

Captain Ralph Gerald Schooley

43RM Commando

COMMANDO CAPTAIN KILLED

CAPT. RALPH G. SCHOOLEY

(Royal Marine Commandos), who was previously reported missing, is now known to have been killed last June. Capt. Schooley was the



husband of Mrs Margery Schooley (formerly Miss Margery Evans, of West Grove, Merthyr), and was the only son of the late Mr. W. J. Schooley and Mrs. Schooley, of West Worthing. He joined the Marines in June, 1940, obtained his commission the following October,

and became a captain in April, 1942. After taking part in the landing at Anzio he was mentioned in dispatches for services in the taking of Monte Ornito. He took part in the raids on the Dalmation Islands in conjunction with the partisans under Marshal Tito.

While leading the advance on the island of Brac he was wounded, but continued to lead the attack, and, in the words of his commanding officer, "he was an example of bravery and devotion to duty to all." He was wounded a second time before being reported missing. Capt. Schooley received his education at Warwick School.