

BOLAN YOUNG IS KILLED IN CAR ACCIDENT

11-12-28
Auto Driven By Judge
Lyon Hits Young's
From Rear

Bolan R. Young, fifty-three years of age, a farmer residing southwest of Kellogg, lost his life Saturday evening shortly after six o'clock in one of the most regrettable and unusual automobile accidents of the year.

Mr. Young, his wife and two daughters, Helen and Ethel, were returning from Newton to their home in their Chevrolet sedan. Near the corner at the Miller school house southwest of Kellogg, Mr. Young stopped his car at the right side of the pavement to put on his chains before turning on the mud road leading south to his farm home. He had succeeded in putting a chain on the right hind wheel and was standing in front of his own car straightening the other chain, when his car was struck from the rear by a car driven by Judge A. C. Lyon of Grinnell.

The impact drove the Young car forward, evidently struck Mr. Young, throwing him violently to the pavement, fracturing his skull, breaking his shoulder and inflicting other injuries. The car went on across the ditch to the fence but did not turn over. The occupants of the Chevrolet car, Mrs. Young and the two girls, were bruised and shaken but not seriously hurt.

In the car driven by Judge Lyon were Mrs. Lyon and her father, George M. Christian. They were returning from Des Moines, driving at their usual careful rate of speed. Judge Lyon says that there was a car ahead of him for some distance driving at about the same speed he was traveling.

He saw this car turn to the left to pass another car, saw the tail light of the car it passed, supposing of course that the car was moving ahead. At about the same time a car approached from the east and his attention was diverted for a few seconds by the blinding lights and in safely passing this on-coming car. When he realized that the car with the tail light ahead was not moving but standing still he was too close to it to avoid the crash. He threw on the brakes, threw the car out of gear and evidently did not hit the Young car full force because neither car was badly injured.

The Young car shows it was hit rather squarely from the rear. The gas tank was knocked off, or came off before the car reached the fence. The rear glass was broken, some say it was struck by Mrs. Young's head, and that her heavy hair saved her from more serious injury.

Immediately following the collision Mr. Young and Mr. Christian were carried to the Charley Miller home and physicians called. Dr. Wiley from Grinnell and Dr. Bessel from Newton soon arrived. Mr. Christian, who was thrown against the windshield of the Lyon car was badly cut about the face and neck and severely shaken and bruised. He was brought to his home in Grinnell and has been quite ill as a result of the injuries and shock and distress over the fate of Mr. Young. Mrs. Lyon was riding in the back seat and escaped unhurt.

Mr. Young was taken in an ambulance to the hospital at Newton but died on the way. His skull was broken, and he bled profusely from a gaping wound at the back of his head. He was unconscious when picked up and never regained consciousness.

Mr. Young's neighbors say this family enjoys the friendship and respect of everybody in the community and feel very keenly the loss and grief of his wife and daughters. Helen, the older girl, is a student at the State University of Iowa and Ethel attends high school at Newton. They were both home for a week-end visit with their parents.

In the car that came from the east just as the accident

An Obituary Of Bolin R. Young

11-16-1928
Bolin Robert Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. I. Young, was born in Jasper County, Sept. 1, 1875, and died Nov. 10. His entire life was spent in the same community. After a year's attendance at the Kellogg high school, he entered the Newton Normal college and graduated in the class of 1897.

On Jan. 16, 1907, he was united in marriage to Maude Offill. Two daughters, Ethel and Helen were born to this union. The same year of his marriage he was united with the Methodist Episcopal church at Pleasant View.

He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Ethel and Helen, his mother, Mrs. N. I. Young, two sisters, Mrs. Sherman Woods and Mrs. Harold Hook and five brothers, John Young, Jim Young, Ivy Young, Frank Young and Lloyd Young. His father and two brothers preceded him in death.

Full bearers at the funeral Wednesday were Vernon Young, Orin Young, Frank McCauley and James McCauley, Willard Young.

were Mr. and Mrs. Will F. Newton, formerly of Grinnell, stopped and rendered what could. A crowd soon gathered. It was very dark, there was a scribable panic and confusion of screams of the frightened, stricken women struck terror hearts of everybody within h. No one seems to be able to say what happened. It seems to have been just another of those expected, unavoidable tragedies of the road—this time happening to men both well known as prudent drivers.