

Dec. 24, 1938

Received call on south 3rd street to Jim Hafford's Residence about 2:15 PM answering fire alarm truck had proceeded east on main street approximately 100 feet from the fire station. Levi Nelson volunteer fireman coming west on Main attempted to jump on Fire truck while in motion, missed his footing causing him to fall to the street with such force that his skull was crushed (physicians statement). Right rear wheel passing over body (witnesses statement.) Driver of truck unaware of accident until informed later.

Tom Connelly driving Ahrens FoxTruck going east on Main street to 3rd street in response to fire alarm at Terry Hafford's residence on south 3rd street had an unavoidable accident. The driver did not know of the accident until he had proceeded on to the fire. The result was the death of Levi Nelson, volunteer fireman. Tom was notified at the scene of the fire of the accident Harvey Gover, fireman, came to the scene of the fire shortly after the truck arrived and Tom went to the hospital where Dr. Cowan reported Levi dead from a crushed skull.

Witnesses

Felbert Marshall - riding truck

Raymond Shewmaker

Arthur Bodner

Chas. Caldwell

Manager of White Tavern

Boy that works for Shewmaker at garage