

HELLERTOWN SOLDIER JAPANESE PRISONER

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War Department Reports St.
Ggt. Albert L. Malok Bur-
ma Captive.

News that their son, Staff Sergeant Albert L. Malok, is a prisoner of war of the Japanese in Burma instead of missing in action as at first reported, has been received by Mr. and Mrs. John Malok, 1629 Riegel Street, Hellertown from the office of the adjutant general, U. S. War Department, Washington, D. C.

Sgt. Malok has been serving with the Army Air Corps as an engineer and he was earlier believed lost in Far Eastern action. He attended the Liberty High School in this city.

The communication from the War Department reads in part as follows:

"Dear Mrs. Malok:

"Reference is made to my telegram of July 5 which reported your son, St. Sgt. Albert Malok, 6,942,456, as missing in action in the Far East.



ST. SGT. ALBERT L. MALOK

"Information has been received in this office that your son is now a Japanese prisoner of war in Burma.

"Mail to your son may be sent, postage free, by addressing your letters to him as follows:

Staff Sergeant Albert L. Malok,
6,942,456

Prisoner of War, Burma
c/o International Red Cross
Geneva, Switzerland, via Chicago,
Ill.

(Friends of the young soldier are invited to communicate with him. They should follow the above address form as prescribed. Letters from home, to the boys "at the front", are always the most welcome event of the day.)

"Negotiations are being made through the Department of State and the International Red Cross to secure permission for safe conduct of foodstuffs and other articles for prisoners of war; also to have an accredited representative attend to matters relating to them. The Japanese have not granted the desired permission up to this time, but it is hoped that negotiations being made will result favorably."

The letter is signed: J. A. Ulio, major general, the adjutant general.

Malok, Albert L.

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