

# EL1 Robert W. Pause

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## WAS RADIO OPERATOR.

### Local Man Had Interesting Experiences On Submarine Chaser in the European Waters.

Robert Pause, first class radio operator in the United States navy, has returned to this city, following two years' service in that branch aboard the submarine chaser 137. Mr. Pause enlisted from this city in April, 1917, and was sent immediately to the United States ship Culgoa, a supply steamer, as third class radio operator. After remaining in that capacity for six months he was sent to Harvard and took a two months' course at the radio school. Following this course he was made second class radio operator. At the time of his discharge he was first class operator. In addition to handling the radio telegraph work he also had charge of the radio telephone.

Mr. Pause went to France on the sub chaser and was stationed at Plymouth, England, the main base for submarine chasers in foreign waters. Following the armistice the ship was sent to Gibraltar where were gathered other submarines which had been in active fighting in that region. The chaser Mr. Pause was on sighted submarines in the English channel but was given credit for destroying only one.

On the return trip to this country the ship stopped at the Azores and also at the Danish West Indies. During the months of January and February the ship was stationed at Cuba. The Culgoa went through the Panama canal in six hours, being one of eight ships to make that record. The fleet went to California and is there at the present time. Mr. Pause was discharged at San Francisco. He was employed at the Western Union telegraph office as a telegraph operator before his enlistment.

## **Robert W. Pause**

Robert W. Pause, 89, Oshkosh, died Tuesday evening in Park View Health Center, Winnebago.

He was born Oct. 24, 1893, in Oshkosh, the son of William and Minnie Rabe Pause. He married Goldie Koehn, May 24, 1952, in Oshkosh.

Mr. Pause maintained chiropractic offices in Plymouth. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War I and was a member of the American Legion Post No. 70 and the Last Man's Club.

His widow survives.