

FAMILY FAILS TO REALIZE THEIR BABY IS SLOWLY CHOKING

Absent When Tot, in Midst of Christmas Joy, Swallows Food That Lodges in Throat, Ascribes His Distress to Croup—Operation Too Late, Joseph Dies

It was to have been a glad some Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tortorella, in State Street Road. Joyous preparations were made for the feast on Sunday—Christmas Eve.

Little Joseph Tortorella, four years old, only boy in the family, was wearily delighted with the approach of the gala day. He paraded in the Christmas "goodies" in the home as he frolicked about. He picked up an olive and put it in his mouth. In some manner, he became excited—some said a dog jumped at him—and he swallowed. Some particles of food caught in his throat. This happened on Sunday.

The boy's parents, who had not been present when he got the olive, found him coughing and struggling for breath. The little lad was not able to tell them what had happened. The parents believed he had croup or something of that nature.

TRAGEDY HALTS HAPPY TRIP HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

One Man Killed in Crash, Companion Hurt, Few Hours Before Scheduled Family Reunion on Holiday

Painfully injured in an automobile accident about five miles west of Auburn, which cost his companion's life on Christmas morning, John Schnell, 24, of Gloversville, was reported in fairly good condition at Auburn City hospital today. Schnell was taken to the hospital in the ambulance. Surgeons found that he had suffered a compound fracture of the left leg, cuts on his legs and injuries to his chest and spine.

August Bratt, 29, of 357 South Main Street, Gloversville, driver of the car, was killed instantly when the automobile left the highway and struck a tree near the overhead in the vicinity of the Shoemaker service station in Clark Street Road. Bratt's skull was fractured and both of his legs were broken. The body was taken to the undertaker's rooms of Howard Cameron in William Street, this city, and later to Gloversville.

Social Whirl Follows Christmas Rounds, with Dances Topping Calendar

Charity Ball Wednesday Evening Will Be Outstanding Function of Week—New Rochelle Party Tonight—Happy Crowd At Notre Dame Yule Event

A large sale of tickets for the 51st annual Charity Ball to be held tomorrow evening in the Pompadour Room of Hotel Osborne is indicated by the large number of early orders received by the committee, of which Mrs. E. Mynderse Woodruff is chairman. Final arrangements for this most praiseworthy social function of Christmas week were completed today by Chairman Samuel V. Kennedy, Jr., and his General Committee, who are prepared to accommodate the large crowd expected to dance to the popular music of the Husk-Kroger Royal Ambassadors.

Mrs. Woodruff announced today an advance sale of tickets at Donovan & Merriman's, Sagars, and Weld's drug stores, Hanlon, Colwell and Allen bookstores, the Imperial Coffee Shop and Weddington's Tea Room. Members of the committee, Samuel V. Kennedy, Jr., G. Richard Beebe, Mrs. E. Mynderse Woodruff, Charles A. Parker, Rudolph W. Chamberlain and Paul Pinckney, will also have tickets to dispose of for the ball.

A special program of dance music to be played from 9:30 until 3 o'clock has been arranged by Adolf Huss, violinist, and Leo Kroger, pianist, leaders of the local orchestra. Miss Alice Wydenman and the Royal Ambassadors will be featured as vocalists. New Rochelle Party Tonight.

The second formal party of the week of Christmas merry-making will be ushered in tonight at the Hotel Osborne where the students and alumnae of New Rochelle College for women will hold their annual dance. Music for the occasion will be furnished from 10 until 12 o'clock by Leo Kroger and his Maroon Collegians.

Miss Margery Conway and Miss Carolyn Klink of this city are co-chairmen of this affair and are being assisted by Miss Mary Alice Myers of this city, Miss Alice Bullock of Waterloo, Miss Marguerite Poppiana of Seneca Falls, Miss Frances Baker and Miss Helen Burns of Syracuse.

A large crowd of dance devotees attended the fifth annual formal dancing party of the Auburn Club of Notre Dame University last night at Club Dickman in Haves Avenue. A number of guests were present from various cities and villages in Central New York.

Colors and banners of Notre Dame and other universities throughout the nation decorated both sides of the dance floor. At the stroke of 12 o'clock midnight, Bob McClister and his London Criterion Orchestra played the familiar strains of the "Notre Dame Victory Song," and a grand march was formed, headed by Kenneth E. Whippy of this city, president of the organization, John Van Bitten of Seneca Falls, general chairman; Paul Halbert of Weedsport, and Charles Litty of Syracuse, officers of the club; and Thomas Behan, Joseph Welch, James Clark, John Putnam, Gerald MacPeak, Jerome O'Kane, John Cashin and Francis Collins, assisting members of the committee.

Miss Elizabeth Woods of Syracuse, a student of Syracuse University and a talented young "blues" singer, was a guest soloist with the band for several popular numbers. Students and alumni present also voiced their approval of the appointment of Elmer Layden as head football coach and director of athletics at the South Bend, Ind., institution.

Friday night there will be another gala dance, at Club Dickman, for the benefit of Auburn's Clothes Relief Bureau.

SEARCH CLARK ST. FIRE RUINS, NO BODY FOUND

Some Thought Tramp Perished When Flames Raze Large Refreshment Stand—Damage About \$2,500

A large building about five miles west of Auburn, on the Clark Street Road, that had been used as a refreshment stand in the summer, was burned to the ground early Monday morning with an estimated loss of nearly \$2,500. Members of Howe Company 3 were able to save other buildings close by but the stand was a total loss. The building is owned by Frank Walters of the Town of Aurelius.

The flames were discovered by a passing motorist who called the Fire Department shortly after midnight. The firemen were handicapped by a small water supply and the head start gained by the fire. After the flames had been quenched firemen searched the ruins as it was first suspected some tramp might have been in the building when the fire began. No one was found however.

How the fire originated is unknown. The destroyed structure was 40 feet long and 24 feet wide. There is some insurance.

all lived, grabbed a loaded shotgun from its pegs on the wall, and aimed it directly at his brother. The man was decapitated by the charge.

Reports were conflicting after the shooting late yesterday afternoon, but the man in custody claimed the other two had held him on the floor before the argument. The brothers were unmarried.

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Auburn Girl Bride on Christmas Of Sheriff-Elect of Ontario Co.

A quiet wedding took place at 12 o'clock noon, December 25, at the home of Mrs. Susan Ostrander, 101 N. Morrison Avenue, when her daughter, Hazel Mae, was united in marriage with Ernest William Kerkela of Canandaigua, in the presence of a few friends and relatives.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Malcolm L. MacPhail, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Moravia Boy, Sled Victim, Rallies Little

Clinton Siddall, 10, Moravia, boy who was severely injured Sunday in a coasting accident near his home was reported today at the Genesee Hospital as in slightly improved condition.

The youngster is suffering from a possible fracture of the skull, concussion of the brain and severe fracture of the left leg just below the knee.

While coasting alone down Dumplin Hill about two miles east of Moravia the boy was racing over the ice covered hill road at a fast rate of speed when he slid out onto the highway crashing into the wheel of a passing automobile.

The sled was smashed to pieces and the child was taken unconscious to a nearby farmhouse where Dr. H. E. Anthony ordered removal to the hospital. The child is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Siddall.

Vincent Phoenix, Jr., of Keeler Avenue, Moravia, was killed on the night of December 15 when he coasted down Cat Hill and hit his automobile at North Main Street, Moravia.

Obituary

Mrs. Amy Merritt King.
Mrs. Amy Merritt King, 53, died Monday morning at the Tompkins County Hospital in Ithaca. She had been ill a little more than two weeks.

Mrs. King's first husband, Noble D. Merritt, died in 1928. In that year, she removed to Geneva. In June of 1930, she was married to Irving C. King, formerly of this city. Mr. and Mrs. King have resided at 326 West Seneca Street, Ithaca, since their marriage.

Mrs. King was a member of First Church of Christ, Disciples, of Auburn, and of Auburn Chapter, 189, Order of the Eastern Star, of which she was a past matron. She was also a past district deputy grand matron of Cayuga-Tompkins District, Order of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. King is survived by her husband, Irving C. King of Ithaca; three stepchildren, Donald, Elizabeth and Robert King; one sister, Mrs. Hattie Corey of Zanesville, Ohio; and one brother, Harry Ellsworth of Manila, Philippine Islands.

Prayer service will be held at the family home, 326 West Seneca Street, Ithaca, at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the First Church of Christ, Disciples, in Division Street, this city. Burial will be in Soole Cemetery.

NEW YEAR'S EVE Club Dickman, 9 to 5, Bob McClister, 12 men, \$3 couple. Adv

Woman Bruised by Car
Mrs. Robert Graham of 17 Hoffman Street suffered bruises on both legs when she was struck by an automobile Sunday evening as she was crossing the street. She was taken home after the accident. The car that struck Mrs. Graham was operated by Joseph Murphy, 23, of 25 Frances Street. In his report to police the driver stated Mrs. Graham was crossing Market Street, near Genesee, when the accident occurred.

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Dr. Alfred F. Hodgman, Cayuga County coroner, investigated, with State Trooper Doyle of the Waterloo patrol and Sheriff G. Earle Riley of this city. Schnell informed the officials that he was asleep when the crash came. He expressed the opinion that Bratt had gone to sleep at the wheel.

The car had run 150 feet through the dirt at the side of the road, before striking the tree. The entire front of the machine was driven back into the body of the car by the impact.

Coroner Hodgman learned that Bratt and Schnell left Buffalo at 4:15 Monday morning. They were on their way to Gloversville to spend Christmas at their homes. They had been employed in Buffalo. Relatives of both were notified of the fatal accident by Auburn officials.

Bratt, who was 29, and Schnell, 24, left Buffalo for Gloversville at 4:15 o'clock Monday morning. The machine, a Pontiac coach, was owned by L. Holman of Gloversville. Bratt, who was driving on a learner's permit which was issued to him December 6, the crash occurred shortly after 7 o'clock.

The impact must have been terrific because the front bumper, and axle was wrapped about to exert long pressure to get the machine free. The wreckage was towed to the Dickson garage in Auburn. The engine and front end was driven back into the seat of the machine.

Bratt's legs were crushed and his skull was fractured. Schnell's left leg was crushed and he received chest injuries. Bratt and Schnell were both killed.

The crash was heard by farmers in the vicinity and a passing Greyhound bus stopped to render such aid as was possible. Sheriff Riley and the Waterloo troopers were notified.

Relatives of Bratt sent word that they would have a Gloversville undertaker come to Auburn to take charge of the body.

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