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Hear from *May 29, 1945*
Vinda Adkins

Oreta Indirectly

Mrs. Robert Beam of near Newton has indirectly heard from her sister, Mrs. Vinda Adkins Oreta, from whom no word had been received since November, 1941. Her cousin, B. T. Adkins of Mattoon, Saturday contacted a man by the name of Thomas of Mattoon, who had just returned there from the Philippines where he had been a Japanese civilian internee since Pearl Harbor.

The latter stated that he had talked to Mrs. Oreta and her husband, P. T. Oreta, in Manila the day before he left and that they were well and were preparing to begin teaching in the newly opened Philippine schools.

Her name had been carried in California papers as freed from the Santo Tomas internment camp in Manila, but all effort to get word to her had failed, supposedly because of the lack of any mail or cable facilities for civilians.

Mrs. Oreta is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Adkins of Tucson, Arizona, formerly of Newton vicinity.

Lorrain J. Dorn Wounded in Hand

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorn of Evansville, formerly of Bogota vicinity, have received word that their son, Sergeant Lorrain J. Dorn, was wounded in the left hand in Germany on April 18 and is now in a hospital in England.

Sergeant Dorn was serving with the 701st Tank battalion during the push into Germany before VE-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorn have two other sons in the service. Corporal Austin E. Dorn is with the Army on Okinawa and Victor F. Dorn is in the Navy undergoing training at Camp Peary, Virginia.

Landed in New York

Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Vanderhoof of Newton and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Romack of Rose Hill vicinity have received word that their sons, Technical Sergeant Merl Vanderhool and Private First Class Forrest Romack, have landed in the United States. Both are freed prisoners of war of Germany. They are expected home in a few days.