

## Edna Rundell First Casualty From Stafford

Ensign Edna June Rundell, daughter of Mrs. Lee Rundell, has been reported killed in an airplane crash off the coast of Kwajalein Tuesday. She and 25 other Navy personnel perished in the crash of a naval transport plane enroute to Japan.

Official notice of her death was received by the family in Stafford Wednesday. Her mother, Mrs. Lee Rundell, is in California visiting two other daughters.

Edna had served the past three and one half years as a navy nurse spending most of that time at the Bremerton, Wash. hospital. She attended the Stafford schools and received her nurse cadet training at St. Elizabeth hospital in Hutchinson. She received further training at the Wellington, Kansas hospital before joining the Navy.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Lee Rundell, Stafford; four sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Gilmer, Kansas City, Mrs. Kenneth Lofland, Ulysses, Mrs. M. L. Lee, Los Angeles and Mrs. Melvin Hathaway, Los Angeles. Two brothers, Harold and Jay of Stafford.

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