

AUTO ACCIDENT PROVES FATAL

Miss Myrtle Smith Killed
Near Melville; Sister
Injured

An automobile accident, resulting in the death of Miss Myrtle Smith, trained nurse of this city, and the serious injury of her sister, Miss Elizabeth Smith, occurred near Melville, La., between 9 and 10 o'clock Saturday night, when the machine in which they were riding turned over while rounding a sharp curve in the road. All of the occupants of the car were thrown out. Miss Myrtle Smith was instantly killed and her sister sustained a dislocated shoulder and other bruises.

Miss Smith and her sister, accompanied by Erwin Hopkins, of Morganza, La., left here early Saturday night, to go to the home of the Misses Smith at Morganza. Mr. Hopkins was driving.

They had just crossed the ferry at Melville and had only gone a short distance when the accident occurred. Miss Myrtle Smith had only left the Baptist Hospital a few days ago, where she was confined several days on account of serious injury to her arm received in an automobile collision at the corner of Seventh and Jackson streets last Sunday afternoon, when the coupe in which she was riding, with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Furby and several others, collided with the automobile of Mrs. W. D. Brewer.

She decided to go to the home of her parents at Morganza to recuperate. Her sister, Miss Elizabeth Smith came here to visit her when she heard of her injury, and Mr. Hopkins came here Saturday afternoon. The three shortly thereafter set out on the return journey. There was no untoward incident until the accident occurred. The unfortunate young woman's skull was crushed and death, it is announced, was instantaneous. Mr. Hopkins escaped uninjured. The car was practically demolished.

Miss Smith was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Smith, of Morganza, where she was born and reared. She was 24 years old. She came to Alexandria seven years ago and entered the Baptist Hospital training school for nurses, and graduated from that institution three years ago, since which time she had been practicing her profession in this city and vicinity. For the past two years she had lived with Mrs. A. H. Guidry, 812 Scott street. She was popular both personally and professionally, and the news of her untimely death was a severe shock to her large circle of friends here.

Besides her parents she is survived by two sisters and three brothers. Her funeral took place at Morganza at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.
