

Receives Son's Award

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Mrs. Pearl Shaw, 502 East Fourth Street, mother of Technical Sergeant William Brown, reported "missing in action," last night received an Oak Leaf cluster for her son for meritorious action, presented to her on behalf of the government. Shown left to right are Linden Fisher, past adjutant of Harry F. W. Johnson Post, American Legion; Mrs. Shaw, and First Lieutenant Dewey D. Bardwell, president of the Aviation Cadet Examining Board, Allentown, who made the presentation. (Globe-Times Photo)

Accepts Oak Leaf Cluster Given Son Reported Missing In Action

Her eyes veiled with tears, but bearing up well, Mrs. Pearl Shaw, 502 East Fourth Street, last night accepted an Army Air Medal award for her son, Technical Sergeant William Brown, reported "missing in action" over Germany.

It was the second award for heroism accorded the young Bethlehem soldier by the United States government. Last night's award, presented by Lieutenant Dewey D. Bardwell in behalf of President Roosevelt and General Arnold, commander of the A. E. F., was an oak leaf cluster.

Somewhere in the past, during the bombing raids he made over continental Europe, Sergeant Brown, had been awarded the medal. The newest award brings further recognition of his bravery as it was

awarded for "exceptional meritorious achievement."

Representing the Harry F. W. Johnson Post, No. 379, American Legion at the presentation, which took place at Mrs. Shaw's apartment, were Franklin Stein, commander, and Linden Fisher, past adjutant.

Sergeant Brown, according to recent letters, engaged in more than eight bombing missions over targets in France and Germany. He was reported missing by the adjutant general's office following a successful raid over Germany.

Mrs. Shaw was deeply moved as Lt. Bardwell offered the congratulations of the War Department. Chokingly she accepted the award as she entertained hopes that her hero son would be found safe.