

Lt. VanArsdall Died In Ship Sinking

HARRODSBURG, Ky., July 26 (Special)—The 17th officially announced death among the 66 men of Mercer county taken prisoners of the Japanese at the fall of Bataan, April 9, 1942, was recorded this week.

First Lt. George Alger (Jimmy) VanArsdall of Harrodsburg, lost his life when a Japanese transport carrying prisoners of war was sunk in the China Sea, Dec. 15, 1944, according to a message yesterday from the War Department to his wife, Mrs. Esther McNamer VanArsdall, who now is residing with her parents in Somerset. Lieutenant VanArsdall had been a member for several years of the Harrodsburg National Guard tank unit, before it was merged with the 192nd Tank Battalion at Fort Knox, and sent to the Philippine Islands in November, 1941. He was one of Harrodsburg's 66 men taken prisoners at the fall of Bataan.

Lieutenant VanArsdall was a son of the late Mayor Riker VanArsdall, of Harrodsburg, and Mrs. Maud Rose VanArsdall. He was graduated from the Harrodsburg high school and later attended the University of Kentucky. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Esther McNamer VanArsdall, a three-year-old son, William Riker, whom Lieutenant VanArsdall never saw; two brothers, Marion and Charles Rose VanArsdall, Los Angeles, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. William Underwood, Shelbyville; Mrs. Linton Terhune, Lexington, and Miss

Margaret VanArsdall, Versailles, home demonstration agent of Woodford county.

Others whose families have been notified by the War Department of their deaths: Sgt. Elzie Anness, S/Sgt. Wallace Denny, Cpl. Oscar Dean, Sgt. Ben Devine, Sgt. Edward French, Pvt. Willard Foster, Pfc. Wesley Hungate, Pvt. Fred Leonard, Cpl. Edward Trisler, Sgt. Johnny Bottoms, Sgt. Vernon Bussell, Pvt. Burchell Keeling, Pfc. Robert Cloyd, Pfc. Ancil Click, Pfc. John Lewis Cummins, Pvt. James William Sallee.

Cleveland Home Given \$80 From Versailles Play

VERSAILLES, Ky., July 26 (Special)—The Cleveland Home here today was donated approximately \$80 as part of proceeds from the three-act comedy, "George and Margaret," written by Gerald Savory, and presented Friday night in the auditorium of the Versailles high school by the "Woodford Players." C. Reginald Ryley, business manager of the local theater group, said expenses were deducted.

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Doc Bond, Versailles, will leave Friday night for Washington Park, Ill., where on Saturday morning he will be the auctioneer at the thoroughbred horse sale for the estate of the late Frank Lettelleri.

Miss Ann Ward Harriss, daughter of Mrs. V. K. Dodge of Lexington, formerly of Versailles, who has been in training for the past month at Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C., has been assigned to Camp Pickett, near Blackstone, Va., as hospital staff aide and will report for duty on

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