

PERSONAL NOTES

Mr. E. A. Burgess, Winton st., Werribee, has been notified that his youngest son, SGT. ROBERT N. BURGESS, has died of wounds. Before enlistment in May, 1940, Sgt. Burgess was a foundation member of Werribee militia detachment, treasurer of Werribee branch ANA, and a prominent figure in local church, sporting and social activities. He sailed in April, 1941. An elder brother, S. Sgt. Eric Burgess, is overseas. St. Thomas's Church, Werribee, was crowded last night for a special memorial service to honour the late Sgt. R. Burgess.

CNR THOMAS D. ARMSTRONG, previously reported missing, is a prisoner of war in Cortina camp. Official advice has been received by his father, Mr. A. O. Armstrong, manager of Footscray branch of State Savings Bank. Cnr. Armstrong, who is 27, practised as a solicitor in Chancery House, city, for more than 2 years before enlisting in an artillery unit.

PTE PHILLIP COOK, son of Mr. J. E. Cook, of Hallston, who sailed in March, is reported missing.

PTE J. E. DALE, missing, is only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dale, Joseph st. Bendigo. He sailed in April, 1941, was 23, and was born and educated in Bendigo.

DVR LES HAYNES, Nyah, previously reported missing, is now prisoner of war. Aged 33, he was one of the first to enlist from Nyah, and sailed in April, 1940. He took part in the Libyan campaign from Bardia to Benghazi, and then went to Greece. His wife and 3 children live in Bendigo.

PTE GEORGE PYLE, son of Mrs. F. Pyle, Mirboo South, has been wounded in action. He sailed at the end of March.

Information has been received through the Red Cross Society that SPTC JAMES SMITH, AIF, who was employed at Traralgon station before the war, is a prisoner of war. He was previously reported missing.