

Thanksgiving For 2 Families— Their Missing Sons Are Safe

Thanksgiving Day had a special significance for two Maryland families, for it brought them each the news that their sons, missing in action since October 2, are alive and well and have been restored to their comrades in a prisoner exchange with the Germans near Lorient, France.

The first news to reach Mr. and Mrs. George M. Brady, of 101 St. John's road, that their son, Pfc. George M. Brady, Jr., had been released in the exchange was a telephone call from *The Sun* to inform them that Private Brady was one of 79 American officers and men exchanged for a like number of Germans during a six-hour armistice on November 16.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ehrmantraut, of 3705 Webster street, Brentwood, Md., a Washington suburb, had been informed by the War Department early yesterday that their son, Private Wilfred Ehrmantraut, was well and had returned to duty.

Bearded And Cheerful

Both families previously had been notified that their sons were reported missing on October 2 and nothing further had been heard until yesterday.

Newspaper dispatches last week told of the exchange of prisoners in

the Lorient sector and described how Americans were traded for Germans, a motorboat-load at a time across the Etel river, but military censorship had held up the
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release of the names of those involved.

The Americans, some of whom had been prisoners for as long as 90 days, were boisterous, bearded and cheerful when they were returned to their own lines, the Associated Press reported.

Elaborate Dinner

They were hustled away to a rest camp where they were deloused, provided fresh clothing and given an elaborate dinner and entertainment.

Private **Brady**, whose father is an attorney, is a graduate of the Calvert School here and the Canterbury School in Connecticut. He was attending Johns Hopkins University when he entered the army in March, 1943.

A member of a battalion scouting group, Private **Brady** has been overseas since last July. He is 22 and unmarried.

"I'm His Best Girl"

Private Ehrmantraut, whose father is a foreman at the navy yard in Washington, is a graduate of McKinley High School and was

attending the University of Maryland when inducted October 15, 1943. He has been overseas since August 1 and is 19.

When asked if he is married or engaged, his mother replied: "Why Buddy doesn't even look at girls. I'm his best girl."