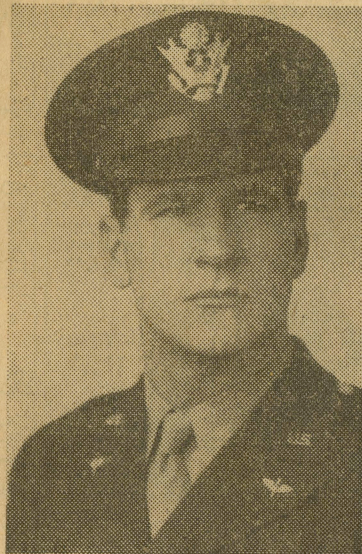


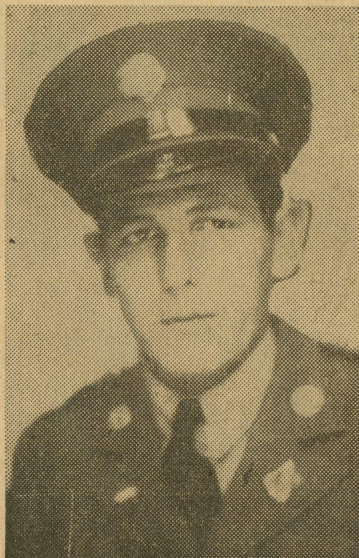
SAN ANTONIAN IS AMONG 100 TEXANS MISSING IN ACTION



LT. CAPEN R. SIMONS
of Kingsville
Missing in European area.



LT. HAVEY A. MANLEY
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Missing in European area.



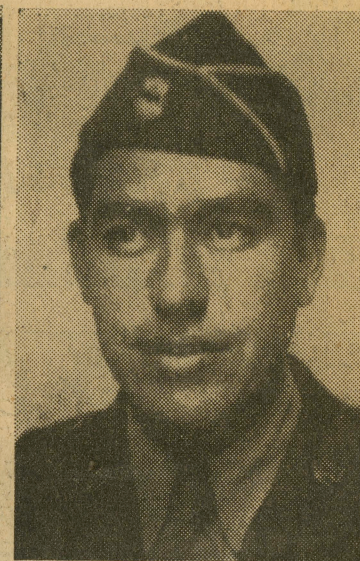
PFC. RUDOLFO CANTU
of New Braunfels
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STAFF SGT. VICTOR W. METTURA
of San Antonio
Missing in Mediterranean area.

One San Antonian and nine others from the South Texas area are among 100 Texans who have been reported missing in action in various theaters of war, according to a war department announcement reported by Associated Press today. The Texans were among 566 United States soldiers the war department listed at 616 Nolan St., is missing in the Mediterranean area.

The other South Texans reported missing include 2ndLt. Harvey A. Manley of Alamo, 2ndLt. Capen R. Simons of Kingsville, both missing in the European area, and Sgt. James W. Bird of Austin, Pvt. George C. Birmingham of Gonzales, Pfc. Rudolfo Cantu of New Braunfels, Jfc. John



PFC. EZEQUIEL S. MENDIETA
of Corpus Christi
Missing in Mediterranean area.



PVT. GEO. C. BIRMINGHAM
of Gonzales
Missing in Mediterranean area.



PVT. JESSIE O. SALAS
of Austin
Missing in Mediterranean area.

Kingsville Flier Reported Missing

Lieutenant Simons

Lost Over Europe

During Bombing Raid

KINGSVILLE (Sp) — Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Simons, Jr., received notification yesterday morning that their son, Second Lt. Capen R. Simons, navigator-bombardier aboard an American Flying Fortress, is missing in the European war theatre.

He was lost Oct. 9 during an Allied raid, believed here to be the one in which 60 planes were lost over Germany.

Simons had returned back to his base in England only a few weeks after his fortress had crashed in the North Sea after a successful raid on Hanover, Germany, in late August when he failed to come back from another mission.

A graduate of King High School, he attended A&I College here and was employed at the Missouri-Pacific Railroad before entering the Army Air Forces 18 months ago.

He received his wings and commission as a bombardier, but since he has been in England he has qualified as a navigator. He went overseas six months ago.



THE KINGSVILLE RECORD

Wednesday, April 12, 1944

Lines to a Warrior

The poetic lines "Missing in Action" penned by Thomas A. Simons of Washington, D. C., touch a tender and sympathetic note in the heart of all friends of Capen Simons, prisoner of war in Germany. Capen, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Simons, Jr., of this city, is the grandson of the author of the poem.

Poetic lines by Mr. Simons have been printed by the Record before when a great number of his poems were published during a visit here with his son. Mr. Simons has had a great deal of his work published throughout the country and has won national repute as a writer of poetry.

His poem to Capen follows:

MISSING IN ACTION

"Missing in action." the telegram read.

A tense silence fell, but nothing was said,

Only a moving of pale, silent lips,
Only a clasping of cold finger tips,

Only a hope that their prayers had been heard.

Their task to wait for some future word.

Weeks passed, then a message.
What can it be?

"A prisoner of War in Stalage Luft III."

The Geneva Conference, blessed bond,

To which our enemies seem to respond.

Our Protector Nation has doctors there,

Two to each one of the German's to care.

Thank God that he lives. The blessed Red Cross

Will aid him and see that he suffers no loss.

The noblest of bands, what ever

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Capen Simons Listed Missing In Action



LT. CAPEN R. SIMONS

The War Department last Thursday officially notified Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Simons, Jr., that their son, Second Lieutenant Capen R. Simons had been missing in action in the European war area since October 9.

Lt. Simons was a bombardier assigned to duty with the Flying Fortress operating from an English base. Recently he wrote his family he had qualified as a navigator, and also was entitled to wear the wings of an aerial gunner. He had twice previously been forced down, and his friends here believe his good luck still holds.

On September 1, the Air Corps released a story and picture of the crew of the Fortress "Destiny's Tot" which crashed in the North Sea after a raid on Hanover. Lt. Simons and the nine other crew members were shown in the RAF jackets and civilian trousers furnished by their rescuers.

SAN ANTONIO EVENING NEWS

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1943

SOUTH TEXANS REPORTED MISSING

Owens, Pfc. Milton R., Thomas B. Owens, father, Ballinger.
Penney, Pfc. Oscar E., Jess C. Penney, father, Cushing.
Pinter, Sgt. Ed. W., Emil J. Pinter, father, Caldwell.
Piwonka, Cpl. Raymond J., Mrs. Annie Piwonka, mother, Caldwell.
Pool, Pvt. Spearman R., Mrs. Thomas E. McDonald, mother, Conroe.

Poole, Pfc. James A., Mrs. Zula Poole, mother, Royse City.
Randol, Staff Sgt. Robert T., Mrs. Katheryne A. Randol, mother, Galveston.

Rogers, Sgt. Emil M., Jr., Emil M. Rogers, Sr., father, Houston.
Salas, Pvt. Jessie O., Joe Salas, father, Austin.

San Angelo, Pfc. Philip, Mrs. Lena San Angelo, mother, Bryan.
Sanders, Pfc. Buck M., Vernon V. Sanders, father, Ballinger.

Sanders, Cpl. William H., Marvin J. Sanders, brother, Kermit.
Scarbrough, Pvt. Ocie L., James A. Scarbrough, father, Commerce.
Shaw, Staff Sgt. Henry H., George H. Shaw, father, Caldwell.

Shinn, Tech. Sgt. H. B., Jr., Mrs. Cornelia B. Shinn, wife, Henderson.

Sims, Pfc. Warner B., Mrs. Lurah E. Sims, mother, Groesbeck.

Singleton, Cpl. Doyle M., Mrs. Grace S. Singleton, wife, Pickton.

Skweres, Pvt. Henry, Mrs. Annie C. Skweres, mother, Brenham.

Slot, Pvt. Phillip, Mrs. Ophelia Slot, mother, Crosby.

Slovacek, Staff Sgt. Edmund R., Mrs. Mabel Slovacek, wife, Caldwell.

Smith, Cpl. Brown, Mrs. Bessie Smith, mother, Celina.

Smith, Sgt. Curtis W., Henry W. Smith, father, Gause.

Smith, Sgt. Eugene M., Mrs. Oma D. Smith, mother, White-wright.

Stead, Pfc. Frederick P., Mrs. Rena L. Stead, wife, Midlothian.

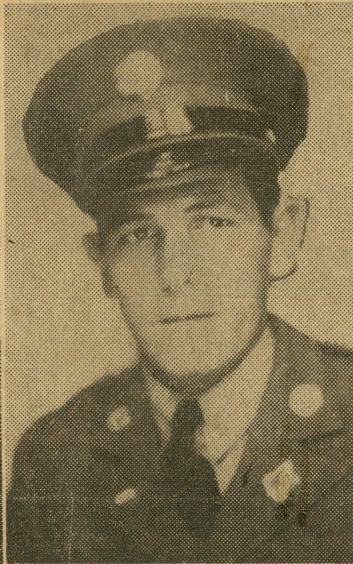
Terry, Cpl. Edwin F., Mrs. Nancy A. Terry, mother, Mart.

Thompson, Cpl. Grady D., Mrs. Eloise Thompson, mother, Kemp.

Thompson, Pvt. Thomas J., William C. Thompson, brother, Waco.

Tittle, Pfc. Raymond G., Mrs. Bettie J. Tittle, wife, Dallas.

Torres, Pvt. Jose S., Mrs. G. la or mother, Abilene



SOUTH TEXAS SOLDIERS REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION

in the Mediterranean area, according to a war department announcement today, include the three men pictured above. Left to right, they are Pvt. George Birmingham of Gonzales, Pfc. Rudolfo Cantu of New Braunfels, and Pvt. Jessie O. Salas of Austin. The three are among 10 from this area reported missing.

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the war department listed as missing.

The San Antonian, Staff Sgt. Victor W. Mettura, whose wife, Mrs. Florence A. Mettura, resides at 616 Nolan St., is missing in the Mediterranean area.

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both missing in the European area, and Sgt. James W. Bird of Austin, Pvt. George C. Birmingham of Gonzales, Pfc. Rudolfo Cantu of New Braunfels, Pfc. John Kuneta of Hallettsville, Pfc. Ezequiel S. Mendieta of Corpus Christi, and Pvt. Jesse O. Salas of Austin, all reported missing in the Mediterranean area.