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## Chas. L. Neinfeldt Died as Plane Went Down, Family Told

In a recent letter from the war department, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Neinfeldt, Route 5, city received confirmation of the death of their son Staff Sgt. Charles L. Neinfeldt, army air corps, who was earlier reported missing in action November 15 on an overwater flight in the Latin America area.

According to details revealed in the letter, Sgt. Neinfeldt was aboard a B-24 bomber which crashed on a flight from Bouniquen field, Puerto Rico by way of Waller field, Trinidad to Atkinson field, British Guiana.

An intensive search for the plane wreckage was eventually rewarded when an observation plane sighted parts of the plane, open parachutes, one life vest, two life rafts—one capsized—and two oxygen bottles. No sign of survivors was found, and the search was abandoned two days later.

The adjutant's letter counseled the parents to "take comfort in the knowledge that your son died while loyally serving his country."

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