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SURPRISE VALLEY RECORD - CEDARVILLE, MODOC COUNTY, CAL

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1934

ONE KILLED, TWO INJURED IN AUTO WRECK

CAR FAILS TO MAKE CURVE ON ALLENWOOD GRADE

A serious wreck occurred Monday at the Allenwood grade, three miles north of Cedarville, when the sedan driven by Joseph Oard of Fort Bidwell left the road and went over the grade.

>From the appearance of the tracks it seems that Oard was making the turn and hugging the bank, when at a point the front wheels straightened out and over the embankment the car went. Landing on its right fender some 38 feet after leaving the road, the sedan then hit on its radiator and went end for end for a distance of 46 feet, then landing on its side with a force that rolled it over on its top.

Mr. Oard was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Whitlock of Fort Bidwell and from where they lay on the ground it is thought that as the car first hit on its side, the doors were thrown open, flinging them from the automobile. Mrs. Whitlock fell face downward. She received severe hip bruises as well as several minor lacerations about the body and legs. Mr. Whitlock was injured internally and received minor lacerations about the face.

John Henry, who was coming from Lake City, was attracted to the scene of the wreck by hearing Mrs. Whitlock calling for help. He immediately came to town for Dr. Kennedy, who went and rendered first aid to the injured.

Examination of Mr. Oard's body disclosed that his back was broken in two places, ribs torn loose, pelvis bone broken, right wrist broken, left femur bone broken and a number of lacerations about the head.

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Mr. Oard was a Civil War Veteran, residing in Modoc County most of his lifetime. He was past 93 years of age.

The car was completely demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock were taken to the Fort Bidwell hospital, while

Mortician Lloyd Tripp took charge of Oard's body at the local undertaking parlors. No arrangements have been made for the funeral at this time. (1:6)
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