

FRED CHALLIS KILLED BY RECKLESS DRIVER

Community Shocked By Accident on Pigeon Street Last Friday Evening.

Not in years has an accident occurred in this vicinity that caused such universal grief, as when Fred Challis of Bay Port was struck down by an automobile on Main Street, Pigeon last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Challis were crossing the street in front of the Brueck store when Mr. Challis was struck by a car driven by Solomon Kropp Jr. The car was running at a reckless rate of speed. Mr. Challis was knocked to the pavement after he had been carried nearly one hundred feet. He was taken to the Bad Axe Hospital where he died three hours later.

Saturday morning Coroner McFadden held an inquest and the findings of the jury were that Fred Challis had come to his death by being struck by a car driven by Solomon Kropp Jr. The testimony brought out at the inquest was that the car must have been going thirty-five miles an hour.

Kropp was arrested by Sheriff Hoffman and taken to Bad Axe Saturday afternoon.

OBITUARY

Fred Challis was born in New York State fifty-six years ago. When sixteen years of age he came to Winsor township and settled on a farm where he lived until 1919. On August 5, 1914 he was united in marriage to Addie Ruby. In 1920 he took up his residence in Bay Port and became a member of the firm of Kinde & Challis, engaged in grocery business.

Decased was a member of Winsor Lodge F. & A. M. For a number of years he served on the Township Board of Winsor township.

Deceased is survived by a wife, two sisters, Anna and Phoebe of New York and one brother Dewitt, of California.

Fred Challis was well known in this part of the county and few men enjoyed a larger circle of friends.