Pfc. Oravec Dies in Battle On Luzon Isle

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Pfc. John J. Oravec, 19-year-old
son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Oravec,
823 Hess Street, was killed in action
January 18, on Luzon, according to
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Inducted September 13, 1943, he completed his basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala., and was sent overseas February 3, 1944. During the Christmas holidays, Pfc. Oravec met a boyhood friend, Leo Gottwald, also from Hess Street, who has since been reported wounded in action in Manila.

Pfc. Oravec was caddy master at Saucon Valley Country Club and upon graduation from Liberty High School was employed at the Byron Jackson Company in Hellertown. He also taught a machinist course at Technical High School during the evening.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Joseph, a Navy Air Corps instructor, stationed in Virginia, and two sisters, Margaret and Anne.

A memorial mass will be celebrated Tuesday, March 6, at 9 a. m., in SS. Cyril and Methodius Church, of which he was a member.