

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1923. 6-11

WAS INSTANTLY KILLED

George Simmon Struck by Northwestern Passenger Train at Lamoille Yesterday.

STEPPED IN FRONT OF THE SPEEDING ENGINE.

Was Foreman for William Boyce on Job at Lamoille Consolidated School.

George Simmon, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Simmon of this city, was instantly killed at Lamoille, Iowa, shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday when he was struck by the fast Northwestern east-bound train, No. 20.

Simmon stepped upon the track directly in front of the oncoming passenger train which running forty or fifty miles an hour and was hurled a great distance. Death was almost instantaneous. The body was badly crushed and many bones were broken. The train, which was running two hours late, stopped and picked up the body bringing it to Marshalltown where it was turned over to the Pursel undertaking parlors.

Mr. Simmon, who is employed by William Boyce, plumbing contractor, was foreman of the job at the Lamoille consolidated school which is under the process of construction. He had left the school building and had gone to the depot to look after some freight shipments.

He found his way to the station blocked by a west bound freight and when he crossed to the east bound track he was in the direct path of the approaching passenger. It is presumed that he did not hear the roar of the fast train above the noise of the freight. It is also said that the conductor of the freight shouted a warning which apparently confused him.

The train was on him before he saw it and although he tried to jump clear he was struck and was hurled to his death.

The body was brought from Marshalltown to Grinnell yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Simmon was one of Grinnell's most industrious young men. He was born in the city and learned the plumbing trade under his father, H. P. Simmon. He was in the service of his country during the war and has been an active worker in the American Legion. Besides his parents he leaves two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the Catholic church conducted by Rev. Father M. J. Hannon.