

Lester Wolfe

Lost in Action ^{Jan. 3, 1943}

in the Pacific

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wolfe of Newton Received Telegram from Navy Department, Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wolfe of Newton received a telegram from the Navy Department, Sunday, stating their son, Quartermaster Second Class Lester Wolfe, was missing in action in a recent naval action in the Southwest Pacific. It said that more information would be sent them as soon as received.

Lester was recently promoted to quartermaster, or ship's signalman, which places him on the ship's bridge. It is supposed that the bridge was blown away in some recent naval battle with the Japs, carrying him with it.

Fifth Man Lost

He was the fifth service man and third sailor from Jasper county to lose his life or be reported missing in action since the war started. Two others are Jap prisoners.

Besides his parents, he leaves two brothers and six daughters, Wayne L. Wolfe of Racine, Wisconsin, Fred Wolfe, United States Navy, Mrs. Roy (Edna) Hauk of Chicago, Mrs. Edward C. (Lulu) Bergbower of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Misses Velma, Beulah, Imogene and Rachel Wolfe of Newton.