

Eldon Dewhirst
Is Being Treated
for Malnutrition

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Mrs. William Eldon Dewhirst of Newton is in receipt of the following letter from Chaplains William L. Arnold and William H. McCance, written from a hospital center in Paris:

"Private First Class William E. Dewhirst is a patient in our hospital in Paris with the following: Severe malnutrition, moderately severe anemia and inflammation of the kidneys, all incurred while a prisoner of war in Germany. You may feel assured that he is receiving the very best care and medical attention. Nothing is being left undone to further his recovery.

"We visit him at frequent intervals throughout the day and are ministering to his spiritual needs. William is quite cheerful and is facing his suffering with courage and fortitude.

"Please do not become too much alarmed by this message for he is well taken care of in every respect. We join you in prayer that God may bring him a speedy recovery."

He was captured December 18 in Luxembourg with the Thirtieth Infantry division during the first part of the Belgium Bulge battle.

Eldon's father, Thomas Dewhirst of Newton, is critically ill with heart trouble.