

## Lieut. F. Byrne, Reported Lost Safe in Italy

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Informed on July 18 that her husband, Second Lieutenant Francis J. Byrne, husband of the former Rose Casey, 932 Itaska Street, was missing in a combat mission over Romania on July 4, Mrs. Byrne, who lives with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Casey at the above address, had her misgivings about the fate of her husband turned into great joy on Tuesday.

At 10 a. m. she received a cablegram from her husband that he was well. The cablegram contained the following message addressed to his wife: "All well and safe. All my love. Writing."

Lt. Byrne, who entered the service February 13, 1943, was reported missing in action by the War Department on July 18 in a combat flight over Romania. He was attached to the Air Corps as a bombardier.

He is a bombardier with the United States Air Forces stationed in Italy and had completed twenty missions prior to being reported missing following a flight over Romania.

A graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School, Lieut. Byrne is a father of a 23 months old daughter, Barbara Ann. His mother Mrs. Margaret Byrne, resides at 462 Birkel Avenue.

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