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## **SAFELY HOME**

Mr Leslie DUFFETT, the only son of Mr. J. G. DUFFETT, of the High-street, was one of the crew of the sailing ship *Inverlyon*, which was sunk by a German submarine last week, while nearing the end of her voyage with a cargo of wheat. In company with twelve others, left the vessel in a boat, in charge of the mate, and after 45 hours during which time they were busily engaged in keeping the boat afloat, and had nothing more sustaining than biscuits and water, they were picked up by a passing British Steamer and landed at an English port. Mr. DUFFETT who has just finished his apprenticeship in the Mercantile Marine, arrive home on Tuesday, and received the hearty congratulations of his many friends on his safe return.

"Inverlyon", sailing vessel, 1,827grt, 11 April 1916, 108 miles WNW from Fastnet, captured by submarine, sunk by gunfire

Source: British Vessels lost at Sea 1914-18 H.M.S.O. 1919

MARRIAGE: c1930 Register Office, Nonconformist or RC Church (IW Registrars ref: RO81/187) Leslie J.P. DUFFETT & Mary J. FORER

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