cathedral Men's club Wednesday night. Other new officers are John J. Minta, first vice president; Charles Moran, second vice president; J. Louis Slatery, secretary, and William Clark, treasurer.

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STRAUSS SAYS: "IT'S ONE DAY NEARER VICTORY"

THE MEN'S SUIT BUSINESS IS VERY DIVERSIFIED!

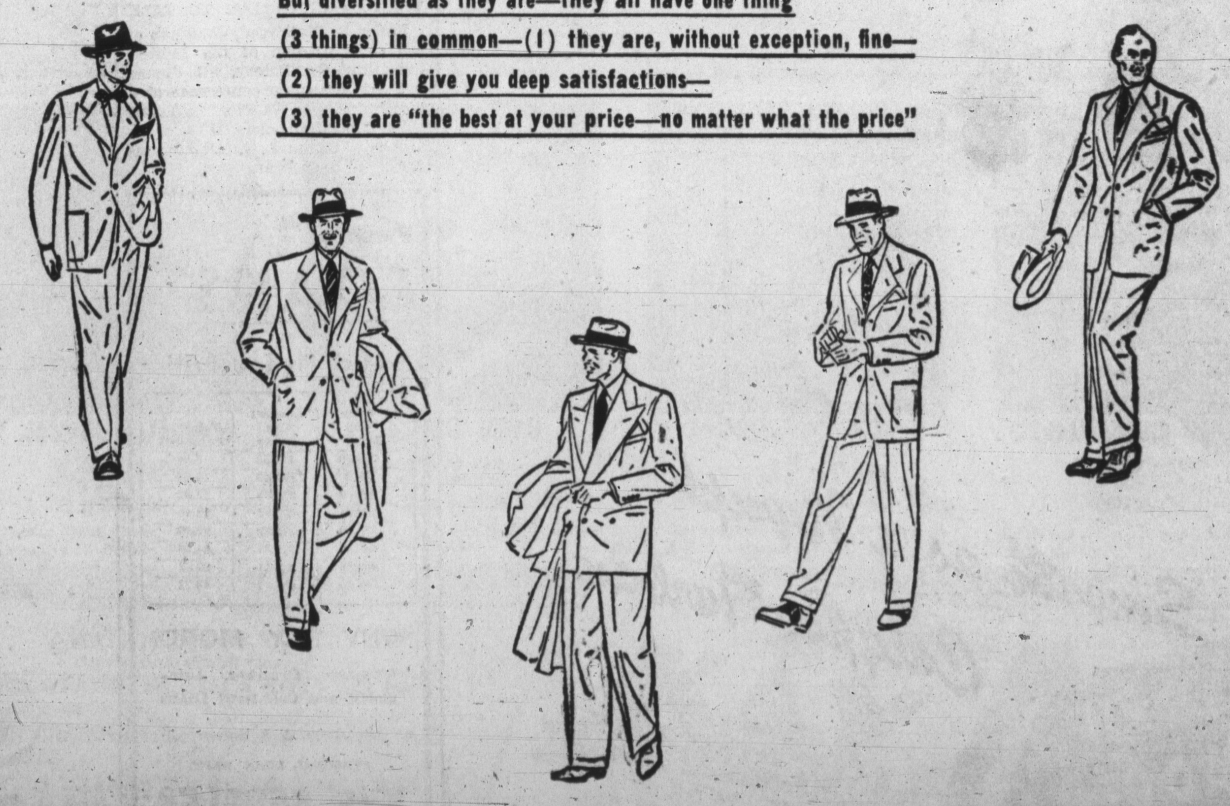
Some men are buying those good looking, long wearing, smooth worsteds—others incline to the softer Shetlands or Tweed types that have an outdoorish accent. They're buying Single Breasted and Double Breasted Suits—(right now at a ratio of 65 S.B. to 35 D.B.).

Three-piece Suits and 2-piece Suits—both are getting a good break! There are even Seersuckers being sold (we noticed quite a few of them on their way to a fitting trip to the Alteration Room).

Some men choose to pay \$35 for a Suit—and you ought to see the amazingly good, that's right, all wool worsted (3-piece) Suits that are here at that price.

Others are inclined to go all the way up the price scale.

But diversified as they are—they all have one thing (3 things) in common—(1) they are, without exception, fine—(2) they will give you deep satisfactions—(3) they are "the best at your price—no matter what the price"



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