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Pvt. Philip A. Ronca, son of Pasquale Ronca, 1417 Montrose Avenue, was killed in France on September 8, according to word received in a telegram from the War Department yesterday morning. His wife, the former Viola Schlenner, and daughter, reside in Allentown at 833 Tenth Street.

Pvt. Ronca entered the service in December, 1943, receiving his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla. He left for overseas on June 29 of this year. Two brothers, Pasquale Jr. in the Pacific, and Robert in the Navy at Baltimore, Md., are also in the armed forces.

Other survivors include a brother, Richard, at home; and two sisters, Mrs. Robert Erdman of Bethlehem and Congetta Ronca, at home.

Before he entered the Army, Pvt. Ronca graduated from Liberty High School, class of 1936, and was employed at the Bethlehem Steel Company for seven years. He also designed homes for his father, a contractor. He was a member of St. Ursula church, the Knights of Columbus Lodge and Fraternal Order of Eagles of Bethlehem.

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