

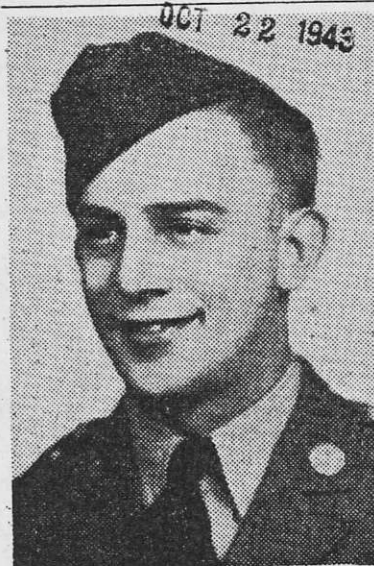
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## Mother Clings To Hope For Son's Safety

Hope springs eternal in the human breast and the thoughts of a mother for her son, reported "missing in action" by the War Department, occupies every waking hour of Mrs. Pearl Shaw, 502 East Fourth Street, Bethlehem.

A son, Technical Sergeant William R. Brown, 21, was reported "missing in action" by the adjutant general as of July 28. At the time Sergeant Brown was engaged on a bombing mission over Oschergebern, Germany.

Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock a representative of the War Depart-



**T. SGT. WILLIAM BROWN**

ment will call upon Mrs. Shaw to present her with an oak leaf cluster won by her missing son for exceptional meritorious achievement. It is the second award for Sergeant Brown.

Sergeant Brown joined Company B., National Guards, in Stroudsburg at the end of his junior year in East Stroudsburg High School at the age of 17. Later he asked for transfer to the regular army in 1941. He received training at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri; Chumute Field, Illinois; and Las Vegas where he was gunnery instructor.

He joined a bomber squadron at Walla Walla, Washington, and a short time later was on English soil. A letter received by Mrs. Brown in July stated that he had participated in seven bombing raids over French and German territory.

Two other brothers are serving with the armed forces. Staff Sergeant Alfred Brown, in England, and Pvt. Paul Brown, in Florida.

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