

Prisoners of War

Pfc. Arnold Koehler

Two Logan county men, Pfc. Arnold Koehler of Lake Fork and Pfc. Kenneth Zimmermann, Lincoln, who were captured in the battle of the Belgian Bulge last Dec. 21, are prisoners of war in Germany, according to postal cards received from them March 29, by their families. Both men wrote from Stalag IV-B, which is located near Muhlberg, south of Berlin and northwest of Dresden. Koehler's card, written Jan. 19 to his parents, stated that he was in good health and asked that cigarettes and chocolate be sent to him.

PFC. WILLIAM MARSHALL
(March 15, 1945)

According to a telegram received from the Red Cross last Thursday, by Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Marshall of Chestnut, their son Pfc. William E. Marshall, is a prisoner of War in Germany. He had previously been reported as missing in action as of Dec. 16, 1944, the opening of the German counter-offensive on the Western Front. Pfc. Marshall is the third Logan county soldier missing since the battle of the Belgian Bulge, to be identified as a war prisoner. The young soldier entered the Army in March, 1944, and went overseas in October. The letter received from him, by his parents, was written in England on Nov. 26, 1944.

Pfc. Robert Trumpy
(Feb. 15, 1945)

Mrs. Marion Miller Trumpy, who is living in Mt. Pulaski with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Miller, received a message on Sunday night from the War Department, stating that her husband, Cpl. Robert Trumpy, was a prisoner of war in Germany, and had been wounded in action. The word was sent to the War Department thru the Red Cross, and said a letter would follow. Cpl. Trumpy, serving in the Army Air Corps, was a turret gunner on a B-24, and reported missing in action on Dec. 17. His home is in Pekin, Ill.

S.Sgt. Harold V. Haynes
(June 14, 1945)

S.Sgt. Harold V. Haynes, son of Mrs. Ethel Haynes, of Mt. Pulaski, arrived home June 9, 1945 on a 60-day furlough, being the first liberated soldier from a German prison camp to reach his Mt. Pulaski home.

Harold said his greatest thrill came when he saw the Stars and Stripes floating over their camp and he knew that the day of liberation was at hand. Men cried and cheered as they looked in reverent awe at Old Glory.

Pfc. Charles Crowe
(June 14, 1945)

Pfc. Charles Crowe, husband of Mrs. Betty Crowe of this city, who was freed from a German prison camp, arrived home June 13, 1945. He had been reported missing in December and later was found to be a prisoner of war. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crowe, of Divernon.

Lt. Robert J. Horn
(June 28, 1945)

2nd Lt. Robert J. Horn, serving with the Army Air Forces for 3½ years, and overseas in the European War theatre for 16 months, and spending 12 months of that time in German prison camps, arrived in Boston, Mass. June 21, got to Ft. Sheridan, near Chicago, on Sunday, and arrived home on Tuesday on a 60-day furlough to visit east of the city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Horn. Following his stay at home, Robert will report at Miami Beach, Fla., for reassignment.

On the fourth mission over Germany on March 18, 1944, they had bombed Munich, and the bomber was struck by flak which caused it to crashland, but because of 3-feet of snow the flyers escaped from the bomber without injury. They came down near Ulm, close to the Swiss border.

See you next week in Mount Pulaski — we hope!

Sidelights On Home Front

DALE KINERT BACK IN ENGLAND; WAS MISSING IN ACTION

(June 8, 1944)

Mrs. Maxine Burton Kinert, who is staying in Clinton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burton, received a message last Friday from the War Department stating that her husband, Lt. Dale W. Kinert, had arrived safely at his air base in England.

On April 28 the War Department notified Mrs. Kinert that her husband, navigator on a B-17 bomber, had been missing in action following a bombing mission over France on Feb. 8, but had safely reached a neutral country. He had gone to England and was attached to the 8th Air Force. How he got back from the neutral country is not known here.

OVER 3,000 POUNDS OF RUBBER TURNED IN

(June 18, 1942)

Over 3,000 pounds of scrap rubber has been turned in at Mt. Pulaski filling stations up to this morning with the drive just getting under way this week.

Filling stations in Mt. Pulaski and surrounding communities are joining wholeheartedly in the program of salvaging old rubber throughout the United States.

Piles of the heretofore discarded and worthless carcasses of automobile tires and many other worn-out articles of rubber are beginning to form good-sized heaps at some of the stations here. And it looks very much as though this community will again go over the top in doing its part in the war effort.

Filling stations are paying a cent a pound for the old rubber brought them. There is no profit in it for them, but it is a matter of helping themselves stay in business if they can help avert gas rationing. Some folks are merely driving up and heaving their offering onto the piles without expecting anything in return.

10 TONS OF SCRAP RUBBER PICKED UP

(July 16, 1942)

10 tons of scrap rubber were hauled to Lincoln the first of the week as Mount Pulaski and community contributed to the scrap rubber drive.

The response here was exceptionally good and the community did its share in digging up and contributing valuable rubber in the war effort.

The service stations cooperating gave the drive their full support and did their part gratis, paying one cent a pound for the rubber which was mostly old casings, and for which they will be refunded by the government.

The list of poundage was as follows: Sinclair, 8,000; Standard, 7,300; Shull Service, 4,000; and Brown's Service, 1,000.

TYPEWRITERS AGAIN LOST TO SCHOOL BY OPA ORDER

(Oct. 1, 1942)

"On Agin, Off Agin, Gone Agin," Procedure.

Mount Pulaski High as well as the other high schools of the nation, is having to change its commercial course for the third time in the brief space of one month.

Yep, the OPA has again changed its mind and wants all the rental typewriters of the nation for use in the war effort.

ALL FARM TRUCK OWNERS MUST REGISTER THIS WEEK

(Oct. 22, 1942)

All farm truck operators and city truck owners of Mount Pulaski and Lake Fork, who haul 51 per cent farm products, must register at the Mount Pulaski Township High School, Friday evening, or Saturday, if they wish to do any hauling after Nov. 15, 1942.

ARREST DRIVERS GOING OVER 35

(Oct. 1, 1942)

Harry Yde, acting state police superintendent, said yesterday, that state patrolmen would be instructed to halt and warn all motorists driving more than 35 miles an hour on state highways, on and after Thursday, Oct. 1, 1942, and to make arrests for reckless driving in cases of "excessively high" speeds.

"Drivers who don't exceed the 35 mile limit very much, merely will be stopped by the state officers and given a warning ticket," Yde said. "Those driving at excessively high speeds, say 55 or 60 miles an hour and above, will be arrested and prosecuted under the reckless driving section of the state law."

85 Tons Scrap Secured In Drive

(Sept. 17, 1942)

Mount Pulaski's scrap drive, as well as others in the county, was a big success the past week.

More than 85 tons of scrap were hauled into the weighing station at the Kautz Elevator.

The breakdown in figures show 66 tons of iron; 6 tons of wire; 11 tons galvanized sheet metal. A ton of rubber was collected. The sum of \$866.50 was paid the community for wornout equipment.

The city received a nice check for all the scrap donated and it will be turned over to a service organization.

Heaviest load brought in was by Jake French, amounting to \$35.22. Oldest man — Chris Stramp; Oldest woman, Mrs. Susan Upp; Youngest, Bobbie Aylesworth; Oldest piece of iron, an anvil 95 years old, brought in by Mrs. Oren Felts.

The township and city trucks were kept busy, and George Meister and Ab Jackson, worked for two days with their equipment.

Schafer Hardware had the most scrap, totaling over \$100.00.

Chairman John Tendick and ringmaster, Wilhelm Kautz were quite elated over the success of the drive.

REGISTER MEN 46-65 ON 27th OF APRIL, 1942

The registration of all men between the ages of 45 and 65 will be held throughout the nation, Monday, April 27, 1942.

The hours of registration will be from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m., and will be in charge of the principals of the schools, who will act as chief registrars.

All men who have attained their 65th birthday on or before April 27, are eligible to register.

TIN CAN DRIVE PLANNED IN COUNTY

(February 18, 1943)

Plans for the tin can salvage drive in Logan county and arrangements for picking up same, were made in Lincoln last week at a conference of the salvage committee.

OVER TOP IN RED CROSS DRIVE

(April 6, 1944)

In response to a last-minute appeal last week to put Mount Pulaski over the top in the Red Cross drive, enough added contributions were received to boost the total up to over \$2100, exceeding the quota by \$100.

Logan county as a whole, over subscribed the drive by 15.5%. Almost \$23,000 was subscribed.

FREEZE ORDER IS PLACED ON CORN

(April 27, 1944)

The government, in a desperate effort to get their hands on badly needed corn for vital war products processing, has issued a freeze order on the sale of corn and is asking the farmers to cooperate in moving as much corn into the elevators as possible.

The first corn to be moved in Logan county to the market under the new order, was being shelled out Wednesday by Wesley Scroggin, who lives five miles southwest of here. Other shellers were reported at work in Atlanta township.

RATION CALENDAR

(June 1, 1944)

Sugar (Book 4)

Sugar Stamps 30 and 31, each good for 5 pounds of sugar, valid indefinitely.

Gasoline

A-11 gasoline coupons, good for 3 gallons each, expire June 21, 1944.

A-12 gasoline coupons, good for 3 gallons each, become valid on June 22, and remain valid thru Sept. 21.

B-2 and C-2 gasoline coupons are good for 5 gallons each, expire June 1. Holders of these rations may exchange them at their local War Price and Rationing Board for currently valid rations.

SCRAP DRIVE

(July 13, 1944)

Mount Pulaski and community went "over the top" again in a war effort drive for waste paper, a total of 7,530 pounds being loaded on the trucks in the drive made Monday. This exceeds by 1200 pounds a recent drive for waste paper in the county seat at Lincoln.

LONG-BLADE KNIVES, SWORDS WANTED

(July 13, 1944)

Old swords or long-bladed knives are one of the finest gifts men in service in the Pacific area can receive, and if anyone has either of these items which they would contribute to the boys, they will be made into fighting knives by a Springfield man who has made more than 5,000 of them, Free of Charge, to be sent to the boys overseas.

Plan to visit Mount Pulaski Sil-Tennial Week.

Buck For Buck Drive Campaign

(Dec. 4, 1941)

The Logan County Council of the American Legion are sponsoring a campaign to raise a fund of more than \$500 by popular subscription to enable the ex-service men to send a new, crisp one dollar bill to every Logan county man in the United States military service as a Christmas gift from the home folks.

More than \$250 has been raised so far, including a contribution of \$100 by the Logan county board of supervisors and each supervisor donated a dollar, also, and County Commander C. C. Hawes, of New Holland, in visiting Logan Posts, says that enthusiasm for the plan is running high. "I have not had a single turn-down so far, folks just naturally respond by digging down into their pockets for a dollar," he said.

CURFEW STARTED HERE IN AUG. 1943

(August 5, 1943)

Mount Pulaski's city council has come to the front with a curfew ordinance designed to have the streets cleared of all youngsters, both male and female, under the age of 16 years, by 10 o'clock each night. Penalties have been provided as brought out in the ordinance published last week.

The new curfew law goes into effect on Monday night, Aug. 9, 10 days after its publication, and city authorities state that it will be enforced.

All youngsters under 16 years of age must be off the streets, alleys, public playgrounds, parks and public buildings or other unoccupied places or places of amusement or entertainment, by 10 o'clock, unless accompanied by parents, guardian or any person who has the custody or direction of said child. A bit of leeway is also given for any child under 16 who is sent on an errand or business mission requiring them to be in these designated areas after 10 o'clock.

Penalties are provided for both child and parent, if, after the first offense, and due warning has been given, the law is not complied with. Curfew will be sounded each night at 10 o'clock by the blowing of the fire siren and the enforcement will be the duty of the night police.

Prize Hog Sells For \$2,500,000

(Aug. 12, 1943)

Congress King, 200-pound, 5 months old boar hog, which until two weeks ago was owned by Tracy Bros. of Williamsville, became the highest priced hog in history at the recent Victory Banquet held in connection with the National Duroc Congress held at Memphis, Tenn.

The young boar brought a bid of \$2,500,000 in war bonds from the Missouri Duroc Breeders Assn. or a value of \$23,839.50 per lb.

Pageants, Parades, Barbecue, Queen Crowning Ceremony, Old Settler's are part of next week's giant celebration.

SCRAP IRON DRIVE HERE HELPED WIN WORLD WAR II

