Charles W. Sheaffer

(-13 May 1911)

Sheaffer. Suddenly at 624 9th street southwest at 9:25 p.m., May 13, 1911, Charles F. Sheaffer, beloved husband of Annie I. Sheaffer aged 54 years. Notice of funeral hereafter (Baltimore papers please copy).

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Death Comes Suddenly To Chas W. Sheafer

Stricken With Paralysis While Driving His Automobile Through the Mall

While driving his automobile through the Mall last night at 7 o'clock Charles W. Sheaffer of 624 9th street southwest was stricken with paralysis and died two and a half hours later.

Mr. Sheaffer was riding with his brother-in-law, Mr. Yateman of Baltimore. He was in particularly good spirits and appeared to be in the best of health. The vehicle had just left the grounds of the Department of Agriculture and was entering the Monument grounds when Mr. Sheaffer suddenly lurched forward over the steering wheel.

Mr. Yateman Acts Promptly

Mr. Yateman immediately turned off the power and stopped the machine. He found it impossible to arouse Mr. Sheaffer, and, starting the machine, drove rapidly to Mr. Sheaffer's home.

Within twenty minutes after he was stricken Mr. Sheaffer was examined by Dr. R.T. Holden, but medical aid was of no avail and he died about 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Sheaffer, who was one of the best known citizens of the southwest section of the city, was a member of the firm of Sheaffer & Stuart, wholesale fish dealers.

No Previous Illness

His partner, George W. Stuart, said last night that Mr. Sheaffer had been in excellent health to all appearances and had not been indisposed at all yesterday. He was heavily built weighing about 225 pounds, though not more than 5 feet 9 inches tall. He was fifty four years old.

Mr. Sheaffer was born in Laurel, Md., but for the last thirty-five years has made his home in Washington. His widow and nine children survive him.

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Funeral of C.W. Sheaffer

Services to Be Held Tomorrow at the Family Residence

Funeral services for Charles W. Sheaffer of 624 9th street southwest, who died Saturday night following a stroke of paralysis will be held at his residence tomorrow. Rev. Patrick Murphy of Epiphany Chapel will officiate and the interment will be made in Congressional cemetery.

Mr. Sheaffer was stricken while driving his automobile through the Mall, and died two hours later at his home. He is survived by his wife and nine children. He was for years a commission merchant in southwest Washington.