

All Efforts to Save Life Of Joseph Stapleton, 23, Crash Victim, Prove Futile

Young Man Succumbs to Grievous Injuries After Week's Valiant Struggle, and Makes Death Total in Car's Plunge Against Tree Three—Funeral Saturday

After a week's valiant struggle to recover from serious injuries, and aided by a corps of physicians, surgeons and nurses at the City Hospital, Joseph Stapleton, 23, died late Wednesday afternoon from hurts received in the automobile accident in Lake Avenue on the early morning of June 27, which snuffed out instantly the lives of two of his companions.

Young Stapleton thus is the third to die of the six who were in the automobile when it crashed into a tree. The other victims were Joseph Gilbert, home on furlough from the U. S. Navy, and Miss Emily Kelly of 31 Park Place. Three others in the car miraculously escaped serious injury.

Stapleton's injuries consisted of a fractured pelvis, fractured ribs, many bruises and cuts, and internal injuries. Every effort was made to save his life, including blood transfusions, and every modern method that could be used to thwart death was employed. But in vain.

Joseph Stapleton was born in Auburn and was well known and popular. For the past five years he had been assistant to Albert J. Clements, civil engineer. He was a communicant of St. Aloysius' Church and belonged to the Holy Name Society of that parish.

The body was taken from the hospital to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stapleton, 158 North Street, by Bennett & Bennett, undertakers.

Surviving are his parents; a sister, Miss Mary Stapleton; three brothers, Paul, John and Edward Stapleton. The funeral will be held at 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning from 158 North Street, with services at 9 o'clock at St. Aloysius Church. The Holy Name Society services will be held at the home Friday evening. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Don't fail to vote. See ballot on Page 5.

Treated At Hospital
Clara A. Schlotter of 35 Clark Street was taken to the City Hospital at 3:05 last night, for treatment for abrasions on abdomen and chest. She was attended by internes and then left the hospital.

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YOUNG PEOPLE STRUCK BY CAR. HURTS SLIGHT

Josephine Lobagan, 15, and Ernest Walters, 15, of Aurelius received cuts and bruises when struck by an automobile driven by J. Stuart French of Cayuga, on the Genesee turnpike near Foster's Corners, Town of Aurelius, about 10 o'clock last night. The young people were walking along the highway. In his report to Sheriff Wilcox, Mr. French stated that he was shifting his lights from dim to bright and did not see the boy and girl until too late to avoid hitting them a glancing blow with his machine. The injuries were slight.

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Mrs. Ferdinand W. Gleasing
Mrs. Ferdinand W. Gleasing of 6 Parsons Street died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Poole, in VanEtten, near Ithaca, after a lingering illness. She is survived by her husband of this city and her daughter in VanEtten.

The body was brought to Auburn this afternoon. Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the family home, 6 Parsons Street, with Rev. Ralph Philbrook, pastor of St. Luke's Church, officiating. Burial will be in Soule Cemetery.

BENJAMIN C. MEAD FUNERAL RITES FRIDAY

Auburn Mourns Death of Prominent Attorney, Soldier, Zealous Civic Leader—Ill Long Time

Funeral services for Benjamin Charles Mead, 51, prominent Auburn attorney and former soldier, who died in City Hospital, Tuesday evening, after an illness of several months, will be held Friday afternoon.

Prayer will be offered at the family home, 15 Court Street, at 3:30 and services will be held at 4 o'clock at First Baptist Church, of which Mr. Mead was an active member. Rev. Donald B. Cleward, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Fort Hill Cemetery, with military honors.

Bearers will be selected from the American Legion and from members of old Company M, of which Mr. Mead was commanding officer at the time of America's entry into the World War.

Masonic services will be conducted at 8 o'clock this evening at the family home, 15 Court Street, by Sea & Field Lodge, 3-974, F. & A. M., of which Mr. Mead was a member.

Critically Ill for Weeks
Mr. Mead had been in failing health for some time. Several weeks ago he was removed to City Hospital for treatment, but his condition remained critical.

Attorney Mead was active in legal, military and civic circles. He was born in the Town of Fleming, Cayuga County February 17, 1873, the son of J. Warren Mead and Eliza C. Clark Mead. His father, J. Warren Mead, was sheriff of Cayuga County, and warden of Auburn Prison.

Benjamin C. Mead, also served as sheriff of the county. Mr. Mead was a descendant of William Mead, who settled in Greenwich, Conn., in 1637, and of Stephen Mead and Israel Mead, soldiers of the Revolution.

Graduates from Harvard
Educated in Auburn schools, Mr. Mead graduated from Auburn High School in 1891. In 1896, he graduated from Harvard University and in 1901 from Harvard Law School.

Mr. Mead was a member of Cayuga County Bar Association. From 1921 to 1926, he was assistant United States attorney for the Northern District of New York. He had charge of the prosecution of a large number of important cases for the government, during his connection with the federal district attorney's staff.

Mr. Mead conducted a general practice of law in this city. Mr. Mead was a member of Sea and Field Lodge, No. 3-974, F. & A. M.; the New York Society of Founders and Patriots and of the Cayuga County Republican Club. He held the rank of major in the U. S. Officers Reserve Corps.

Throughout many years, Major Mead had been actively interested in military and patriotic affairs. In 1903, he enlisted as a private in the National Guard. He was promoted through various grades, becoming captain of Company M, of this city. With that company he saw service at the Mexican border in 1916.

Served Overseas
From April 12, 1917 to July 14, 1919, Major Mead was with the United States Army. He saw active service overseas and continued with the army for some time after the armistice was signed.

Major Mead had charge of the C. M. T. C. in Cayuga County one year and had given of his time and experience to aid in military and civic matters. He was a public speaker of wide reputation.

In 1905, Mr. Mead married Miss Adelaide Bourne. Besides his wife he is survived by two sons, Benjamin C. and Warren F. Mead; and by four daughters, Florence A., Emma A., Elizabeth B., and Margaret W. Mead.

Pays Tribute
"Though many have known Ben Mead as a lawyer and exemplary citizen few have realized that he has been a helpful big brother to many a young man," said William O. Dapping, editor of the Citizen-Advertiser, in commenting upon his death. "In a confidential manner, he has advised and guided many of the counsel of older men, and on occasion he has willingly co-operated with the court in accepting the guardianship of offenders whom he tried to help. Auburn needs men of his probity, courage and unselfish character," he added.

Lawyers Call Off Ball Game
The baseball game which was to have been played this afternoon between teams representing the Auburn Police Department and the Cayuga County Bar Association has been postponed until next Wednesday afternoon, because of the death of Attorney Benjamin C. Mead, a prominent member of the Bar Association.

Flags were half-mast today in memory of Major Mead, on the star in Richardson Square, over the State Armory and at the City Hall. Expressions of regret over the death of Mr. Mead were heard in all parts of the city, and tributes were paid by his associates of the bar and by men who were in military service with him.

Legion Post Dravits Memorial
A resolution of sympathy upon the death of Benjamin C. Mead was drawn up and adopted at a regular meeting Tuesday evening

Mourning



ATTORNEY B. C. MEAD

of W. Mynderse Rice Post, American Legion. Commander William A. Fulton has issued a call for the Legionnaires to meet at the Post rooms in William Street at 7:30 this evening to proceed in a body to the home of Maj. B. C. Mead, who died late Tuesday afternoon. Delegates were nominated to the county Legion convention to be held August 5, as follows: Cramer Pierce, David Nolin, William A. Fulton, James E. Foord, John Osterman, Robert Esaki, William L. Hodder, Holdredge Sinclair, William Walsh and Guy Hornbeck. An appropriation was made for the health camp for children, an American Legion project.

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Members of Rice Post, American Legion will meet at 7:30 tonight at Legion rooms to proceed to home of Comrade B. C. Mead.

Auburn Escapes Storm Violence

A violent wind, rain and thunderstorm broke over Moravia and vicinity shortly before 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and brought relief from muggy heat of the past few days. The rain was of a torrential nature, lashed by hard blowing winds.

Three trees in Moravia were blown over, in Central, Walnut and West Cayuga Streets, disrupting traffic for a time. A section of the roofing was torn from the La-Grange house in Grove Street. The lighting service was disrupted until after 8 o'clock.

Considerable damage was reported from Locke. A barn, 35 by 40 feet, on the Earl Hubert farm, just north of Locke Village on Locke-Moravia Road, was burned after being struck by lightning.

Two years ago July 1 a companion barn was burned by lightning and one year ago lightning hit a tree on the opposite side of

City Recreation Commission Adopts Some Resolutions

At the regular bi-monthly meeting of the City Recreation Commission held in the Commission's rooms in Memorial City Hall the following members were present: Chairman Anthony, Secretary Brister and Commissioners Lee and Straub. Arrangements were completed for the opening of the playgrounds today.

A resolution was passed by the Commission as follows: "Due to a genuine misunderstanding the game between Herbert Bros. Orioles and St. Albans softball team in B League scheduled for Friday, June 27, was not played. It will be played on Lincoln diamond at a future date to be determined by the captains of both teams and William Stubbs. "It was further resolved and unanimously carried that Commissioner William J. Lee be designated referee for the Commission, for the City Softball League, and that in all disputes his decisions will be final and to

case of absence he shall designate his proxy."

Another resolution was passed in which Mr. Anthony and Mrs. Brister were designated to see to it that the city replace at least two of the quail pits at T. M. C. A. playground.

The personal chairman, Mrs. Brister, announced that all supervisors of playgrounds attended a three day school of instructions conducted by Directors Hibbard and Melvin.

It was announced by the chairman that a new playground, at Capitol Field, North Seward Avenue, will be opened, with Dennis McCarthy in charge.

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DEATH CLAIMS MRS. WESTLAKE, POPULAR TEACHER

Mrs. Winifred R. Westlake, 65, widow of William F. Westlake and for years a well known Auburn school teacher, residing at 5 Swift Street Extension, died Wednesday at the City Hospital after a brief illness. For the past 25 years, Mrs. Westlake had taught in the local public schools and for 16 years she was a member of the Junior High School faculty. She resigned as teacher on May 1 last because of ill health.

Mrs. Westlake was an active member of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Harold Hemingway of Glendale, Cal., and Mrs. Hubert Parson of Owasco; two sons, Frederick Westlake of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Robert Westlake of Oswego; three sisters, Miss Laura Wallace and Miss Theresa Wallace of Seneca, and Mrs. William Gray of Oswego, O.; one brother, Bert Wallace of Seneca.

Funeral services for Mrs. Westlake will be held from her home, 5 Swift Street Extension, at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. Burial will be in Fort Hill Cemetery.

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