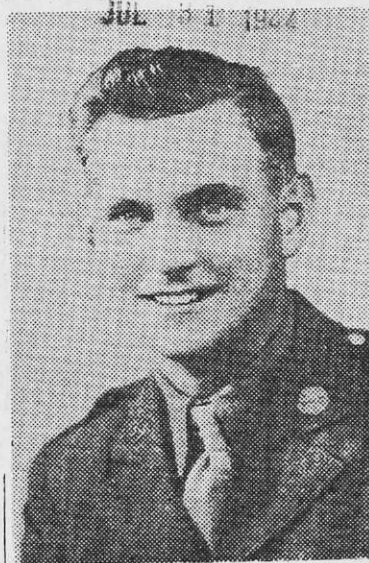


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## Sgt. W. Becker Dies in Action In Normandy

Word of the death of another Bethlehem boy on the invasion fields of France reached his parents Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Becker, of 623 High Street, were advised by the War Department that their son, Staff Sergeant William Becker, was killed in action June 9.

The young man, who was 24 years



**S-SGT. WILLIAM A. BECKER**  
... killed in action

old, participated in major campaigns in Africa and Sicily, was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and elevated last May to the rank of staff sergeant. Prior to entering the service, Sgt. Becker was an employe of the Mack Manufacturing Corporation, Allentown.

Sgt. Becker was the second member of the congregation of St. Ann's Catholic parish to make the supreme sacrifice. Prayers for the repose of his soul were offered at all masses yesterday by the Rev. Joseph P. Mooney.

In addition to his parents, Sgt. Becker is survived by three brothers, Harold, in the U. S. Navy, stationed at Bucknell University; Lawrence and Edward, in Bethlehem, and three sisters, Helen and Alice, at home, and Mrs. Frank Washbaugh, Monongahela.

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