

DAM ROAD CRASH VICTIM DIES OF HURTS LAST EVE

Don Smith Fails To Survive Injuries From Car-Cycle Accident

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Donald Smith, Six Companies employe who was injured in an auto-motorcycle collision on the Boulder highway Monday night, failed to survive the shock, loss of blood and amputation of his left leg as a result of the crash, and died last evening in the Las Vegas hospital at nine o'clock.

Smith's left leg was amputated early yesterday morning, after his foot had been torn from the limb in the accident and the loss of blood, which occurred when the car bringing him to the hospital had a flat tire, was too much for his constitution to stand.

SMITH'S LEFT arm was badly mangled and doctors gave him little chance to survive his injuries when he was first brot to the hospital, altho they did everything possible to save his life.

A coroner's inquest will be held sometime today or tomorrow in an effort to establish all facts surrounding the accident. It is not thot that J. T. Williams, colored Las Vegas resident, who was driving the car with which Smith collided, will be held responsible for the accident, altho he is being held in the county jail pending action by the coroner's jury.

THE ACCIDENT occurred, sheriff's deputies said, when Smith, under the influence of liquor, swerved directly across the road and sideswiped the Williams car 18 miles east on the highway. The motorcycle had no light burning at the time of the crash.

An investigation made by the deputy sheriffs, revealed, they said, that Smith expected to lose his position at the dam on Friday and was having a final "party" before returning home to his mother in Arizona. 4000-0360-0186

The sheriff's office today said that George Brown and Don Howard, who were in the Williams car at the time of the accident, were not held in jail but will probably testify at the inquest.

SMITH'S SISTER, Mrs. G. F. Hendrick, and her husband, arrived in Las Vegas last night and Smith's mother and brother, from Globe, Arizona, arrived this morning.

Funeral services will be announced later.