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**THREE LADIES IN  
CAR ACCIDENT**

Mrs. D. T. Childress, accompanied by her mother Mrs. Wm. Kruse and her aunt Mrs. Joe Dullye, both of Ledbetter, were on their way to Brenham Monday morning when they happened to a very dangerous accident. Mrs. Childress was driving her large sedan and was going down a steep hill four miles east of Carmine, just beyond the "wy" of the highways and near La Bahia when the tire on the right front wheel blew out. She lost control of the machine and went off the traveled part of the highway and it seems that the left front wheel struck the retaining wall of a concrete bridge over a small creek. The auto plunged down an 8-foot embankment and fell on its top, the wheels in the air. There was water only an inch or so deep where the car hit the bottom, but there was a pool of water two feet away.

Some traveling men heard the crash, turned back, rescued the ladies and rushed them to the hospital in Brenham. Mrs. Childress escaped with only minor injuries, a deep gash in her forehead being the severest one. Mrs. Kruse had almost all the leaders of her left hand cut, her ankle sprained and her chest bruised. Mrs. Dullye's leg was broken near the ankle and her shoulder was bruised.

The accident could have been so much more injurious that it is remarkable that they escaped without more serious injuries. The heavy top was crushed to one side, and the front seat was torn off. The report Thursday morning was that the ladies were doing well and were at the home of Herbert Kruse, Brenham. It will be some time before Mrs. Childress will return to Giddings, as she will be with her mother and aunt at Ledbetter.