

# E. C. TRIGG HIT BY A SPEEDING CAR AS HE IS FIXING MACHINE

Knocked High Into Air  
And Strikes Head on  
Pavement Yesterday

## LIVES SHORT TIME

Death Car Mounts Rise in  
Road, Driver Sees the  
Parked Auto Too Late

A choked up gas line in his automobile was the means Fate took to maneuver C. C. Trigg, 30-year-old World war veteran employed by Six Companies Inc. on the Boulder dam, into position for the tragedy in which he was fatally injured before the horrified eyes of his wife about 2:15 yesterday morning.

For had not the gas line choked up, necessitating his getting out of the car to siphon gasoline from the tank to transfer it to the vacuum tank, he would not have been in the path of a speeding Buick sedan driven by 18-year-old Nina Wells, which knocked him high into the air, causing him to strike the pavement on his head, with a basal fracture of the skull resulting.

**TRIGG SURVIVED** only a few hours after the accident, passing away at the Las Vegas hospital about 9 o'clock last night.

According to Deputy Sheriff William Mott, who investigated the accident, the Triggs were returning from Boulder City early yesterday morning when the gas line of their car choked up at a point near the Four-mile district on the Boulder highway. The car stopped in its tracks on the pavement, the officers said, and Trigg got out to investigate. He decided to siphon gas from the tank and transfer it to the vacuum tank in order to make his way into town, and had just stepped out of the side of the car when the Buick sedan driven by Miss Wells came over the slight rise just beyond the spot where the car had stopped.

**MISS WELLS** said later that the Trigg car had no tail-light and she did not realize it was there until she was almost upon it. She swerved to avoid hitting the other car, and as she did she struck the unfortunate Trigg, knocking him into the air and several feet away. He hit on his head, according to the doctor who attended him, fracturing his skull.

The first car to reach the scene was that of Deputy Sheriff Mott, who, with Deputy R. S. Lake, was just returning from Boulder City. Mott rushed Trigg to the hospital and then returned to investigate the accident. *LCDO-0360-0186*

The girl was driving a car belonging to Joe Boden, local garage employe, and was returning to town from the Volcano resort where she is employed, according to the officers, in the dance hall. Harold Ethridge and Clark Chadwick, members of the orchestra at the resort, were riding with her

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