

## Ralph Paquette Killed in Action

Rose St. Man, 21,  
Was Pfc. in Marines

Pfc. Ralph Henry Paquette, 21, of the marines has been killed in action, according to a telegram received from the war department by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Paquette of 71 Rose st.

The message gave no details, omitting even the time and place where the young marine met death. A letter will follow soon.

When last heard from Pfc. Paquette was in the south Pacific. His mother now thinks he may have been engaged in the Gilbert islands assaults, perhaps at Tarawa. A brother, Corp. Donald G. Paquette, also of the marines, is in the same theater of operations.

Pfc. Paquette attended Nazareth school and was graduated from Burlington high school in 1940. He was employed by the Girard Baking Co. and as a driver by the Star Cleansing Co. before his enlistment May 5, 1942. He received his boot training at Parris Island, S. C., and at New River, N. C. and went overseas on Aug. 15, 1942. He was stationed at Guadalcanal and took part in the Solomons campaigns.

Besides his parents and Corp. Paquette, he leaves another brother, Capt. Richard E. Paquette of the air corps, instructor in the gunnery school at Las Vegas, Nev.; and two sisters, Mrs. J. D. Goddette and Mrs. Charles Durivage, both of Burlington.

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