

Kreska, Edmund J.

Corp. Kreska Fatally Hurt On War Front

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First member of St. Ursula's Fountain Hill Catholic parish to give his life in the present conflict, Corp. Edmund J. Kreska, "was killed in action, date unreported, in Central Pacific area," according to a War Department telegram received by his wife Saturday afternoon.

Corp. Kreska, age 26, a native of Reading, was formerly manager of



CORP. E. J. KRESKA
... dies in battle

the Bethlehem Triplex Shoe Store on East Third Street. He entered service May 4, 1943. At the completion of basic training at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, he was sent to Camp Ord, California. From there in February, 1944, he shipped for overseas duty.

In addition to his wife, the former Tessie Demko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Demko, 708 Broadway, the young officer is survived by three brothers in armed service: Frank, stationed with the Seabees in Oak Harbor, Washington State; Capt. Chester Kreska, somewhere in England, and William, seaman second class, stationed in Wisconsin.

Other relatives of Corp. Kreska residing in Reading are a mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. John Dardzenski, and a sister, Leona, living at home.

Solemn requiem mass will be held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Ursula's Church.

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