

Volney Smith Wood

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Traffic Mishaps Fatal To Two Men

Volney S. Wood and Edward Smallwood, The Latter Colored, Die of Injuries

Volney S. Wood, 69 years old, 222 First street southwest, and Edward Smallwood, colored, 45 years old, were fatally injured in traffic accidents yesterday.

Wood was struck by the automobile of John Carl Weisner of the Chevy Chase Club of Connecticut avenue and Albemarle street, while Smallwood was hit by a truck at Florida avenue and Twelfth street northeast, which failed to stop.

Police were informed that Wood appeared suddenly in front of Weisner's machine and the driver was unable to stop in time to prevent the accident. The injured man, suffering from a fractured skull, fractured leg and cuts about the face and body, died at Emergency Hospital shortly before midnight.

Weisner furnished bond of \$2,000 for his appearance in on technical charge of assault having been preferred before Wood's death.

Smallwood was crossing the street, when a truck, eastbound, struck and dragged him 30 feet. The driver of the truck, witnesses told police, immediately extinguished the lights on the vehicle and continued east on Florida avenue. Smallwood died at Sibley Hospital shortly after midnight from a fracture of the skull.

Detectives Brodie and Varney and police of the ninth precinct learned that the truck was equipped with Maryland license tags.