

# Lt. Dougherty "Missing" After German Raid

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First Lieutenant John L. Dougherty, U. S. Air Corps, husband of Nora T. (Byrnes) Dougherty, and a son of Mrs. Rose Dougherty, of 328 East Fourth Street, is reported missing in action. This information was received from the War Department by his wife.

Participating in about 18 air raids over Germany, his absence was reported following the raid of January 11.



LT. J. L. DOUGHERTY

Inducted into the armed forces in August 1941, he was sent to Camp Lee, and following the completion of his basic training, he transferred to the Air Corps. He completed his preliminary training in the latter branch of service at Maxwell Field, Alabama, and was assigned to Williams Field, Santa Ana, California, where he completed the prescribed course at a bombardier school.

On January 2, 1942, he received his wings at Chandler, Arizona, and was later sent to a U. S. Air Corps School at Hondo, Texas, graduating as a navigator on May 2, 1943.

He was subsequently transferred to Grand Island, Nebraska, and in August of last year he was sent overseas. In the past six months he actively participated in raids over the enemy territory. He was awarded the air medal after he completed his fifth bombing mission.

According to information received by his wife, one of the Flying Fortresses of which he was a crew member, was named "Nora" in her honor. On one of the missions the plane encountered stiff opposition, and despite the fact that it was damaged considerably, the fortress was safely landed on friendly soil but was taken out of commission.

One of the missions in which he participated was the raid over Schweinfurt, when thousands of tons of bombs fell on that German industrial center.

Lieutenant Dougherty is a graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School, Class of 1937, and a graduate of Catholic University, Washington, D. C., Class of '41.

His wife and their nine-months-old daughter reside at 1236 Twelfth Street, N. E., Washington. He is a brother of Rev. James S. Dougherty, of St. Barnabas parish, Philadelphia.

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