

Houck, John D.

## Capt. J. D. Houck Dies in Hospital In Missouri

Dr. and Mrs. D. K. Santee, Bella Vista Farms, received word this morning of the death of their son-in-law, Capt. John D. Houck, U S. Army Medical Corps, in the O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo. His wife, the former Elizabeth Santee, and his mother, Mrs. John E. Houck of Scranton, were with him. He was 28 years of age.

Dr. Houck is a graduate of Lehigh University and Harvard Medical School. At Lehigh, he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities. Following his internship in the Lankanau Hospital, Philadelphia, he enlisted in the Army Medical Corps, and was stationed in Texas for sometime. He was sent north early this year and was advanced to the rank of captain in June on completion of a special one-month training course at the Medical Field Service School, Carlisle Barracks.

From Carlisle he was sent to Camp Gruber, Okla. About a month ago, Capt. Houck suffered a breakdown from which he did not recover.

He was married to Miss Santee Dec. 30, 1941. On June 27, of this year, their first child, a daughter, Susan Santee Houck, was born in St. Luke's Hospital. Mrs. Mrs. Houck, with her daughter and Capt. Houck's mother, arrived in Springfield, Capt. Houck had just undergone an operation and was unconscious. Though he regained consciousness several times before his death, he was so ill that he could not see his daughter, who was born after he left for camp Gruber.

Capt. Houck is survived by his parents, his wife and daughter. He was an only son. The Army has sent his body to Scranton and are trying to secure transportation East for his wife and mother. On their arrival in Scranton, funeral services will be held.

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