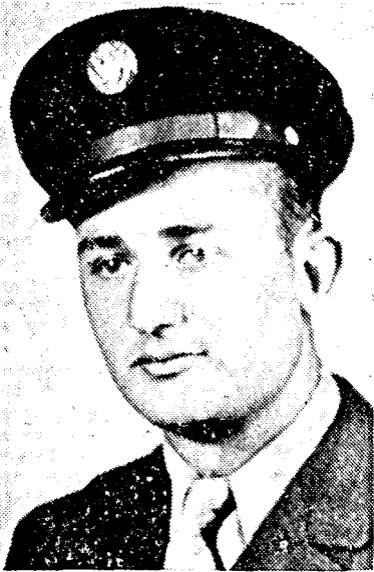


Erwin Dodge, 25, Said Missing in Action over Italy

Was Radio Operator on B-24
Shot Down in North Italy,
Parents Are Told.

T. Sgt. Erwin A. Dodge, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dodge, has been reported missing in action over Italy since Febr. 28, according to word received from the war department. He had been with the 15th Air Force in Italy since September.



His wife, the former Jeanette Hartwig, of Kenesaw, received a letter from Sgt. Dodge's commanding officer stating that the B-24 bomber on which he was radio-operator and gunner, was shot down near the target in northern Italy. The bomber was severely damaged by flak but two parachutes were seen to leave the plane before it crashed.

T. Sgt. Dodge graduated from Ord high school in 1936 and from University of Nebraska in 1942, after which he taught agriculture in the Shelton schools for two years, entering service in June, 1942. After serving in the medical corps, seven months of which time was spent in Iceland, he was transferred to the air corps.