

("Journal and Mail" Photograph.)

Wearsider In Cossack Killed In Action

WHEN 25-year-old Chief Petty Officer (E.R.A.) George Albert Griffiths, of Cornhill Terrace West, Sunderland, believed to have been the only Wearsider in the Cossack, was home last Christmas, he expressed the hope that "he would see a bit of life."

He got his wish quickly, the Cossack being responsible for the dramatic rescue of the Altmark prisoners.

Yesterday his father received a telegram informing him that his son had been killed in action.

The Cossack took part in the recent action at Narvik when seven German destroyers were sunk.

Griffiths, who had been in the Cossack since she had been placed into commission, was home a short time ago, having been given special leave following the Altmark action.



G. A. GRIFFITHS

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LEGAL NOTICE

GEORGE ALBERT GRIFFITHS,
Deceased.

PURSUANT TO THE TRUSTEE ACT, 1925.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of George Albert Griffiths, late of 4 Cornhill Terrace West, Southwick, Sunderland, in the County of Durham, Engine-room Artificer, Royal Navy, who died on the Thirteenth Day of April, 1940 (war casualty), intestate, should give notice thereof in writing to me, the undersigned Solicitor to George Albert Griffiths (Senior), the Administrator of the said estate, on or before the Seventeenth Day of November, 1940, after which date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been received by the said Administrator.

DATED this Fourteenth Day of September 1940.

M. BATES,

65 John Street, Sunderland.

of the Decontamination squads with vehicles, one man and 12 women of the Centre Staffs, and 19 men and seven women of the Trench Patrols.

KILLED IN ACTION Southwick Man Aboard The Cossack

A Sunderland man, George Albert Griffiths (26), son of Mr G. A. and the late Mrs Griffiths, of 4 Cornhill Terrace West, Southwick, Chief Petty Officer (E.R.A.) aboard the Cossack, has been killed in action.

He joined the destroyer when it was launched on the Tyne, and was on board during the Altmark incident.

Just before this encounter, while he was home on leave, he said he hoped he would now "see a bit of life."

The father told a Sunderland Echo representative to-day that his son "always went away as if he was going to a tea-party. He was always such a lucky boy. We never thought his luck would desert him."

Educated at St. Columba's School, he was a prominent member of the School Rugby XV.

U.S. NEEDS PILOTS

Nearly 10,000 college students will help the United States solve a pressing problem in national defence, says the Associated Press. The Army needs pilots. In a nation of 130,000,000 the Air Corps is experiencing difficulty in obtaining pilot-recruits for its expansion programme. Therefore 9,350 students in 437 colleges and universities and 700 other civilians enrolled in the Government's civilian air training programme will constitute a reservoir of pilot material for the £75,000,000 American air defence scheme.

WOMAN BOUND OVER

Margaret Hope, of The Avenue, Deneside, was bound over to keep the peace for 12 months at Seaham Police Court to-day accused of assaulting Jane Williams, also of The Avenue. Mrs Williams said that on April 8 Mrs Hope asked her if she had hit her daughter. She replied that she had not, whereupon Mrs Hope hit her in the eye. Mrs Hope alleged that Mrs Williams had struck her daughter.