

[Walden, Watson L.]

HORNELL ACCIDENT VICTIM IS BURIED
Driver in Double Fatality Held Pending Inquiry.

WELLSVILLE, Jan. 15.—Funeral services for Watson B. Walden, 34, fatally injured in an automobile accident near Hornell Friday night, were held in the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Richmond, at 77½ West Pearl street, Wellsville, at 1 P.M. Monday and in the Universalist church at Whitesville at 2 o'clock. Burial was made in Rural cemetery at Whitesville. The Rev. L. J. Engler officiated.

Walden lived but a few hours after an automobile, driven by Robert K. Van Kuren of Hornell, crashed into a tree on the Hornell-Cenisteo road. Clair Hooven, 18, of Ridgeway, Pa., died almost instantly and Walden, who was sitting next to Hooven, suffered a fractured skull. Floyd Kimball of Rochester, another occupant of the car, is recovering.

Van Kuren escaped without a scratch and is being held by Steuben county authorities. What charge, if any, will be lodged against the Hornell man depends on the condition of the highway at the point of the accident and the condition that Van Kuren was in when he was driving, according to District Attorney Cheney of Corning. Two broken jugs and broken glasses were found on the scene which had evidently contained wine.

Walden was born in the town of Willing, the son of T. J. and Sophia Walden. He had lived at various times in Wellsville, Binghamton and Elmira. About two years ago he conducted a barber shop in the Howell house here.

He was twice married, in 1912 to Laura Mayo, and in 1918 to Eva Richmond of Whitesville. He is survived by his wife; father; three daughters, Bernice and Gertrude of Wellsville and Dorothy of Whitesville; and one son, Watson Jr. of Whitesville; two brothers, Fred J. Walden of Bath and Walter E. of Wallace, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary E. Richmond of Wellsville and Mrs. Earnest Hamilton of Avoca.

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