



HERMAN G. EIDEN.

## *Eiden Died When Houston Went Under*

Official notification that Herman George Eiden, listed as missing since March, 1942, was killed when the U. S. S. Houston was sunk has been received by his mother, Mrs. Clara Eiden, 1618 W. Kentucky.

Eiden, 20-year-old machinist's mate third class, probably lost his life as a result of shell or torpedo explosions when the ship was sunk in Soenda Straits or in the water after abandoning the ship, Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal wrote Mrs. Eiden.

### **Heard News From Captain.**

She previously had learned unofficially of her son's death from Capt. A. L. Maher, who wrote to her November 14.

In the Pacific since December, 1940, Eiden joined the Navy after his graduation from du Pont Manual Training High School in 1939.

Other survivors are: four brothers, Albert H. Eiden, just discharged after three years' service in the Pacific; Peter Herman Eiden, Theodore Eiden and William C. Eiden, and three sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Orr, 1134 S. 15th, and Amelda and Ruth Eiden.

His father, Peter H. Eiden, died December 8, 1941.

