

FATAL AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Several Wrecks at Same Curve

Johnnie Sump was instantly killed when the automobile which he was driving turned over at Midsprings, a few miles west of Paige, on the Austin-Houston highway. The young lady who was with him was injured, but not seriously. Both were thrown from the coupe as it turned over three times and it came to a stop on the highway. A blowout of one of the front tires as the machine rounded a curve caused it to overturn. The roadway was very slippery from recent rains.

The accident happened at about 2 o'clock Friday morning as the young couple was returning to Austin from the dance given at the Airline hall that night. A brother Oliver Sump and wife were ahead in another car and they heard a noise and, upon looking back, noticed the headlights pointing upward to the sky. He immediately went back and picked up his brother, who was taking his last breath and died in his arms. Prompt medical attention was given, and the young lady proceeded to Austin the next day. The coupe belonged to a good friend of the young lady, who had left the car in her charge as he had gone on a trip. It was considerably wrecked.

The funeral of Johnnie, age 22 years, was held Saturday morning from the residence of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sump of the Good Hope community. Johnnie was employed in Austin, as is his brother Oliver.

A young man student of A. & M. College, W. L. Young, 20, was injured near the scene of the Sump tragedy. His wrist and arm were broken. His father is an army officer at Fort Sam Houston.

Monday morning a man was driving at the same place, and lost control of his automobile, a large sedan, and it was wrecked some, but he was able to drive it on to Giddings. He was not injured. He said he just could not steer it after something went wrong.

