

PROSECUTE GEORGE SWIFT

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The formal charge of manslaughter would be lodged Monday morning.

Released from the Charlotte jail on Wright's order were Allen Hummell, 18, and Cecil Root, 18, also of Vermontville, who were riding in Swift's car at the time of the accident. None of the three was injured.

The victims of the multiple wreck were Mr. and Mrs. Gail McClintock, farmers living near Carlisle, eight miles southeast of Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cook, who operate a resort at Lacey lake, and the transient, not yet identified.

The McClintocks were the parents of seven children, the oldest of whom is 16 and the youngest, four months.

Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, at the courthouse in Charlotte, Coroner Albert Cheney will hold an inquest into the five deaths. Prosecutor Wright, who will do the examining for the state, said that he expected to call seven or eight witnesses to testify.

With the possible exception of the fireman on the train, Swift and his two companions are the only known eye-witnesses of the tragedy. Had they not readily told their story, it might have been supposed that the McClintock car with its four passengers was driven onto the crossing. But as Swift himself told of the accident, his car bumped into the rear of the McClintock car, which had stopped for the train to go by.

Swift declared that the tail light on the McClintock car was not burning and that he did not see the other car until it was too late to avoid a collision. A street light was burning at the crossing, but Swift said that it, together with the headlight of the locomotive, served only to blind him.

It was understood Saturday that investigation of Swift's car, which was only slightly damaged, revealed that the brakes were not in good working order.

Efforts at moving the big locomotive were of no avail Saturday when a crane was brought from the Jackson yards. It was said that the attempt would be resumed today or Monday with a larger crane from the Detroit yards.

Hundreds visited the scene of the accident Saturday, inspecting the locomotive and the torn-up tracks and crazily tilted coaches.

...was home-coming night in village of 500 persons 25 miles to the north of Battle Creek, and the population was swelled to 3,000 or more, mostly gathered around the speakers' stand.

Suddenly the keenest ears detected an ominous echo of sound to the south. Many failed to hear it. Mr. Brucker went on with his speech.

FIVE DIE IN WRECK

Avignon, France, Aug. 12. (Sunday) — (P) — Five persons were killed and at least 20 injured early today when the Geneva Express crashed at high speed into a freight train entering the station yards.

After a few minutes a whisper began to go through the crowd. A man was seen pushing his way through the throng. He mounted to the speakers' rostrum, and held a brief conversation with State Representative James G. Frey of Battle Creek who was on the platform with C. Z. Potter and C. L. Russell, Jackson republicans; Len Feighner, of Nashville, and Vermontville republicans.

"We must have Deputy Sheriff Ward right away," the man had said to Mr. Frey. "There has been a dreadful accident a half mile down the road at the railroad crossing. Bodies are lying strewn along the right-of-way. The deputy sheriff is also the undertaker here."

A hasty consultation followed. It was finally decided that to interrupt Mr. Brucker and tell the crowd of the accident would precipitate a general onrush which might have serious results, and would hinder any rescue work. So the speaker continued, mindful that there was a good deal of low-voiced discussion behind him, but not knowing why.

Mr. Ward, in the meantime, had been located and went to the scene to help remove the bodies of the five victims of the combined crossing crash and train derailment.

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Barbecued meat, compliments of the corporation officers, was served at noon. Everybody was more or less greased up after the serving but everybody being hungry everything tasted licking good. The employees took over many of the resort concessions. Dancing was in progress in the afternoon in the pavilion and a dance program will fill out the evening. Balloon ascension was scheduled for 9 o'clock tonight.

WHEEL COMPANY'S PICNIC LARGEST

Motor Wheel Outing Is Attended by 8,000; Employees Stage Long Auto Parade

One of the longest lines of automobiles ever seen in the city mobilized in and around the Motor Wheel units Friday for a parade of the downtown sections before the employees took off for Lakeside at Lake Lansing for their picnic. The line was estimated to be four miles long and it required over an hour for its slow passing.

While commercial and other traffic not on picnics bent, were discommoded to some extent, those handicapped by the great mobilization of picnickers, took all the traffic hindrance gracefully and in good part. Everybody appeared to be happy to see others enjoying themselves. Mobilization of employees and their families began early.

The old family buses were packed with baskets. It was estimated by Gordon Graeb, general chairman for the employees on arrangements, that 8,000 employees, officers and department heads, turned out with their families for the outing. This is the largest picnic ever to be held by any organization of any kind in Lansing.

Band Leads Parade

The long parade was headed by the Vocational school band as it got under way for the lake. And the long parade had a smack of circus about it for there were clowns and everything. The Motor Wheel clown band was one of the features.

The walkout was so complete at the Motor Wheel's plants Friday that every shop unit was completely dead, down and out, as to man power. Even the number of watchmen was cut down so that everybody might join in the fun. The outpouring of employees and families was one of the greatest in the town's industrial history. It seemed to old timers of the town just like old times when Lansing so often united in hearty co-operation for so many civic programs.

The program planned by the committee started off immediately the long caravan had arrived at the lake and had been scientifically parked. Motor Wheel folks poured into the park and got set for the all day's fun. Sports program included many unusual stunts and two ball games were scheduled. In addition to this program of sports, vaudeville, circus acts and bands contributed to the entertainment.

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