

FRY, CHARLES ELWIN
January 21, 1911-September 27, 1931

Elwin Fry, 20-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Fry of Slater, met with a fatal accident Sunday morning at about 3 o'clock on the Yellowstone Highway, three miles south of Wheatland, when the motorcycle on which he was riding collided head-on with a car driven by Chas. Randall.

Young Fry was on his way home from a dance, which he attended here, and Randall, accompanied by two Mexicans, was returning from a dance south of town. The force of the collision was such that the car was thrown into the ditch and badly damaged and one of the occupants of the car injured to some extent, the car being badly splattered with blood.

The accident almost pulpified the left leg of Fry from the foot up to his hip; some of the bones protruding through the fleshy part of the leg about six inches.

The unfortunate youth was picked up and placed in an automobile by a passing friend, who had been at the same dance and was taken to the Wheatland hospital, where his condition was announced as hopeless. A blood transfusion was performed, and every effort made to save his life.

He lived only a few hours after reaching the hospital, death being due to shock and hemorrhage.

His family, at Slater, was immediately notified, and the father and one brother reached the hospital about an hour before he expired.

Charles Elwin Fry was born January 21, 1911, at Madison, S. Dak. At the age of 15, he joined the Presbyterian church and also the Boy Scouts of Madison. He came with his parents to the Slater Flats four years ago, where he has lived ever since, except that he was in high school in Torrington two years. He leaves to mourn his loss, his parents, two sisters, Mrs. Merceda Peters of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and Mrs. Virgie Flatum of Cheyenne, and two brothers, Earl of Slater and Vernon of Torrington.

Funeral services were held from the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon, Rev. R.E. Morgan performed the last rites and interment was made in the Wheatland cemetery. The Copley Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.