

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hepburn, 53 Glenelg St. E. have just received word from their son who is recovering in a hospital in Italy from serious wounds suffered when a mortar bomb exploded a few feet away from him during a drive on German held lines.

Describing the action he says in part: "We had just attacked the German lines which were just outside a little town we had taken over and had started driving back through the town again and as the tank I was in rounded a corner a German mortar bomb came hurtling over and exploded about four feet from me. One piece just missed my throat and struck me in the right hand and knee."

Further along in the letter he explains that for two weeks after the incident his eyes and ears were affected by the blast.

Enlisting when he was 17 years old he trained at Peterboro, Petawawa and Debert, N.S. later going overseas when he had reached his nineteenth birthday. He has been serving in Italy since March of this year during which time he has been much of the country.

He writes that he sees many of our

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Lindsay boys over there and in his last letter which he wrote on October 28th he stated he was still in the hospital but was making good progress.

Speaking about parcels from home he states he has only received one from Lindsay outside of those from his mother and that these little parcels mean much to a soldier far from his home town.

# Mortar Bomb Explodes

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# Injuring Lindsay Boy