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LT. WAYNE MATCHETT IS KILLED IN ACTION Husband of Berne Woman War Victim

First Lt. Wayne Matchett, 28, formerly of Portland, husband of Mrs. Clara Steury-Matchett of Berne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Steury, was killed in action in Germany on November 2, the wife was notified yesterday.

Lt. Matchett had written to his wife on November 1, and she had read his letter just a few minutes before receiving the telegram notifying her of her husband's death.

The Portland army officer was with General Patton's army and had seen much overseas service. He entered the army in April 1941 and was promoted to sergeant, before being commissioned a second lieutenant. Last March he was advanced to first lieutenant.

Lt. Matchett was born in Jay county, Nov. 30, 1916. Besides his wife, survivors include an eight-months-old daughter and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Matchett of Jay county.

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