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W. FALLWELL 18-KILLED-A-TGRADE CROSSING

Car Struck by Missouri Pacific Freight Last Night Near Otterville

Roaring through the night a Missouri Pacific through-freight about 8-0'clock last night struck the Dodge sedan of William Fallwell, near Otterville at a grade crossing, killing Fallwell, and carrying the car about three-quarters of a mile.

Fallwell, 35-year-old farmer who lived on his farm two miles south of Otterville, returning to his home from Otterville_last night on Highway 50, crossed the railroad tracks about one mile east of Otterville when his ear was struck by the freight. The crossing is just off the highway at a point near the Lamine river.

Fallwell's badly mancled body was located about one-quarter of a mile from the grade crossing and taken to the L. R. Parker funeral chapel at Otterville by Parker. There were no other occupants in the demolished automobile.

Fallwell, well-known—in—Gooper county, is survived by his wife and three children. He has been farming in the Otterville district for a number of years.

At a coroner's inquest this morning at Otterville, conducted by Dr. R. L. Anderson, of Boonville, Cooper county coroner, the jury gave a verdict of "accidental death at a dangerous crossing."

No witnesses were reported to have seen the accident, and at the inquest this morning neither the fireman nor the engineer of the train which smashed into the Fallwell car were present. No statement was made by either of them last night, L. R. Parker, undertaker, said this afternoon.

Apparently, officials said Fallwell approached the crossing, and not seeing the speeding train, attempted to cross the tracks when his automobile was struck by the fast freight.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete, pending advice from Mrs. Fallwell, the Otterville undertaker said this afternoon.

Sheriff Arthur Bradley accompanied Coroner R. L. Anderson to Otterville this morning for the inquest.