

KLING, VICTOR  
1913-June 12, 1930

While crowds were making merry at the Anderson-Srader carnival Saturday evening, Victor Kling, seventeen year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kling, was taken suddenly by death shortly after he stepped from the prize-fight ring, following a friendly bout in the athletic tent with his friend and chum, George Pauli.

As young Kling dropped and the seriousness of his condition was realized, a call was sent out for a physician. Unable to find one, he was hurried to the Wheatland hospital, but he expired on the way.

The body was taken to the Watson mortuary where an autopsy was performed by Dr. H.B. Rae of the hospital staff, who found death was due to over-exertion and acute dilatation of the heart, and this was the verdict of the coroner's jury.

The dead youth lived with his parents on lands belonging to W.L. Ayers, the family coming here last fall from Ft Lupton, Colo.

Funeral services were conducted by two German Lutheran ministers from out of town in the Methodist church at two o'clock Tuesday and interment was made in the local cemetery by the Watson Mortuary.

All expenses of the funeral were borne by Messrs. Anderson and Srader of the Carnival Co., Ora Call Post No. 10, American Legion and H.G. Watson of the mortuary, better than two-thirds the amount being contributed by the carnival owners.

The carnival was sponsored by the local Legion Post, but this particular exhibition or any other individual encounter was not sponsored by the Legion, as stated in reports in several dailies and sent out from Wheatland by a local correspondent.

The boxing matches as staged by the carnival company are for the larger part of a distinctly local nature and purely voluntary on the part of the combatants.