

Ackerman, Willis R.

**Local Woman's Brother
Is Reported Missing**

Willis R. Ackerman, Jr., one of 13 children of Willis R. Ackerman, Sr., 521 Jute Street, Allentown, and a brother of Helen Kooker, this city, and of Mrs. Florence Gehris, Center Valley, is "missing in action in the North African area," according to a War Department message received yesterday by his father.

Ackerman, who is 22 years old, was inducted into the Army last June 12 and had been in Africa for several weeks.

The last letter which his father received was dated January 20 and told only of his being in Africa.

Prior to his induction he was employed by the Mack Manufacturing Company.

Among the brothers and sisters are Ralph of Emmaus, Norman, Robert and Anna at home, Walter and Frank in Allentown, C. Jacob and Howard of East Greenville, Mrs. Kooker, of this city, Mrs. Gehris, of Center Valley, Irvin, of Macungie and Earl, of Vera Cruz.

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