

ENDERLIN MAN KILLED BY AUTO

**J. J. GRUYE, VICE PRESIDENT OF
CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF
ENDERLIN KILLED NEAR FER-
GUS FALLS—EN ROUTE FROM
FARGO TO ST. PAUL.**

Fergus Falls Journal: A fatal acci-
dent occurred on the Battle Lake
road about seven miles from this city
Tuesday forenoon. J. J. Gruye, vice
president of the Citizens National bank
of Enderlin, N. D., accompanied by
W. L. Leonard and son of St. Paul,
had come down from Fargo in a large
automobile en route to St. Paul. The
machine belonged to Mr. Leonard, who
is a conductor on the Soo line, but
Mr. Gruye was driving it.

They are old acquaintances or Dr.
Sherping's and the latter was going
out in that direction and volunteered
to show them the way. They started
out on the south Battle Lake road,
and when about seven miles out, ran
up a hill and were starting down
another one when the accident oc-
curred. Mr. Leonard states that the
hind wheels were sloughing somewhat,
apparently following a rut while the
front wheels were out of it. It would
appear that they had come up the hill
on intermediate speed, and that Mr.
Gruye was changing to high when
one wheel struck a stone, and in an
instant, it had left the track and run
up onto the bank. Mr. Leonard's son
jumped. The machine tipped com-
pletely over, and fell directly on top
of Mr. Gruye, while Mr. Leonard fell
out of its way. Mr. Gruye was caught
across the body, and crushed so badly
that he died in twenty minutes
without regaining consciousness. The
remains were brought back to this city,
and will be taken to Enderlin for in-