-Service Editor

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Lt. Leslie Amelang Prisoner Of War Of The Germans

First Reported as Missing in Action Over Bucharest, Rumania, Now Found as Prisoner

Lieutenant Leslie M. Ar-elang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Amelang. of Louisville, who was reported as missing over Bucharest, Rumania. Abril 14th, is now reported in a message to the parents as a prisoner of the Germans.

The telegram was received Louisville on Tuesday night, and his present position. informed the parents of the safety of the son altho held in enemy hands.

Lt. Amelang was the pilot of an American flying fortress and prior to his entry in the air service was the manager of a chain grocery store in Gmaha.

The news came as a very welcome message to the parents and the many Schafer Ready On old friends in Louisville and over Case county.

Receive Interesting Pictures

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wurl of this city have received some very interesting snap shots taken in that little known rection of our globe. Greenland, the great island that until this war was seldom visited, but now is occupied by American forces

Master Sergeant Robert Wurl, is located on the island and has been there long enough to become much interested in the scenery that is so majestic as to inspire one with its grandeur. On a recent trip the American enjoyed the opportunity of visiting at one of the great glacfer sections of Greenland and to get tictures of the great rugged mountains with the snow and ice formation, the marches and treks through the deep snows of the far north.

The party also enjoyed visiting with several of the Eskimo families that are settled in the bleak regions, the Igloos where they make their homes and the families garbed in their best clothes the elders especially dressed in the usual garb of the more settled areas of the world.

Calls From Virginia

A Mother's day greating sent home was a telephone message from Bronson Timm to his wife and parents in this city. He is now stationed at Camp Allen, Virginia, awaiting his assignment in the navy. The greeting was much enjoyed by the relatives altho limited to a few moments from Camp Blanding, due to the only, due to the heavy demands on heavy rains affecting roadbeds, and the telephone lines for the Mother's was over two hours late in Omaha day greetings.

Returns to Duty

departed today for San Diego, Calif. at Fort George Meade, in Maryland. to report for duty after a very pleasant visit with his mother, Mrs. Frank Chovanec, and his other relatives and friends. Joe has had a very extensive experience in the naval service and his duty has taken him to many places over the Pa-

VSISTS IN CITY

Kenneth Jones, Seabee, who ar rived in Omaha on Saturday to visit Mrs. Jones and other of the relatives, came down to this city Tuesday to visit his mother, Mrs. Edna Jones and with his brother, Murl Jones home on a furlough. They were entertained at a family dianer at the home of the mother Tuesday and later visited with the many old NAMED AS CAPTAIN friends in the city.

Calls Home Folks

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lorenz last evening received a telephone message from their youngest son, Pvt. Jack Lorenz, stationed in the air corps at Kearns. Utah, where he was transferred from the Lincoln air training center a short time ago. The massage stated that he was well and liked the station very much but as to his tenure he was not certain.

RECENT WORD FROM SON

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scomaker of

Home From California

Sgt. Yardley is now located at Camp Cook, California, and has the position at this time of cooking for the general officers mess at the camp, a place where the cook can

He previously had served as mess Dear Mom, Dad and Jim.: sergeant for groups at Camp Polk, at duct of his work laid the way for was just "scuttlebutt."

Sgt. Yardley made the trip from

Tech. Sgt. James The War Front

I Sgt. James Schafer, son of Mr

who made certain that he was well- pair of pants on, take them off, infitted for the job assigned to him. flate them and make them so you Security training, personal hygiene, could fleat on them. When the rest a talk by a Special Service Officer of the company goes swimming now, aforming him of facilities for as two guys will be lifeguards. sealthful recreation, and a lecture y the Chaplain are all in turn part

take off to smash the nazi war ma-

Before entering the army, he was employed as a farmer by his father.

Home on Furlough

Pvt. Murl Jones arrived home lasnight to spend some ten days here with his wife and children, as well us his mother, and many friends. He has spent several days traveling last night. Murl was busy today in meeting the old friends who were delighted to see him looking so well and feeling in the best of shape J. J. Chovanec, radio operator 1/c. physically. He is changing stations who has been here since May 4th, and on leaving here expects to report

Hear from Son

On Wednesday Mrs. Clyde Jackson of this city, was very pleasantly surprised when a large and handsome bouquet arrived at her home The beautiful gift had been sent by her eldest son, Master Sgt. Bernard Jackson, who is stationed in England. He had cabled for the bouquet for Mother's day but it was delayed in the arrival but truly appreciated.

M/S Jackson states that he plans on a trip to try and locate an old Promoted to Corporal friend, Tech. Sgt. Howard Dean Mc-Farland, who is in Europe in the

mouth, was promoted this week to Cunaha, Cpl. Sikora has been assigned soap, the rank of captain.

He is stationed at Keesler Field, the armed service. Miss., where the Army Air Forces Training Command is training thous Returning on Leave ands of future ground crews to service and maintain the B-24 Liberator bombers which are helping carry the war to the axis.

Hears From Son

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Writes of 'Boot' Camp

Tech. Sgt Elmer Yardley, who has spent the rast twenty-two months Doody, son of Deputy Sheriff and Of Purple Heart in the service of Uncle Sam's army, Mrs. Emery Doody tells very interis here to enjoy a furlough with his estingly of his work at the "boot" wife and his mother, Mrs. Alma Yard- camp at Farragut, Idaho, and the very fine showing that he has made in the swimming tests:

May 12, 1944 Tom Doody, A/S.,

Farragut, Idano,

night. We were starting a fire drill the west coast to Omaha by plane, and six prisoners escaped, they posteating breakfast at Los Angeles and ed double guards at all stations. I condolences of the government and the evening meal on reaching home was awakened at 2:00 this morning the deep feeling of appreciation of got up at 4.30. We've been getting his country.

were about 15 of us that tried for Completes Course That Fits Him 1st class, two passed the test, anfor the Service Required In War ctner kid about 20 and myself, out of 130 in our company. To pass : you had to swim 232 times around An Air Force Service Command the pool which is about 220 yards tation "Somewhere in England" - and that after you treaded wate and Mrs. Otto Schafer of Nehawka. to start and came in first by one Nebr., is now overseas and has par- length of the pool. Then we had our ticipated in a course designed to under water swim. We had to prebridge the gap between training in tend like there was burning oil on the States and soldiering in an active the water and we had to swim across the pool under water, coming At one of the Air Service Com- up for air twice, then we had to nend stations known as Control take life saving, break a hold and Depots, T/Sgt. Schafer was carefully carry a victim acress the pool, then processed by classification experts we had to jump in the pool with a

today and I can't even lift my arm of the G. I's preparation for his over- Some of the guys got sick and had of them are dry and some of them bre interesting.

I've had it for two days. Well, its

Suffers from Pneumonia

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kaffenberger furlough which ends June 2. comber and had just completed his service department.

Hears From Son

Mrs. Herman Ellingson of this city was made very happy this week by the arrival of a bouquet that was sent by her son, Pvt. Lawrence Ellingson, who is now stationed in New Caledonia, French possession in the southwest Pacific. The bounget had been intended for the observance of Mother's day, but was delayed in arrival out nevertheless was the source of much joy.

to the military police since entering | One of the happy pieces of news

great anticipation.

Glen Woodbury, former district court reporter, who is in the armed service as a member of the Seabees.

Posthumous Award

ported as Dead in Action, Notifi- the stations. ed of the Award of Medal

Saturday, Mrs. Edna Jones, re-Well, we went on schedule this her that the order of the Purple Camp Barkley, Camp Avis and then morning and its a five week schedule. Heart had been awarded posthumous to Camp Cook, his present location, so I should graduate in five weeks, to her son, Tech. Sgt. James H You see God, they told me You did-His experience and excellent con- talk about that eight-week schedule Jones, reported by the war department as dead in action over Ger- And like a fool, I believed all this.

The letter from the secretary of war extended to the mother the I figured right then, they had told and had to guard around the bar- the heroic services of the son that tacks till 4:00 A. M., and then we had given his supreme sacrifice for I'd have known they weren't calling

Gall-Parker Wedding Sunday At **Christian Church**

Immediate Family Witness Charm- But I am not afraid since I know ing Church Wedding With Mar riage Lines Read by Rev. Taenz-

the marriage of their daughter, fight, dieen, to Elmer Itacold Parker, SM c, at the Christian church, Sunlay afternoon. May 14, at 3 o'clock with Rev. J. W. Taenzier officiating The young couple were attended

by Miss Margaret Klusak and Lee McIntyre, and the immediate famil-The bride appeared in black with

a shoulder corsage of red roses and to go to bed. We've had mostly all ferns, the gift of the groom. The Well-I have to go now, Godcorsage was of yellow roses.

The groom was attired in his I have a "sty" in my right eye. Merchant Marine uniform. Following the welding ceremony

from there for Omaha.

have received word that their son | The bride was graduated from Henry, who is stationed at Fort the Plattsmouth High school with Leonard Wood, Missouri, is in the the class of 1942. Since her graduahospital at that place with an at- tion she has been a beauty operator tack of pneumonia. Henry has been at Omaha and later employed at the with the army engineers since De- Martin Bomber plant, in selective

basic training when he took sick. Parker graduated from Auburn August, 1943.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parker and daughter since last fail in training. Nadine, of Auburn, Neb., Mr. and and Mrs. Mears Buck, all of Auburn Raymond of Omaba.

Finds Europe Strange

George Busch, writing to his mother, Mrs. Fred P. Busch, states sightseeing, visiting the national Calls From Texas that he is now located in Europe, capitol, where congress was in seshaving for the past two months sion, the supreme court building, and army air cerps ground forces.

George states that Italy is a land Leonard E. Sikora, son of Mr. and of want due to the Germans in their Mrs. Joe Sikora of this city, has occupation having cut down the just been promoted from Private Italians Hving supply. To the Ameri-First Class to Corporal, the appoint- caus the one noticeable thing was ment effective as of May 15th. The the dirt and the general condition Kessier Field, Miss., May 17--1st promotion was made through the of the sections that the Americans officer and termer resident of Platts- rict No. 5, Seventh Service command of the population seems to be for

> given was that George has recently been promoted to the grade of ser- Young Sailor Home geant from corporal that he held for several months in this country.

Visits in Missouri

dred of the young men in training. that part of the Pacific.

Soldiers and God

The following poem has been sent | Letters received by Mrs. Sam Smith to Mr and Mrs. E. A. Lorenz of this and Mrs. Roy Ward, of Weeping To James H. Jones

An Unknown Soldier Poet Talks to God

Last night from a shell hole, I saw Your sky

wonder, Cod, if You'd shake my

Somehow I feel that You will under-

Before I had time to see Your Face.

I guess the "Zero Hour" will soon be here.

The rignal - well God. I have to go. I like you lots, this I want you to

Who knows, I may come to your

Though I wasn't friendly to you be-

I wonder God, if you wait at your cle of friends, Look I am crying, me shedding tears;

Strange, since I met you I am not

(This verse was found on the identity of the writer hasn't been The bride plans to leave with her determined. The verse was cent to bushand for the west coast after his The Chaplain's Digest, by Father Vincent Sekulski, Ed.)

Home from Florida

Last evening two Plattsmouth joung men that have been in training in the army in Florida, arrived home for a short furlough with their All of his friends regret to hear or High school in 1939 and became a families and many friends. The sol- here for a number of years and a his illness, but hope for a speedy member of the Merchant Marine in Giers were Pvt. Robert E. Sedlak graduate of the class of 1937 of Blanding, where they have been back in the United States after a

The two have been in the same Mrs. J. L. Stovall, Mr. and Mrs. Mc- camp all of these months but in the rived in New York City and has Latyre and daughter, Mary Jo, Mr. midst of the 60,000 soldiers had been unable to contact each other until in visiting in the east coast cities. and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hugues and going on furlough and then It is expected that Harold will be found each other in the same bus | ble to come west for a visit with the they continuing to make the journey relatives and old friends in this sechome together.

The Plattsmouth men had a stop Mrs. H. E. Perry of this city. of several hours in Washington, D. C., and made the most of this in

is expected home on leave the next Mrs. W. A. Robertson departed he being home on liberty with his awarded the Good Conduct Mcdal to week. He is stationed in the east and Saturday for Marshall, Missouri, parents at Tabor. Iowa. Seaman Pat. Ernest H. Vallery, son of Jesse Mrs. Paul Keil and little daughter, has been promised a leave that will where she attended the Mother's day Weight has just recently returned C. Vallery, Plattsmouth, Nebr., and Karen Kay, have gone to Denver Weeping Water had received no Sunday Mrs. William Kief, resid enable him to reach Omaha on next program that was held at the Mis- from a tour of duty in the Pacific Mary C Vallery of Milwaukee, where Mr. Keil is stationed in the word from their son, MOMM 2/c Carl ing in the south part of the city. Tuesday night where he will be met souri Valley college by the U. S. with one of the naval task forces Wisc. Schomaker, for several weeks. Re- received a Wother's day greeting by Mrs Woodbury, the present re- may all training unit assigned to that that have been active in the advance-

Tells of New Guinea

city, from their son, Pvt. John Lor- Water, sisters of Pvt. Elmer Josephenz, now stationed at Kearns, Utah. son, have told some interesting Armed Service It gives one the feeling of the men things about the people and the in service as they face the supreme climate of New Guinea, where he is Mother of Tech. Sgt. Jones Re- tests on battle field or naval bat- now located as an aerial spotter with the ground crew of the Air Corps. He speaks of the natives of New Guinea as being dark in color, contented and they seem like one happy ceived a letter from Secretary of Look God, I have never spoken to family. They take great interest in the Americans and their possessions But now I want to say How Do You Any kind of a mirror calls for the greatest admiration from the natives and a flash light is another curiosity which they are very desirous of owning. Speaking of the climate there he said that it is warm and rainy. The soil is rien, but shallow. Cocoanuts are plentiful. Bananas are as green as those now found in the states. Pvt. Josephsen has been in New Guinea for about two months

Pleasant Surprises

Sunday brought a very pleasant surprise at the homes of Mrs Edna Jones and Mrs. Murl Jones, in tele-Furny, I had to come to this hellish phone messages from absent members of the family. Kenneth A. Jones, U S. Coastguard, who has been locat ed at San Francisco for the past Well, I guess there isn't much more several months, arriving in Omaha to greet his wife and the mother in this city. Since his return from a long campaign spent in the Aleu- of this city, to Miss Sue Grundman tians and Alaska, he has been as of Nebraska City, to take place on signed to the west coast and now Saturday, May 27th, at the Otoe will enjoy a visit here and in Oma- county city ha. A telephone message was receivcă from Pfc. Murl Jones at Fort training work at LaJunta, Colorado, Blauding. Plorida, that he was to where he expects to receive his arrive here Monday or Tuesday for Wings on Tuesday. May 13rd, and Mr. and Mrs. August Call announ- Look now, this will be a horrible a furlough here with his wife and his commission in the air corps. He children and mother. This is his first is leaving as soon as possible for visit home since he was sent to the Nebraska for the wedding. Florida camp from Fort Leavenworth and is an event that is being anticipated with pleasure by all of the family, as well as the large cir-

I wish I had known you these many Hears from Grandson

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hyde have re-Farl Hyde, who is stationed in Eng- Nebraska families, were college asland. He states that he is in good sociates at Doane college at Crete. health and enjoying the country. He also told of the oddity of traf- Goes to Califoria about time to go to bed, so I'll say the party were entertained at a re- body of an American Soldier, after fic, as they turn to the left to pass

> same valuation, but learned fast South Pacific, has been ordered to after being "gyped" a time or two. report at Fort Ord, California. This boy. His wife and young son live at

Tacoma, Wash.

Back in U. S.

Cpl. Harold E. Stewart, resident and Cpl. Stephen Dovoe, from Fort the local high school, has arrived service of over two years in the Fanama Canal Zone, Cpl. Stewart arbeen enjoying his ten day furlough tion. Cpl. Stewart is a nephew of

Among the families to enjoy telereen in Italy as a members of the past the White House that is heav- phone messages from their children ily guarded as the residence of the in the past few days has been Mr. president and his family. One of and Mrs. C. C. Wescott from their the most enjoyed features was the daughter, Alice Louise, who is lovisit to the Washington monument cated at Amarilla. Texas, where and the trip to the top of the tower she is now located as an instrucgave them a great view of Wash- tor at the air base at that place. ington and the surrounding country. Miss Wescott was formerly at Lin-Lt. Merl V. Burkholder, air corps Military Police Detachment of Dist occupied and the great crying need of stations and when he leaves here changed at the air base, she was he goes to Fort George Meade, Mary- sent with other instructors to difland, to report for further orders, ferent fields.

Wins Good Conduct Medal

Burman Weight, S 1/c, U. S. A Ninth Air Force Thunderbolt Navy, was in the city Sunday to Base, England:-Colonel Lance Call visit at the home of his uncle and of Houston. Texas, commanding a aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jackson. Ninth Air Force fighter group, has Goes to Denver

and left for foreign as the husband and father is at the I. I make that he had been I A, who is now assistant in the raids on service late last year. He is fighter Denver station. They made the trip on two invasions, one to the Marshall | Land. The message came as a wonder- | bushand and father is an event that | ing his training in the naval re | be Kurlie islands at the north tip | group's medical section. He is mar- in the car of Mrs. Keil and were acislands and one to the Gilbert is- ful reminder of the day and especial- all of the family is looking to with serve where there are several hun- of Japan and also in patrol duty in ried, his wife, Elizabeth, residing at companied by J. H. Graves, father Rhinelander, Wisc.

Carl Ganz Named Lt. Colonel In The

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Former Alve Banker and Attorney Receives Advancement for Work in Judge Advocate Department

Cass county friends will be interested in learning that Major Carl D. Ganz, formerly of Alvo, has been advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the judge advocate's department of the U.S. army.

Colonel Ganz was called into the armed services early in the outreak of the war, closing out his legal and banking business to take up his work as a member of the armed forces and was assigned to the judge advecate's department of

The children of the family have followed the father into service and just recently a son, Lieutenant Dale Canz, was home to enjoy a visit with the parents at their station in Omeha, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Boyles, parents of Mrs. Ganz, are now at

To Wed May 27th

The announcement is being made of the forthcoming marriage of John L. Tidball, III, former resident

A/C TidLall is completing his

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Koch of Prasque Isle, Maine, now visiting at Seward, will be here for the wedding as well as Mrs Carter Strand and son, Stephen, of Dayton Ohio, who are arriving on Wednesday. The ladies are sisters of A/C Tidball. Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Spangler of this city will also join the party at the

The bride and goom, members of

coption at the bride's home, leaving a battle somewhere in Italy. The instead of the right. He told that | Captain W. S. Eaton, who has been it was difficult to get used to the home on leave with his tamily after English money, it not being of the a service of some two years in the Earl was a former Plattsmouth station is part of the service com-

mand unit. Captain Eaton has been at Ft. kiley, Kansas, and will enjoy a short leave here with the family before he goes to California.

Tell of Experiences

An American Hospital in Australia. May 19. - (UP)-Missionaries rescued from Jap imprisonment at Hellandia disclosed today that allied airmen in an attack on an armed refugee ship of New Guineakilled 70 refugees but turned aside immediately when they found the nature of the target.

Sister Ottonia, 41, former Mary Ruhall of Effingham. Illinois, said she and 105 other missionaries, half castes and children were aboard a small lugger in a convoy enrout to Holiandia in February, when allied aircraft struck.

Seventy refugees and many Jap troops were killed on deck before allied airmen saw the women and children and promptly turned aside

to destroy another ship, she said. "They could have destroyed us casily," said Sister Ottonia.

"Our ship looked just like any other small Jap costal vessel and had Jap troops and machine guns

Seventy missionaries, including nine Americans are resting at this trmy hospital regaining lost weight and recuperating after 17 months in Jap hands. They were among the 123 missicnaries and mission werkers rescued when American troops invaded Ho.landia.

of Mrs. Keil.