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Woodburn—Tech. Sgt. Jerome (Jerry) Kosse, a prisoner of war in the hands of the Germans since his plane was shot down August 12, 1943, and who was recently liberated, arrived at his home here Tuesday, surprising his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kosse. He was in the prison camp 21 months to the day and stated the food situation kept getting worse all the time. He now has to be very careful of his diet. After 60 days at home he is to be sent to a rest camp. Jerry graduated from Woodburn high school in 1941 where he was prominent in all activities and was a member of the Woodburn anti-tank company. He later went into the air corps.

Unionvale—T. S. Roy B. Wright of the army signal corps who served almost three years overseas in Africa and Italy is on a 30-day furlough with his wife at Salem. They visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Wright here and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilson in Wheatland district. He will report to Santa Monica, Calif.

Serving Uncle Sam

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as a second lieutenant May 23, 1944, and was promoted to his present rank of first lieutenant March 10, 1945. He has completed 35 combat missions, and wears the ETO ribbon and the Air Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters.

Butte, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Butte of 385 Bellevue street, Salem, Ore., was graduated from high school in that city. Prior to his army career he was employed as a boiler-maker for Commercial Iron Works, Portland, Oregon.

Unionvale—Vernon Coberly, petty officer 2/c in the navy, arrived Thursday for a 30 day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coberly. It has been two years since he was home. He left for the South Pacific war zone in September, 1943.



Dan Hedrick

Hedrick Killed In Pacific Area

Former Salem man losing his life in the fighting in the Pacific was Radio Technician Dan Hedrick, whose mother, Mrs. Flora Hedrick of Portland, June

16 received word of his death from the navy department.

The sailor, 20 years of age at the time that he was killed, was serving aboard a LCS. He attended schools in Salem and Drain, Oregon, and was graduated from the Redmond, Oregon, high school in 1943.

Hedrick entered boot training at Farragut, Idaho, July 30, 1943 and took radar training at Wright Junior college, Chicago, the University of Huston in Texas and at Treasure Island, San Francisco, graduating with the rank of radio technician third class. Assigned to the amphibious forces, landing craft, he trained at Little Creek, Va., and Solomons, Maryland. He reported to his ship at Boston and began his overseas duty in December 11, 1944, spending some

time at advanced bases until going into combat.

Surviving besides the mother are his father, Robert Hedrick of Shelton, Wash.; a brother, Cpl. Lyle Phillip Hedrick, an aerial gunner at Rapid City, now home on emergency furlough; grandparents, E. B. Fletcher of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hedrick of Drain, Oregon; an uncle, Lt. E. R. Fletcher with the signal corps in New Guinea; and an aunt, Miss Lorraine Fletcher of Portland.

Brown Wounded

Salem army man, wounded while helping assemble a bridge across the Roer river, and back on duty for some time since is Cpl. Robert E. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Brown. The corporal, now stationed

near Berlin with the 9th army, received a shrapnel wound on the forehead. With the combat engineers he has participated in six battles and has been overseas since January, 1944. He has been in the service 26 months.

Silverton—Lester D. Rue, midshipman taking advance work in the middle west, plans to arrive home on leave, July 10, to see his baby daughter, Gloria Jean who is only a few days old. Mrs. Rue and Gloria Jean will be with the mother of Rue, Mrs. Minnie Rue, for some time, on leaving the Silverton hospital.

Lebanon—Capt. Fred Johannsen, medical administrative corps, and his wife, Lt. Dorothy Johannsen, army nurse

corps, are visiting in Lebanon after having both seen service in Alaska. Capt. Johannsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Johannsen of Lebanon, and his wife came by plane from Fairbanks to Great Falls, Mont., and then went to Kansas to visit Mrs. Jo-

hannsen's parents. They arrived in Lebanon last week.

Falls City—Sgt. Ed Sawyer of Fort Lawton, Seattle, spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner.

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