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## Young Man Killed Three Injured In Wreck Near Giddings

In the early morning hours of Saturday, James H. Berry Jr., Dallas youth, was instantly killed and Robert Reinhardt, 40, Houston salesman, was seriously injured, when their car left the highway and crashed into a tree while the other two occupants, Clarence Brown and Lester E. Gross were only slightly injured.

James H. Berry Jr., 17, the driver, was hurled out of the car against the tree by the impact and was instantly killed. Robert Reinhardt was pinned inside the car for about 2 hours, before it was possible to extricate him. He was rushed to the Brenham hospital where his right leg had to be amputated above the knee.

The three were NYA boys from Cuero where they had learned to be welders. They were hitchfiking to Dallas and R. C. Reinhardt had picked them up in his car on his way to Dallas. The car is said to have skidded in loose gravel causing Berry to lose control of the car. The car was badly wrecked.

Berry is survived by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Berry and one brother Don Berry, both of Dallas.