

they seemed, were in a part of the sum total of our losses.

As the months passed and American Forces began a more active participation, the casualties from the foreign theaters of operations began to mount. Each new drive was followed by the telegrams which every home had learned to dread.

TERSE TELEGRAMS

The War Department regrets to inform you: "Your son died in a Japanese prison camp." "Your son died in North Africa." "Your son died from wounds sustained in Italy." "Your husband failed to return from a mission over Germany." "Your brother died at sea." So many different things they said and yet they all said the same.

July and the latter part of June hit an all time high for these telegrams. It was through this period that the first reports of D-Day and the days which immediately followed June 6, came pouring in.

It was then as always; approximately two weeks after a major operation in any of the theaters of war the lists of dead, wounded and missing were sent back to be reported.

Sometimes these first telegrams were proven wrong. Men, who for some reason or other had been separated from their outfits for a time, had been reported missing; later they were found to be safe.

Maj. Ralph Chelli, who was first reported missing and then on August 18, 1943, was reported killed was later found to be a prisoner of the Japs. His wife, the former Geraldine Reilly, never lost hope when those first telegrams came, she was so sure he was alive.

Capt. Michael F. Hochella spent several days in enemy territory after his plane was shot down in the Pacific area. His family spent some anxious days and then the latter part of July he was able to come back to Bethlehem for a furlough.

Another local soldier, Lieut. Col. Robert P. Montgomery, was first reported missing and later in July of this year was able to spend a month's leave with his parents.

There were other instances—good telegrams following bad—bad following good—the telegrams which spell WAR.

One half of the war is over; the honored dead are recorded by gold stars in home windows, opposite names on honor rolls, in churches, schools, factories, wherever any group has claimed honor for those who have come from their midst into the Armed Forces of their country. They are recorded forever in the hearts of the families and friends of these men.

Today is a day of gladness; it is also a day of sadness to those whose loved ones will never return. We think of these in our observance of the day; we also think of those who are still dying that we might live. It is becoming that we observe this day with dignity and honor that it deserves.

An unofficial list of men who died for their country has been compiled by the Globe-Times. Unless otherwise noted, the men were from this area.

HONORED DEAD

May we read with all humility the list of our honored dead:

Louis Grabar, 541 Hillside Avenue; Frank Huber, Bethlehem R. D. 4; Joseph Lockey, 125½ East Fourth Street; John L. Mackey, 633 Seventh Avenue; Charles Raidline, 22 West Fairview Street; Stephen Ritopher, 739 Evans Street; Donald Schaffer, 414 West Broad Street; George Oliver Ellstrom, formerly of Tenth and Market Street (mother's address, Sellersville R. D.); Richard A. Haines, former Bethlehemite; Harold D. Bennett, 716 Radcliff Street; Stephen William Vidumsky,

Harvey Williamson, 124 North 14th Street; John Joseph Szy, Bethlehem Route 4; 2nd Lieut. Andrew J. Zavar, Bethlehem Route 4; Claire D. Van Billard, 213 Spring Street; Emil Ponticelli, 512 Atlantic Street; Rocco Guerrieri, 2522 East Seventh Street; Pvt. Lloyd Guessford, 529 Atlantic Street; Pvt. Sherwood Parsons, 110 Bangor Street; Frank Voros, 639 Alaska Street.

John Witek, Bethlehem R. D. 3, Gauff's Hill; Pfc. William Daggett, 511 Sioux Street; Col. Harry J. Zimmer, University Club, Market Street; Pvt. Joseph Gonzales, 812 Cherokee Street; William R. Brown, 502 East Fourth Street; Milton E. Hawk, 1021 North New Street; Pvt. Joseph Chegezy, Bethlehem R. D. 1; Pvt. Peter Fodor, 1533 East Seventh Street.

John T. Dagon, 1049 Lincoln Street; H. C. Kemmerer, 902 New Jersey Avenue, Hellertown; Lincoln A. Peters, Allentown; George Reagan, Nazareth; Joseph Vastyskaj, Allentown; Raymond Weaver, Front Street, Hellertown; Robert Wallace, 2123 Hanover Avenue, Allentown; David Schaffer, 843 Main Street, Northampton; James Algieri, Nazareth; John Wagner, 649 North Main Street, Bangor; Sgt. Carl Tomanchek, 1023 First Avenue, Hellertown; Roy Goldberg, 112 Front Street, Hellertown; Pfc. Charles Potak, 1734 Newport Avenue, Northampton; Albert Malok, 1629 Riegel Street, Hellertown; Frank Cenyuga, Middletown, killed in bus crash; Albert Lobb, Bangor; Lt. Col. Thomas Lynch, Catasauqua; Pvt. Trebio Carbone, West Bangor; Emmett McCann, 801 Wilkes-Barre Street, Easton; Charles Miller, 1222 Main Street, Northampton; Cpl. George Walters, 601 Pen Argyl; Charles H. Blake, 311 North Main Street; Staff Sgt. Howard Kline, Allentown; Steven Chaszer, Hellertown; Sgt. William Strunk, Pen Argyl; James Kovacs, Pleasant Valley.

Lt. Stanley R. Shankweiler, Nazareth, Easton R. D. 3; Tech. Sgt. Thomas Thomas, North Robinson Street, Pen Argyl; James Papias Jr., 1140 Spruce Street, Easton; Pfc. Robert Hoagland, South Murray Street, Bangor; Pvt. Sherwood Parsons, 110 Bangor Street; Pvt. Fred Christman, Friedensville; Pfc. Ralph Miller, Pen Argyl R. D. 1; Lieut. J. H. Miller, 110 South Main Street, Nazareth; 2nd Lt. Dorothy Berger, (nurse), Shamokin; Sgt. John Radakovits, 448 East Ninth Street, Northampton; Pfc. Lloyd Stahl, Meyers Crossing; Wayne Fredericks, 135 South Main Street, Quakertown; Pfc. Michael Kubartiz, Butztown; Pfc. Alex Lubinsky, 1835 Canal Street, Northampton; Sgt. Carl Frack, Allentown; Pvt. Fred Christman, Friedensville; Pfc. Frederick Kervin, Seidersville; Eugene Hoffman, 52 Penrose Street, Quakertown; Hoover, 625 Main Street, Hellertown; Sgt. Frank Nemeth, Coplay R. D. 1; Charles C. Fehnel, Bath R. D. 1; Pfc. Rosario Sorbello, 1233 West Broad Street, Quakertown; Joseph Kish, Jacksonville, Bath R. D. 2; Sgt. John Petrus, 922 Turner Street, Allentown; Lt. Edward S. McCluskey, Easton.

T. W. Gallagher, 519 Cherokee Street; Pvt. Fred Yavorsky, 944 Sullivan Street; Lieut. Dale Chamberlain, 804 West Market Street; Sgt. Raymond Sell, 1035 Seneca Street; Sgt. E. M. Muschlitiz, 645 Alaska Street; C. S. Jones, 1201 East Third Street; Pvt. Joseph Charles Csrnko, 1138 Sioux Street; Pvt. Stephen J. Levan, 658 Atlantic Street; Pvt. John Lally, 1511 West Market Street, John F. Burcaw, 131 West Fairview Street, Pfc. John Weikel, Saucon Valley; Sgt. Merritt L. Smith, Mauch Chunk Road; Pfc. Michael Bruno, 1128 Stanley Ave-

man, Bath R. D.; Pvt. Robert Mengel, 219 Belvidere Street, Nazareth; Sgt. Joseph Nagy, 323 Madison Avenue, Nazareth; Pfc. LeRoy Kunkel, Moorestown; Pvt. Carl Snyder, Railroad Avenue, Pen Argyl; Daniel V. Kern, Coopersburg, Sgt. Daniel Menzel, T/5 Stephen F. Lukanuski, Pen Argyl, Cpl. Russell H. Allison, Quakertown, killed in plane crash in California, Pfc. Joseph Kardos, Hellertown, R. D. 1; T/4 Paul Bitner, 515 East 10th Street, Northampton; Pvt. Elmer Yohe, Bangor, R. D.; Pfc. Alex Banko, Hellertown, J. G. Meyer, Jr., Miller Heights; Walter Kichline, Jr. R. D. 1, Wind Gap; Pfc. Joseph Polgar, Ninth Street, Northampton.

Sgt. Dezzo Venczik, Market Street, Freemansburg; Sgt. Carl Capobianco, Roseto; Sgt. Howard Iuch, Hellertown; Lester Wohlbach, Hellertown; Sgt. T. M. Black, Nazareth; Pfc. Arthur A. Miller, Lincoln Avenue, Northampton; Robert B. Dickson, Cementon; Pfc. Henry Byrnes, Nazareth; Reginald Krocht, Quakertown; Cpl. Otello Bet, Pen Argyl; Sgt. Albert Triggiani, Roseto; T/5 Albert H. Hannar, Bath R. D.; Pfc. Frank Till, Bangor; James Lewis Snoddy Jr., Nazareth R. D. 3; Peter A. Bosich, Nazareth R. D. 3; Pfc. John Figuera, Washington Avenue, Northampton; Lieut. R. D. Beckel, Hill Street, Allentown; Pfc. Stewart L. McCandless, Easton Road, Hellertown; Sgt. Erwin P. Anders, Springtown.

Pvt. Stanley Bedaarchek, Butztown; Domenick Falcone, Roseto; Pvt. Michael Prizaznik, 712 Warren Street, Allentown; Sgt. William L. Hendershot, Pen Argyl; Pfc. Clarence L. Furry, Danielsville; R. D. 1; Pvt. Frederick O. Bacon, Nazareth R. D. 1; Pfc. George L. Hagenbuch, Park Street, Nazareth; Pfc. Albert T. Hayes, 427 North Seventh Street, Allentown; Capt. W. L. Breinig, (died in Florida plane crash) West Center Street, Nazareth; Sgt. Angelo Roma, Roseto.

Cpl. Mathew Menecola, Roseto; Pvt. Arling F. Berhaner, South Walnut Street, Bath; Pfc. Richard Transue, Butztown; Pfc. Stanley R. Werkheiser, Center Street, Nazareth; Pfc. William R. Werkheiser, 34 East Depot Street, Hellertown; Cpl. Robert Yob, 123 Kichline Avenue, Hellertown; Pvt. George Patterson, Coopersburg; Pvt. Paul H. Dodson, Nazareth; Sgt. Joseph J. Milisits, 923 Dewey Avenue, Northampton; Pfc. S. Kelpess, Northampton; R. D. 2; Sgt. Moser, Northampton; Cpl. Charles Puls, Bangor; Pfc. Warren T. Miller, Hellertown; Cpl. Willard W. Madouse, Easton R. D. 3; Pfc. Edward Maley, 221 West Nesquehoning Street, South Easton.

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