

# 3 Port Clinton Tank Co. War Fatalities Reported

Capt. Harold Collins, Former Toledo U. Athlete, Included in Casualty Report

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PORT CLINTON, O., July 25—Relatives here have been notified of the deaths of three more members of the Port Clinton Tank Company which was overwhelmed on Bataan in 1942.

The three, Capt. Arthur Burholt, Capt. Harold Collins, formerly of Toledo, and Sergt. Elmer N. Smith, were reported by the War Department to have been killed last Dec. 5 while being transported aboard a Japanese vessel in the Pacific area. They had been prisoners of war since the fall of Bataan.

Captain Burholt, 36, former athlete of Port Clinton High School, was the son of Mrs. Fred Gottschalk, Port Clinton, and a nephew of Charles Burholt, Toledo. His wife, Capt. Virginia Van Rensselaer Burholt, joined the WACs after her husband was taken prisoner and is stationed at Thayer General Hospital, Nashville, Tenn. A former officer of the Port Clinton unit, Captain Burholt was serving as plans training officer of the 192nd Tank Battalion when the fighting began on Bataan.

Captain Collins, 30, a former student at the University of Toledo, where he played football, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collins of Carroll Township and a brother of Clyde S. Collins, Toledo. Two uncles, David Collins and Ellsworth Heistand, also live in Toledo. Captain Collins' wife, Gertrude, and a daughter, Carol Lee, live in Graytown, O.

Captain Collins, a member of the Port Clinton company nine years, commanded the unit on Bataan. He formerly was an adjuster for the Ohio Farm Bureau Insurance Co.

Sergeant Smith, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emiel Smith, Port Clinton, was mess sergeant of the company. He is survived by his parents and three sisters.



**Harold Collins**



**Arthur Burholt**



**Elmer N. Smith**