

ELKINS, CLARENCE EDWIN

July 7, 1898-May 15, 1935

Clarence Edwin Elkins was born in Knoxville, Ill., July 7, 1898.

His nearest relatives are: W.G. Gaddis, Alvia Gaddis, Mrs. Marie Rosentreter, Iva Gaddis of Wheatland, Fred Gaddis of Sheridan, Mo., with whom he made his home as a boy and grew to manhood with and one sister, Mrs. Stella Cook of Lundon, Ill.

After he left the Gaddis home, he went to the Foster Lumber Co., at Hudson, Colo., as assistant manager. He was made manager at Roggen, Colo., and in July, 1921, was transferred to Wheatland as manager of the local Foster Lumber Co. He served in that capacity until 1926 at which time, he and R.M. Straw organized the Elkins-Straw Chevrolet Co., which enjoyed an excellent business. Later he purchased the interest of Straw and the company was known as Elkins Chevrolet Co.

"Elky" as he was known was a booster at all times for Wheatland and community. He was a member in good standing with the local Lions, having been elected president in 1926. He was also a member of the Wyoming Consistory number 1 of Cheyenne and a member of the local A.F. & A.M. No. 16. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

He was also associated in several other enterprises here in Wheatland which are enjoying an excellent business.