

PHELPS, JOHN MARTIN  
December 13, 1915-July 4, 1940

John Martin Phelps, 34, transient, died at the Wheatland General hospital Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. from injuries received when several tank cars on the Colorado & Southern railroad passed over his body and severed his legs. The accident happened at Uva, 12 miles north of Wheatland.

According to Coroner Ted Schrader, Phelps and his companion, John Whitwell, had just boarded the train at Uva when the train jolted and threw Phelps under the wheels before the train could be brought to a stop. The accident occurred about 10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Phelps was born Dec. 13, 1915 at Raton, N.M. and was a veteran of World War II. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Harold Kiley of Ft. Collins, Colo.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Friday and burial will be in the Wheatland cemetery. The Rev. W. James Hoare will read the services and military rites will be held at the graveside.

Local arrangements were in charge of the Schrader funeral home.