

Berger, Dorothy

## Dorothy Berger, Northampton Army Nurse, Dies in New Guinea

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Second Lieut. Dorothy Berger, R. N., of the Army Nurse Corps, former member of the local Red Cross staff serving as public health nurse in Northampton borough, died June 28 in New Guinea, it was learned by local Red Cross officials today.

Details attending her death were not contained in the War Department's notification, which was communicated to Northampton and Bethlehem friends of Lt. Berger by

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berger, Shamokin.

Lt. Berger is believed to be the first nurse from the area of the Bethlehem Red Cross chapter to have died in service in this war.

She was granted leave of absence from her post in Northampton when she enlisted in the Army Nurse Corps November 16, 1942. She trained at the station hospital at Indiantown Gap and went overseas June 10, 1943.

Latest word from her to her parents in Shamokin was contained in a letter dated June 20 in which she wrote that she expected to leave for Australia about July 12.

Lieut. Berger was a native of Shamokin where she was born March 26, 1907. She graduated from the Shamokin public schools and did her early nursing training at Allentown Hospital. She subsequently took graduate work in nursing at the Elizabeth Steele Magee Hospital, Pittsburgh, at Columbia University and at New York City Hospital, where she spent a year in special work.

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