

### T-5 Frank Apestegua Accident Victim In France Wife Is Told

Details surrounding the death of her husband, Technician, fifth grade, Frank Apestegua, were received here Monday by Mrs. Bernice Caballero Apestegua from the war department, the communication following a telegram received on January 11, notifying her that he had died on December 3.

The letter received this week explained that T-5 Apestegua was riding on the rear end of a truck when a machine gun fell, accidentally discharging and fatally wounding the soldier.

The young man was born in Redlands but had lived most of his life in Wilmington. He entered the service in February, 1942, and he and Miss Caballero were married last year before he was sent overseas with the 3rd tank battalion. Last heard from him, he was near Metz, France, and indicated that he had been transferred to the infantry.

An only child, the young man was left a full orphan when his father passed away in March of last year and there are no relatives other than his wife surviving. A special memorial mass will be said at Our Lady of Guadalupe church on Thursday, February 1, at 10 a. m., with Rev. Fr. Philip Watz officiating. Mrs. Apestegua announced yesterday.

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