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**MISSING TWO YEARS
Worksop Airman's Grave Found**

Two years after their son Sergt. J. D. Turner, Observer .R.A.F. was reported missing following an operational flight.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Turner, Fairholme, Carlton Road, Worksop have received news concerning his death from the Air Ministry.

"By now you will have ceased to expect any news concerning the fate of your son as action was taken in December 1940 to presume his death" says the Air Ministry. But we have now received a report from the Dutch Red Cross that they have located the graves of three unknown British airmen, at Doncherry (Ardennes).

By a process of elimination we have established that the plane was reported missing on 14 May 1940: at 11:30 am to bomb pontoon bridges over the river Meuse.

There is no reasonable doubt that the three members of the crew are buried there. Unfortunately the individual graves cannot now be identified but we have asked the British Red Cross to arrange for a suitable inscription to be placed over the graves"

Every Effort Made

Sergt. Turner was educated at Worksop Central School and after winning an R.A.F scholarship joined the force in 1930.

"This letter should reassure other anxious parents that every effort is made to trace missing R.A.F men." Said Mr. Turner to a Journal correspondent. "It also proves that the Red Cross and the Ministry will communicate with dependants as soon as possible. Moreover it does not mean that no further action is taken when death is presumed"

Mr. and Mrs. Turner's son-in-law Sergt. Thomas Reginald Tweed was also killed in action while serving with the R.A.F