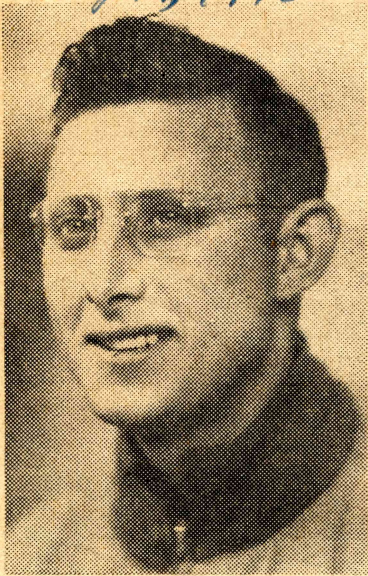


Hidalgo Boy Killed In Action

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Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Groves, of Hidalgo received a message from the War Department last Friday afternoon stating that their son, Private Delbert Clinton Groves, was killed in action in Germany on April 24.

Death on the field of battle came to the Hidalgo soldier a little more than a month after he had returned to his outfit after having recovered from wounds suffered last December 2. At that time he suffered a fractured jaw, some broken ribs and other minor injuries and was in a hospital until March when he was released for active duty again.

Pfc. Groves was an infantryman in General Hodges First army and had part in some of the most bitter fighting that occurred during the drive through France and Germany..

He had been in service some four years and had been overseas since February 1944. He received his training in this country in camps in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

Pfc. Groves was 25 years of age and before his induction into the service was employed as a truck driver at Hidalgo. Besides his parents he is survived by one sister, Miss Ethel Pearl, who is employed as a telephone operator at Mattoon.