

Wright, Gilbert

**Woman Receives
Word Her Flier
Brother Is Safe** 16 1943

Mrs. Violet Brong, 2041 Oak Lane, Bethlehem, has received a cablegram from her sister-in-law, Mrs. Gilbert Wright, South Wales, Great Britain, informing her that her brother, Gilbert Wright, reported missing in action over France on Sept. 25, 1942, was safe and enroute home.

Flying Officer Wright and other pilots escorting a bombing flight from England was making his last flight with the RAF, having passed his examinations for admittance into the U. S. Air Force. The escort ran out of fuel and was forced down.

One of 11 men escaped to England. Three others were definitely listed as captured. Wright was among the seven whose fate remained unknown.

Despite his failure to return, he was commissioned a lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force one week after his mishap.

According to the cable message, Mrs. Wright gave birth to a son April 10.

A native of Wilkes-Barre, Lieutenant Wright graduated from Moravian College for Men and received his ground instruction at Lafayette College.

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