

Gangwer, Roland D.  
William

## "Block-Buster" Dropped With Mayor's Name

JUL 24 1943  
Sgt. Gangwer  
Dedicates Heavy  
Bomb to City

Sgt. Roland D. Gangwer, son of R. Marshall Gangwer, 51 West Union Boulevard, on duty with the Army Air Corps somewhere in the European war theater, informed Mayor Robert Pfeifle in a letter the Mayor received this morning that he had just dropped a 2,000-pound bomb with the Mayor's name on it for the Mayor and the city. The V-mail letter was dated July 11.

Sgt. Gangwer, qualified, as a bombardier, gunner and radio operator, is better known to his friends here as "Runt, Jr." He enlisted June 8 last year and had his basic training at Keesler Field, Miss., where he was sent from Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. From Keesler Field he was sent to Las Vegas, Nev.

After six months' patrol duty on the west coast he was given a furlough and then "sent across." He graduated as a sergeant from the Las Vegas aerial gunnery school last September.

Before his enlistment he was employed in the Bethlehem Steel Company plant. He attended Liberty High School and was active in neighborhood sports. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, North Side.

Sgt. Gangwer has a brother William, also on Army duty in California with a cavalry medical detachment.

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