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Train-Auto Crash Kills 2 in Eaton

Farm Couple Returning From Shopping Trip Are Victims

(Special to The State Journal)

CHARLOTTE, Oct. 26 — A Vermontville township couple were killed instantly Wednesday morning when their car collided with a westbound New York Central train at the Bradley rd. crossing in Chester township.

The victims are C. B. Ray Baisel, 50, Vermontville farmer, and his wife, Addie, 52. Sheriff's officers said the couple were returning home from a shopping trip to Vermontville. The bodies were removed to the Burkhead chapel here.

According to initial incomplete reports of the mishap the driver had an unobstructed view of the crossing.

The crash brought a large crowd of spectators and the train was delayed pending completion of the investigation by sheriff's officers. The train was en route from Jackson to Grand Rapids.

The bodies will remain at the chapel here pending completion of funeral arrangements. No immediate cause for the accident could be ascertained pending a further report by officers.

Barlow Phillips

Barlow E. Phillips, 79 years old, of Morrell, died of pneumonia Wednesday evening, November 16 at Hayes-Green-Beach hospital. He was born January 9, 1870, in Oakland county, son of Oscar and Mary Phillips, and had been a resident of Chester township for 70 years. His wife, Mrs. Nettie (Smart) Phillips, died May 5, 1943. Surviving are a son, Harold Phillips of Chester township, and four grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock from the Methodist church in Gresham. Rev. Marjorie M. Hawkins, the minister, officiated. Burial was beside his wife in Gresham cemetery adjoining his home. A brother, Ralph Phillips of Lansing, died November 2 at the home of a daughter in Wacousta.

CHARLOTTE — Luther Charles Rolfe, 63, died Thursday at his home in Kalamo township after a long illness. Services will be held at 2 Saturday at the Pray funeral home. Burial in West Carmel cemetery.

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WILLIAM H. AMES.

William H. Ames, who had been in poor health for several years, past from the earth life Tuesday morning at ten o'clock a m at the age of sixty-five years, four months and twenty days. Mr. Ames was born in New Haven, Richland Co., Ohio, on March 17, 1842. He was married in September, 1865, to Miss Mary Cunningham of Ballville, Sandusky County, Ohio. The widow, two sons, three brothers and two sisters survive him. William H. and John G. live near the old home. Geo. W. preceeded his father to the great beyond a year and ten months. Mr. Ames came to Michigan in 1874, and has resided in Chester township for 33 years. Interment in Gresham cemetery, Rev. D. Kosht officiating.

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MRS. ELLEN DOWNER FREEMIRE.

Ellen Florence Downer was born January 16, 1851, at Wayne, Michigan. She was married to W. L. Freemire, October 3, 1871. She passed from this life, in the morning of September 3, at one o'clock.

Of her father's family one sister only remains, Mrs. George Clark, of Lake Odessa. A little daughter was "called home" in infancy. A husband, son and daughter survive her. Words seem so weak, so meaningless, when we attempt to eulogize the memory of our departed friend, whom for thirty-six years has been out and in our midst. She has built her own monument. A monument that will stand the test of time. Those who knew her best can testify to her worth.

Where poverty, sickness, sorrow, disease and death have been, there also, may our friend have been found, to give relief, to cheer, to comfort. Who shall question her self denials, her attempts at doing good? Death had no terrors for her; many times in health, as well as in her last sickness, has she affirmed that she was not afraid to die." She was anxious to

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